

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
ORPHANS' COURT DIVISION

IN RE: _____, Deceased

Orphans' Court No: _____

PETITION FOR SETTLEMENT OF A SMALL ESTATE

Name and address of Petitioner(s):

<i>Name</i>	<i>Address</i>

1. Petitioner is (relationship) _____ to decedent.

2. The said decedent, _____, who died on _____, resided prior to his/her death at _____, Bucks County, Pennsylvania.

3. The decedent died testate (with a Will) or intestate (without a Will) _____.

a.) If testate, was the Last Will and Testament probated? Yes or No (If yes, copy of will is hereto attached as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein)

b.) If no, the original of the decedent's Last Will and Testament, dated _____ is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein.

c.) If yes, what is the date of Grant of Letters? _____

d.) If Intestate, were Letters of Administration granted? Yes or No

e.) If yes, what is the date of Grant of Letters? _____

4. The Personal Representative was (or was not) required to give bond in the amount of _____, with _____ as the surety.

5. The names and relationships of all beneficiaries entitled to any part of decedents estate under the will or intestate laws are _____

6. Neither your petitioner nor anyone else has received or retained any property of the decedent by

payment of wages under Section 3101 of the Probate, Estate and Fiduciaries Code, or otherwise.

7. The entire inventory of decedent's real and personal estate consisted of: _____

The value of the decedent's entire estate as of the date of death was \$_____.

If you have additional information, attach hereto as Exhibit "B" and incorporate herein.

8. A true and correct copy of the inventory of the decedent's estate filed with the Register of Wills is attached hereto as Exhibit "C" and incorporated by reference herein.

9. The following debts were owed by the estate: _____

10. There were no unpaid claims against the decedent's estate because your petitioner has paid the

aforementioned debts in the total sum of \$_____, and the decedent had no other creditors.

11. Your petitioner is entitled to the family exemption in the amount of \$3,500.00.

12. A true and correct copy of the Department of Revenue appraisalment of the inheritance tax return filed on the decedent's estate, showing that no inheritance tax is due, is attached hereto as Exhibit "D" and incorporated by reference herein.

13. Your Petitioner desires that all assets of the decedent's estate be distributed to him as the sole beneficiary and heir of the said decedent, as reimbursement for his payment of the outstanding claims against the decedent's estate and in satisfaction of the family exemption.

WHEREFORE, petitioner prays that your Honorable Court direct that the assets of the Estate of _____, deceased, be distributed to him/her.

_____ Respectfully Submitted,

Address: _____

City, State and Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

Attorney for Petitioner: _____

Attorney ID (if applicable): _____

Note: Filing fee is \$130 and is payable to Orphans' Court

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Administration Building
55 E. Court St., 6th Floor
Doylestown, PA 18901**

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FINAL DECREE

AND NOW, this ____ day of _____, 20____, upon consideration of the attached Petition for Settlement of a Small Estate, it is hereby ORDERED and DECREED that the estate of _____, deceased, namely the _____

_____ shall be distributed to _____, Petitioner. Petitioner may execute any documents necessary for distribution of the aforementioned estate property.

BY THE COURT:

J.

VERIFICATION

I _____, verify that the facts set forth in the foregoing Petition are true and correct to my best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that false statements herein are subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

[Signature of Petitioner]

[Date]

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

I certify that this filing complies with the provisions of the *Public Access policy of the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania: Case Records of the Appellate and Trial Courts* that require filing confidential information and documents differently than non confidential information and documents.

Submitted by: _____

Signature: _____

Attorney No. (If Applicable): _____