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Simple Will

When to use a Simple Will?

For use in uncomplicated estates that do not require filing with the probate court. Grants authority to a specific person to care for your affairs and designates how you would like your property distributed.

- To decide if you need a will or not, please visit [Do I Need A Will?](#)
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When NOT to use it?

If you have a complex, large estate or one valued at more than \$5,120,000 (the federal estate tax exemption amount currently) this Simple Will is not your best option.

- Use this for research and planning only.
 - You should seek the advice of a licensed attorney.
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How to use this form?

- In the attached Simple Will form, replace the sections in brackets [.] with the listed information.
 - Make sure to read the entire document and complete the rest of the will to reflect your wishes.
 - To make the will valid, sign it in the presence of two witnesses and a notary.
 - Have the witnesses and the notary also sign it.
 - Make copies and keep the original in a safe place.
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For more information on Probate, the process of proving a will, visit [FAQ About Probate](#).

[Simple Will.doc](#)

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