

Dear Stewart Partners,

We hope all of you enjoyed the long weekend, albeit with temperatures a little lower than all of us would have liked. In this week's update, we are sharing an article about how to engage a surveyor to get the right product for your deal. Also, we are highlighting Stewart's Blog, which provides useful real estate news and facts at your fingertips. Lastly, we wanted to let you know about members of our team who will be presenting at webinar events this month.

- *Guide to Ordering an ALTA Survey*

Ordering a survey isn't like ordering a plot plan. When engaging a survey company to complete a survey for a real estate transaction, it is important to understand what purposes the survey will serve so that you can better identify the scope of services you will need to request. Not all surveys will provide the same information, so it is important to know what you'll need at the outset to insure a smooth closing. We found the attached article on GlobeSt.com that does a great job of summarizing the different needs and what to ask for. To read the full article, follow this link: <https://www.globest.com/2021/05/14/deal-appropriate-due-diligence-a-guide-to-alta-surveys/>

- *Stewart's Blog*

Did you know that Stewart has a blog? It's searchable by topics and authors and provides a host of information. A frequent contributor is Stewart's Chief Economist, Ted C. Jones. His articles and insights are always timely and informative. You can also find him on twitter at @DrTCJ. To check out the Stewart's blog, follow this link: <https://blog.stewart.com/stewart/>

- *Stewart's Underwriters – out and about*

This month, two of Stewart's Massachusetts underwriters will be speaking on panels of experts. Check out the details below:

Jutta R. Deeney will be speaking at webinar event hosted by REBA's Paralegal and Estate Planning Sections with David S. Raymon, Esq. The program is scheduled for Wednesday, June 16th at noon. The program is entitled "Build Your Nominee Trust Knowledge." Details and registration information can be found on REBA's website at www.reba.net

Tracie Kester will be presenting at the Massachusetts Chapter of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys' virtual dinner meeting with Jennifer Maggiamo, Esq. of the Probate Court on the topic of "Real Estate and the Probate Process" on June 3, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. MassNAELA members can register through the website at <https://massnaela.com>

- [Stewart's Massachusetts COVID-19 Resource Page](#)

Please view our resource page which contains all the local information relative to underwriting guidance, affidavits, registry closures and frequently asked questions. This site will be updated regularly. To access click [HERE](#) and make it a favorite on your web-browser. You can also copy the following URL and paste it into your web browser:

<https://www.stewart.com/content/stewart/stewartcom/en/stg/massachusetts/underwriting-resources/forms-policy-information/covid-19-info-resources.html>

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