

The No Will Will

(Not actually a will, see the bottom of this document for details on how much this is not a will.)

I, _____ [Your Name Here] _____, being of sound mind and questionable life choices, do hereby declare this my unofficial, completely unreliable, and highly whimsical “No Will Will” in the event that I do not get around to creating a proper will.

TO MY BELOVED FAMILY:

HOUSE: May you enjoy the endless debates over who gets to keep the house. If you can’t decide, perhaps a friendly game of rock-paper-scissors will help?

FURNITURE: The couch goes to whoever can lift it. No, seriously – good luck with that.

KITCHEN GADGETS: My prized collection of mismatched Tupperware will be scattered to the winds, or perhaps to various garage sales.

TO MY DEAR FRIENDS:

CAR: Whoever has borrowed my car most recently, it’s yours now. Congrats!

The tank is probably empty.

BOOKS: My extensive library, including the never-retained copy of “War and Peace,” will be distributed to anyone who can answer the question, “What’s the airspeed velocity of an unladen swallow?”

TO MY PETS:

MITTENS THE CAT: Enjoy the freedom of fendng for yourself. Don’t worry, someone will probably adopt you because you’re adorable.

TO MY MINOR CHILDREN:

You’re adorable, too. I hope the upcoming battle of the grandparents doesn’t scar you too much and that you get to live somewhere with a wide variety of snacks and good Wi-Fi.

TO MY SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS:

PASSWORDS: To my friends and family, may you be forever locked out and unable to change my embarrassing profile pictures. Consider it my final prank from beyond.

TO ANYONE ELSE I MAY HAVE FORGOTTEN:

RANDOM TRINKETS: Feel free to engage in a scavenger hunt of epic proportions to claim anything I’ve accidentally left out. First come, first served!

TO THE GOVERNMENT:

But really, since this No Will Will is not, in any way, legally binding, my understanding is that you have a mandate to divide my wealth as follows:

- If I'm married, my spouse gets some, but not all, of my assets. I never liked my spouse much anyway. (If we're only common-law spouses, you're SOL – nothing for you. Sorry!)
- Any children will get the remainder. I'm sure someone – hopefully someone who's mentally and financially stable – will step up to take on the onus of being the trustee while they are still minors.
- If I don't have any of the above, my siblings inherit my wealth. I understand that includes my brother I haven't spoken to since that incident in '02.
- If I truly have no family, I guess the rest of the assets are yours now! Feel free to dive into my bank accounts, personal treasures, the remainder of my wealth, and everything I've worked for. I'm sure you'll put it all to good use... or at least use it to buy more red tape.

IN CONCLUSION:

I nominate the universe as the executor of this "No Will Will," trusting in its chaotic nature to sort things out with the same randomness I've come to embrace. (It's kind of a big job and by not getting my sh*t together, I've made it super complicated, so I am sure no one wanted to get involved anyway. No one has time for this.)

To my family and friends, good luck and may the odds be ever in your favour.

Signed,

[Your Name Here]

DISCLAIMER: Just in case it wasn't clear, this is a satirical look at how poorly things can go when you don't have a will. This isn't an actual will, it has never been reviewed by a lawyer, and it is not a perfect reflection of how this would play out in every province in Canada. Regardless, it gets the point across. To be clear, the No Will Will should not be considered factual or treated as advice of any sort... except the advice to go get yourself a will. ASAP.

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