



Finding a will in Hungary

~ Legal professionals, some questions/answers to assist you ~

→ When the existence of a will has been established, who has to be contacted to obtain information about its content?

Information on the content of the will is sent by the notary responsible for settling the succession. This notary summons all those with a legitimate interest to a hearing at which the will is read aloud. If one of the interested parties refers to a fact (i.e. a will) which was not adjusted during the probate procedure, and this fact leads changing the order or the title of succession, he/she has a period of one year in which to contact the notary responsible for settling the succession. After that, he/she will be able to approach the court.

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→ Who is entitled to receive the information?

The information contained in the will, and/or a copy of the will itself, can be sent to public authorities, legal professionals responsible for settling the succession, wherever they are located, and, more generally, any person with a legitimate interest.

→ Is there a particular procedure to be followed? If so, which one?

For the information contained in the will, or a copy of the will itself, to be communicated, the will must have been opened in accordance with Hungarian law.

→ By what means can the information be sent?

The information contained in the will and/or a copy of the will itself are sent by post.

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