# IDAHO WILL INSTRUCTIONS Widow or Widower with Minor and Adult Children

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1. This will is designed to be completed on your computer. To do so, use your mouse and **click on each field** which will be highlighted in gray. This will replace the gray with the words you type.
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Example:	[1] will become JOHN DOE.

If you ordered and received this Will in hard copy, you may also use these instructions to complete the will, leaving the reference numbers, and placing the names, etc you desire next to the field numbers.

- 2. The Will contains Articles which cover various matters. The information below is designed to assist you complete the fields contained in the articles of the Will.
  - Article / Field Completion Instructions

Field [1] - Your name. Field [2] - Your name.

Field [3] - Your County of Residence.

#### **ARTICLE ONE**

Field [4] - Type the name of your deceased spouse.

Fields [5] – [12] Type the name(s) and birth date(s) of your children.

#### **ARTICLE THREE**

This article is for you to specify specific property to go to a specific person. If you do not leave any, type none and delete the fields.

Field [13] - Type name.

Field [14] - Type street address.

Field [15] - Additional Address line.

Field [16] - City, State, Zip. Field [17] - Relationship.

Field [18] - Describe the property to go to this person.

Field [19] - Type name.

Field [20] - Type street address.
Field [21] - Additional Address line.

Field [22] - City, State, Zip. Field [23] - Relationship.

Field [24] - Description of property.

Field [25] - Type name.

Field [26] - Type street address.
Field [27] - Additional Address line.

Field [28] - City, State, Zip. Field [29] - Relationship.

Field [30] - Describe the property.

#### **ARTICLE FOUR**

This article is for you to leave your homestead, if you have one on the date of death to persons designated.

Field [31] - Type name(s) of your child(ren).

Field [32-34] Omitted.

#### **ARTICLE FIVE**

This article is for you to leave all the rest and remainder of your property except your homestead and any special items you listed in Article Three.

Field [35] - Type name(s) of your child(ren).

Fields [36-38] Omitted.

#### **ARTICLE SIX**

This article provides for the establishment of a trust for the benefit of minor beneficiaries.

Field [39] Enter the age below which you desire that minor

beneficiary's property be placed in trust.

Fields [40-42] Enter age at which property is to be released from

trust.

#### **ARTICLE EIGHT**

This article provides for the appointment of a Trustee and Successor Trustee.

Field [43] Type the name of the Trustee.

Field [44] Type the name of the Successor Trustee.

#### ARTICLE NINE

This article provides for the appointment of a guardian of minor children

Field [45] Enter the age below which you desire a guardian be

appointed for your children.

Field [46] Type the name of the guardian.

#### **ARTICLE TEN**

This article is for you to name your personal representative. This must be an adult and can be an adult child.

Field [47] - Type name of Personal Representative.

Field [48] - Type name of successor Personal Representative.

#### **ARTICLE FOURTEEN**

All parts of Article 14 are optional. Complete as desired. Be sure to write your initials for any of these items you desire to apply.

Field [49] - Type name of Cemetery.

Field [50] - Type County. Field [51] - Type State.

#### **ENDING AND SIGNATURE**

Field [52] - Your name. Field [53-58] - Your name.

All other blanks in the Will are typically completed by hand, such as the names of the witnesses, day, month and year executed, etc.

Once you have completed the Will, double-check all entries and then print. The Will should be signed by you in front of two witnesses, not related to you. Please sign all pages of the Will in the places designated.

The self-proving affidavit is optional but recommended. It is used to prove the Will and make the Will subject to probate. If the affidavit is not completed now, someone will have to locate the witnesses after your death and obtain an affidavit. Therefore, it is best to sign the Will in the presence of two witnesses AND a notary public so that the affidavit can be completed by the Notary.

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#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR WILL FORM

This section will briefly explain some of the articles of your will and provide other information. Articles of the Will which are basically self-explanatory are not discussed here. In addition, information which is already provided in the instructions above is not repeated.

**First Paragraph:** The first paragraph of the Will, provides your name, residence information and provides that all prior Wills, if any, are revoked since you have now made a new Will.

**Article Three:** Some people have specific property that they desire to leave to a specific person, such as a ring or antique. This Article is for you to leave such property. You do not have to name specific property and may simply state none if no property is to be left under this Article.

**Article Ten:** This Article is for you to name a personal representative, also called executor or executrix. The person named should be an adult.

**Article Eleven:** If not waived, some Courts will require your Personal Representative post a bond, and file an inventory, accounting and/or appraisal. All can be costly and time consuming. This Article states your intention that your Personal Representative not be required to post a bond or file an inventory or accounting.

**Article Twelve:** This Article sets forth powers of your Personal Representative and is designed to give broad powers without the requirement that Court approval be sought for action by the Representative to the extent permitted by the laws of your State.

**Article Thirteen:** This article sets forth some legal construction intentions to clarify some of the issues which may arise.

#### **BASIC INFORMATION**

What is a Will? A Will is a document which provides who is to receive your property at death, who will administer your estate, the appointment of trustees and guardians, if applicable, and other provisions.

Who may make a Will? Generally, any person 18 years or older of sound mind may make a Will. (Some states allow persons under 18 to make a Will)

What happens if I die without a Will? If you die without a will you are an intestate. In such a case, state laws govern who receives your property. These laws are called "intestate succession laws". If you die without a Will, the Court decides who will administer your estate. Generally, it is more expensive to administer an estate of a person who died without a Will, than a person who dies with a Will.

#### General

When making a Will you need to consider who will be named as your personal representative or executor to administer your estate, who you will name as guardian and trustee of minor children if your spouse does not survive you and who will receive your property. You should also consider tax issues. The person appointed as executor or administrator is often your spouse, but you should also name an alternate, in case your spouse predeceases you. The person you name should be a person you can trust and who will get along with the beneficiaries named in the Will.

In the event your spouse predeceases you, the guardian you name will have actual custody of your minor children unless a court appoints someone else. The trustee you appoint to administer a trust you established will be in charge of the assets of the trust for the benefit of the minor beneficiaries.

Generally, a Will must be signed in the presence of at least two witnesses (three for Vermont) who also sign the Will. A notary public will also need to sign if the Will contains a self-proving affidavit. Generally, a self-proving affidavit allows

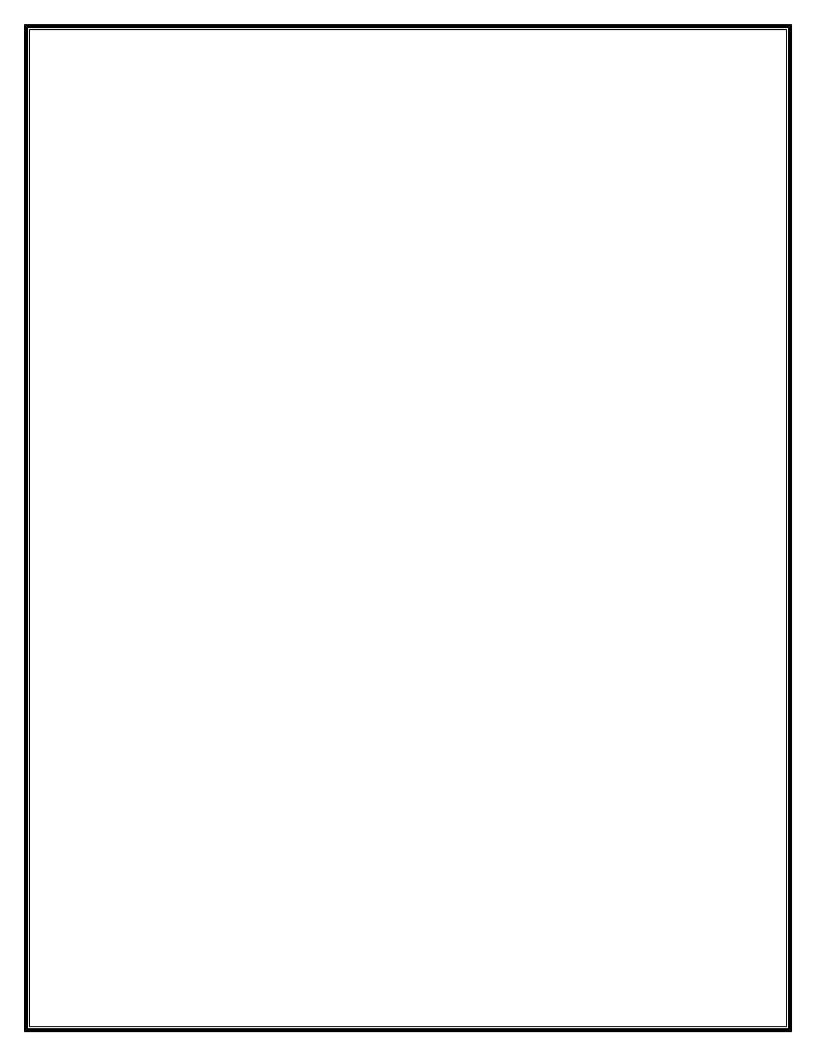
the Will to be admitted to probate without other evidence of execution.

Joint Property: Many people do not understand that joint property may pass outside your Will and also sometimes assume that it will pass through their Will. They do not understand the significance of joint ownership. The issue is common in the following areas, provided as examples:

- Real Estate: Often, a husband (a) and wife will own real estate as joint tenants with rights of survivorship. If one party dies, the surviving party receives the property regardless of what the Will provides. This is common and generally acceptable. However, if this is not your desire you should change the ownership of the property to tenants in common or other form of ownership. If you own real estate as tenants in common, then you may designate who will receive your share of the property at your death. This issue can be a problem when uninformed persons take title to real estate as joint tenants with rights of survivorship but really intended to leave their share to, for example, children of a prior marriage.
- (b) Bank Accounts/Certificates of Deposit, Stock, Retirement Plans, IRA's and other type Property: The same ownership as real estate can be made of these investments. In fact, many Banks routinely place Bank accounts and Certificates of Deposit in the joint tenant with right of survivorship form of ownership if more than one person is on the account or CD, without advising you of the consequence of same. In situations where the persons are husband and wife and there is no issue or concern over divorce or children from previous marriages, this may be the best course of action. However, with divorce on the rise, premarital agreements and multiple marriages being common, the parties may be doing something that was their intent. Another common problematic situation is where a parent has more than one child but only one child resides in the hometown of the parent. The parent may place the name of the child who resides there on all accounts, CD's and other investments for convenience reasons and establish a joint tenant with

right of survivorship situation without realizing that only that child will be entitled to those assets at the parent's death. Simply put, you should be aware when you acquire an asset or investment exactly how it is titled.

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#### LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF

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BE IT KNOWN THIS DAY	тнат,					
I,[2], of[3] County, Idaho, being of legal age and of sound and disposing mind and memory, and not acting under duress, menace, fraud, or undue influence of any person, do make, declare and publish this to be my Will and hereby revoke any Will or Codicil I may have made.						
	ARTICLE Marriage and	_				
I was married to following children from a said mar		[4], now	deceased, and have the			
Name: Name: Name: Name:	[7] [9]	Date of Birth:	[6] [8] [10] [12]			
	ARTICLE Debts and E	=				
I direct my Personal Representative to pay all costs and expenses of my last illness and funeral expenses. I further direct my Personal Representative to pay all of my just debts that may be probated, registered and allowed against my estate. However, this provision shall not extend the statute of limitations for the payment of debts, or enlarge upon my legal obligation or any statutory duty of my Personal Representative to pay debts.						
Specific Bequ	ARTICLE uests of Real a	THREE and/or Personal Pro	operty			
I will, give and bequeath Property described below:	unto the person	s named below, if he	or she survives me, the			
Name [13]	Address [14] [15]		Relationship [17]			
Property: [18]	[16]					
Name [19]	Address [20] [21] [22]		Relationship [23]			
Property: [24]						
ed by Testator/Testatrix						

[25]	Address [26] [27] [28]	Relationship [29]				
Property: [30]	i1					
In the event I name a person in this Article and said person predeceases me, the bequest to such person shall lapse and the property shall pass under the other provisions of this Will. In the event that I do not possess or own any property listed above on the date of my death, the bequest of that property shall lapse.						
Home	ARTICLE FOUR stead or Primary Residence					
I Will, devise and bequeath all my interest in my homestead or primary residence, if I own a homestead or primary residence on the date of my death that passes through this Will, to my child(ren),[31]. If I have more than one child, they are to receive the property equally, per stirpes.						
ARTICLE FIVE All Remaining Property – Residuary Clause						
I will, devise, bequeath and give all the rest and remainder of my property and estate of every kind and character, including, but not limited to, real and personal property in which I may have an interest at the date of my death and which is not otherwise effectively disposed of, to my child(ren),						
Property To V	ARTICLE SIX est In Trustee for Minor Benefic	iary				
[39] years of transfer, assign and deliver over to	of my children are minors f age, then I direct that my Persona my Trustee, named below, such mind perty described herein. I direct my the following terms and conditions:	or beneficiary's share of				
	Α.					
the Beneficiaries for the purpose of	dminister the assets of the Trust for foroviding for their health, education standard of living as much as is portion of the sources of income.	and general welfare in				

В.

The Trustee, may in his or her discretion, distribute to or for the benefit of the named Beneficiaries, such portions of the income and principal of the Trust as he or she in his or her sole discretion shall determine to be necessary to accomplish the purposes of this Trust. The Trustee may make such distributions as often or as seldom as he or she may determine in his or her sole discretion without the necessity of any court authority or approval, this being a private trust.

C.

As each Beneficiary herein reaches the age of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_[40] years, the Trustee shall distribute to said beneficiary his or her share of the trust principal and income as of the distribution date. When the youngest Beneficiary reaches the age of \_\_\_\_\_\_[41] years, the Trustee shall distribute all of the remaining Trust property including principal and accumulated income to the Beneficiary and this Trust shall terminate. In making said distributions, the Trustee may make distributions in kind and shall have the sole discretion as to valuation of the Trust property in determining and apportioning distributions among the Beneficiaries.

D.

In the event of the death of any of the above named Beneficiary prior to the final date of distribution, and said deceased Beneficiary shall leave living issue, the Trustee shall hold only that portion of the Trust property attributable to said deceased Beneficiary beyond the distribution dates as provided in Subparagraph C above, and administer said Trust property for the use and benefit of said living issue. When said youngest living issue reaches the age of [42] years, the Trust as to said living issue shall terminate and the Trustee shall distribute all of the remaining Trust property in equal shares to said living issue. In the event of the death of any of the above named Beneficiaries prior to the final date of distribution and said deceased Beneficiaries leave no living issue, then that portion of the Trust property to be distributed to the deceased Beneficiaries as provided for in Subparagraph C above, shall instead be distributed to the surviving Beneficiaries in equal shares.

E.

Personal and real property may be maintained for my Beneficiaries or converted to cash as my Trustee shall determine. I direct that my Trustee administer hereunder any funds coming into the hands of my Beneficiaries pursuant to any life insurance policy insuring my life.

## ARTICLE SEVEN Creditors of Beneficiaries

Neither the principal nor the income of any Trust provision contained in this Will nor any part of same shall be liable for the debts of any Beneficiary hereunder, nor shall the same be subject to seizure by any Creditor of any Beneficiary, and no Beneficiary therein shall have any power to sell, assign, transfer, encumber, or in any manner to anticipate or dispose of his or her interest in the Trust fund, nor any part of same nor the income produced from said fund nor any part of same.

igned by Testator/Testatrix:	

## ARTICLE EIGHT Appointment of Trustee

provisions of this Will to serve in said ca the Trust as are granted to Trustees und or personal property of the Trust for casl exercised without Court order. The Trus	[43], or if the appointee fails to qualify or [44], as Trustee of the Trust pacity with all the powers during the administration of ler Idaho law including the power to sell any of the real or on credit or to mortgage it or to lease it, all to be tee named herein shall also have all powers as are under the provisions of this Will during the
	ARTICLE NINE ntment of Guardian
the age of[45]	cessary for any of my children that may be minors under years, then on the date of my death, I appoint, as Guardian of said minor children.
	ARTICLE TEN Representative, Executor or Executrix
my estate and this Will. In the event my any reason, shall fail to qualify or ceas	[47], as Personal Representative of y Personal Representative shall predecease me, or, for e to act as my Personal Representative, then I hereby [48] to serve as successor Personal Representative
The term "Personal Representation include "Personal Representative", "Exe	ive", as used in this Will, shall be deemed to mean and cutor" or "Executrix".
	RTICLE ELEVEN y, Accounting, Reporting and Approval
•	I successor Personal Representative shall serve without essity of preparing or filing any inventory, accounting, opraisement of my estate.
	RTICLE TWELVE presentative, Executor and Executrix
of my Estate, without the necessity of Co all powers that are allowed to be exer	entative shall have broad discretion in the administration ourt approval. I grant unto my Personal Representative, cised by Personal Representatives by the laws of the rohibited by the laws of Idaho, the following additional
	owers, rights and discretions granted by virtue of any "Probate Code" adopted by the State of Idaho.
Signed by Testator/Testatrix:	<u> </u>

- 2. To compromise claims and to abandon property which, in my Executor's opinion is of little or no value.
- 3. To purchase or otherwise acquire and to retain any and all stocks, bonds, notes or other securities, or shares or interests in investment trusts and common trust funds, or in any other property, real, personal or mixed, as my Personal Representative may deem advisable, whether or not such investments or property be of the character permissible by fiduciaries, without being liable to any person for such retention or investment.
- 4. To settle, adjust, dissolve, windup or continue any partnership or other entity in which I may own a partnership or equity interest at the time of my death, subject, however, to the terms of any partnership or other agreement to which I am a party at the time of my death. I authorize my Personal Representative to continue in any partnership or other entity for such periods and upon such terms as they shall determine. My Personal Representative shall not be disqualified by reason of being a partner, equity owner or titleholder in such firm from participating on behalf of my estate in any dealings herein authorized to be carried on between my Personal Representative and the partners or equity owners of any such partnership or other entity.
- 5. To lease, sale, or offer on a lease purchase, any real or personal property for such time and upon such terms and conditions in such manner as may be deemed advisable by my Personal Representative, all without court approval.
- 6. To sell, exchange, assign, transfer and convey any security or property, real or personal, held in my estate, or in any trust, at public or private sale, at such time and price and upon such terms and conditions (including credit) as my Personal Representative may deem advisable and for the best interest of my estate, or any trust. I hereby waive any requirement of issuing summons, giving notice of any hearing, conducting or holding any such hearing, filing bond or other security, or in any way obtaining court authority or approval for any such sale, exchange, assignment, transfer or conveyance of any real or personal property.
- 7. To pay all necessary expenses of administering the estate and any trust including taxes, trustees' fees, fees for the services of accountants, agents and attorneys, and to reimburse said parties for expenses incurred on behalf of the estate or any trust hereunder.
- 8. Unless otherwise specifically provided, to make distributions (including the satisfaction of any pecuniary bequest) in cash or in specific property, real or personal, or in an undivided interest therein, or partly in cash and partly in other property, and to do so with or without regard to the income tax basis of specific property allocated to any beneficiary and without making pro rata distributions of specific assets.
- 9. To determine what is principal and what is income with respect to all receipts and disbursements; to establish and maintain reserves for depreciation, depletion, obsolescence, taxes, insurance premiums, and any other purpose deemed necessary and proper by them and to partite and to distribute property of the estate or trust in kind or in undivided interests, and to determine the value of such property.
- 10. To participate in any plan of reorganization, consolidation, dissolution, redemption, or similar proceedings involving assets comprising my estate or any trust created hereunder, and to deposit or withdraw securities under any such proceedings.

Signed by Testator/Testatrix:	
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- 11. To perform such acts, to participate in such proceedings and to exercise such other rights and privileges in respect to any property, as if she or he were the absolute owner thereof, and in connection therewith to enter into and execute any and all agreements binding my estate and any trust created hereunder.
- 12. To compromise, settle or adjust any claim or demand by or against my estate, or any trust, to litigate any such claims, including, without limitation, any claims relating to estate or income taxes, and to agree to rescind or modify any contract or agreement.
- 13. To borrow money from such source or sources and upon such terms and conditions as my Personal Representative shall determine, and to give such security therefore as my Personal Representative may determine.

All authorities and powers hereinabove granted unto my Personal Representative shall be exercised from time to time in her or his sole and absolute discretion and without prior authority or approval of any Court, and I intend that such powers be construed in the broadest possible extent.

### ARTICLE THIRTEEN Construction Intentions

It is my intent that this Will be interpreted according to the following provisions:

The masculine gender shall be deemed to include the feminine as well as the neuter, and vice versa, as to each of them; the singular shall be deemed to include the plural, and vice versa.

The term "testator" as used herein is deemed to include me as Testator or Testatrix.

This Will is not a result of a contract between myself and any beneficiary, fiduciary or third party and I may revoke this Will at any time.

If any part of this Will shall be declared invalid, illegal, or inoperative for any reason, it is my expressed intent that the remaining parts shall be effective and fully operative and it is my intent that any Court so interpreting same construct this Will and any provision in favor of survival.

## ARTICLE FOURTEEN Misc. Provisions

	I di	rect	that	this	Will	and	the	construction	thereof	shall	be	governed	by	the	Laws	of t	the
State o	f Ida	aho.															

(I have placed my initials next to the provisions below that I desire to adopt. Unmarked

 are not adopted by me and are not a part of this Will)
 If any person named herein is indebted to me at the time of my death and such indebtedness be evidenced by a valid Promissory Note payable to me, then such person's portion of my estate shall be diminished by the amount of such debt.

Signed by Testator/Testatrix:	
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	Any and all debts of my estate s debts on any real property left he such real property and not paid b	erein shall be assu	med by the person to receive
	I desire to be buried in the[50] Count	iy,	[49] cemetery in [51].
	I direct that my remains be according to the wishes of my Ex		the ashes be disposed of
l, presence of _ who attested	it at my request on this the	[52], havin and day of _	g signed this Will in the, 20 at
	ast Will and Testament.		(address), declare
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testator/testati testator/testati the said presence a presence of e	and foregoing Will of rix) was declared by rix) in our view and presence to b  nd at his/her request a[57] (nan ach other, we, the undersigned, v[58], 20	e his/her Will and v 66] (name of testa and in the ne of testator/test witnessed and atte	[55] (name of was signed and subscribed by tor/testatrix) in our view and view and presence of tatrix) and in the view and sted the due execution of the
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### **Idaho Self Proving Affidavit**

Ι,	the testator/testatrix, sign my name to this
instrument this day of	, the testator/testatrix, sign my name to this , 20, and being first duly sworn, do
hereby declare to the undersigned authority	that I sign and execute this instrument as my last
	it as my free and voluntary act for the purposes
	18) years of age or older, of sound mind, and under
no constraint or undue influence.	
	Testator/Testatrix
Typed Name	:
We ar	nd the
witnesses, sign our names to this instrumen	nd, the it, being first duly sworn, and do hereby declare to
	estatrix signs and executes this instrument as his or
	gly, and that each of us, in the presence and hearing
	Il as witness to the testator's/testatrix's signing, and
	testator/testatrix is eighteen (18) years of age or
older, of sound mind, and under no constrai	nt or undue influence.
	Witness
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The State of Idaho	
County of	
Subscribed sworn to and acknowledged be	fore me by, the
testator/testatrix and subscribed and sworn	to before me by, and
, witnesses,	this day of, 20
(Seal)	
	(Signed)
	(Signed)
	(Official capacity of officer)