

PERSONALISED LEGAL ASSISTANCE

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1. Legal Quotes

"Just legalise everything and let Darwin do the rest." [George Carlin]

"Whoever tells the best story wins." [#Courtroom]

"I've never had a problem with drugs. I've had problems with the police." [Keith Richards]

2. Bail application

"The officer asked, 'You drinking?'

"I answered, 'You buying?' "

We just laughed and laughed.

I need bail money.

3. Inspiring quotes

"You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough." [Mae West]

"Imperfection is beauty, madness is genius and it's better to be absolutely ridiculous than absolutely boring." [Marilyn Monroe]

"Happiness is not something ready-made. It comes from your own actions." [Dalai Lama]

4. What you should keep in your "go to" file

[Based on an article that appeared in DotNews recently]

In the event that something happens to you, it is advisable to keep a file somewhere safe, but accessible (your family must know where it is and how to access it). The information in the file should contain all information that your family and/or executors and advisors need to know about in following your wishes as to medical care or the winding up of your estate.

In this file should be:

- Contact details of everyone you can think of who your family can and should turn to for support and advice – your lawyer, accountant, tax adviser, insurance broker, medical aid specialist, doctor, financial adviser, investment manager, bank contact, employers, employees, business partners, etc.
- A copy of your Will and contact details for your executor (the original Will should be kept in safe custody).
- Your living will (in the event of physical and/or mental incapacity).
- Your letter of wishes (or a signed directive giving details/instructions regarding your Will), if applicable.
- Medical aid details and the details of any funeral policy.
- Copies of ID documents and passports – for you, your spouse, your children, and other dependents.
- Important family documents such as marriage certificates, antenuptial contracts, divorce orders and consent papers.
- A full list of your assets (give detailed descriptions of any important assets, and don't forget full

details of any loans made to family members) and your liabilities.

- Details of all bank and savings accounts, credit cards, investments, life policies, pension funds, and retirement annuities.
- Information on entities like companies and trusts in which you or your family have any interest or involvement.
- A list of all monthly recurring liabilities, debit and/or orders.
- Important documents relating to your assets and liabilities – title deeds, vehicle registration papers, rental agreements, loan agreements, insurance policies, tax returns, tax records – really anything your family or executor may need to access quickly and easily.
- A note on how to access passwords, PIN numbers and access codes.

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