

Bequest Language: *Remembering MAPS Worldwide*

Remembering MAPS Worldwide in your will gives you the opportunity to pass any amount you wish to us free of estate tax. You can give cash, specific property, (i.e. real estate, collections, art, jewelry, life insurance, etc), or a percentage of your estate after provisions for family members and other beneficiaries.

Consulting an estate planning attorney is recommended in the preparation of a will. Development professionals from MAPS Worldwide are available to assist you and/or your attorney in the coordination of a bequest.

Suggested verbiage for a bequest in your will:

SPECIFIC DOLLAR AMOUNT

I bequeath the sum of \$_____, without reduction for any tax occasioned by my death, to MAPS, a non-profit child welfare organization located in South Portland, Maine, to be used or disposed of as MAPS in its sole discretion deems appropriate.”

SHARE OF OR ENTIRE RESIDUE OF ESTATE

“I devise and bequeath (all) (percentage) of the remainder of my property, without reduction for any tax occasioned by my death, to MAPS, a non-profit child welfare organization located in South Portland, Maine, to be used or disposed of as MAPS in its sole discretion deems appropriate.”

SPECIFIC PROPERTY

“I devise all my right, title, and interest in and to the real estate located at (give address or otherwise describe property) to MAPS, a non-profit child welfare organization located in Portland, Maine, to be used or disposed of as MAPS in its sole discretion deems appropriate.”

CONDITIONAL BEQUEST

If you choose to restrict your gift for a specific use, the following verbiage should be followed:

“I bequeath the sum of \$_____, without reduction for any tax occasioned by my death, to MAPS, a non-profit child welfare organization located in South Portland, Maine, for the following use and purpose: (describe).”

If the gift is restricted, we suggest including one of the following provisions:

“However, I impose no legal or equitable obligation in this regard.”

or

“If, in the judgment of MAPS, it has become, or is likely to become, impossible or impracticable to accomplish the purpose of this gift, the income or principal, or both, of this gift may be used for such a related purpose and in such a manner as determined by MAPS.”

**SAMPLE CODICIL
(Will Modification)**

(Date)

I, (name), a resident of the County of (country), State of (state), declare that this is the codicil to my last will and testament, which is dated (date original signed).

I add or change said last will in the following manner:

(List with particularity all changes to the will. Reference each section number of the will and the specific language you will be affecting. Be as clear and precise as possible)

Otherwise, I hereby confirm and republish my will dated, (date original signed), in all respects other than those herein mentioned.

I subscribe my name to this codicil this (day, e.g. 1st) day of (month), (year), at (full address where signed), in the presence of (full name of first witness to codicil), (full name of second witness to codicil), and (full name of third witness to codicil), attesting witnesses, who subscribe their names here in my presence.

Maker

ATTESTATION

On the date last above written, (name), known by us to be the person whose signature appears at the end of this codicil, declared to us, (full name of first witness to codicil), (full name of second witness to codicil) and (full name of third witness to codicil), the undersigned, that the foregoing instrument, consisting, of (number of pages to codicil) page(s) was the codicil to the will dated, (date original signed); who then signed the codicil in our presence, and now in the presence of each other, we now sign our names as witnesses.

Witness: _____

Address: _____

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