



Conflicts Between Business Documents and Testamentary Provisions



## **Documents to Consider: Business Agreements**

- Operating Agreements
- Partnership Agreements
- Shareholder Agreements
- Buy-Sell Agreements
- · Contracts of Sale
- Certificates of Ownership



### **Options at Death**

- Mandatory sale of decedent's interests to remaining shareholders and/or partners
- Decedent's estate may "put" to the entity or other
- Restricted group that can inherit (ex. descendants)
- Unrestricted group can inherit
- Right of First Refusal



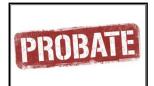
### **Estate Plans**

- Why it's important for your estate plan to be harmonious with your corporate documents
- Blechman v. Estate of Blechman



# Why is it important for attorneys to review corporate documents?

- Finlaw v. Finlaw
- Avoid probate
- Make sure intended distributions actually occur



#### **Business Valuations**

- Business appraisals
- Types of formulas



**A True Story** 





