

Wills

The purpose of a will is to provide for the orderly transfer of all real, personal, and intangible property owned by the testator. Anyone over the age of 18 years may make a will. There are three types of wills valid in North Carolina. They are a written will, a holographic will, and a nuncupative will.

A written will must be attested to by two witnesses, and signed by them to be valid. A holographic will is also written, but in the decedent's own handwriting and found among his valuable papers, in a safety deposit box, in the custody of an individual, or deposited with a corporation for safekeeping. It does not need to be attested to in writing by the witnesses to be valid. A Nuncupative will is orally made, and is valid when made in the presence of two witnesses called by a person who is in immanent peril of death, and who in fact does not survive the sickness or immanent peril.

A written will may be "Self-Proved" or authenticated, when the testator and his two witnesses sign the will before a notary public, who signs and affixes his seal upon it. A written will, whether self-proved, or holographic may be stored with the Clerk of Superior Court in the county where the testator resides for safekeeping.

We will be glad to help you set forth your vision for the transfer of your property by drafting your "Last Will and Testament." Please call us today at 910 551-1926, or email us at <mailto:rnoble@noblelegalservices.com> to receive your "Free Consultation" and see how "We plot your destination and navigate your course."