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# ABA/AARP Checklist For My Family: A Guide To My History, Financial Plans And Final Wishes





## Synopsis

Put your life in order with this valuable new resource from AARP and the American Bar Association. Checklist for My Family guides you through the process of gathering in one place your finances, legal documents, online accounts, wishes about medical care, and more. Plus it tells you what you need, why you need it, whatââ ¬â,¢s missing, and where to get it. While giving you peace of mind, this book is also a gift to your loved ones. It spares them stressful decisions and needless frustrations when youââ ¬â,¢re ill or upon your death. And it presents them with your legacy, by providing specific knowledge of family history and recollections about your life, interests, and accomplishments. Whether you choose to gather this critical information in the book itself or through the forms available free online, you can easily customize and organize your information.With this one-of-a-kind guide, youââ ¬â,¢ll stay in control of your life and feel satisfied in knowing that if anything happens to you, youâ⠬⠕and your familyâ⠬⠕will be well prepared.

### **Book Information**

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I purchased 2 organizers -- and I'm returning this one. The structure is inflexible and inefficient. (27 pages to document incomplete info about my family?!) It's not well organized. I'm keeping Nolo's Get it Together. It's a similar product, but better meets my needs.

Don't know why AARP doesn't offer such documents complimentary to its members. I was able to download a similar document at "What My Family Needs To Know," a free government PDF document with many similar pages.

This 250 page "checklist" makes the process unnecessarily complicated if you do not have an extensive estate. Most of this information is common sense that if you spend a day thinking about it, you'll know what to do. The online forms are buried on the ABA website and anyone can print those out for free, once they find them. The book would have been more useful if the pages were perforated so that you can remove what you actually need and put in a binder.

As with any universal product, the checklists included are mostly useful, and also have a lot of areas not applicable to my needs. Just use what you need. The AARP link to the PDF files works on some computers and not others, mostly due to security settings. If a DVD version of the forms was available, they would be worth \$10 or so if mailing was included.

This book has all the information you need to know, and so much more that I never thought of, all in one place. Instead of having to search all over and talk to different people, this book has all the information you could want in a step by step, methodical sequence. I believe it's a book that would help anyone prepare, and to do the best for their family and loved ones. The book was in brand new condition, and shipping was very fast. I recommend this highly as a useful tool that will help those that want to organize their affairs, wishes, and even family history. A book with information that eventually we will all have a need for. Highly recommended!!!

The subject matter may be grim and the completion a chore, but those left behind to clean up after

your little sojourn on this Earth will certainly thank you. Too many times the subject matter contained within is overlooked by even the most obsessive compulsive individuals. Failure to address these issues before the need arises can lead to heartache, hurt feelings, and family feuds. Without this list your problems may be over, but your loved one's are just beginning. Those who loved you will appreciate the extra effort and attention to these MAJOR details. Complete the journey through this book and finish your journey like a winner.

Arrived quickly & is a very detailed book. I just wish it was bound differently so you could print out the pages that you need for your particular situation. Highly recommend this book to others who want to help their loved ones at the end of their life.

My daughter was giving me a lecture about how I needed to make plans for the end of life, omg I couldn't believe it and started laughing a little and told her I already had it started so she needed to stop worrying about me. Then I told her about the book and when she could find it in 30 years when I'm 95. LOL It does have a great way to plan everything and where your love ones can find your bank accounts, safe deposit box, passwords, funeral arrangements, etc all greatly organized.

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