

IN THE ORPHANS' COURT FOR
(OR) _____, MARYLAND
BEFORE THE REGISTER OF WILLS FOR

IN THE ESTATE OF: _____ ESTATE NO. _____

ORDER FOR SMALL ESTATE

Upon the foregoing Petition, it is this ____ day of _____, _____, by the Register of Wills ordered that:

1. The estate of _____ shall be administered as a small estate.
2. _____ shall serve as personal representative(s).
3. The personal representative shall pay fees due the register, expenses of administration, allowable funeral expenses, and statutory family allowances, and, if necessary, sell property of the decedent in order to pay them.
4. The will dated _____ (including codicils, if any, dated _____) accompanying the petition is:
 admitted to probate; or
 retained on file only.
5. Publication is:
 not required; or
 required and Notice of Appointment shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the county of appointment.
6. When publication is required, the personal representative shall, subject to the statutory order of priorities and the resolution of disputed claims by the parties or by the court: (a) pay all proper claims, expenses, and allowances not previously paid; (b) if necessary, sell property of the estate in order to do so; and (c) distribute the remaining property of the estate in accordance with the will or, if none, with the intestacy laws of this State.

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**THIS ORDER DOES NOT CONSTITUTE LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION
AND DOES NOT AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER OF ASSETS.**

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that on this ____ day of _____, _____, I delivered or mailed, postage prepaid, a copy of the foregoing Order to _____

Personal Representative.

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