Facts You Should Know

Wills and Probate

New Jersey Estate Tax

As of January 1, 2018 New Jersey no longer has an estate tax.

Federal Estate Tax (exclusion)

Beginning in 2018, the Federal estate tax exclusion amount doubled to \$11,180,000 for individuals. For married couples the exclusion is \$22,360,000.

New Jersey Inheritance Tax:

Class A Beneficiaries

A spouse, civil union or domestic partner of a decedent, a father, mother, grandparent, child or children or step-children of a decedent, and any child or children adopted by the decedent, the issue of such child or adopted child, and in certain circumstances, non-biological children of the decedent where the child was the offspring of a biological parent in a civil union or domestic partnership with the decedent. **NO TAX**

Class C Beneficiaries

Brother or sister of a decedent, wife, or civil union partner after 2/19/07 or widow or surviving civil union partner after 2/19/07 of a son of a decedent, or husband or civil union partner after 2/19/07 or widower or surviving civil union partner after 2/19/07 of a daughter of a decedent.

Rate for Each Beneficiary

First	\$25,000	No tax
Next	\$25,001 - \$1,100,000	@ 11%
Next	\$1,100,001 - \$1,400,000	@ 13%
Next	\$1,400,001 - \$1,700,000	@ 14%
Over	\$1,700,001 +	@ 16 %

Class D Beneficiaries

Every other beneficiary not otherwise classified (with no tax on transfers having an aggregate value of less than \$500):

15% on any amount up to \$700,000; and 16% on any amount in excess of \$700,000.

Class E Beneficiaries

Tax exempt charities and governmental bodies. This includes, but is not limited to, the State of New Jersey and any political subdivision, educational institution, church, hospital, and library. **NO TAX**

Transfers to qualified charitable organizations

Exempt from New Jersey Inheritance Tax.

The difference between an estate tax and inheritance tax.

An estate tax is applied to the entire value of the holdings left by an individual at the time of death regardless of how the estate is disbursed to beneficiaries. An inheritance tax is not paid by the estate of the deceased, but rather by individuals who actually receive the property from the estate.

Real Estate

Realtor Transfer Fee:

Payment required for the sale of realty.

Rates not in excess of \$350,000:

1. \$0 - \$150,000	\$4 per thousand
2. \$150,000 - \$200,000	\$6.70 per thousand
3. \$200,000 - \$350,000	\$7.80 per thousand

Rates in excess of \$350,000:

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1. \$0 - \$150,000	\$5.80 per thousand
2. \$150,000 - \$200,000	\$8.50 per thousand
3. \$200,000 - \$550,000	\$9.60 per thousand
4. \$550,000 - \$850,000	\$10.60 per thousand
5. \$850,000 - \$1,000,000	\$11.60 per thousand
6. \$1,000,000	\$12.10 per thousand

For property valued at \$1,000,000 or more there is a 1% "mansion" fee charged to the buyer based on the value of the property. Accordingly, if a home is purchased for \$1,050,000 the mansion fee charged to the buyer is \$10,500.

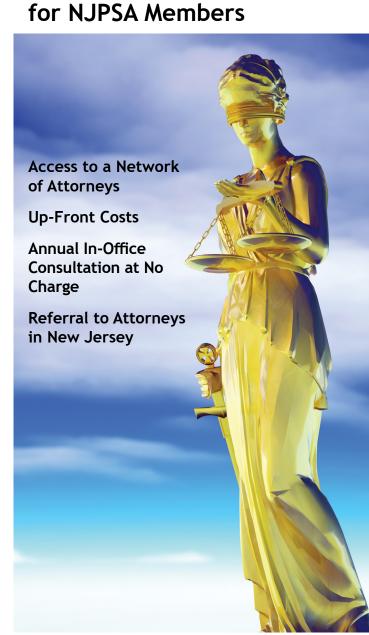
Exemptions:

Sales by seniors, disabled, and blind persons.

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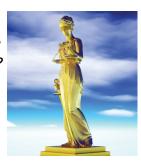
PERSONAL LEGAL PROGRAM





Need a lawyer? Don't know where to turn? Don't know whom to trust?

Join the NJPSA Personal Legal Program.



Anyone who has used NJPSA legal services for job related matters knows that having NJPSA counsel fight for your rights is an invaluable benefit. It's insurance that you can't be without.

However, if you require legal assistance with a personal matter, NJPSA Legal Services do not extend to provide you protection. That is why we are offering our members the Personal Legal Program. Whether you are buying a new home, selling a home, entering into a contract, starting a corporation, or are in need of a will, under the NJPSA Personal Legal Program, you will be covered.

As a program participant, legal assistance is a phone call away, and should you need representation, you will be paired with a lawyer who can assist you with your personal needs.

Once you decide to participate in the NJPSA Personal Legal Program, you will have access to skilled attorneys who will assist you at a reduced rate. While rates may vary based on location, the most common fee schedules for program members are:

Prices

Real Estate Purchase

South Jersey \$825.00 \$925.00 Central Jersey \$1,025.00 North Jersey

Real Estate Sale

South Jersey \$800.00 Central Jersev \$900.00 \$1,000.00 North Jersey

Last Will & Testament, Living Will & Medical **Power of Attorney**

\$325.00 Single

Husband/Wife/ Domestic Partner \$525.00

Uncontested Divorce Proceedings

\$1,000.00 plus costs

Personal Injury Claims Contingent fees reduced

from 33% to 25% for awards or settlements.

Discrimination Claims and Other Matters

Legal fees reduced by 25% and/or contingent fee of 25%

Last Will and Testament: Why You Need One

A person's last will and testament directs how his or her estate is to be divided - whether it all goes to the spouse, domestic partner, children or whether a portion of the estate goes to friends, educational institutions, or other charities. Without a will, the laws of succession or intestacy take over, and you will lose control of how you want your estate divided.

Estate Planning and Elder Care: Expertise Required

Leaving things to chance can cost much more than planning ahead. You need to understand your options and know your legal rights about advanced medical directives, trusts, guardianships, and powers of attorney.

Purchase and Sale of Homes: The Role of the Attorney

Your home is probably your biggest and best investment. When purchasing a home, you need an attorney to make sure the contract protects you to the fullest extent against all possible contingencies.

What You Have to Do to Join the Personal Legal Program

You need to be a member of NJPSA. Then, for an additional annual fee of \$75.00, you purchase the security of knowing that you will have access to an attorney when you need one at an established reduced fee structure.

How Does It Work?

When you need an attorney for a private legal matter, you call NJPSA. You will be immediately referred to an attorney, who will discuss the matter with you and provide representation, if necessary.

Why Should You Join?

Being a member of the NJPSA Personal Legal Program will give you the security of knowing that you will have access to an attorney who will fight to protect your rights.

Protect Yourself and Your Family. Register Today!

For an annual fee of \$75, members, their spouses, domestic partners, and any dependents living in the same household are eligible to receive the services of the Personal Legal Program.

- You must be a member of NJPSA to be eligible for the Personal Legal Program.
- The \$75 annual fee is in addition to NJPSA's regular membership dues.

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