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How do I add a Transfer On Death (TOD) beneficiary to my deed?

Recording a Transfer on Death to Beneficiary is one tool in your estate plan. TOD's may seem like a simple solution to avoid probate, but it can lead to unexpected complications. You may wish to consult an Attorney who is familiar with Wisconsin real estate law and estate planning to decide the best path for your situation. An attorney can complete the legal documents necessary to designate a TOD, but it is not required.

You will need an accurate legal description of your property on the form. Your previously recorded deed, available from the Register of Deeds, should have the most current legal description of your property. If you have divided or added to your parcel, consult a professional to draft your document.

The fee to record any document is \$30.00. Link to Designation of TOD Beneficiary form in Frequently Asked Questions: https://www.co.rock.wi.us/departments/register-of-deeds

Please contact our office if you have any questions on recording documents. We cannot provide any legal advice. If you are not familiar or comfortable with drafting documents, please contact a professional to assist you. www.wisbar.org

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