

# HOUSTON COUNTY PROBATE COURT

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KRISTEN W. HARRIS, JUDGE

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## Steps in Probating without a Will

### **Select and complete the necessary petition**

Have **ALL** signatures **NOTARIZED**

Return **completed** petition, copy of death certificate and a check or money order in the amount of \$130.00 for the filing fee. (There will be a remaining balance of court costs which must be paid before letters of testamentary can be issued) **The Court requires that the original documents be filed by mail or in person.**

**\*Additional fees may apply (\$80.00 for legal ad in newspaper) according to your particular circumstance\***

**\*Total court costs will usually average \$200.00 to \$250.00\***

Once our office receives the completed petition along with the appropriate fees and the petition is processed, we will then contact the petitioner.

Clerks of the probate court may **NOT** answer any questions or provide any assistance in completing the petitions. If you have any questions about completing your petition, please consult an attorney.