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THE Key Piece

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SPRINGING FORWARD

The season of Spring is often thought of as the season of new beginnings...

New babies spring forth in the animal kingdom following the harsh realities of winter. Fresh shoots spring from the ground following the darkness and shorter days winter brings. With longer and warmer days ahead, we spring our clocks forward. Here at the firm, we have a new beginning as well, as we welcome Lucy Killen to the team from her honorary role.

You may recall we introduced Lucy to everyone a few months back as an "Of Counsel" attorney. Many of you were probably thinking, "What's an 'Of Counsel' attorney anyway?"

It's just a legal term for "as needed." Well, because of the growth we are seeing in our family law practice, we needed Lucy a bunch more. We both decided a more permanent position



"Lloyd and his team really care for their clients. The culture they foster within their office and with their clients and community is infectious. Joining forces on a full-time basis with his team was an easy decision."

— Lucy Killen

with the team was the best of both worlds!

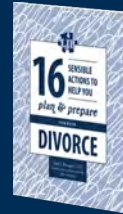
Lucy is a great fit to lead our family law practice. She brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to our firm.

But beyond that, Lucy exemplifies our core values. She gets it done, does the right thing, operates with transparency, and makes a compassionate difference in the lives of clients!

I hope you are as excited as we are to have Lucy as a full-fledged member of the team to handle all of your family law issues and needs.



Lloyd J. Bourgeois
Attorney-at-Law



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*What Should You Do
Before You Leave?*

You've tried to make it work, but deep down, you have to admit to yourself that your marriage is, unfortunately, over. You're not quite sure what to do next. This is one of the most difficult and emotional things you will ever have to do. I have written a guide, '16 Sensible Actions to Help You Plan and Prepare for Your Divorce,' with steps to help you prepare for this life-changing event. This enlightening guide brings those pondering divorce on a journey through multiple stories of love and loss while educating on protecting yourself financially, technologically, emotionally, and legally. These are the important steps you should take to help protect yourself and your family before you tell your spouse you want a divorce.

If you'd like a copy of this resource or know someone else who may need one, give our office at call at (985) 240-9773 or visit LJBGuides.com. We'd be happy to send you a free copy.

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LJB's Cookin' Corner

CRAWFISH ENCHILADAS

LOYD'S NOTE: *It's one of my favorite seasons – crawfish season! Our good friend Andrea recently shared this recipe with us from an old *Flavors of Acadiana* cookbook. It's one of her family favorites, and Preston enjoyed it with them many nights in the 'good old days' when they lived right down the street.*

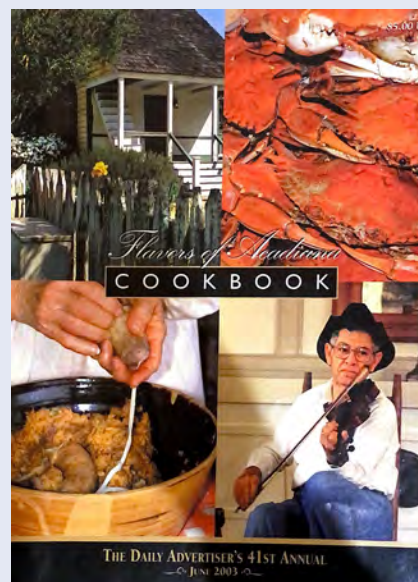
INGREDIENTS

- ½ stick of butter
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 4 ounce can green chiles, drained and chopped
- 1 pound crawfish tails (drain fat)
- ½ tsp salt
- ½ tsp red pepper
- 4 ounces Philadelphia cream cheese, cubed
- 8 8 inch flour tortillas
- 8 ounce package cheddar jack cheese, shredded
- 1 half-pint heavy whipping cream
- Sliced jalapeño peppers

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350°F
2. Melt butter in a large skillet over medium heat.
3. Add onion and sauté 5 minutes.
4. Add green chiles; sauté for 1 minute.
5. Add crawfish tails, salt and red pepper and sauté over medium heat for 5 minutes.
6. Stir in cream cheese, stirring constantly until melted.
7. Let cool for 5 minutes.
8. Spoon 2 or 3 tablespoons of mixture down the center of each tortilla.
9. Roll up tortillas and face seam side down in a lightly greased 13"x9" baking dish.
10. Sprinkle with cheese and drizzle with whipping cream.
11. Bake 30 minutes.
12. Let cool 10 minutes before serving.

Enjoy!



If you have a recipe that you'd like to submit to the newsletter, please share it with us at info@LJBlegal.com. We're always looking for new recipes to try and share!

Thanks for your recent referrals!

We are always thankful to those who trust us enough to recommend us to their family, friends, and/or clients. We appreciate the opportunity to serve our clients and community.

- Jodi Archer
- Stephen Shapiro, Attorney
- Grady Flattmann, Attorney
- Renae Berthelot
- Tommy J. Badeaux, Attorney

REMINDER ABOUT OUR FIRM'S COMMUNICATION POLICY

Our promise to you is that while we are working on YOUR case – we are WORKING on YOUR case. And this goes for each and every one of our clients. This means that our focus and attention are squarely on your case and not anything else. Because of this, Loyd Bourgeois DOES NOT take unscheduled phone calls, emails, or walk-ins. This makes all of us more productive, efficient, and knowledgeable about YOUR case. It may help get your issue resolved faster. You can

always call the office at (985) 240-9773 and schedule a phone appointment or in-person visit.

DISCLAIMER

This publication is intended to educate our clients, referral sources, and others in our network about disability denials and disabling personal injury claims. This is not intended to be legal advice. Each case is different.

You can pass this information along to your family and friends as long as the newsletter is copied in its entirety.

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Steps to Plan & Prepare for Divorce

You know divorce is the messy and painful end of a marriage.

However, despite divorce being everywhere, the details of the divorce process are often a mystery! Here are some sensible actions you can and should take as you plan and prepare for your divorce.

Change Passwords



As soon as you know (or maybe even as soon as you have a suspicion) that divorce is in your future, **change every one of your passwords, passcodes, and PINS** on every account and device you have.

Get Your Credit Report



Studies indicate almost 25% of married people spend money or conceal debt they don't want their spouse knowing about. **Is your spouse one?** Obtaining a credit report will help you figure this out earlier rather than later.

Forward Your Mail



Protecting your communications during your divorce is important. Sometimes a soon-to-be-ex-spouse will be able to intercept your mail if you do not **change your address**. One solution is to get a P.O. Box and have your mail forwarded to the new box.

These tips are excerpts from **16 Sensible Actions to Help You Plan & Prepare for Your Divorce** by family law attorney Loyd J Bourgeois.

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HAPPY EASTER!

From Team LJB

I need your help

When I started our firm in 2010, I wanted to feel good about the work I was doing and know I was truly helping people and contributing to my community. My goal was simple: Help as many people as possible. This goal has driven most of my decisions since then; in expanding the team, opening a second location in Metairie, and hiring Lucy to handle family law cases. You can help us achieve this goal by leaving a review on our Google My Business profile.



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Even if you weren't a client, if you called for some advice and found it helpful, or if you read one of our books or get these newsletters and find them insightful, or if you've interacted with

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REVIEW ROUNDUP



Loyd worked with me on a divorce case. I was dreading the entire process, but I had to get it done as quickly as possible! Loyd made everything easy, and even with the restrictions due to COVID, he was able to get it done much sooner than I thought it would be. Everyone that I spoke to at the firm was kind, professional, and helpful. If I ever need a lawyer again, I know who I will be using.

—Jamie Dantin



One of the best law firms out there. Not only do these people care about your case, they care about you and your family as people. Very easy to get in touch with at any time of the day or night. In the three-plus years I've known Loyd, he has been so very helpful and kind; always gets the job done. I recommend all of my family and friends to him. Christy is one of the sweetest people; she will talk with you about anything and always helps with any question you have. I've never felt rushed or shunned off like I have in the past by other law firms. They always call and check on their clients and their families. Highly recommended! I love them all.

—Manda Musmeci



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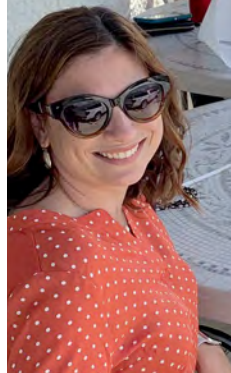
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CHRISTIAN VS. Crawfish

Christian is enjoying his first full spring in the area, and spring in Louisiana means crawfish. We recently took the entire LJB Legal team out to lunch at the Seafood Pot in St. Rose to celebrate some successes and as a thank you for their hard work. Crawfish were on the menu.

This was a momentous occasion not just because of our goal reached or our first time eating as a team of six, but also because it was the first time Christian ate boiled seafood! Just like his willingness to learn new skills and take on unfamiliar tasks in the office, Christian dove in headlong to eating crawfish for the first time. He wasn't too sure about sucking the heads, though.

Of the experience, Christian said, "This is one of those rare times where making a mess is worth it." We'll work in some more peeling lessons as part of his training!



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