

GENERAL WILL TEMPLATE

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*Please contact **GrahamThompson** for advice on how to structure a will to meet your specific needs and circumstances.*

I, _____ *(You can make a Will provided you are at least 18 years of age or older and are of sound mind)* of

HEREBY REVOKE all previous wills and testamentary dispositions made by me and
DECLARE this to be my last will and testament *(The Will with the latest date will automatically revoke the one dated earlier).*

1. I HEREBY APPOINT _____ to be the executor/executor of this my Will *(This person will be responsible for probating your Will. They will ensure that your just debts and funeral expenses are paid and that the beneficiaries of your Will receive their respective gifts. This person should be someone you trust. Consider also appointing someone else in the event that the “main” Executor dies before you do. If you have minor children (under the age of 18 years) you should appoint someone to be the “guardian” of your children. This person should be someone you can trust because they will be responsible for taking care of your children. They should also be someone who can get along with the executor if that person is different from the executor).*

2. I HEREBY GIVE AND BEQUEATH all monies standing to the credit of my account(s) at *[include name of bank(s) here]* bank to *[insert name of beneficiary here-you can leave your property to more than one person to be shared by them-you should determine if you want them to share the property as tenants in common (each person would have the ability to pass on their interest to someone else) or as joint tenants (which means that the interest of one of the owners to the property dies with him/her. The survivor(s) become(s) the outright owner(s) of the property)]* absolutely *(This refers to an absolute interest in personal property without any restrictions).*

3. I HEREBY GIVE AND BEQUEATH all of the shares I own in *[company XXX]* to *[insert name of beneficiary here]* absolutely.

4. I HEREBY GIVE AND BEQUEATH my [*include relevant details of vehicle here*] vehicle to [*insert name of beneficiary here*] absolutely.

5. I HEREBY GIVE DEVISE AND BEQUEATH my [*three bedroom, two bath, for example*] dwelling house located at [*insert name of street and other details of location here*] and all furniture and effects situate therein to [*insert name of beneficiary here*] in fee simple (*This refers to an absolute interest in the land without any restrictions*).

6. I HEREBY GIVE DEVISE AND BEQUEATH all the rest residue and remainder of my estate of whatsoever nature and wheresoever situate to [*insert name of beneficiary here*] in fee simple and absolutely [*as joint tenants or tenants in common if more than one*].

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have set my hand to this
my Will this day of 2020

Witness

Witness

Signed by the above-named [***] as his Last Will and Testament in the presence of us both being present at the same time who in his/her presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses. (*It is important that both witnesses are in the presence of the testator/testatrix when he or she signs. Failure to do this will invalidate the Will.*)

Please also note that no person who is a beneficiary under the will should witness the Will. If they do so the gift to them will fail.)