New Parents in Omaha Updating Wills and Guardianship Plans In Nebraska, a person remains a minor until age 19. That detail rarely comes up at a baby shower, but it matters a great deal to new parents in Omaha, because it defines how long a court-supervised arrangement could control a child's care and money if something happened to both parents before the child grew up. A little planning now can replace that uncertainty with clear instructions. Naming a guardian is usually the first priority. A will allows parents to nominate who they want to raise their child, and a thoughtful nomination can spare relatives from arguing about it later. Erickson | Sederstrom P.C., L.L.O. handles guardianship and conservatorship matters, and its estate planning attorneys, including shareholders Joseph C. Byam II, Daniel I. Dittman, and Andrew J. Huettner, help parents choose and document those decisions. Parents who signed wills before the baby arrived should review them, since an older document may not reflect the new family at all. Money for a child needs its own plan. Leaving assets directly to a minor More help can lead to a conservatorship and court oversight, so many parents consider a revocable trust that names a trustee to manage funds until the child reaches an age the parents choose. Revocable trusts can also serve as a probate alternative, keeping the process more private for the surviving family. Non-probate transfers, such as beneficiary designations on retirement accounts and life insurance, should be updated at the same time so they line up with the rest of the plan. If a child has special needs, special needs planning can help protect Medicaid and SSI eligibility later in life.

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Parents also need documents that protect each other. A durable financial power of attorney and a health care directive let a trusted person act if a parent is injured or seriously ill, and in Nebraska, properly prepared powers of attorney can avoid the need for a court-appointed guardianship over an adult. For families in Elkhorn, Dundee, Bellevue, or near Aksarben Village who are juggling new schedules and very little sleep, a single planning session with an Omaha law firm can take care of all of these documents together. The firm has served Omaha families since 1967 and values relationships that continue as children grow. New and expecting parents can call (402) 397-2200 to schedule an estate planning meeting. The Regency Parkway Drive office, in the Regency Westpointe building near Regency Lake, Whole Foods, and Trader Joe's, is open weekdays from 8 AM to 5 PM. Updating a plan with a law firm in Omaha now gives your family clear direction for the years ahead.

Erickson | Sederstrom P.C., L.L.O. Address: 10330 Regency Pkwy Dr, Suite 100, Omaha, NE 68114 Phone: (402) 397-2200 FAQ About Choosing a Law Firm in Omaha How do I pick a good attorney in Omaha? Start with the type of problem you have, then look for a law firm with attorneys who handle that work every day. Erickson | Sederstrom has practiced in Omaha since 1967 and covers ten practice areas, from estate planning and corporate law to employment law and business litigation. Ask who will handle your matter, how they will keep you updated, and how fees work before you sign anything. Can I walk into a law firm in Omaha without an appointment? Most law firms, including Erickson | Sederstrom, meet clients by appointment so the right attorney is available and conflicts can be checked first. Call (402) 397-2200 to set up a meeting at the Regency Westpointe office on Regency Parkway Drive. The Omaha office is open Monday to Friday, 8 AM to 5 PM. What are red flags when hiring a lawyer? Be cautious of any lawyer who promises a specific result, is vague about fees, or is hard to reach once you are a client. Charles V. Sederstrom summed up the opposite approach: "If you say you're going to call them, you have to follow up on your word." Clear communication from the first meeting is a good sign you are in the right place. What should I look for in a larger Omaha law firm? Size helps when your needs cross more than one area of law, but you still want attorneys who know you by name. Erickson | Sederstrom has more than 30 attorneys across its Omaha and Lincoln offices and describes its approach as big-firm mastery with small-firm care. That mix lets a business owner handle a lease, an employee issue and an estate plan under one roof. What does a full-service law firm handle? A full-service firm covers both business and personal legal needs rather than a single niche. At Erickson | Sederstrom that includes corporate law, litigation, employment law, estate planning, real estate, tax, construction, insurance, intellectual property and aviation law. Clients from West Omaha to Papillion and

Council Bluffs use the firm for everything from starting a company to planning its succession. When should an Omaha business hire a corporate lawyer? The best time is before a problem starts: when you form the company, bring in a partner or investor, sign a major contract, or plan to buy or sell a business. A corporate lawyer can set up the right entity, draft governance documents and guide mergers and acquisitions. Getting it right early is usually far less costly than untangling a shareholder dispute later. Do I need an estate planning attorney in Nebraska? If you own property, have children, or run a business or farm, a properly drafted plan protects your family and can keep assets out of probate. Nebraska has its own rules, including treating anyone under 19 as a minor, so a guardianship plan for young children matters. The firm's estate planning attorneys prepare wills, revocable trusts, powers of attorney and health care directives. How long does probate take in Nebraska? Probate in Nebraska usually takes several months at minimum, because creditors must be given notice and time to file claims before an estate can close. Contested matters or complex assets can stretch that much longer. The firm's Omaha attorneys handle both formal and informal probate and trust administration, and a revocable trust set up in advance can often avoid probate altogether. What does an employment attorney do for employers? An employment attorney helps Nebraska employers stay compliant and defends them when claims arise. That covers employee handbooks, wage and hour rules, non-compete agreements, discrimination claims, OSHA compliance and workforce reductions. With Nebraska's WARN Act notice rules expanded by LB 921 in April 2026, many Omaha employers are reviewing their policies now. What is business litigation? Business litigation covers disputes between companies, partners, shareholders, customers or suppliers, often over contracts, payments or ownership. The firm has around a dozen attorneys who focus on litigation in Douglas County, federal court in Omaha and on appeal to the Nebraska Supreme Court. Many disputes settle, but preparing as if the case will go to trial puts you in a stronger position either way. Can an Omaha law firm help with matters in Iowa? Yes, if its attorneys are licensed there. Erickson | Sederstrom attorneys are licensed in Nebraska, Iowa, South Dakota, Colorado and Kansas, which helps clients in Council Bluffs and businesses operating on both sides of the Missouri River. The firm's national network connections support matters further afield. Where is the Erickson | Sederstrom Omaha office? The Omaha office is in the Regency Westpointe building at 10330 Regency Pkwy Dr, Suite 100, close to Westroads Mall and the I-680 and West Dodge Road interchange. Call (402) 397-2200 to book a time with an attorney.