

## Overview - Petition to Prove Validity of Will During Life

### **General Information:**

New Hampshire law (See RSA 552:18) allows a person, while still living, to ask the court to find his or her will to be valid. This is done by filing a Petition to Prove Validity of Will During Life of Testator.

“Testator” is the term used to refer to the person who made and executed (signed) the will.

### **Other Details:**

For the filing of the Petition to Prove Validity of Will to be complete, the original will and any codicils (amendments to the will) must be mailed to the Estates Electronic Filing Center.

The names of all people named in the will must be included in the Petition. They will all receive notice from the court about the hearing that will be scheduled.

A hearing will be scheduled within 30 days of the filing of the petition.

After the hearing, the court will decide whether the will is valid and will issue an order setting forth the decision.

### **Other Helpful Resources:**

RSA:

RSA 552:18

Form(s):

Petition to Prove Validity of Will During Life of Testator **(NHJB-2921-Pe)**

Glossary of Terms

What to Expect:

After Petition for Validity of Will During Life

### **For Further Information:**

If you have questions, please contact the Information Center at 1-855-212-1234.