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*Estate Planning, Probate, Medicaid  
and Veterans Benefits*

**Thursday, March 19, 2026 at 11:00 AM**

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THE FUTURE DEPENDS ON WHAT WE DO IN THE PRESENT.

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## Diana Discusses...

### Estate Planning with Trusts Part 1

There are several types of trusts. Some examples are:

**Special Needs Trust (SNT):** Also called a Supplemental Needs Trust. One must never leave a lump sum inheritance to a recipient of Public Benefits such as SSI or Medicaid. They may lose the SSI and/or Medicaid benefits and the amount inherited is subject to Medicaid Recovery. However, it is permissible to provide inheritance to an adult with special needs using a SNT.

**Testamentary Trust:** A Trust created by your Will. A Testamentary Trust does not exist until you die, and your Will indicates the Trust to begin. It is possible to create an SNT this way.

**Pooled Trust:** Helps people with disabilities qualify for programs such as SSI and Medicaid by placing their assets which are over the limit into a pooled trust.

**Irrevocable Trust:** Cannot be changed, reversed, or recovered; final. Example, Irrevocable Burial Trusts are a useful tool for Medicaid Planning purposes.

Other examples: **Charitable Trust, Constructive Trust, Spendthrift Trust, Tax By-Pass Trust.**

**Revocable (Inter-Vivos) Living Trust: This is a common estate planning Trust**

A living trust is created to provide you with the tools to manage your assets while you are alive and seamless distribution of your assets after you die. Along with Power of Attorney documents this is a good tool to use to avoid both Guardianship and Probate proceedings.



# Kiss the Blarney Stone

A group of Americans was touring Ireland. One of the women in the group was a real curmudgeon, constantly complaining. *The bus seats are uncomfortable. The food is terrible. It's too hot. It's too cold. The accommodations are awful.* The group arrived at the site of the famous Blarney Stone. "Good luck will be followin' ya all your days if you kiss the Blarney Stone," the guide said. "Unfortunately, it's being cleaned today and so no one will be able to kiss it. Perhaps we can come back tomorrow." "We can't be here tomorrow," the nasty woman shouted. "We have some other boring tour to go on. So I guess we can't kiss the stupid stone." "Well now," the guide said, "it is said that if you kiss someone who has kissed the stone, you'll have the same good fortune." "And I suppose you've kissed the stone," the woman scoffed. "No, ma'am," the frustrated guide said, "but I've sat on it."



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