

Estate Administration Information Checklist

General Information:

- Certified Copy of Death Certificate;
- Funeral Bill marked "paid" by the Funeral Home;
- Original Last Will & Testament (and other Estate Planning Documents such as Trusts);
- Bills for any other funeral related expenses (e.g., cost of service, burial plot, flowers, reception expenses, etc.);
- Bills for the Decedent's expenses paid after death (e.g., medical bills, utilities, credit card purchases, etc.); and
- Documentation of monies received after death (e.g., refund checks, etc.).

Personal Holdings:

- Deeds for all real estate owned at the time of death (including vacation homes, time share or out of state property);
- Title or registration for automobiles, boats or trailers (owned in whole or in part);
- Documentation related to any "dockominiums," storage facilities or other similar property;
- Receipts of purchase (or insurance value) for unique personal items of significant value (valuable jewelry, art, collections, etc.); and
- Approximate value of household furnishings and personal effects (this is only a very general estimate).

Cash and Securities:

- Bank statements covering date of death;
- Brokerage or retirement account statements covering date of death; and
- Documents related to any stocks or bonds *not* held in brokerage accounts.

Other Financial Assets & Liabilities:

- Life insurance policies or annuity contracts;
- Statements reflecting any mortgages or equity line(s) of credit;
- Information related to other debts or promissory notes;
- Pension Statement if benefits continue for additional beneficiary; and
- Information related to partnerships or business interests.

Tax Information:

- Most recent Federal income tax return filed.