

HEIRSHIP AND MARITAL HISTORY SURVEY

INFORMATION ABOUT DECEDENT

Please try to be as specific and accurate as possible when completing this form. We understand that some of the information requested may be sensitive or private. Additionally we understand that it may be inconvenient or uncomfortable to disclose such information. Nevertheless, state law is very specific with regard to intestate succession, and it is important that an Affidavit of Heirship be as precise and accurate as possible. The information requested below is crucial to preparing an accurate Affidavit of Death and Heirship.

Name of Deceased: _____ Social Security Number: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Date of Death: _____

City of Birth: _____ County/Parish: _____ State: _____

Decedent's Residence Address at time of death: _____

County/Parish: _____ State: _____

NUMBER OF DECEDENT'S MARRIAGES _____ N/A

If decedent was ever married, complete the following for each marriage:

Spouse's Name	Date of Marriage	Location of Marriage (City/State or County/State)	Marriage Ended By (choose divorce or death)	Date of Death/Divorce

(Use additional pages if necessary.)

SURVIVING CHILDREN _____ N/A

Please list all surviving biological children and formally adopted children of decedent:

Full Name of Child	Date of Birth	Mother's Name/ Father's Name	Name of Child's Spouse <i>(if married)</i>	Complete Address & Phone Number

(Use additional pages if necessary.)

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DECEASED CHILDREN _____ N/A

Please list all deceased biological children and formally adopted children of decedent:

Complete Name of Child	Date of Birth	Date of Death	Name of Surviving Spouse (if applicable)	Name of Representative of Estate

(Use additional pages if necessary.)

GRANDCHILDREN (Offspring of deceased children only) _____ N/A

Please list biological grandchildren and formally adopted grandchildren of decedent:

Complete Name of Child	Date of Birth	Date of Death (if deceased)	Complete Names of Child's Father & Mother	Complete Address

(Use additional pages if necessary.)

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OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS (*Complete only if decedent left no descendants*) _____ N/A

Please list all surviving parents and brothers and sisters of decedent (if decedent left no immediate relatives, please include aunts, uncles, and cousins related by blood):

Full Name of Relative	Date of Birth	Relationship to Decedent	Name of Spouse (if married)	Complete Address & Phone Number

(Use additional pages if necessary.)

The person or persons who will sign the affidavit of heirship is/are called the Affiant(s), and should be a person(s) who has/have personal knowledge of the marital and family history of the Decedent.

INFORMATION ABOUT AFFIANT #1'S RELATIONSHIP WITH DECEDENT

Affiant #1 may be an heir to the decedent; e.g. decedent's child or grandchild or anyone else specifically named in the Will.

Full Name of Affiant #1: _____ Date of Birth: _____

How long had you known decedent?: _____

What was your relationship to decedent?: _____

Affiant #1's City of Residence: _____ County/Parish: _____ State: _____

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INFORMATION ABOUT AFFIANT #2'S RELATIONSHIP WITH DECEDENT

*Affiant #2 must be someone who knows the circumstances of decedent's life, but **someone who does not stand to inherit from decedent now, or at any time in the future.** Affiant #2 cannot be decedent's child or grandchild, or the spouse of decedent's child or grandchild. It is usually best to have a cousin, a distant relative, a family friend, a pastor, or long-time professional services acquaintance such as an insurance agent or CPA who is willing and able to attest to the circumstances of decedent's life.*

Full Name of Affiant #2: _____ Date of Birth: _____

How long had you known decedent? _____

What was your relationship to decedent? _____

Affiant #2's City of Residence: _____ County/Parish: _____ State: _____

INFORMATION ABOUT SIGNING OF AFFIDAVIT

Affidavits must be recorded with the County Clerk's office in the county in which the property is located. Counties charge recording fees ranging from \$15 to \$30 per document for Affidavits of Death and Heirship. If it will be problematic to have both Affiants sign the same Affidavit, please be prepared to pay two recording fees. Therefore, consider your priorities with regard to convenience or expenses, when you are deciding how many Affidavit(s) will need to be prepared and executed.

Will both Affiants be able to sign the same Affidavit? _____

If **yes**, in which county/state will it be signed/notarized? _____

If **no**, in which county/state will Affiant #1 sign/notarize? _____

and, Affiant #2? _____