The Benefits of Having Legal Assistance in Handling the Final Affairs and Estate of Your Loved One

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Dealing with the loss of a loved one is one of the most difficult experiences that any family can face. In addition to the emotional turmoil, family members are often tasked with handling the final affairs of their loved one, including administering their estate. This can be a daunting and overwhelming process, especially for those who have never dealt with estate administration before.

One of the first steps that must be taken is obtaining a court appointment of a personal representative to administer the estate. This involves filing a petition with the probate court in the county where the deceased person resided. The court will then appoint a personal representative, formerly known as an executor or administrator, to manage the estate.

The duties of a personal representative include providing payment of estate debts, gathering estate property, and distributing estate property based on the terms of a Last Will & Testament or the applicable intestacy laws in Massachusetts. The personal representative has a fiduciary duty to act in the best interests of the estate and its beneficiaries and must follow strict legal guidelines and procedures.

Navigating the complexities of estate administration can be overwhelming, especially during a time of grieving. That is why it is important to have legal counsel to guide you through the process and ensure that all duties are faithfully fulfilled and all legal requirements are met.

Hiring an attorney can also provide peace of mind for family members, knowing that they have an experienced professional on their side to help them navigate the legal system and ensure that their loved one's estate is administered properly. In addition, an attorney can help to minimize the potential for disputes and legal challenges that can arise during estate administration.

If you have lost a loved one and need assistance in handling their estate, it is important to seek the help of an experienced attorney. The attorneys at Cohen Cleary, P.C. have the knowledge and experience necessary to guide you through the estate administration process and ensure that your loved one's final affairs are handled with care and compassion. Contact us at 508-880-6677 for a free case consultation. We are here to help you during this difficult time.

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