

Note from Susana: “Love Letters*” no more, in Denmark at least

Dear Reader,

Happy New Year!

December 30, 2025 marked the final day the Danish Postal Service delivered letters. After serving its population for more than 400 years, Denmark’s postal system ended traditional mail delivery due to drastic declines in letter volume and the rapid pace of digitalization. Its focus has now shifted almost entirely to parcel delivery.

In that same spirit of change, our first article of the new year focuses on digital assets—now an integral part of estate accumulation and, therefore, estate planning for descent and distribution.

Digitalization has already transformed our banks, our courts, and our registries of deeds through electronic filing. Digital assets are still relatively new territory in nearly every area of the law, and cryptocurrency has become a fact of life for many individuals and families.

Although I do not practice in the area of domestic relations, I recently observed how digitalization—particularly the use of cryptocurrency—can make obscuring or hiding assets far easier. This is especially problematic in states such as Massachusetts and Florida, which follow equitable distribution laws. How does a “50/50” division work when parties are already at odds and one may be dishonest from the start?

These same concerns extend into trust and estate administration. Trustees, personal representatives (formerly known as executors), and agents acting under a Power of Attorney all owe fiduciary duties. Digital assets can complicate transparency and accountability, increasing the risk of marginalization or even theft if not properly documented and managed.

While digitalization offers convenience—online banking being a prime example—it can come at a cost in probate, litigation, and administration contexts.

One of my personal goals is to help clients identify, track, and properly plan for their digital assets, so that nothing is lost, overlooked, or misappropriated when it matters most.

If you own digital assets and have not addressed them in your estate plan, it may be time for an update. Thoughtful planning today can spare your loved ones confusion, conflict, and unnecessary expense tomorrow.

Please call us if you would like to discuss how your digital assets fit into your estate plan.

Warm regards,
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*Title of the Broadway play by A. R. Gurney. *Love Letters* traces a relationship through correspondence exchanged over many years. The gentility and literacy of letter writing have since been eclipsed by the vacuous communications of so-called “influencers.” You be the judge.