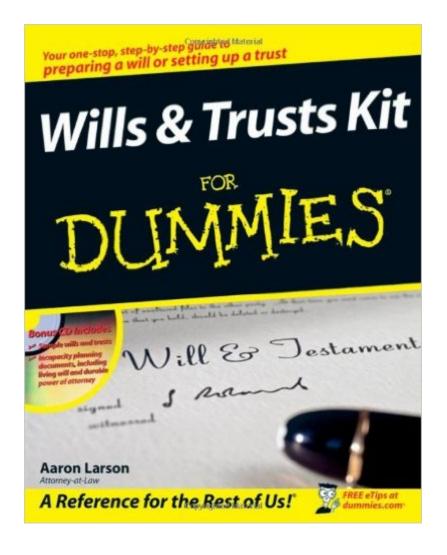
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# Wills And Trusts Kit For Dummies





## Synopsis

Navigate probate, tax issues, and state laws Create an estate plan and protect your family's interests Need a will, but have no idea where to start? This friendly guide shows youhow to prepare a legal will or trust â " either on your own or with professional help â " and ensure that your wishes are honored. You'll handle everything from planning your bequests and writing and signing a will to selecting a trust and drafting your durable power of attorney. Discover how to: Provide for your children Hire and work with professionals Minimize tax liabilities Amend or revoke a will or trust Avoid common estate planning mistakes Note: CD-ROM/DVD and other supplementary materials are not included as part of eBook file.

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#### **Customer Reviews**

Who wants to read about wills and trusts?! People who need to deal with planning...which is all of us (adults, especially when kids are involved)...and this is the book to buy. Detailed, informative, yet written in the "Dummies" informal style..perfect!!! The "KIT" is a CD which has fill-in-the-blank useful templates..perfect!

This book is not for dummies: When I bought this book I expected well organized information to help me decide what I need, a will and/or a trust and how to implement that. I was looking for something like a guide which helps me find the way to the answer for my personal situation. What I found when reading in this book are an enumeration of single facts and examples which don't seem to make sense as a whole. The only thing which repeats throughout the book is the advice to consult an attorney. I bought this book because I don't want to spend the high wages of an attorney for filling out a few forms. And I have the feeling that this book was not written to reduce any attorney's wage. Well, I think I need to start looking for a book which was written by a non-lawyer.

This book was difficult to understand and I am holder of 2 master's degrees. The author doesn't explain much about wills and keeps referring to trusts. The book should have been titles Trusts for Dummies with a hint of wills. The book did not help. I was more confused than when I started and sent to an attorney.

I have not finished this book yet but I have learned a great deal. However, it looks like I still may need a lawyer to draw up the forms due to the variety in laws from state to state. That's all for now.

While it didn't answer all my questions, combined with other pieces of information on the internet, I was able to complete simple wills for my husband and me. There was no information concerning monies left to someone who may have received Medicaid (such as an adult child who received help during a serious illness). As I understand it, without a special trust, Medicaid can swoop in and take anything left to that person, possibly leaving them bereft.

The Wills & Trusts Kits for Dummies explained difficult to understand legal rules and laws for our matured selves, or the not prepared early health or death delimas of our parents, that often falls on young adults just getting their own lives underway. I saw the need for my grandsons, but after researching some of my own and recent purchases, I spent too much time trying to show the need to respond, as if the Courts of the future demanded they prove their actions, and whether the choices were legal or not. There was confusion and hurt feelings beginning to surface, so I quickly had directly mail copies of these amazing Dummies siries to each one of them. The progress is slowly growing forward at everyone's peace, including their still young parent, who needs to be kept in the loop of choices. The lost of the other stept-parent just a couple of years earlier was too difficult to handle without a good and reliable, reference guide book. Thanks for quick delivery of these books. BB

I haven't dug into this yet--but will start ASAP. Looks great-has answers to common questions & I can get a feel for what my attorney will need to make sure we will do everything correctly (especially future care for my pets)...& bequests to family and organizations we follow.

this is a useful text for folks needing such services as expensive estate planning and end of life materials for getting ones' affairs in order. It served us as a supplement and gave us the baseline for planning.

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