PA16 — Renunciation (Intestate – without a will)

This means giving up the right to act as administrator.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
FAMILY DIVISION
Probate Registry

This form can only be used by the spouse/civil partner of the person who has died, and where the person who has died left issue.

Please complete all the boxes then the person who wishes to renounce should sign in the presence of an independent witness.

About the person who has died

1. Full name of the person who has died

First name(s)

Middle name(s)

Last name

2. Their address

Building and street

Second line of address

Town or city

County (optional)

Postcode

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3. Date they died

Day | Month | Year

About the lawful spouse/civil partner renouncing

4. Full name of the spouse/civil partner

First name(s)

Middle name(s)

Last name

5 . Their address

Building and street

Second line of address

Town or city

County (optional)

Postcode

I the lawful spouse/civil partner of the deceased do hereby renounce all my right and title to letters of administration of the estate of the said deceased.

Signed as a deed by the spouse/civil partner

Signature of witness

Print name of witness – the witness must be an independent person

Dated

Day Month Year

The Renunciation explained

Here are a few words and statements that you may find in your renunciation along with the explanations of their meaning.

Renouncing – This means giving up the right to act as administrator.

Intestate – The person who died did not leave a Will.

Independent Witness – This is someone that is not related to the person renouncing and has no interest in the estate.

Letters of Administration – a legal document issued when there is no Will

Issue – children of the deceased or descendants of the child who died before the deceased.