



### **Why do you write a Will?**

Have you written your Will? **NO** ..... You are not alone!

The reality is that most of us don't have one. In fact, it's estimated that around **two thirds** of the population in England & Wales **don't** currently have a valid Will in place!

**Here are seven essential reasons why writing a Will really matters!**

#### **Number One**

##### **Decide Who Inherits Your Estate**

A professionally written Will ensures your money, property, and possessions (known as your estate) go to the people you choose. For example: children, relatives, friends, and charities of your choosing and in the proportions you would like.

#### **Number Two**

##### **Protect Your Family**

To protect your family against sideways disinheritance. Ensuring that your assets aren't lost to unintended beneficiaries. When a person's intended beneficiaries (usually their children from a first marriage) lose out on their inheritance because the surviving spouse remarries. The assets then pass to the new spouse or their family, bypassing the original children.

#### **Number Three**

##### **If you are a parent – Appoint Guardians for Your Children**

Appointing Guardians for minor children. Legal guardians are appointed in your Will. God parents don't have an automatic right to become guardians.

A valid Will nominating guardian(s) is invaluable in such cases. otherwise, the Court will decide on the future of your children, and it may not be what you or your children would have wished.

#### **Number Four**

##### **Protect Unmarried Partners**

Don't believe the myth! To protect unmarried partners. Without a Will, unmarried partners won't benefit. Your Will enables you to make provisions for them.

#### **Number Five**

##### **Choose Your Executors and Trustees**

A Will lets you appoint trusted individuals known as 'executors and or trustees' to manage your estate and carry out your wishes. This ensures your affairs are handled by people you trust.

#### **Number Six**

##### **Pets**

If you own pets and you were to pass away, who would love and look after your pets? Would you like to leave a gift of money to that person that can be used to care for your pets?

#### **Number Seven**

##### **Gain Peace of Mind**

Knowing your affairs are in order gives you confidence and peace of mind so you can sleep better at night! A Will ensures your wishes are clear and your legacy is protected.

**If you haven't written your Will - What are you waiting for?**

***Don't delay! Pick up the phone and call today!***

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