



California Pre/Post Marital Agreements

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Legal Developments

Major Revision to CA Law Affecting Premarital Agreements

Family Code §1615 was amended effective January 1, 2020. Among other things it requires the advisement to seek independent legal counsel be made at least 7 days before the final agreement is signed. Law and Strategy and Question Help have been updated accordingly. *Questions 16, 18, 630*

Updated Product Features

New Language Added to Parties' Acknowledgement

A new item (k) was added to the parties' acknowledgement reflecting the new requirement that the final draft of the Agreement be presented at least seven days before execution. *Question 642*

New Question Added to Letter to Unrepresented Party

A new question and text were added to this letter relating to the date of final approval of the agreement, which requires another seven days before the agreement can be executed. *Question 796 and New Question 797*

Software Upgrades

We have switched to an updated, more stable version of Java, which will install with this update. When launching Lawgic for the first time, you might notice that your fonts are slightly larger or smaller than what you expect, depending on your monitor. Without getting too technical, this is the result of the way the new Java handles the user interface. If you need to adjust your font size, or just forgot you could, go to Lawgic's Font tab on the menu bar and select your size.

Improved Navigator Printing

We have expanded the available options for a user to send the Navigator outline for a file from the File>Send>Navigator menu item. The user may now choose to send all questions, just flagged questions, or only answered questions. The ability to also send answers, either long or short, and notes is still available.

Scratch Pad Upgrade

Some users had commented that the Scratch Pad would be more useful if the same data could be stored in more than one place. This allows bunching of information, such as trustees' names, even if the same information is desired in a different spot in the Scratch Pad. We did not previously allow duplicate entries in that tool because of programming considerations, but that has been modified and the Scratch Pad can now contain duplicate data. In addition, you can now insert a new row above a selected row as well as use a new shortcut F9 to add a new row. For more information, right-click in the Scratch Pad and select "About Scratch Pad". We are working on other enhancements to make this tool even more valuable!

Other - The Help and Resources selections from the HELP menu in Lawgic have been redesigned and have a new look and feel.

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To view the questions that have revised **Law & Strategy** use the "**Up_2001**" flag file. From inside Lawgic, open any existing answer file; on the **Flags** menu, click **Open Flags**, select the appropriate Title (click **OK**), and next select the "**Up_2001**" flag file (and click **OK**). To view all flagged questions, click **Expand All** on the **Answers** menu and scroll the Navigator. Flagged questions will be indicated with **blue bold** text.

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