

# Organizing your financial life

Critical information at your fingertips

Date

Your name

Financial advisor / Team name

Financial advisor / Team phone number

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Living the life you want takes careful planning and preparation. With this in mind, you may find it helpful to have all your important financial information in one place. This document is intended to be that place for you.

As you start to gather your financial information, you may have questions about your overall financial picture or how you'll be able to meet goals that matter to you and your loved ones. A Merrill Lynch Financial Advisor can help. He or she can take the time to fully understand what's important to you. Having a one-on-one relationship with someone who's committed to putting your needs first is one way to help you navigate any life event along your financial journey.

#### Key contacts

Personal	Name	Telephone
Family member		
Family member		
Friend		
Friend		
Primary care physician		
Other physician		
Other physician		
Pediatrician		
Guardian or emergency contact for minor(s)		
Home health aide		
Primary medical insurance		
Secondary medical insurance		
Financial advisor		
Attorney		
Executor		
Power of attorney		
Accountant		
Employer		
Dentist		
Veterinarian		
Telephone provider		
Cellular phone provider		
Cable/Internet provider		
Gas company		
Electric company		

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## Tracking progress

Personal	Provider contact information	Where do I keep these documents?
Example: Adoption papers	John Smith 123 Birch Street, Allentown, PA 18102 610.321.3210	Black file cabinet in basement or Den computer: My Documents > Adoption
Social Security card		
Birth certificates		
Passport/Citizenship (naturalization) papers		
Driver's license number and expiration date		
Adoption papers		
Marriage certificate		
Prenuptial agreement		
Divorce or separation papers		
Military discharge papers		
Safe and combination		
Safe deposit box and key		
Wealth management expense worksheet		
Ownership	Provider contact information	Where do I keep these documents?
Real estate deeds		
Motor vehicle title(s)		
Other titles of ownership		
Appraisal and inventory of valuable items		
Tax	Provider contact information	Where do I keep these documents?
Prior years' federal and state tax returns		
Federal/State gift tax returns		
Property and school tax records		
I still need to discuss with a fina	ancial advisor: Online account access and tra	cking

□ Portfolio performance reviews

# Banking

	Provider contact information	Where do I keep these documents?
Account statements		
Checking statements		
Checkbook		
Savings statements		
Money market account statements		
Credit union account book or statements		
CD statements		
Credit card statements		
Debit card statements		
Online bill paying information		
I still need to discuss:	ectronic banking and automatic investments	

□ Online account management

 $\hfill\square$  Credit and debit cards with rewards programs

### Estate planning

Estate	Provider contact information	Where do I keep these documents?
Last will and testament		
Living will/Health care proxy		
Durable power of attorney		
Burial instructions		
Cemetery plot deed		
Prepaid cremation papers		
Funeral home preference and information		
Letter of instruction to executor/executrix		
Certificates of deceased family members		
Beneficiary for accounts		

## Estate planning

Insurance	Provider contact information	Where do I keep these documents?
Long-term care insurance policy		
Life insurance policies		
Group life policies		
Health and accident insurance cards and claims records		
Mortgage insurance policies		
Travel insurance policy		
Automobile insurance policy		
Property and casualty policies		
Other insurance		
Veterans administration insurance policy		
Beneficiary forms for insurance policies		
Personal and charitable trusts	Provider contact information	Where do I keep these documents?
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Personal and charitable trusts Personal trust account	Provider contact information	Where do I keep these documents?
Personal and charitable trustsPersonal trust accountTrustee information	Provider contact information	Where do I keep these documents?
Personal and charitable trustsPersonal trust accountTrustee informationCharitable trust accountCharitable trust accountCharitable donation	Provider contact information	Where do I keep these documents?
Personal and charitable trustsPersonal trust accountTrustee informationCharitable trust accountCharitable donation preferences		
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□ Insurance planning and products □ Wealth preservation strategies

#### Investment

	Provider con	tact information	Where do I keep these documents?
Brokerage account statements			
Mutual fund account statements			
Other managed account statements			
Stock certificates not held in an account			
Bearer bonds not held in an account			
Alternative investments (include K-1s)			
529 college savings plan statements			
Cost basis papers			
Online transaction confirmations			
Concentrated stocks (10b5-1 selling plans, Rule 144/145 sales and lending)			
I still need to discuss with a fina	ancial advisor:	<ul> <li>☐ Investment strategies</li> <li>☐ Investing for education</li> </ul>	 Managed accounts Alternative investments

#### Retirement

	Provider contact i	nformation		Where do I keep	these documents?
IRA statements					
Company retirement plan statements from all employers, e.g., 401(k), 403(b)					
Other company benefits (stock options, deferred compensation)					
Deferred compensation agreement					
Statements and beneficiary forms for retirement plans, e.g., IRA, 401(k)					
Statements and beneficiary forms for annuity policies (variable or fixed)					
I still need to discuss with a fina	F	i01(k) RMDs RAs	□ Annui □ Retire □ Distril	ement planning	☐ Account transfer solutions

# Credit and lending

	Provider contact information	Where do I keep these documents?
Mortgage		
Home equity line papers		
Loan Management Account <sup>®</sup> statements		
Securities-based loan		
Car loan		
Student loans		
Other outstanding loans		
Promissory notes		
Rental and/or lease agreements		
	Home financing iducation funding Securities-based financing	

## Small business

	Provider contact information	1	Where do I keep these documents?
Incorporation/Ownership papers			
Financing papers			
Bank account statements			
Payroll records			
Employee records			
Employee retirement plans			
Stock option plans			
Other employee benefit plans			
Credit card statements			
Buy/Sell or partnership agreements			
Other			
	Business financing Retirement and benefit plans	□ Cash managem □ Succession pla	