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Get Free Legal Help With Writing a Simple Will

Western Reserve Public Media and Roetzel & Andress, LPA, to sponsor second annual Write a Will Day on May 7

NORTHEAST OHIO — April 23, 2014 — Community members can get free legal help with writing a simple will at the second annual Write a Will Day, to be held on Wednesday, May 7, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Western Reserve Public Media, 1750 Campus Center Dr., Kent. Attorney Steven Cox from Roetzel & Andress, LPA, will volunteer his time and expertise to prepare the simple wills. Appointments are limited and reservations are required.

“We are grateful to Roetzel attorney Steven Cox for working with us on this free community service for a second year,” said Toni Kayumi, chief development and communications officer at Western Reserve Public Media. “He will personally meet with each attendee in preparing his or her simple will.” Kayumi added that appointments will be about one hour each and will be completely confidential.

Both Western Reserve Public Media and Roetzel & Andress are members of Leave a Legacy Summit/Portage/Medina. That organization estimates that 55 percent of American adults do not have an estate plan in place, even though there are many reasons why doing so is important. These include ensuring that one’s assets go to desired beneficiaries without delay and reducing the chance of family disputes.

A simple will does not avoid probate and does not avoid estate taxes. It is prepared with the assumption

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that one's net assets, including life insurance, do not exceed the current estate tax exemption. For more information about Write a Will Day or to make a reservation, call Toni Kayumi at Western Reserve Public Media at 330-677-4549.

About Western Reserve Public Media

Western Reserve Public Media (formerly PBS 45 & 49) is owned and operated by Northeastern Educational Television of Ohio, Inc., a private, nonprofit corporation and consortium of Kent State University, The University of Akron and Youngstown State University. A trusted community resource, Western Reserve Public Media uses the power of commercial-free television and related services to enrich the lives of people through high-quality programming and educational services that teach, illuminate and inspire. It serves the largest population of Ohio's eight PBS member stations.

Western Reserve PBS (WNEO 45.1/WEAO 49.1), a service of the organization, is the only broadcast television service that reaches all of Northeast Ohio. It is available to 5.13 million people in the Cleveland and Youngstown designated market areas. In an average month, more than 1 million people tune in. The organization also operates three standard definition channels: Fusion (WNEO 45.2/WEAO 49.2), MHz Worldview (WNEO 45.3/WEAO 49.3) and V-me (WNEO 45.4/WEAO 49.4).

Through funding from the Ohio Department of Education, Western Reserve Public Media provides K-12 educational technology training and instructional television programming to 21,500 educators and 256,700 students in 10 Ohio counties. For more information about the organization, visit www.WesternReservePublicMedia.org or call 1-800-554-4549.

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