



## Wills, Living Trusts & Probate Law

### **Library Resources**

*California Estate Planning*, CEB  
*Estate Planning: California Transactions Forms*, Thomson West  
*Complete Plans for Small and Mid-Size Estates*, CEB  
*California Will Drafting*, CEB  
*California Wills & Trusts*, Matthew Bender  
*Make Your Own Living Trust*, Nolo Press  
*Deeds for California Real Estate*, Nolo Press  
*California Trust Practice*, Matthew Bender  
*Drafting California Revocable Trusts*, CEB  
*Drafting California Irrevocable Trusts*, CEB  
*Funding a Revocable Trust*, CEB Action Guide  
*California Trust Administration*, CEB  
*Handling Postmortem Trust Administration*, CEB Action Guide

*California Trust & Probate Litigation*, CEB  
*Transferring Property without Probate*, CEB Action Guide  
*How to Probate an Estate in California*, Nolo Press  
*California Probate Practice*, Bender  
*California Decedent Estate Practice*, CEB  
*The Executor's Guide*, Nolo Press  
*Probate*, Rutter Group  
*Handling a Probate*, CEB Action Guide  
*Probate Procedures Manual 2008 ed.*, CCA  
*West's California Code Forms- Probate*, Thomson West  
*California Forms of Pleading & Practice*, Matthew Bender  
*California Legal Forms Transaction Guide*, Matthew Bender

### **Wills**

Do I Need a Will?: <http://calbar.ca.gov/calbar/pdfs/publications/Wills-English.pdf>  
California Statutory Will Form: <http://calbar.ca.gov/calbar/pdfs/publications/Will-Form.pdf>

### **Living Trusts**

Do I Need a Living Trust?:  
[http://calbar.ca.gov/calbar/pdfs/publications/Pamphlets\\_Living-Trust-English.pdf](http://calbar.ca.gov/calbar/pdfs/publications/Pamphlets_Living-Trust-English.pdf)  
Living Trusts: <http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp/Probate/livingtrust.html>  
Trusts: <http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp/Probate/trust.html>

### **General Information about Probate**

How to Probate a Decedent's Estate:  
<http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp/Probate/faq.html>  
Probate Forms:  
<http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp/Probate/rulesforms.html#ProbateForms>  
Alameda County Probate Court:  
<http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/courts/divs/probate/index.shtml>  
California Probate Code: <http://leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/calawquery?codesection=prob&codebody=&hits=20>

**Alameda County Local Rules- Probate:**

<http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/courts/rules/localrules2008/Title07.pdf>

**Simplified Probate Procedures/Probate Avoidance**

**Transferring Property after Death:**

<http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp/Probate/simplifiedprocedures.html>

**Obtaining a Death Certificate:**

<http://www.acgov.org/auditor/clerk/death3a.htm>

**Preliminary Change of Ownership Report Form:**

[http://www.acgov.org/forms/assessor/assessor2\\_input\\_new.pdf](http://www.acgov.org/forms/assessor/assessor2_input_new.pdf)

**Transfer a Vehicle without Probate:**

<http://www.dmv.ca.gov/pubs/brochures/howto/htvr2.htm>

**Probate Process**

**Diagram of the Probate Process:**

<http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp/Probate/probateprocess.html>

**Preparing Probate Forms:**

<http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp/Probate/preparingpetition.html>

**Estate Administration, Creditor's Claims, Taxes:**

<http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp/Probate/administerprobateestate.html>

**Distributing the Estate:** <http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp/Probate/closing.html>

**Probate Referees:** <http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp/Probate/referees.html>

**Minor's Compromise:**

<http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp/Probate/minorcompromise.html>