



## Register of Wills

### OPENING OF ESTATE CHECKLIST

**Please make sure that all items on this checklist are submitted and forms are completed fully. If items/information are missing, your documentation will not be accepted.**

- Original Last Will and Testament, if applicable.
- Original Codicil to the Last Will and Testament, if applicable.
- Original Death Certificate
- Apostille, if applicable *(required for documents issued in any country other than the United States).*
- Renunciations**, if applicable *(required if the person entitled to act as personal representative wishes to give up their right to do so).*
- Opening Petition**
- Case Information Sheet** *(attorneys, upload the saved fillable form, not a scanned copy).*

#### *Additional Documentation Required for Attorneys only:*

- Rule 190 (petition and affidavit)
- Power of Attorney (if PR is an out of state resident)
- Trust Inquiry, if applicable
- Will Search Affidavit, if applicable

Most of these forms can be found on our website at:

<https://www.kentcountyde.gov/Residents/Wills-Estates/New-Register-of-Wills-Forms>