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A Matter of Trust

Dear Clients, Planning Partners, and Friends of Cain, Cain & Janik,



A few years ago, our son Brooks helped us start our University of Oklahoma law student internship program. It has turned out to be a wonderful addition to the Cain, Cain & Janik team.

Brooks graduated from the OU College of Law in 2023, and during his final year, he helped us recruit our very first intern. We received 52 applications for one position! Brooks helped us narrow the field and decide who to interview. We hired our first law student intern that summer.

Since that time, we generally have two OU law students working with us at any given time. We usually have one intern who has completed the first year of law school and another who has completed the second. They bring energy, curiosity, fresh ideas, and, thankfully, a pretty good understanding of technology!

This year, those students are Reece Carmen and Kaeley Tortorici. Reece, a Norman native, recently completed his second year at OU Law and serves on the *Oklahoma Law Review*. Kaeley, from Ada, completed her first year of law school after earning an undergraduate degree in finance and working for several years in wealth management.

And then there's Noelle Woodhouse, an OU student who serves as both an intern and our Marketing Assistant, bringing yet another perspective and plenty of creativity to our team.

What I love most is that they're not just here to watch and learn. **They contribute.** They ask good questions, tackle real projects, and help us serve our clients better. Experience matters tremendously in our profession, but I've learned that pairing that experience with the energy and ideas of the next generation makes our entire firm better. And perhaps even more importantly, we're getting the opportunity to help develop talented young people who understand how we practice, how we care for our clients, and what it means to be an Estate Planner for Life™.

That's an investment in the future we're pretty excited about.

With care and appreciation,

Tamara Cain



Worth Passing Along

by Tamara Cain

Some things are meant to be shared.

Most of us can point to someone who saw something in us before we fully saw it in ourselves—a teacher, coach, employer, colleague, friend, or family member who gave us an opportunity, shared what they knew, encouraged us, or took us seriously.

Take a minute and think about that person in your own life.

- Who invested time in you?
- What did they teach you that you still carry today?
- Did they ever open a door for you that changed the direction of your life?

And then consider this:

Whose life are you investing in today?

You don't have to be someone's official "mentor." Sometimes passing something forward is as simple as sharing what you've learned, making an introduction, offering encouragement—or giving someone a chance.

And here's the wonderful thing about investing in the next generation: **we usually discover they have something to teach us, too.**



It's Never Too Late to Go Back to School

Learn the fundamentals every family should know about protecting the people you love.

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Red Book Meetings

We are dusting off the client Red Books this summer and over the next few months. These updates ensure that our clients' plans remain current as their lives evolve. We look forward to seeing our even-year clients over the next few months. If you are an even-year client and have not scheduled your signing date or need more information, please give us a call.



Back-to-School (for Life): One Important Lesson Most Families Don't Think About

Every August, Back-to-School season brings about the same thoughts. Parents are buying school supplies, filling out forms, packing lunches, and trying to figure out how summer disappeared so quickly. There's a sense of excitement in the air, but there's also something else happening...
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- Marty Cain

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