## **THRASH LAW FIRM – 2017 SPECIAL ALERT**

This summer the 85<sup>th</sup> Texas legislature made some changes to the STATUTORY DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY and the MEDICAL POWER OF ATTORNEY. Effective September 1, 2017 there is a new version of the STATUTORY DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY (financial power of attorney) and on January 1, 2018 the new version of the MEDICAL POWER OF ATTORNEY goes into effect. It is important to note that your current versions are still valid but if you have considered reviewing your planning or changing your named agents this may be the appropriate time.

## **THE OPPORTUNITY:**

Updating and keeping your documents current is important in order to assure that your planning accomplishes your goals. Therefore, we want to provide this opportunity to update your documents in accordance with these legislative changes and make it as painless as possible. Below is an <u>Update Authorization Form</u> that will allow you to update your STATUTORY DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY and the MEDICAL POWER OF ATTORNEY by mail or email. Once we receive the <u>Update Authorization Form</u> back, we will make the changes and after a quick signing with a notary or a stop into our office for signing – VOILA'!

Please review your STATUTORY DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY and the MEDICAL POWER OF ATTORNEY in your binders. Review the agents you have named and if there are any changes (identity, address or other contact information), note and return the <u>Update Authorization Form</u> to our office by mail or email to <u>info@thrashlawfirm.com</u>. We will prepare the documents and then call you to either send to you so that you may sign *in the presence of a notary* of your choosing or stop by our office and sign. Please be sure to send us a copy if you have the documents notarized elsewhere.

You can return your <u>Update Authorization Form</u> in the enclosed envelope, or if you received this notice by email you may return it by email to <u>info@thrashlawfirm.com</u>. If you do not have any changes, the cost to replace both Power of Attorney documents will be \$395.00 for an individual and \$495.00 for a couple. If you have changes to agents and / or their contact information the cost to replace both Powers of Attorney, along with a new HIPAA release and a new Declaration of Guardian will be \$495.00 for an individual and \$595.00 for a couple.

You can send in a check or call Meagan or Allison to pay by credit card.

## **UPDATE AUTHORIZATION FORM**

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