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Asset Protection Newsletter

No one has a greater asset for his business than a man's pride in his work.

- Hosea Ballou



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How vulnerable is the family home to lawsuits?

Most Americans consider their home to be their most valuable and vulnerable asset. Certainly, it's the one asset of greatest concern when they are sued because they are most emotionally attached to their home. The home is also vulnerable to lawsuits because it's usually titled personally to their owners since personal ownership may be necessary for conventional home financing and to claim the federal capital gains tax benefits, homestead protection, and real estate tax abatements available to seniors. Finally, the home is vulnerable because it can be readily attached simply by filing a judgment with the county recorder. This effectively transfers the home's equity to the creditor.

How do people typically lawsuit-proof their home?

It's not that difficult to minimize the home equity that is exposed to creditors. One can accomplish it in a number of ways. But combining mortgages against the home with the protection of their state's homestead laws are the two chief strategies. This dual strategy would leave little or no equity exposed. However, one



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can take a number of other steps to protect their home with exposed equity.

Can you tell me how Payable on Death Accounts work?

Similar to Totten Trusts, POD accounts are bank accounts, which are created for the benefit of another. Some jurisdictions call these accounts Totten Trusts, informal trusts, revocable bank account trusts, or ITF ("in trust for"). The way to set up this account is to notify your bank of whom you want to inherit the money in the account or certificate of deposit. The bank and the beneficiary you name will do the rest, bypassing probate court entirely.

There are many pros to POD Accounts, the following are just a few:

- They are simple to execute
- You can leave an unlimited amount of money this way
- Designation of a beneficiary and claiming of money is simple.

POD Accounts pass outside of probate because the bank account automatically passes to the beneficiary named – rather than through Will.

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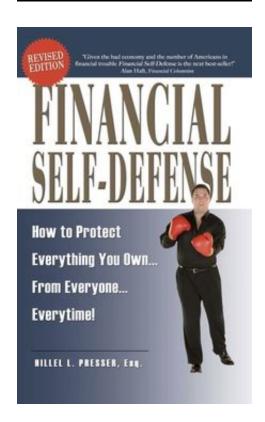
Florida Supreme Court held in Olmstead v. Federal Trade Commission (No. SC08-1009) that a charging order is not the exclusive remedy available to a creditor holding a judgment against the sole member of a Florida single-member limited liability company.

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