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# How to Complete Your Florida Self-Proving Will Affidavit

Self-Proof of Will (Section 732.503, Florida Statutes)

**INSTRUCTIONS — KEEP FOR YOUR RECORDS. DO NOT ATTACH THIS PAGE TO YOUR DOCUMENT.**

**About this form.** A Florida will must be signed in front of two witnesses. Adding this **self-proving affidavit**, signed before a notary, lets the probate court accept the will without calling the witnesses to testify. This page follows the exact statutory form in section 732.503.

1. **Bring the will, both witnesses, and ID**
   The person who made the will (the testator) and the same two witnesses who signed the will must all appear together before the notary. Everyone needs a current, government-issued photo ID. First Choice can provide witnesses for an additional fee when the will is being signed for the first time.
2. **Fill in the names**
   Enter the testator's name and both witnesses' names. Do not sign ahead of time.
3. **Sign in front of the notary**
   The testator acknowledges the will, and the witnesses swear to how it was signed. The notary completes the certificate on the same page.
4. **Attach it to the will**
   This page goes immediately after the will's signature page. It can be signed the same day as the will or at any later date.

## After It's Signed

- Keep the original will, with this affidavit attached, in a safe place, and tell your personal representative where it is.
- A self-proved will can be admitted to probate without locating the witnesses later, which saves time and expense for your family.
- This form makes an existing will self-proved. It is not a will. If you need a will prepared, speak with an attorney.

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# SELF-PROVING AFFIDAVIT

(Section 732.503, Florida Statutes)

STATE OF

COUNTY OF

I, (name of testator)

declare to the officer taking my acknowledgment of this instrument, and to the subscribing witnesses, that I signed this instrument as my will.

X

Testator

We, (name of first witness)

and (name of second witness)

have been sworn by the officer signing below, and declare to that officer on our oaths that the testator declared the instrument to be the testator's will and signed it in our presence and that we each signed the instrument as a witness in the presence of the testator and of each other.

X

Witness

X

Witness



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## OFFICER'S CERTIFICATE

Acknowledged and subscribed before me by means of

☐ physical presence or

☐ online notarization

_____

by the testator (type or print testator's name)

☐ who is personally known to me or

☐ has produced the following as identification:

_____

Type of identification

and sworn to and subscribed before me by each of the following witnesses:

_____ _____

(type or print name of first witness) Type of identification produced (if any)

☐ who is personally known to me, or has produced the identification stated, by means of

☐ physical presence or

☐ online notarization; and

_____ _____

(type or print name of second witness) Type of identification produced (if any)

☐ who is personally known to me, or has produced the identification stated, by means of

☐ physical presence or

☐ online notarization.

Subscribed by me in the presence of the testator and the subscribing witnesses, by the means specified herein, all on:

_____

(date)

X _____

Signature of Officer

(Notary seal)

_____

Print, type, or stamp commissioned name and affix official seal

_____ _____

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