

Chancery Court  
Anderson County  
Clinton, Tennessee

**AFFIDAVIT FOR SMALL  
ESTATE LIMITED  
LETTER OF AUTHORITY**

Case Number  
\_\_\_\_\_PB\_\_\_\_\_

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**IN RE: \_\_\_\_\_, Deceased**

The deceased, herein referred to as "Decedent", age \_\_\_\_\_, died on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ County, State of Tennessee Decedent's last residence was \_\_\_\_\_ County, Tennessee, as evidenced by a copy of the death certificate which is being filed with this affidavit.

\_\_\_\_\_ The Decedent left no Will. \_\_\_\_\_ The Decedent left a Will which does not require administration by the Court, but is lodged for safekeeping.

The Decedent died owning an interest in personal property, including all life insurance policies payable to the Decedent's estate, not to exceed the aggregate statutory amount of \$50,000.00 as follows:

Items	Value	Location and Possession
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
Total Value		_____

The Decedent left the following unpaid debts at death (Attached additional sheet if necessary):

Creditor	Amount	Address
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

- Bond must be posted in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- Bond is excused:
  - Will lodged for safekeeping excuses affiant from making bond.
  - Affiant is the sole heir or beneficiary of the decedent's estate.
  - Each person who is an heir or beneficiary of the decedent is an adult and has consented to waive the affiant's bond as evidenced by each's signed, acknowledged agreement to 'waive' bond which is filed along with this affidavit.
  - Affiant is a bank excused from bond by TCA §45-2-1005.

The following are the names and addresses of all heirs of the deceased which the affiant(s) is (are) obligated to notify at their last known address (Attach additional heirs on a separate sheet): All of these persons must be notified by the affiant of the filing of this affidavit, by mailing a copy, to their last known address, postage prepaid.

Name	Address	Age	Relationship
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Your affiant(s) is(are) willing to collect and preserve all assets of the estate, including the removal of any personal property from a property leased by the decedent and cancellation of insurance policies that are no longer applicable due to the decedent's death.

Your affiant(s) acknowledges that the decedent did not have an interest in any real property.

Your affiant(s) acknowledge liability to TennCare, if applicable, to the extent of the value of the personal property.

Your affiant(s) further acknowledges that the affiant and the sureties, if any, will automatically be discharged on the first anniversary of the filing of the affidavit.

Your affiant(s) further evidences by signature hereto that, subject to penalty of perjury, the information contained herein is not false or misleading and the affiant is not prohibited from filing affidavit because of having been sentenced to imprisonment in a penitentiary as set forth in § 40-20-115 or otherwise. The affiant is aware of and mindful of all duties imposed upon him in Tennessee Code Annotated §30-4-101 et seq.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Affiant

Affiant Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Affiant Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn to and subscribed before me on \_\_\_\_\_.

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk or Notary Public

I, \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk for the \_\_\_\_\_ Court of \_\_\_\_\_ County, Tennessee, certify that this is a court of record; that this is a true, full and correct copy of the Affidavit for Small Estate Limited Letter of Authority filed in this Court; that this Affidavit is still in full force and effect as of this date; and that the original of this Affidavit is on file in the office of the \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ County, Tennessee.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk or Deputy Probate Clerk

Legal Authority: TCA §30-4-101 et seq.  
7/1/2022

**Note:** Tennessee Code Annotated 30-4-104 states that every person indebted to the decedent's estate, having possession of any personal property belonging to the estate, or acting as registrar or transfer agent of any shares of stock, bonds, notes, or other evidence of ownership, indebtedness, or right belonging to the decedent's estate must be furnished with a copy of the affidavit by the affiant, duly certified by the clerk of the court. Upon receipt of the copy of the affidavit and demand of the affiant, each person furnished with a copy of the affidavit **shall** pay, transfer, and deliver to the affiant: 1) all indebtedness owing by the recipient and other property in possession of or subject to registration or transfer by the recipient.