Settle an estate with ease

Experts at hand
Settling an estate can be a complex and lengthy process, but it doesn’t have to be. The resources and services we offer you and your beneficiaries through MetLife Legal Plans are there to help. With your Supplemental Life coverage, you get expert legal guidance at no extra cost. Whenever you or your representative have a question about the probate process or the court representation needed, unlimited consultations for covered matters with a network attorney can leave you feeling confident with your decisions.

Tailored guidance when it matters most
With over 18,000 network attorneys, consultations are tailored to suit you. Consultations can either be over the phone or in person, so you can talk through your options in a private and supportive environment. This is all part of your coverage, so there are no forms to fill out, but there’s always the option to use an out-of-network attorney if you’d prefer. The cost for these services are based on a set fee schedule.*

You've got it covered
MetLife Legal Plans offers an array of services, all covered in your plan. Working together, we’ll equip you to find the best solutions for yourself or your beneficiary when settling an estate.

- Unlimited one-on-one consultations to talk to an attorney about authenticating an estate.
- Preparation and court representation means you receive prepared estate documents and in-court professional representation to help execute the transfer of probate assets from the estate.
- Help with any correspondence and tax filing needed to transfer non-probate assets.

As soon as your life insurance coverage begins, you’ll automatically have each of these services at your fingertips.

Guidance is just a phone call away
Simply contact a Client Services Representative to get started. We’ll give you a case number and help you find a participating plan attorney.

- Call MetLife Legal Plans’ toll-free number on: 1-800-821-6400, Monday through Friday, 8am – 8pm EST
- Provide the company name, customer number (if available) and the last four digits of the policy holder’s social security number.
- And find the best network attorney for you

Other services that may also be included with your life coverage...

- Will Preparation1: Help ensure final wishes are clear.
- Grief Counseling Services2: Access professional support in a time of need.
- Funeral Discount & Planning Services3: Pre-plan to reduce the burden of making funeral arrangements from loved ones.

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* Individuals have the option to use the out-of-network reimbursement feature to retain an attorney who does not participate in MetLife Legal Plans’ attorney network. If an out-of-network attorney is chosen, the individual will be responsible for any attorneys’ fees that exceed the reimbursed amount.
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Included with Supplemental Life Insurance, Group Variable Universal Life, Group Universal Life. MetLife Estate Resolution Services are offered by MetLife Legal Plans, Inc., Cleveland, Ohio. In certain states, legal services benefits are provided through insurance coverage underwritten by Metropolitan Property and Casualty Insurance Company and Affiliates, Warwick, Rhode Island. Certain services are not covered by Estate Resolution Services, including matters in which there is a conflict of interest between the executor and any beneficiary or heir and the estate; any disputes with the group policyholder, MetLife and/or any of its affiliates; any disputes involving statutory benefits; will contests or litigation outside probate court; appeals; court costs, filing fees, recording fees, transcripts, witness fees, expenses to a third party, judgments or fines; and frivolous or unethical matters.

1. Included with Supplemental Life Insurance. Will Preparation is offered by MetLife Legal Plans, Inc., Cleveland, Ohio. In certain states, legal services benefits are provided through insurance coverage underwritten by Metropolitan Property and Casualty Insurance Company and Affiliates, Warwick, Rhode Island. For New York sitused cases, the Will Preparation service is an expanded offering that includes office consultations and telephone advice for certain other legal matters beyond Will Preparation. Tax Planning and preparation of Living Trusts are not covered by the Will Preparation Service.

2. Grief Counseling services are provided through an agreement with LifeWorks. US Inc. LifeWorks is not an affiliate of MetLife, and the services LifeWorks provides are separate and apart from the insurance provided by MetLife. LifeWorks has a nationwide network of over 30,000 counselors. Counselors have master’s or doctoral degrees and are licensed professionals. The Grief Counseling program does not provide support for issues such as: domestic issues, parenting issues, or marital/relationship issues (other than a finalized divorce). For such issues, members should inquire with their human resources department about available company resources. This program is available to insureds, their dependents and beneficiaries who have received a serious medical diagnosis or suffered a loss. Events that may result in a loss are not covered under this program unless and until such loss.

3. Services and discounts are provided through a member of the Dignity Memorial® Network, a brand name used to identify a network of licensed funeral, cremation and cemetery providers that are affiliates of Service Corporation International (together with its affiliates, “SCI”), 1929 Allen Parkway, Houston, Texas. The online planning site is provided by SCI Shared Resources, LLC. SCI is not affiliated with MetLife, and the services provided by Dignity Memorial members are separate and apart from the insurance provided by MetLife. Not available in some states. Planning services, expert assistance, and bereavement travel services are available to anyone regardless of affiliation with MetLife. Discounts through Dignity Memorial’s network of funeral providers are pre-negotiated. Not available where prohibited by law. If the group policy is issued in an approved state, the discount is available for services held in any state except KY and NY, or where there is no Dignity Memorial presence (AK, MT, ND, SD, and WY). For MI and TN, the discount is available for “At Need” services only. Not approved in AK, FL, KY, MT, ND, NY and WA.