

Clinton County Probate Court Information Sheet
Opening a Decedent's Estate
Under the Estates & Protected Individuals Code (EPIC)

Unsupervised Administration
Informal Proceedings by Application (Case Type DE)

INITIALLY: \$175.00 FILING FEE

- (PC558) Application for Informal Probate and/or Appointment of Personal Representative **OR**
- (PC559) Petition for Probate and/or Appointment of Personal Representative (PR) – *used when the decedent had a will but you only have a copy, or someone is going to contest the will or appointment of the PR*
- (MC97) Protected Personal Identifying Information – needed to complete PC558 or PC559
- Copy of death certificate
- (PC565) Testimony to identify Heirs – Must be notarized or signed in front of a deputy register at the court.
- (PC566) Supplemental Testimony to Identify Heirs (if a devisee is not an Heir) - Must be notarized or signed in front of a deputy register at the court.
- (PC567) Renunciation of Right to Appointment, Nomination of Personal Representative and Waiver of Notice
- (PC568) Register's Statement
- Original Last Will and Testament (if the decedent had one)
- (PC571) Acceptance of Appointment and (PC 570) Bond if required by the Will
- (MC97A) Addendum to Protected Personal Identifying Information – needed to complete PC571
- (PC572) Letters of Authority (\$12 for certified copy if requested)
- Fiduciary Proof of Identity
- Copy of Drivers License
- (PC564) Proof of Service –Send copy of petition to heirs/interested parties

After the estate is opened and Letters of Authority are issued, please visit our website (www.clinton-county.org) or pick up in our office the documents needed to administer the estate.

Please note that Clinton County Probate Court is prohibited by law from giving legal advice on any of the above proceedings other than to answer your specific questions regarding filing requirements. You should consult with an attorney if you have specific legal questions regarding which method of administration to use given your specific circumstances. MCL 700.1211.

Some forms may or may not be needed depending on the facts
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