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“I don’t want my family to squabble over my estate”

AS we get older, we face a myriad of issues about our health and our housing. It can be quite tiring and a lot to think about and there is still the issue of the will, your will. Who should be your main beneficiaries? What happens if your children have a divorce? In the case of your death, how could you protect your spouse? What about tax planning? What issues should you consider when writing a will? How can you protect your inheritance?

There is professional help available. Somerville Laundry Lomax is a local law firm that has been operating on the Northern Rivers since 1888 and have a team of solicitors with a wide range of experience including four who practice in the area of wills and estate planning. Colin Brown, Guy Latham, Dan McOmish and Carolyn Hunt will be able to discuss these important issues with you and ensure that your wishes for beneficiaries and your will are put into action.

Many of Somerville Laundry Lomax’s partners act as board members for local retirement complexes and are active in helping them best understand what’s involved. Consequently Somerville Laundry Lomax offers an unmatched level of understanding and practical advice about making informed choices in relation to retirement and wills.

“You can’t stop your will being challenged, but with the right advice, you can reduce the chance of that challenge being successful”

A professional solicitor can help you write a will from scratch or amend an existing will that should be kept up-to-date and regularly revised. If you have remarried, divorced, had children, or grandchildren whom you wish to include, it is important to ensure that your will is current and reflects this. Using Somerville Laundry Lomax in this process will make certain the changes are made with the correct witnesses and procedure.

If you die without making a will, your assets will be distributed according to the law and may not comply with your wishes. It is possible to use online services or a will kit. However, often these do not always allow for a full will. A full will prevents your family accruing extra

tax or trauma after you die. It is best to talk with a solicitor so that you can discuss your will face-to-face and ask any questions you may have during the process, or after.

Let someone else take the paperwork for a change and feel confident your personal affairs are in good hands. Having a competent professional manage your estate can ensure you and your beneficiaries achieve the best outcome. Somerville Laundry Lomax solicitors, whose slogan is “More experience, better outcomes”, are approachable and willing to help.

Contact Somerville Laundry Lomax solicitors today for an obligation-free discussion about your will or professional estate planning at their Lismore office on 6621 2481 or at their Ballina office on 6686 2522.

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ABOUT SOMERVILLE LAUNDRY LOMAX

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Somerville Laundry Lomax is an established law firm which has provided legal services to the Northern Rivers community since 1888.

We focus on the individual requirements of our clients in order to develop a clear understanding of each client's interests before approaching the legal issues. This enables us to work closely with our clients, to provide efficient and cost effective legal services for both personal and business needs.

Today communication is an essential part of legal service. We like to keep our clients well informed, providing timely and accurate information at all times.

Our offices are located in Lismore and Ballina, where our professional staff are easily accessible and can help with any legal matter you may wish to discuss with them. For legal advice on personal or business matters do not hesitate to call us at our nearest office.

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