

PETITION FOR AUTHORITY TO OPEN SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX

GEORGIA, _____ COUNTY

To The Honorable Judge Of The Probate Court:

The petition of _____ whose post office address is _____ shows to the Court the following:

1.

_____, whose legal domicile is/was _____ in this county, was declared legally incompetent/departed this life on the _____ day of _____, _____.

2.

This Court has jurisdiction over the estate of the deceased or incompetent and that there is a safety deposit box in the name of said deceased or incompetent person in the following financial institution:

_____.

3.

The Petitioner believes that said safety deposit box contains the following documents: _____.

4.

Petitioner should be allowed to open and examine the contents of said safety deposit box number _____ due to the fact that Petitioner is the _____ of said deceased or incompetent person and that if certain documents are in said box, they should be delivered as provided by O.C.G.A. § 7-1-356 to the proper person or Court.

5.

Attached as proof of death is (*check one*):

_____ a death certificate.

_____ an obituary.

_____ other: _____.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner prays that an Order be granted allowing said financial institution in which said box is located to allow _____ to open and examine in the presence of an officer of said institution the contents of said safety deposit box and to deliver certain documents to the proper person or Court as provided by law.

Signature of Attorney (or
petitioner if pro se)

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petitioner if pro se)

Address:

Address:

Telephone #: _____
State Bar #: _____

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State Bar #: _____

VERIFICATION

GEORGIA, _____ COUNTY

Personally appeared before me the undersigned petitioner(s) who on oath state(s) that the facts set forth in the foregoing petition are true.

Signature of Petitioner

Signature of Petitioner

Residence Address:

Residence Address:

Telephone #: _____

Telephone #: _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this ____ day of _____, _____.

Clerk of Probate Court or Notary Public

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF _____ COUNTY

STATE OF GEORGIA

RE: ESTATE OF _____) ESTATE NO. _____
)
_____,)
(DECEDENT) (INCOMPETENT)) RE: PETITION FOR AUTHORITY TO
OPEN SAFETY DEPOSIT BOX

ORDER

The within and foregoing Petition having been read and considered,

IT IS ORDERED that the above-named institution, to wit:

_____ allow _____
to enter said box, to examine its contents, and to make an inventory in the presence of an officer of said institution. The inventory shall be made within five banking days after this order is presented to the institution and shall be signed by all parties present. A copy of the inventory shall be filed in the Probate Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the institution, if so requested by the petitioner, shall deliver any writing purporting to be a will to the Probate Court of _____ County; any writing purporting to be a deed to a burial plot or to give burial instructions to the person named in this order; and any document purporting to be an insurance policy on the life of the deceased to the beneficiary. No other contents shall be removed.

DATE

JUDGE OF THE PROBATE COURT