

United States of America



State of West Virginia

County of Ritchie, ss:

Affidavit for Small Estate
(Testate/Intestate)

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

COUNTY OF RITCHIE

I, _____, whose address is _____, being a Successor of the Decedent identified above as defined in WV Code §44-1A-1(5), being first duly sworn, upon oath and under penalty of perjury do depose and say as to the best of my knowledge and belief as follows:

- 1. The decedent, _____, died Testate/Intestate on _____, 2025, a resident of Ritchie County, in the State of West Virginia.
2. A certificate Death Certificate has been furnished herewith for filing in this County in Death Record Book ____, Page ____. I am a Successor of the Decedent as his/her _____ or is attached to this Affidavit.
3. The Decedent died TESTATE (with a Will) _____ (if "yes" complete Paragraph 4) or INTESTATE (without a Wil) _YES_ (if "yes" complete Paragraph 5);
4. IF TESTATE: At the date of death, the Decedent died with an original Last Will and Testament of the Decedent dated _____ without any codicil thereto () or with codicil(s) thereto dated _____ () {Check if applies}. The aforesaid original Last Will and Testament of the decedent, together with any codicil(s), is furnished herewith for recording in this County as permitted by WV §44-1A-2(b) or is recorded in Will Book ____ on Page ____.

Under the Last Will and Testament of the Decedent, the following person(s) is/are nominated to be the personal representative(s) of the Estate:

- a. Name: _____ Address: _____
b. Name: _____ Address: _____

Pursuant to the provisions of the above referenced Will of the Decedent, the following person(s) is/are the named beneficiaries of the estate of the Decedent:

- a. Name: _____ Address: _____ Relationship to Decedent: _____ Share, percentage, or particular item(s): _____

Additional pages attached to this affidavit, as more room is needed. Yes / No (Circle one)

5. If INTESTATE: At the date of death, the Decedent died intestate with no known Will. The Decedent left as his heirs-at-law and distributes in accordance with the laws of intestate descent and distribution of the State of West Virginia, the following persons:

- a. Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Relationship to Decedent: _____
 Share, percentage, or particular item(s): _____

- b. Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Relationship to Decedent: _____
 Share, percentage, or particular item(s): _____

Additional pages attached to this affidavit, as more room is needed. Yes / No (Circle one)

6. The Decedent's entire personal probate estate, as of the date of the Decedent's death, wherever located, consists only of small assets and the aggregate fair market value of the small assets does not exceed \$50,000. The small assets of the Decedent are described and itemized as follows: (i.e. cash, bank accounts, personal property, stocks, bonds, vehicles, boats, household goods, tax refunds, life insurance policies payable to the estate, farming equipment, rental income, etc.)

<u>Description:</u>	<u>Fair Market Value</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
Total	\$ _____

7. () {Check if applies} or () {Check if applies}. If the Successor who was nominated as personal representatives or executor under the provisions of the above Will of the Decedent, at least 30 days have elapsed since the Decedent's date of death and no application for the appointment of a personal representative for the Decedent is pending or has been granted in any jurisdiction.

8. () {Check if applies} or () {Check if applies}. If the affiant is a Successor who was NOT nominated as a personal representative or executor under the provisions of the above Will of the Decedent or if the Decedent died intestate without a Will, at least 60 days have elapsed since the Decedent's date of death and no application for the appointment of a personal representative for the Decedent is pending or has been granted in any jurisdiction, an no affidavit of Small Estate has been filed by a Successor nominated as a personal representative or executor under the provisions of the Will of the Decedent.

9. The undersigned Affiant will faithfully administer the small assets of the Decedent in accordance with the law and pay or deliver the same to the Successor or Successors so entitled, after paying any known or ascertainable creditors of the decedent.

10. I have provided the names, residences and post-office addresses of all the heirs-at-law of _____ as set out in the above affidavit are complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief; the assets and values listed above are complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge, skill and belief. I understand that if there are any changes to the beneficiaries, heirs-at-law, assets, values of those assets or any other information listed in the above Affidavit, it is my duty to notify the County Clerk's Office where this Affidavit is recorded immediately.

11. I, _____, the undersigned Affiant do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of West Virginia; and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of _____ AFFIANT of the estate of _____, in Ritchie County, West Virginia, for the term of said office commencing on the _____ day of _____, 20____, to the best of my skill and judgment.

WITNESS my hand and seal this ____ day of _____, 20__.

Signature of Affiant / Successor

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

COUNTY OF RITCHIE

Taken, subscribed and sworn to before me _____ the undersigned notary, by
_____, this ____ day of _____, 20__.

My Commission expires: _____

Notary Public

Information provided by and prepared by: _____

Admitted to probate by the County Commission on the ____ day of _____, 202__ in Commission Order
Book ___, Page _____.