

PA13 — Lost Will questionnaire

Please answer all the questions in detail and as best as you can and forward your completed form back to the Probate Registry. Please use the box provided at the end of the questionnaire if you require extra space.

1. What is the full name of the person who has died?

2. Has the original will been seen since the date of death?

Yes

No

If you have answered 'No' there is a strong presumption that the original will was destroyed by the person who has died during their lifetime.

If you think the person who has died **did not revoke the will by destruction**, please give as much detail as possible as to why you think the original was not destroyed by the them.

3. What was the date the original will was last seen?

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4. Who held the original will after it was signed?

If the original will was seen after the date of death of the person who has died please file a letter from a legal professional confirming that they saw it after the date of death or a copy of a receipt for the original will if you have one

- 5. Where was the original will held?** For example, was the will held by or sent to a solicitor's office, bank, insurance company or any other person on behalf of the deceased.

If possible, please provide evidence as to where the will was held, e.g. a letter from a solicitor stating they held the original after it was signed.

- 6. What enquiries have you made as to the whereabouts of the original will?**

- 7. Was the original will lost in the post?**

Yes – if possible please provide evidence of posting and details of any enquiries you have made with the postal service to trace the will.

No

- 8. When and how did you obtain the copy of the will that you sent with your probate application?**

- 9. What other searches have been made to trace the original will?**

For example, a thorough search of the deceased's home, all places where the person who has died kept important papers etc.

- 10. Are the witnesses to the will available to give evidence if this is required?**

Yes

No

- 15.** Please use this box if you require extra space for the above questions. Please also provide any other information that you feel might be relevant in relation to the lost will.