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remediation deserve a central place in legal practice — values sometimes overlooked in larger, traditional firms. With five full-time and two contract attorneys, the firm combines legal prowess with compassion to achieve remarkable outcomes for clients.

Despite facing challenges including gender-based stereotypes and funding obstacles, ILC innovatively structured its practice with an internal investment arm, enabling the firm to take on significant cases without traditional hedge fund backing that has historically favored

populations. ILC's commitment extends beyond casework through active community engagement. Team members serve in leadership roles across multiple legal organizations and regularly share their expertise at events supporting women business owners throughout Massachusetts. Internally, ILC cultivates a culture of empowerment through thoughtful leadership. Staff members are encouraged to pursue professional development, participate in industry conferences, and contribute meaningfully to case selection.

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Michelle M. Mulvena started her firm in 2012 with three principal goals: be her own boss and build something from the ground up, create a firm that exemplified her passion for helping people, and establish an enterprise that would carry on for many years to come.

Today, with over a decade of dedicated service behind it, Mulvena Winston is a thriving specialized practice that handles estate planning, special needs and disability planning, professional fiduciary services, elder law, probate and trust administration, and guardianships/conservatorships.

The firm comprises five attorneys committed to providing comprehensive legal solutions with a personal touch. Born from Mulvena's entrepreneurial spirit and genuine passion for helping others, the firm has quickly evolved from a startup venture into a respected legal practice that strives to create lasting positive impact.



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While initially challenged by the need to establish their reputation in the commonwealth's crowded legal community, Mulvena Winston has flourished over its 12-year history, developing a strong presence in their practice areas. The firm takes particular pride in their advocacy for individuals with disabilities and their families.

Community engagement stands as a cornerstone of Mulvena Winston's professional philosophy. The firm actively participates in lawyer-of-the-day programs at senior centers and local banks, conducts educational seminars, and sponsors charitable events throughout the community. The firm demonstrates personal commitment through her involvement with her hometown's girls softball organization, which the firm proudly sponsors.

Mulvena Winston fosters a positive culture with employee-focused benefits, including birthdays off, flexible remote work options, adaptable hours, and a casual atmosphere.



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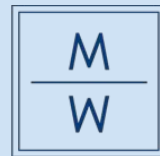


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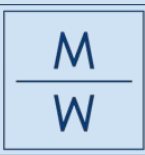
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Elder Law & Long-Term Care

We guide families through long-term care planning, Medicaid applications, and asset protection to support aging with dignity. Whether you're planning ahead or managing a crisis, our team provides the legal tools and support you need every step of the way.

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What Happens If You Pass Away Without a Will in Massachusetts?



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No Will, No Control

If you pass away without a will, you lose control over who inherits your assets. This is called dying intestate, and the state decides what happens next.

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Massachusetts Inheritance Order

Massachusetts law follows a strict order when distributing your estate: Spouse, Children, Parents, Siblings, and other relatives. You don't get to choose.

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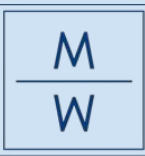
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The Cost of No Will

This can cause confusion or conflict among family, delays in distributing assets, and the risk of unintentionally leaving loved ones out.

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What a Will Helps You Do

Creating a will ensures that you decide who inherits, name someone to manage your estate, protect minor children, and provide clarity and peace of mind for your loved ones.

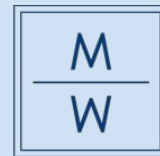
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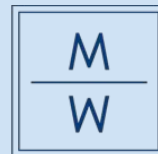
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From Route 93: Take Exit 28A to Rt. 128/I-95 North, then follow the Route 95 directions.

Once inside: Take the elevator to the third floor, turn right, and find Suite 350 at the end of the hallway.



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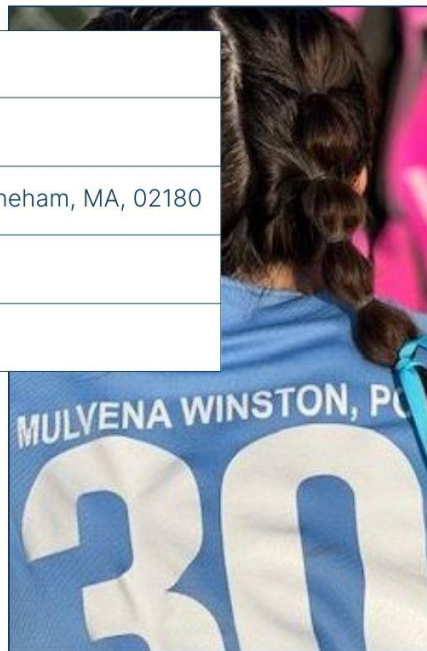
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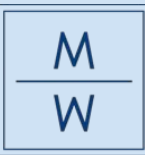
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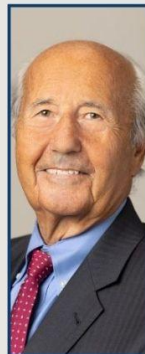
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MICHELLE MULVENA

Michelle M. Mulvena, Esq., principal at Mulvena Winston, PC in Stoneham, has over 20 years of experience in estate planning, Medicaid, disability planning, guardianships, and probate. She provides fiduciary services as a trustee, conservator, and personal representative, helping families, seniors, and disabled individuals maintain independence and dignity.

Michelle speaks on estate planning topics, contributes to the Massachusetts Bar Association's Elder Law Guide, and is active in organizations like the Massachusetts Bar Association and the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys. She graduated from New England Law|Boston in 2001.

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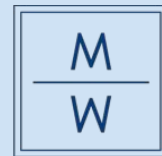
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Neal A. Winston, Esq. specializes in elder law, special needs planning, public benefits, and disability law, with over 30 years of experience. He authored the Social Security Manual for the Community Worker in 1975 and has been named a Boston Magazine Super Lawyer every year since 2006. Neal is a Certified Elder Law Attorney (CÉLA), a past president of the Special Needs Alliance, and an active member of several professional organizations, including NAELA and NOSSCR. Beyond his legal work, Neal advocates for disabled and elderly individuals and leads the Belmont Land Trust as its founder and president.

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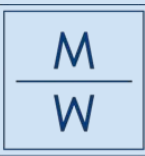
SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

How to Terminate an Adult Guardianship or
Conservatorship Based on Restoration of Rights

March 21, 2025

9:30AM-11:30AM

MLCE New England Conference Center
10 Winters Place, Boston, MA 02108



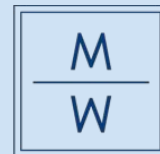
DID YOU KNOW?

If you pass away without a will, state laws will determine how your assets are distributed, which may not align with your intentions or those of your loved ones.





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Beginner's Guide To Estate Planning

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Take Inventory

List your property, accounts, and investments to understand what you own.

Make Key Decisions

Decide who inherits what, guardianship for children, and your healthcare preferences.

Create Essential Documents

Set up a will, trust, power of attorney, and healthcare directive.

Review Your Beneficiaries

Make sure all account and policy beneficiaries are accurate and up to date.

Plan for Taxes

Work to reduce estate or inheritance taxes with smart strategies.

Work with Professionals

Connect with an estate attorney and financial advisor to guide the process.

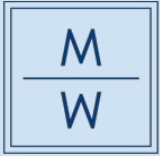


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SPECIAL NEEDS CARE

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- **Estate Planning:** Help preserve assets for disabled loved ones.
 - **Trusts:** Establish Self-Settled (d4A) and Pooled Trusts for asset protection.
 - **Public Benefits Assistance:** Manage and maintain eligibility for benefits such as SSI and Medicaid
 - **Oversight:** Ensure long-term care and effective resource use.
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PLANNING FOR A LOVED ONE WITH DISABILITIES ENSURES
THEIR FINANCIAL STABILITY AND WELL-BEING.



Checklist

Estate Planning Document Review

- ☒ **Power of Attorney**
- ☒ **Health Care Proxy**
- ☒ **Last Will & Testament**



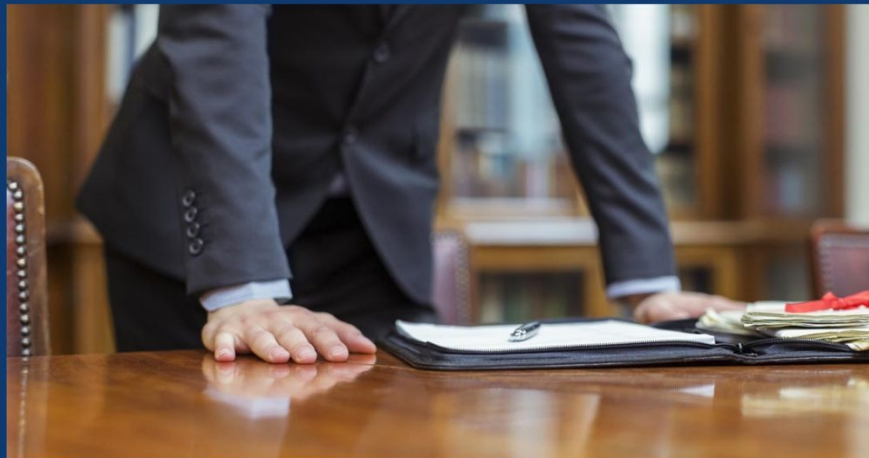
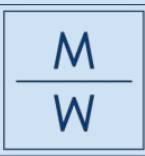
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"We have worked hard our entire lives to ensure we would have both freedom and security in our retirement. Knowing that we made informed decisions, guided by your legal expertise, has allowed us to relax for the first time in 40 years."

— Joan and Larry K.



NEW BLOG POST

New Individualized Education Program (IEP) forms, school policy updates, and pending legislation could directly impact your child's education plan this year.

If your child has an IEP or receives special education services, these changes are important to understand.

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Tip *Tuesday*



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Worried about the high cost of long-term care?

Proper Medicaid planning can help protect your assets and ensure you qualify for care.

Here's how it works:

- Planning ahead can prevent the need to “spend down” your assets
- Tools like an Irrevocable Medicaid Trust can safeguard your property
- With the right strategy, you can stay eligible and preserve family wealth

Thinking about your future? We're here to help.

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"I truly believe I would never have been able to secure Medicaid coverage for my wife's care if I hadn't had you helping me through the process. Your compassion and professionalism are truly appreciated. Anybody who believes all law firms are the same has not met the staff at Winston Law Group. Thank you again."

— The Lewis Family

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Tip Tuesday: Always Name a Backup



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When you're picking someone to make important decisions for you, like in a Power of Attorney or Health Care Proxy, don't forget to name a backup too.

Life happens. Your first choice might be unavailable, and having a backup makes sure your wishes are still carried out without delay.

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Real Stories From Our Valued Clients

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