



KERSHAW COUNTY PROBATE COURT

Debra B. Branham
Probate Judge

Kershaw County Courthouse
1121 Broad Street, Room 225
Camden, South Carolina 29020
Phone (803) 425-1503 Fax (803) 425-1526

Rebecca J. Edwards
Associate Probate Judge

SMALL ESTATE AFFIDAVIT

The Small Estate Affidavit allows for the transfer of the decedent's personal property with a value less than \$25,000.00 without the necessity of full probate proceedings. This document cannot be filed until 30 days after the decedent's date of death.

The following items are needed to file a Small Estate Affidavit:

- Completed, signed, and notarized Affidavit for Collection of Personal Property (Form 420PC);
- Appropriate filing fees;
- Certified copy of the Death Certificate;
- Itemized Funeral Bill or Statement and proof of payment;
- Funeral Home Program or Copy of the Newspaper Obituary, and
- Affidavit from the person who paid the Funeral Bill concerning reimbursement.

Please note that if you are filing the Small Estate and you did not pay the funeral expenses for the decedent, you must have an Affidavit signed by the person who paid the bill either indicating they would like to be reimbursed or that they do not wish to be reimbursed See attached.

Complete mailing addresses are needed for all persons listed on the Affidavit.

Your documents will be returned to you by the Court if you fail to present all documentation listed above.

| <u>Value of Estate Property</u> | <u>Probate Fees</u> |
|--|---|
| Under \$100.00 | \$17.50 (\$12.50 plus \$5.00 for Order) |
| \$100.00 - \$4,999.99 | \$30.00 (\$25.00 plus \$5.00 for Order) |
| \$5,000.00 - \$19,999.99 | \$50.00 (\$45.00 plus \$5.00 for Order) |
| \$20,000.00 - \$25,000.00 | \$72.50 (\$67.50 plus \$5.00 for Order) |