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Collection Law.**

Greetings!

Greetings from your attorneys and staff at Quinn, Meadowcroft & Marker! The wonderful fall season colors have come and gone and Thanksgiving is approaching. Many thanks to all of our clients and we wish you and your families a happy holiday!

For those of you who have not heard, the firm's longstanding partner, Reynar Meadowcroft, Jr., has recently retired. After practicing law and serving the surrounding community for over 35 years, Mr. Meadowcroft has left a great legacy. In this month's edition of the "Attorneys Spotlight" section, Mr. Meadowcroft has drafted a farewell article. In it, you will find highlights of his time in practice, as well as lowlights. Congratulations and thanks to Rey - we certainly will miss his expertise and also his keen sense of humor.

In this month's "Client Focus" section, the firm summarizes some routine legal needs you might consider, and offers suggestions to legally protect yourself.

Additionally, in this month's Newsletter, you will find testimonials from past clients, which might help to answer the question - what can QMM do for you? Finally, you will also find information on recent settlements and successes of the firm over past months.

As with any legal issue, we offer a FREE 1/2 hour consultation and we look forward to assisting you through those difficult moments in life. Please do not hesitate to pick up the phone and call us for help. We are here for you!

We hope to hear from you soon!

Sincerely,

Your Attorneys at Quinn, Meadowcroft & Marker



From left to right: Reynar Meadowcroft, Robert Quinn, Jason A. Marker, Amber Mikula, Jonathan Crannell

Attorney Spotlight - Reynar Meadowcroft, Jr.
A farewell note from QMM's original partner.

Routine Legal Needs



How did I get so old, so quickly? Over forty years ago, I graduated from Case Western Reserve Law School, and was ready to save the world. I began private practice in Lisle, Illinois, with Joseph V. Moschetti. In 1984, I became partners with Robert Quinn. Bob and I have practiced law together until my recent retirement. It was a great decision, and I will miss Bob and the wonderful attorneys in our office...Jason Marker, Amber Mikula, and Jon Crannell.

Although not necessarily related to my practice of law, one of the highlights of my career was watching my fraternity son's (Deke-DePauw University) political career develop. He ultimately became our Vice President. No, not John Adams, but Dan Quayle. The inaugural was an incredible experience. In practice, I enjoyed helping individuals with their home sales and purchases, and also with their estate planning. My lowlight came in the early 80's when my office was firebombed by a husband of a wife I was representing in a divorce case. I never took on another divorce client.

I have decided to retire so my wife and I can do some interesting things while we are still able to do them. I know that all of my past clients looking for me will be in capable hands with the terrific attorneys remaining at the firm. My best to everyone and thanks for the memories.

Fondly,

Reynar Meadowcroft, Jr.

Recent Settlements

1. 45 year old female was rear ended and suffered spinal injuries resulting in a surgery to her lumbar spine. Case was settled for \$78,000.00.

Keep you and your family protected!



1. Update beneficiaries on any life insurance or retirement accounts. People routinely fail to update their beneficiaries which can be done with a quick phone call. Also remember - you can name a Trust (if you've set one up in a will) as a beneficiary.

2. Update your vehicle and property insurance. Call your agent to ask how much it costs to obtain an increase in your coverage - especially uninsured and underinsured motorist coverage. For approximately \$10 extra per month, you can obtain an additional \$100,000 in coverage. The single biggest recommendation we have for clients is to upgrade these coverages because time and time again, we see injured persons unable to go after anything more than \$20,000 because both they and the defendant (person who caused their injuries) only have the state minimum coverage of \$20,000.00.

3. Look to refinance your home if you haven't done so already. There are programs (HARP) that now allow buyers to refinance even when they are upside down on their loans (owe more money than the house is worth). You could save hundreds per month. If you need the names and phone numbers of any lenders we work with, feel free to contact us.

4. Create or update your will and/or trust. If you do not have a trust, your children might be awarded to persons you don't intend or your assets could be distributed in ways you do not intend. Although we don't think of this until end of life, it is important to have this in place

2. 51 year old woman with second degree burns on both hands from work water dispenser. Case was settled for just under \$10,000.00.
3. Rear end auto accident causing disc bulges to cervical and lumbar spine of a 32 year old male. No surgeries involved. Case settled for \$35,000.00.
4. 63-year old male sustained a rotator cuff tear and underwent surgery after falling down a ravine at work as a maintenance personnel. Case was settled for \$100,000.00.

when you are young, especially if you have young children.

5. Discuss end of life issues with your spouse and sign a Power of Health Care. Too often this goes overlooked. Know what your spouse would like to happen at the end of his or her life. But, your spouse's wishes cannot fully be carried out unless you have a signed Power of Health Care that indicates their wishes for end of life medical care.

Recent Testimonials

"I just want to sing praises about Robert Quinn and his law firm. I was in need of a quit claim deed and i was very impressed with the handling and speed of my case. Please continue to refer clients to Robert Quinn. I and very happy and pleased with his work and professionalism."

K.T.

About Our Law Firm

Quinn, Meadowcroft & Marker is a Bolingbrook law firm focusing on customer service and maximum results. The firm's five attorneys each practice in various areas of law, including personal injury, workers' compensation, family law and divorce, real estate, wills and trusts, and business incorporation.

The firm is proud to be one of the largest law firms in Bolingbrook since its inception in 1977. We bring our diversified backgrounds and over 78 years of combined experience together to provide our clients with quality legal representation.

We are both gratified and honored when a client's legal concerns are placed in our hands. Over the years we have worked hard to inspire the trust and confidence of those we serve, and we continue to strive to maintain our reputation for excellence. We look forward to helping future clients in their times of need.

We offer a free 1/2 hour consultation. If you have a legal question or wish to speak to one of the firm's

attorneys, please feel free to complete the information request form on our homepage or even chat with a live attorney. It is our pledge to respond to you within twenty-four (24) hours. We look forward to hearing from you soon!

We serve clients in the Chicago area, including Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, and Will Counties.

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