

Disposal of personal items can split family

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 probated wills, according to Malach. Waddell said "disputes are definitely the exception" and can be avoided altogether. Michigan law allows for a letter of intent in which all personal possessions and the intended recipient may be listed. When referred to in the will, the letter becomes part of legal documents recognized by state probate courts.
 As the very least, personal representatives (formerly called executors) should have authority to dispose of all personal items in the event a dispute arises, according to Waddell, because there are certain things nobody wants.
 "What is treasure to one person is junk to the next. Lots of times you can't even give personal property away. Used furniture just isn't that valuable. I mean, how much can you get for a 19-year-old TV?" Waddell said.
 White Elephant Antiques recently conducted an estate sale in Birmingham, selling the home and contents of an elderly woman who died at age 89. She left all her worldly goods to an assortment of relatives and friends.
 "We sold everything in the house, down to photos," said Sean Day of White Elephant. "It doesn't necessarily follow that because something is old or even valuable that someone wants it. Some people would much rather have the money."

business people

Peter W. Gullifole of Farmington Hills was appointed an assistant vice president, metropolitan corporate banking at Comerica Inc.

Michael K. Stenback of Birmingham was appointed director of marketing for G-T Energy Concepts Inc.

Julie O'Connor of Southfield was promoted to vice president, account supervisor at Goldfarb Hoff & Co.

Steve LaGattuta of Bloomfield Hills was appointed executive vice president, international/business development at W.B. Doner & Co. in Southfield.

John DeCercchio of Birmingham was appointed executive vice president, executive creative director with W.B. Doner & Co. in Southfield.

Vince Wade joined the WJBK-TV news in Southfield as senior reporter/investigator.

Michael Kowalski of Bloomfield Hills was appointed assistant general manager of Kowalski Sausage Co. Inc.

Antoinette Stafford of Troy was appointed director of human resources at Meteor Photo Co. in Troy.

Tom Baier, Ken Jenkhas, Dave Larson, Rocco Romano and Stephen Smith were promoted to senior associates at TMP Associates.

Mary Bridget Finn of Birmingham was appointed to account coordinator at Simons Michelson Zieve Inc.

Danael W. Dilloway of Troy was named assistant media planner for Stone, August, Baker Communications Co.

Jeffrey S. Williams of Farmington Hills was appointed to small business banking officer, Corporate Banking Division at Comerica Inc.

Noreen Berg of Rochester was promoted to assistant vice president of Fidelity Bank's Board of Directors in Bloomfield Hills.

Ronald Riley of Rochester joined RE/MAX Commercial Inc. in Troy as a commercial associate.



Gullifole



Stenback



O'Connor



LaGattuta



DeCercchio



Wade



Kowalski



Stafford

Donald W. Pielt joined Kotlia Chiropractic Life Center in Farmington Hills.

Mike Uhrig is the new InnKeeper at Knights Inn - Detroit-West in Farmington Hills.

Michael Isabella of Farmington Hills was named marketing director of WLLZ-FM of Farmington Hills.

Kim Nye was appointed general manager of Saks Fifth Avenue-Fairlane.

John B. Damoose of Birmingham was elected vice president - Dodge Car and Truck Division.

Sandra Lermer of Southfield joined Intergroup Marketing & Promotions Inc. of Bloomfield Hills as senior writer in the business communications division.

John Bachman was promoted vice president, manager of systems development at D'Arcy Masius/Benton & Bowles of Bloomfield Hills.

M. Dalina Mayer of Troy was appointed vice president, general manager of Kast Service America.

Donald J. Harrod was named vice president/engineering for Farnam Scaling Systems in Troy.

Florence E. Pangborn joined Roney & Co. as an account executive at the Birmingham office. She was formerly employed with Paine Webber in Troy.

Robert L. Bodack was named "Representative of the Year" for Private Ledger Financial Services. He is the president of Creative Retirement Plans Inc. in Southfield.

Robert Spradlin and James B.

Burns were promoted at Contract Interiors of Southfield. Spradlin was appointed president. Burns was named chairman of the board.

Mary Bridget Finn of Birmingham was appointed account coordinator at Simons Michelson Zieve Inc. in Troy.

Rob Zaloga was promoted to producer of MVP Communications Inc. in Troy. Zaloga is covering the auto racing circuit.

Lee P. Wells was promoted to vice president of marketing and was elected to the board of directors of Mortgage Corp. of America of Troy.

Lyn Jenks was appointed vice president and senior consultant for the Strategy Co. of Troy.

Paul J. Austin of Farmington Hills was named vice president for actuarial and underwriting at Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Michigan.

Roger W. Kolna was named vice president of marketing and sales at American Delivery System Inc. of Keego Harbor.

Jerome M. Brandman and Christine Masson were promoted at First Nationwide Bank. Brandman was appointed first vice president and Michigan state manager for retail banking based in Southfield. Masson, of Farmington Hills, was appointed vice president and Michigan regional sales manager.

Cheryl Lott of Southfield and Laurie Moeller of Birmingham joined Trowbridge House Communications Corp. as an account executives.

Molly A. Glaz, David A. Greely, Michael A. Panley, Caitlin A. Rodgers and Rebecca L. Rychlick joined Ross Roy Inc. as account administrators. Panley resides in Bloomfield Hills and Rodgers lives in Birmingham.

John C. Kramer of Bloomfield Hills was named national advertis-

ing manager for the Plymouth Division of Chrysler Motors.

James R. Anderson of Birmingham joined Jay Allx & Associates of Southfield as a senior associate.

Robyn Kahler, Mindy Peck and Kathy Sarevich joined Straight Inc. of Plymouth. Kahler of Plymouth was appointed Program Counselor. Peck, Farmington Hills, was named admissions counselor. Sarevich was appointed education director.

Marc K. Shaye of Franklin joined the law firm of Cross Wrock as a shareholder.

Sponsor Koch was appointed station manager/vice president of sales at WJBK-TV 2 of Southfield.

Fritz Roth and Les Lee Roland recently opened The Packaged Deal, a public relations firm in Southfield. They have accounts such as Kitly Wagner Spa and Salon, Meisel and Associates, Audrey Pearl and Associates, Stevens Howard of Franklin Club Apartments and GeoQuest Media.

Kristine Wendt, Cindy Plachta, Jim Hanika, Jim Smith, Karen Wright and Gwendolyn Smith-Dolly were promoted at Stone, August, Baker Communications Co. in Troy. Wendt was promoted to media planner. Plachta of Farmington Hills was promoted to account executive and will be managing advertising activities. Hanika was named assistant account executive for the R.J. Baker Advertising group. Smith was appointed assistant production manager. Wright was promoted to account coordinator for the creative division. Smith-Dolly was appointed assistant media planner.

Sharon Willers-Irela was named creative director for Marketing Communications Counsel Inc. of Farmington Hills.

Loren G. Prange of Farmington Hills was appointed vice president-assistant general manager of R.L. Polk & Co.

Roger F. Walker of Troy was appointed vice president of operations of Parker & Arnhem of Madison Heights.

Marge Forbes, Peter Mara, Gloria Hixon and Amanda Murtagh were promoted at Young & Rubicam, Detroit. Forbes, of Bloomfield Hills, was elected vice president. Mara, also of Bloomfield Hills, was promoted to operations account executive for the Lincoln Mercury Dealer Association account. Hixon, West Bloomfield, was named media group supervisor. Murtagh, Bloomfield Township was named media supervisor.

Gerald G. Kaplan, Gary Currier, Richard Newlin, Theresa Holtzauer, Adam Kepa and James W. Ropposch of West Bloomfield joined the architecture and engineering firm of Gilfe Hoyer Basso Inc. of Troy. Kaplan joined as project administrator. Currier is a senior project architect. Newlin joined as senior project architect. Holtzauer joined as an architect. Kepa is a project engineer. Ropposch joined as an electrical engineer.

David R. Fletcher of Troy and Lawrence R. Smith of Birmingham were named principals at Mercer Meidinger Hansen, Inc.

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