

## National Survey of Probate Jurisdiction

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Which Court Handles . . .	General Jurisdiction	Limited Jurisdiction	Probate Court	Chancery Court	Family Court	Juvenile Court	N/A; Other
Decedent's Estate Administration?	(32) AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, DE, FL, HI, IL, IN, IO, KS, MN, MO, MT, NV, NJ, NM, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, SD, TN, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY	(20) AL, CT, GA, ID, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MS, NE, NH, NY, OR, RI, SC, TN, TX, VT	(13) AL, CO, CT, GA, IN, ME, MA, MI, NH, RI, SC, TX, VT	(2) MS, TN	0	0	0
Decedent's Estate Litigation?	(37) AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, IL, IN, IO, KS, MA, MN, MO, MT, NV, NJ, NM, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY	(20) AL, CT, GA, ID, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MS, NE, NH, NY, OR, RI, SC, TN, TX, VT	(13) AL, CO, CT, GA, IN, ME, MA, MI, NH, SC, TX, VT	(2) MS, TN	0	0	0

Guardianships for Incompetent Adults?	(34) AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, HI, IL, IN, IO, KS, MD, MN, MO, MT, NV, NJ, NM, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, SD, TN, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY	(19) AL, CT, GA, ID, KY, LA, ME, MA, MI, MS, NE, NH, NY, OR, RI, SC, TN, TX, VT	(13) AL, CO, CT, GA, IN, ME, MA, MI, NH, RI, SC, TX, VT	(2) MS, TN	(1) NV	0	0
Guardianships for Competent Adults?	(31) AK, AZ, AR, CO, DE, FL, HI, IL, IN, IO, KS, MD, MN, MO, MT, NV, NJ, NM, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, SD, TN, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY	(17) AL, CT, GA, ID, KY, LA, ME, MA, MI, MS, NE, NH, OR, RI, SC, TN, VT	(12) AL, CO, CT, GA, IN, ME, MA, MI, NH, RI, SC, VT	(2) MS, TN	(1) NV	0	(4) CA, NY, NC, TX
Guardianship / Conservatorship for a Minor?	(32) AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, DE, FL, HI, IL, IN, IO, KS, MN, MO, MT, NV, NJ, NM, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, SD, TN, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY	(21) AL, CT, GA, ID, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MS, NE, NH, NY, OR, RI, SC, TN, TX, UT, VT	(13) AL, CO, CT, GA, IN, ME, MA, MI, NH, RI, SC, TX, VT	(2) MS, TN	(2) NS, SC	(1) UT	0
Administration of Testamentary Trusts?	(34) AK, AZ, AR, CA, DE, FL, GA, HI, IL, IN, IO, KS, MD, MN, MO, MT, NV, NJ, NM, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SD, TN, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY	(18) AL, CT, GA, ID, KY, LA, ME, MA, MI, MS, NE, NH, NY, OR, SC, TN, TX, VT	(11) AL, CT, GA, IN, ME, MA, MI, NH, SC, TX, VT	(2) MS, TN	0	0	(1) CO

Testamentary Trust Litigation?	(38) AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, IL, IN, IO, KS, ME, MD, MA, MN, MO, MT, NV, NJ, NM, NC, ND, OH, OR, PA, RI, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY	(17) AL, CT, GA, ID, KY, LA, ME, MA, MI, MS, NE, NH, NY, OR, SC, TX, VT	(12) AL, CO, CT, GA, IN, ME, MA, MI, NH, SC, TX, VT	(2) MS, TN	0	0	(1) OK
Intervivos Trust Administration?	(31) AK, AZ, AR, CA, DE, FL, GA, HI, IL, IN, IO, MD, MN, MO, MT, NV, NJ, NM, ND, OH, OR, PA, RI, SD, UT, VT, WA, WV, WI, WY	(16) AL, CT, GA, ID, KY, LA, ME, MA, MI, MS, NE, NH, NY, OR, SC, TX	(10) AL, CT, GA, IN, ME, MA, MI, NH, SC, TX	(2) MS, TN	0	0	(5) CO, KS, NC, OK, VA
Intervivos Trust Litigation?	(36) AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, HI, IL, IN, IO, ME, MD, MA, MN, MO, MT, NV, NJ, NM, NC, ND, OH, OR, PA, RI, SD, TX, UT, VT, WA, WV, WI, WY	(16) AL, CT, GA, ID, KY, LA, ME, MA, MI, MS, NE, NH, NY, OR, SC, TX	(11) AL, CO, CT, GA, IN, ME, MA, MI, NH, SC, TX	(2) MS, TN	0	0	(3) KS, OK, VA
Adoption Proceedings?	(34) AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, FL, HI, IL, IN, IO, KS, KY, MD, MI, MN, MO, MT, NV, NJ, NM, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, SD, TN, TX, UT, WA, WV, WI, WY	(17) AL, CT, DE, GA, ID, LA, ME, MA, MS, NE, NH, NY, OR, RI, SC, UT, VT	(8) AL, CT, IN, ME, MA, NH, RI, VT	(3) MS, NJ, TN	(8) DE, HI, MI, NV, NJ, PA, RI, SC	(2) GA, UT	(1) VA

Involuntary Mental Health Commitments?	(34) AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, DE, FL, HI, IL, IN, IO, KS, MD, MN, MO, MT, NV, NJ, NM, NY, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, WA, WV, WI, WY	(17) AL, CT, GA, ID, KY, LA, MA, MI, MS, NH, RI, SC, TN, TX, UT, VA	(11) AL, CO, CT, GA, IN, MA, MI, NH, RI, SC, TX	(2) MS, TN	(4) HI, NV, PA, VT	(2) UT, VA	(2) ME, NE
Involuntary Mental Retardation Commitments?	(31) AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, DE, FL, HI, IL, IN, IO, MD, MN, MO, MT, NV, NJ, NM, NY, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, SD, TX, UT, VT, WA, WV, WY	(16) AL, CT, GA, ID, KY, LA, MA, MI, MS, NH, NC, RI, SC, TX, UT VA	(11) AL, CO, CT, GA, IN, MA, MI, NH, RI, SC, TX	(1) MS	(4) HI, NV, PA, VT	(2) UT, VA	(5) KS, ME, NE, TN, WI
Proceedings Regarding Financial Powers of Attorney?	(36) AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, DE, FL, HI, IL, IN, IO, KS, MD, MA, MN, MO, MT, NV, NJ, NM, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, UT, VT, WA, WV, WI, WY	(14) AL, CT, GA, ID, KY, LA, ME, MA, MI, MS, NH, NY, RI, TX	(10) AL, CT, GA, IN, ME, MA, MI, NH, RI, TX	(2) MS, TN	0	0	(2) NE, VA
Proceedings Regarding Health Care Powers of Attorney?	(36) AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, DE, FL, HI, IL, IN, IO, KS, MD, MA, MN, MO, MT, NV, NJ, NM, NY, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, UT, VT, WA, WV, WI, WY	(12) AL, CT, GA, ID, LA, ME, MA, MI, MS, NH, RI, TX	(10) AL, CT, GA, IN, ME, MA, MI, NH, RI, TX	(2) MS, TN	(1) HI	0	(4) KY, NE, NC, VA

Proceedings Regarding Living Wills?	(31) AK, AZ, AR, CO, DE, FL, HI, IL, IN, IO, KS, MD, MA, MN, MO, MT, NV, NH, NM, NY, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, UT, VT, WA, WV, WY	(12) AL, CT, GA, ID, LA, ME, MA, MS, NH, OR, RI, TX	(9) AL, CT, GA, IN, ME, MA, NH, RI, TX	(3) MS, NJ, TN	(1) HI	0	(7) CA, KY, MI, NE, NC, VA, WI
Estate Tax Issues?	(30) AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, DE, FL, HI, IL, IN, IO, KS, ME, MA, MT, NV, NM, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SD, TX, UT, WA, WV, WI, WY	(18) AL, CT, ID, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MS, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OR, RI, SC, TX, VT	(10) AL, CT, ID, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MS, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OR, RI, SC, TX, VT	(1) MS	0	0	(7) GA, KY, MN, MO, NC, TN, VA
Name Changes?	(33) AK, AZ, AR, CA, FL, HI, IL, IN, IO, KS, MD, MN, MO, MT, NE, NV, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, SD, TN, TX, UT, WA, WV, WI, WY	(16) CT, DE, GA, ID, KY, ME, MA, MI, MS, NH, OR, RI, SC, TN, UT, VT	(8) CT, GA, ME, MA, MI, NH, RI, VT	(2) MS, TN	(4) DE, HI, NV, SC	(1) UT	(5) AL, CO, GA, LA, VA
Marriage Licenses?	(19) AK, AZ, AR, IL, IN, KS, MD, MT, NE, NV, NJ, ND, OH, OK, PA, SD, WA, WV, WY	(8) DE, ID, MS, NH, NY, SC, TX, VT	(3) NH, SC, VT	(1) MS	(1) DE	(1) UT	(23) AL, CA, CO, CT, FL, GA, HI, IO, KY, LA, ME, MA, MI, MN, MO, NM, NC, OR, RI, TN, UT, VA, WI

