

Dear Client Family

## **RE: Registered Death Certificate**

One of the important issues we generally attend to whilst assisting you at this time is to apply on your behalf for a formal Death Certificate from Births, Deaths & Marriages.

This document is often needed in relation to various legal and estate issues that you may need to attend to at this time.

After the funeral, the information required to register your loved one's death will be sent to the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages where it will be matched with the Medical Certificate of Cause of Death and the death registration will be finalised. The Registered Death Certificate will be posted by the Registry to the nominated family representative.

This process may take up to six weeks from the date of the funeral. If you have not received the Registered Death Certificate by six weeks after the funeral, please contact us on 03 9328 4300 and we will follow this up on your behalf. Please note that this process may take longer if the coroner is involved.

In addition to legal and estate issues, there are often many other people and organisations you may need to contact. We hope the checklist on the reverse side of this letter is of assistance in this regard.

If you have any queries about these issues, please contact us on 13 19 34.

Kind Regards

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In our experience most families have a number of people and organisations that they will be required to contact at the time of a death. You may find this a helpful guide to assist you at this time.

| Accident Insurance                      | Home and Contents Insurance               |
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| Accountant                              | Home Delivery Service                     |
| Ambulance Service (1800 648 484)        | (eg Newspapers, Milk, Subscriptions)      |
| Australian Taxation Office (13 28 61)   | Home Nursing Help                         |
| Banks/Building Societies                | Household Help                            |
| Cemetery – Right of Interment           | Landlord                                  |
| (eg Grave or Cremated Remains memorial) | Life Insurance                            |
| Centrelink (13 23 00)                   | Local Council                             |
| Church or Religious Organisations       | Meals on Wheels                           |
| Clubs, Organisations and Associations   | Medicare (13 20 11)                       |
| Companies (eg Directorships)            | Optometrist                               |
| Credit Card Providers/Credit Unions     | Pharmacist                                |
| Customer Loyalty Cards                  | Post Office                               |
| Dentist                                 | Private Health Benefit Fund               |
| Department Veteran Affairs (9284 6000)  | School or College                         |
| Doctor, Specialist or Hospital          | Service Organisations (eg Library)        |
| Electoral Office (9285 7171)            | Social Media Accounts                     |
| Electricity Provider                    | Solicitor or Public Trustee               |
| Employer/former Employer                | Superannuation Company                    |
| Executor of Will                        | Telephone Company                         |
| Friendly Society                        | Trade Unions or Professional Associations |
| Gardening Services                      | Vehicle Insurance                         |
| Gas Provider                            | Vehicle Registration Vic Roads (13 11 71) |
| Home Appliance Rental                   | Veterinary Surgeon                        |