COURT COSTS: Value under \$25,000 - \$68.00 Value over \$25,000 - \$108.00

RELEASE OF ESTATE WITH WILL

FORMS MUST BE TYPEWRITTEN

Form #1.0 - Surviving Spouse, Next of Kin, Legatees and Devisees. File the original with the Application to Probate Will. File a copy (with original signature or Photostat of signature) with the Application to Relieve Estate from Administration. If your Certificate of Service of Notice is not filed at the time the Will is admitted to probate, please file a copy of this form with your Certificate. The Certificate of Service of Notice form is due no later than 60 days from the date of probate will.

IF FUNERAL BILL IS PAID, FILE A RECEIPT SHOWING PAYMENT IN FULL. IF NOT PAID IN FULL, HAVE FUNERAL DIRECTOR SIGN WAIVER ON RELEASE OF ESTATE FROM ADMINISTRATION. IF FUNERAL BILL WAS PRE-PAID, PRESENT SOME EVIDENCE TO COURT AS TO FULL PAYMENT OF SAME.

WHEN THERE IS A SURVIVING SPOUSE AND IF THE WHOLE ESTATE CONSISTS OF REAL ESTATE AND/OR MOTOR VEHICLE TRANSFERRED BY AFFIDAVIT TO SURVIVING SPOUSE, IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO FILE A REPORT OF DISTRIBUTION. THIS ALSO APPLIES TO A NON-SPOUSAL SITUATION WHERE THE ONLY ASSET IS REAL ESTATE. OTHERWISE, YOUR REPORT OF DISTRIBUTION IS DUE 60 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF FILING OF THE APPLICATION FOR RELEASE OF ESTATE FROM ADMINISTRATION.

The **ORIGINAL** will must be submitted to the Court.

Legal Practice in the Probate Court is restricted by law to attorneys who are licensed by the Supreme Court of Ohio. If an individual wishes to handle his or her own case, that person may attempt to do so, however due to the complexity of the law and desire to avoid costly errors, most individuals who have matters before the Court are represented by an attorney.

Court employees including the Judge are prohibited by statue from giving legal advice which includes selection and preparation of documents.