

Note: Usually, husband and wife leave everything to each other and name each other executor. Then they name who gets what after they are both gone.

Date: _____

Husband: _____

Wife: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Children of this Marriage

_____ Age: _____
_____ Age: _____
_____ Age: _____

Other Children

Husband: _____

Wife: _____

PERSON TO PROBATE YOUR ESTATE

Executor (can be each other): _____

Successor Executor: _____

Sureties on Bond: Yes _____ No _____

Note: Often a major reason to write a will is to avoid the Representative having to post sureties on his/her bond.

IF BOTH DECEASED AND CHILD UNDER 18

Guardian: _____

Successor Guardian: _____

(The court does not have to honor your wishes.)

SPECIFIC BEQUESTS

Item: _____ to: _____

Item: _____ to: _____

Item: _____ to: _____

Item: _____ to: _____

ALL THE REST

To: _____

IF A CHILD IS DECEASED

Do you want his/her share to go to his/her children:

Yes _____ No _____

IF YOU ARE BOTH GONE, DO YOU WANT TO SET UP A TRUST FOR THE CHILDREN

Trustee: _____

Successor Trustee: _____

One trust for all children or separate trusts for each child:

One Trust _____ Separate Trusts _____

Age at which trust distributed to child: _____

Note: In the will you can name a preferred guardian to be appointed over you by the court if one is needed.

This is usually inserted in wills for older or disabled adults.

With durable powers of attorney, you don't usually need a court appointed guardian.