

SIMPLE WILL TEMPLATE - ILLINOIS

City/County: _____ State: _____

I. DECLARATION

I, _____, residing at _____, Illinois, being of sound mind and lawful age, do hereby declare this to be my Last Will and Testament, revoking all prior wills and codicils.

II. APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

I nominate and appoint _____ as Personal Representative of this Will to serve without bond, to carry out the provisions of this Will according to Illinois law.

III. PAYMENT OF DEBTS AND EXPENSES

I direct that all my legally enforceable debts, funeral expenses, and expenses of administration be paid as soon as practicable after my death.

IV. DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY

A. I give, devise, and bequeath all my tangible personal property, including household goods, automobiles, jewelry, and personal effects, to _____.

B. I give, devise, and bequeath the following specific items or sums as described below:

Item or Amount	Beneficiary
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

C. I give, devise, and bequeath all the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate, real, personal, and mixed, to _____.

V. GUARDIANSHIP

If at my death any of my children are under the age of eighteen (18) years, I nominate and appoint _____ as guardian of the person and estate of such minor children.

VI. POWERS OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

My Personal Representative shall have full power and authority to act on my behalf, including, but not limited to, selling, leasing, or managing my property, settling claims, prosecuting or defending lawsuits, and performing all acts necessary for proper administration of my estate, without court order, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

VII. TAXES

I direct that all estate, inheritance, and other death taxes payable with respect to my estate shall be paid from and charged generally against the residue of my estate.

VIII. BOND WAIVER

I direct that no bond or other security shall be required of any Personal Representative appointed under this Will.

IX. NO CONTEST CLAUSE

If any beneficiary or interested person contests this Will or any of its provisions, any share or interest in my estate given to that person shall be forfeited and become part of my residuary estate.

X. GOVERNING LAW

This Will shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois.

TESTATOR'S SIGNATURE

WITNESS 1 SIGNATURE

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

WITNESS 2 SIGNATURE

NOTARY PUBLIC

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF _____ On this day, before me, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared _____, known to me (or satisfactorily proven) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he/she executed the same for the purposes therein contained. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal. Notary Public Signature: _____ My Commission Expires: _____

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