

PROBATE QUESTIONNAIRE

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1. Please provide the following information about yourself:

Full name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Physical Address (if different from mailing address): _____

Relation to Decedent: _____ SSN: _____

Home telephone number: _____ Cell phone number: _____

Work telephone number: _____ Email Address: _____

2. Please provide the following information about the Decedent:

Full name: _____

Other Names Known by: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Date of Death: _____ Age at Death _____

Address at time of death: _____

County: _____

3. Please answer the following questions about the Decedent:

Was the Decedent a resident of a nursing home, prison, or other residential facility at the time of death? Yes: _____ No: _____ If yes, what was the last address of the Decedent prior to entering the facility? _____

*If the decedent died more than ten (10) years ago, you need to discuss this with us before you complete the rest of this form as S.C. law prohibits the opening an estate for someone who has been dead for more than 10 years except in a few circumstances.

Were any children born to Decedent **after** death? Yes: _____ No: _____
If yes, provide the name(s), address(es), and date(s) of birth of each child born **after** Decedent died. _____

Is it expected that any other children will be born to Decedent after this death?

Yes: _____ No: _____

If yes, please give details including, but not limited to, the name and address of the mother and estimated month of birth.

Was the Decedent ever a patient in any non-private hospital or other facility operated by the S.C. Department of Mental Health? Yes: _____ No: _____

Has a guardian or conservator ever been appointment by the court for this person?

Yes: _____ No: _____

4. Has any Executor, Administrator, or any other type of Personal Representative been appointed for the estate of this Decedent in this or any other state or county?

Yes: _____ No: _____

If yes, please explain: _____

5. To the best of your knowledge, has anyone filed a written "Demand for Notice," demanding a notice of appointment of a Personal Representative of this estate?

Yes: _____ No: _____

6. What is your best estimate of the value of the personal estate of the Decedent? \$ _____

7. What is your best estimate of the value of the Decedent's real estate? \$ _____

8. Did Decedent leave a Will? Yes: _____ No: _____

If no, please answer the questions below in (a) only and then skip to Question 20.

a. Have you made a thorough search for any will and any codicils of the Decedent?

Yes: _____ No: _____

If yes, do you have any reason to believe that there maybe an unrevoked will and/or codicil of the Decedent that you have been unable to find? Yes: _____ No: _____

If yes, please explain: _____

b. Does the Will refer to a Memorandum (list of tangible personal property)?

Yes: _____ No: _____ Please provide if one exists.

9. **Did Decedent get married AFTER signing the Will?** Yes: ____ No: ____
 If yes, give date of marriage and name of spouse: _____
10. **Was any marriage annulled, ended in divorce, or invalidated by a proceeding concluded by an Order purporting to terminate all marital property rights or confirming equitable distribution between spouses AFTER signing the Will?** Yes: ____ No: ____
 If yes, give date of annulment/divorce/court order, name of spouse, and name and location of the court and provide a copy of the Court Order. _____
11. **Were any children born to Decedent AFTER signing the Will?** Yes: ____ No: ____
 If yes, give the name(s), address(es), and date(s) of birth of each child AFTER the will was signed.

12. **Were any children legally adopted by Decedent AFTER signing of the Will?**
 Yes: ____ No: ____
 If yes, give the name(s), address(es), date(s) of birth, and date(s) of adoption of each child AFTER the will was signed: _____
13. **Where is the will?** _____
14. **Do you believe the Will is properly executed?** Yes: ____ No: ____ If no, please explain why not: _____
15. **Date on which Will was signed?** _____
16. **Regarding witnesses to the Will:**
- a. Was any witness to the Will named in the Will to receive something?
 Yes: ____ No: ____
 If yes, please explain: _____
 - b. Was any witness the spouse or issue (child, grandchild, etc.) of someone named in the Will to receive something? Yes: ____ No: ____
 If yes, please explain: _____
17. **Are you aware of or do you have any reason to believe that there is any other instrument in existence which amends or revokes the Will?** Yes: ____ No: ____
 If yes, please explain: _____
18. **Do you believe the Will to be the last Will and Testament of the Decedent?**
 Yes: ____ No: ____

