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# HOLOGRAPHIC WILLS *CHECKLIST*

## What is a *Holographic Will?*

A holographic will is a *handwritten* will that is signed and dated by a person in their personal handwriting.

What that means is that if you take pen to paper and write out your wishes, such as: "I want Susie to get my house when I die, John to get my dog, and Jane to get my antiques, and my car", it can be a valid will under Nevada law.

The key here is that the will must be in the will maker's handwriting.

A typed up will that is signed but does not follow the rules for wills under Nevada law will not be valid as a holographic will.

## What is required for a valid *Holographic Will?*

A valid holographic will must have:

- A date
- Your signature
- A title or words to indicate your intent for the document to be your Will.
- Who is to get what assets – e.g. "I give my son Bob Smith my 2011 Blue Mustang, and I give my daughter, Jane Smith everything else I own."
- All of the above written in your own handwriting (**not typed**)

A valid holographic will should have:

- Your full name and all other names you have used;
- Your place of residence;
- Your marital status, naming present spouse, if any;
- The names of all your children, whether alive, deceased, or adopted. It is important to include even those children to whom nothing will be left so there is no confusion.