

# ADVANCE CARE PLANNING LEGAL RESOURCES

This document is designed to support you in the preparation of your Green Sleeve advance care planning documents. Please note that we recommend you use legal counsel to assist in the completion of documents relating to estate planning (your Will) or financial planning (your Power of Attorney). Legal counsel can also prepare Representation Agreements.

If you do not want or need estate or financial planning documents prepared at this time, or cannot afford a lawyer, or prefer to do it yourself, there are online options on the back of this page.

# Q: How do I assign a substitute decision maker for my Green Sleeve?

#### Complete an Enhanced Representation Agreement (Section 9) - "RA9":

You must be legally capable to sign an enhanced representation agreement, and **most people will complete an RA9**. This form is broader in scope, allowing you to assign a substitute decision maker for your general health care and personal care decisions. This includes decisions pertaining to the end of life, as well as place of care. It DOES NOT include any legal or financial decision making.

Here is a link to the RA9 form on the Government of British Columbia website: <a href="https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/health/managing-your-health/incapacity-planning/representation\_agreement\_s9.pdf">https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/health/managing-your-health/incapacity-planning/representation\_agreement\_s9.pdf</a>

#### OR complete a Standard Representation Agreement (Section 7) - "RA7":

With an RA7 you can give someone power to make decisions in four areas: health care, personal care, financial affairs and legal matters, but there are restrictions on what they can do within each area. A person who already has diminished capacity can still sign an RA7 so it can be useful if someone does not meet the threshold of legal capacity to assign a Power of Attorney. People with full legal capacity may also choose this option if their financial affairs are very simple or if they have no one to whom they are comfortable assigning Power of Attorney.

Here is the link to the RA7 form:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/health/managing-your-health/incapacity-planning/representation\_agreement\_s7.pdf

**Don't forget:** You can also find links on our website @ <u>www.coasthospice.com/acp</u> or call our office to arrange to pick up printed blank forms.

Once you complete your Representation Agreement you'll need two people not named in the agreement to witness your signature. Give your decision maker a copy of the form and be sure to store your Representation Agreement in your Green Sleeve.

# Q: How do I assign a substitute financial decision maker?

# Complete an enduring Power Of Attorney (POA)

A power of attorney lets you name someone you trust to manage your financial affairs and legal matters. This often includes paying bills and managing bank accounts. It can include bigger things like investing your money, insuring your car, or selling your assets. It DOES NOT give authority over medical or health decisions. Also note that a POA would override the financial authority of an existing RA7.

Here is a copy of the Power of Attorney form posted on the Government of British Columbia's website: <a href="https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/health/managing-your-health/incapacity-planning/enduring\_powergof">https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/health/managing-your-health/incapacity-planning/enduring\_powergof</a> of attorney.pdf

**2.** Complete a standard Representation Agreement (RA7) - See notes above People with full legal capacity may choose this option if their financial affairs are very simple or if they have no one to whom they are comfortable assigning Power of Attorney.

#### **ONLINE LEGAL RESOURCES & SERVICES**

♦ ONLINE WILLS, POAs, & RAs: (use 10% Discount Code: 'HOSPICE') www.willful.co

♦ ONLINE WILLS, POAs, & RAs: <a href="https://www.legalwills.ca">www.legalwills.ca</a>

❖ FREE RESOURCES:
<a href="https://www.peopleslawschool.ca/">https://www.peopleslawschool.ca/</a>

❖ FREE LEGAL: <a href="https://www.accessprobono.ca/our-programs/lawyer-referral-service">https://www.accessprobono.ca/our-programs/lawyer-referral-service</a>

## SUNSHINE COAST LAWYERS & NOTARIES

RA = Representation Agreement

POA = Power of Attorney \*rates quoted 2022

| BUSINESS                  | PHONE        | LOCATION | RATES*  |
|---------------------------|--------------|----------|---|
| Charthouse Lawyers        | 604-885-4151 | Sechelt  | Simple Will: \$450<br>POA: \$330<br>RA: \$330<br>Package: \$845 (all 3)   |
| Flemming &<br>Sombrowski  | 604-885-9252 | Sechelt  | 15 min free initial consultation<br>Simple Will: \$375+<br>POA: \$200+<br>Rep Agreement: \$250+<br>(Discount for all at once) |
| James Graham              | 604-886-8416 | Gibsons  | General Hourly: \$275-300<br>Simple Will: \$350<br>POA: \$200<br>RA: \$200  |
| Jody Conroy<br>(Notary)   | 604-885-2122 | Sechelt  | Simple Will: \$375<br>POA: \$325  |
| McLash Law Corp           | 604-989-9000 | Sechelt  | Simple Will: \$395 each<br>POA: \$195<br>RA: \$295  |
| Ostrosky Law Corp         | 604-886-5361 | Gibsons  | Simple Will + POA: \$400-700,<br>Package with RA: \$800 est.  |
| Plant & Co.<br>(Caroline) | 604-404-1429 | Gibsons  | Simple Will: \$425, \$625 for couples POA: \$250 RA: \$375  |
| Shoreline Law             | 604-886-2029 | Gibsons  | Simple Will: \$400 (\$700 2 people)<br>POA: \$250 (\$450 2 people)  |

NOTE: Most lawyers will do a free first 15 min consultation and once they have the details they will be able to provide you with a more accurate quote.



### For more information, please go to

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