

STATE OF VERMONT  
DISTRICT OF

,SS.

PROBATE COURT  
DOCKET NO.

IN RE THE ESTATE OF

LATE OF

**PETITION TO OPEN A TESTATE ESTATE**

**Part I. Request to open an estate**

The undersigned petitioner represents as follows:

That \_\_\_\_\_, a resident of \_\_\_\_\_  
in the County of \_\_\_\_\_ and State of \_\_\_\_\_  
died on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

That the deceased left an instrument bearing the date of \_\_\_\_\_ purporting to be the Last Will and Testament and  
Codicil thereto dated \_\_\_\_\_ which names \_\_\_\_\_ as executor.

That the deceased left real estate with an estimated value of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and personal estate with an estimated value of  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be administered.

That attached to this petition is a list of the heirs-at-law of the deceased plus a list of all legatees, devisees and beneficiaries named  
in the Will who have not been previously listed. (Attach Form 5)

That I have attached a copy of the death certificate and the entry fee.

And that the purported Will and Testament and Codicil thereto is attached to this petition.

Therefore, I request the court to open an estate in this matter. I request that the court issue Letters Testamentary to \_\_\_\_\_

of \_\_\_\_\_ in the County of \_\_\_\_\_ and State of \_\_\_\_\_  
as executor or appoint said person as administrator, c.t.a. of the estate of the deceased, and ask that the above mentioned Will be  
admitted to probate and that Letters Testamentary be issued.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_, Petitioner  
Print name  
Address  
Telephone

**Part II. Acceptance of the appointment as executor**

I accept appointment as executor and ask the above mentioned Will be admitted to probate, and that Letters Testamentary be issued  
to me.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_, Executor  
Address

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_, Co-Executor  
Address

**Part III. Consent to allowance of Will**

By our signatures below, we, the heirs at law and surviving spouse of the deceased, consent to the allowance of the Will. We understand that based on this consent the court may allow the Will without testimony and without further notice.

Signature	Print Name	Date
_____		_____
_____		_____
_____		_____
_____		_____
_____		_____

**Part IV. Acceptance of the appointment as administrator, c.t.a.**

(to be completed if executor is unable or refuses to accept appointment)

The person named in the Will as executor refuses or is unable to accept the appointment therefore I request and accept appointment as administrator, c.t.a. and ask that the above mentioned Will be admitted to probate and that the Letters Testamentary be issued to me. (Attach letter of refusal or other proof of refusal or inability to serve.)

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_, Administrator, c.t.a.

Address

Telephone:

**Part V. Consent of interested persons to appointment of administrator, c.t.a.**

By our signatures below, we, the persons interested in this estate, consent to the appointment of \_\_\_\_\_ as administrator, c.t.a. We understand that if all interested persons do not sign below, a hearing on the appointment will be scheduled by the court and notice of that hearing will be given to all interested persons by the petitioner or court.

Signature	Print Name	Date
_____		_____
_____		_____
_____		_____
_____		_____
_____		_____
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