

IF YOU DIE WITHOUT A WILL...

...AND ARE SURVIVED BY
Your Spouse Only



Everything you own will go to your spouse.

...AND ARE SURVIVED BY

Your Spouse and One or More Children



Your spouse will receive \$50,000 and $\frac{1}{2}$ of the rest of your estate. Your remaining estate will be given to your children *by representation*. No consideration is given to special circumstances (i.e. infirm child).

...AND ARE SURVIVED BY
No Spouse, but Several Children



Your property will be given to your children *by representation*. Again, no consideration is given to special circumstances.

...AND ARE SURVIVED BY

One or Both Parents
(no spouse or children)



Your property goes to both parents equally, or all to the surviving parent. However, no consideration is given to a parent's physical or mental condition or other special circumstances.

...AND ARE SURVIVED BY

Brothers and Sisters
(no parents, spouse or children)



Your property will be given to your parents' children (your brothers and sisters) *by representation*. Once more, no consideration is given to special circumstances.

By Representation...A disposition of property made in the following manner to persons who take as issue of a deceased ancestor:

The property so passing is divided into as many equal shares as there are (i) surviving issue in the generation nearest to the deceased ancestor which contains one or more surviving issue and (ii) deceased issue in the same generation who left surviving issue, if any. Each surviving member in such nearest generation is allocated one share. The remaining shares, if any, are combined and then divided in the same manner among the surviving issue of the deceased issue as if the surviving issue who are allocated a share had predeceased the decedent, without issue.