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## AFFIDAVIT OF HEIRSHIP

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STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
  ) SS  
COUNTY OF COOK )

### AFFIDAVIT OF HEIRSHIP OF FRANCES J. KUCZAK, DECEASED

The undersigned, Jacqueline Betancourt, being duly sworn on oath states:

1. The Decedent, FRANCES J. KUCZAK, died on June 14, 2013, a resident of the Village of Harwood Heights, Illinois at the age of 91 years. A copy of the Death Certificate of Decedent is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
2. I am a surviving heir of the Decedent and am of legal age. My address is 7417 W. Carmen, Harwood Heights, IL 60706.
3. The Decedent was married only once to JOHN KUCZAK. JOHN KUCZAK predeceased the Decedent. The marriage between the Decedent and JOHN KUCZAK terminated upon the death of JOHN KUCZAK. No children were born to or adopted by the Decedent.
4. The Decedent's parents were PAUL PLUSKOTA and KATHERINE PLUSKOTA. PAUL PLUSKOTA and KATHERINE PLUSKOTA were married only once to each other. Both PAUL PLUSKOTA and KATHERINE PLUSKOTA predeceased the Decedent. Six (6) children were born to PAUL PLUSKOTA and KATHERINE PLUSKOTA,

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namely, the Decedent, WALTER PLUSKOTA, FLORENCE WITENSKI, VALERIE SZCZEPANSKI, LOTTIE SZCZEPANSKI, and MARY CHWALNY. No other children were born to or adopted by PAUL PLUSKOTA and KATHERINE PLUSKOTA.

a. WALTER PLUSKOTA predeceased the Decedent. WALTER PLUSKOTA was married only once to FRITZIE PLUSKOTA. Two (2) children were born to WALTER PLUSKOTA and FRITZIE PLUSKOTA, namely THOMAS PLUSKOTA and LINDA PLUSKOTA. No other children were born to WALTER PLUSKOTA.

1. THOMAS PLUSKOTA predeceased the Decedent. THOMAS PLUSKOTA was never married and no children were born to or adopted by THOMAS PLUSKOTA.

2. LINDA PLUSKOTA predeceased the Decedent. LINDA PLUSKOTA never married and no children were born to or adopted by LINDA PLUSKOTA.

b. FLORENCE WITENSKI predeceased the Decedent. FLORENCE WITENSKI was married only once to THEODORE WITENSKI. One (1) child was born to FLORENCE WITENSKI and THEODORE WITENSKI namely, JACQUELINE BETANCOURT. No other children were born to or adopted by FLORENCE WITENSKI and THEODORE WITENSKI.

1. JACQUELINE BETANCOURT is living and is a competent adult.

c. VALERIE SZCZEPANSKI predeceased the Decedent. VALERIE SZCZEPANSKI was married only once to JOHN SZCZEPANSKI. Two (2) children were born to VALERIE SZCZEPANSKI and JOHN SZCZEPANSKI, namely, GENE SZCZEPANSKI and JOANIE SZCZEPANSKI. No other children were born to VALERIE SZCZEPANSKI.

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1. GENE SZCZEPANSKI predeceased the Decedent. GENE SZCZEPANSKI was never married and no children were born to or adopted by GENE SZCZEPANSKI.

2. JOANIE SZCZEPANSKI predeceased the Decedent. JOANIE SZCZEPANSKI was never married and no children were born to or adopted by JOANIE SZCZEPANSKI.

d. LOTTIE SZCZEPANSKI predeceased the Decedent. LOTTIE SZCZEPANSKI was married only once to FRANK SZCZEPANSKI. LOTTIE SZCZEPANSKI and FRANK SZCZEPANSKI had one child, namely, ROBERT P. SZCZEPANSKI. No other children were born to or adopted by LOTTIE SZCZEPANSKI.

1. ROBERT P. SZCZEPANSKI is living and is a competent adult.

e. MARY CHWALNY predeceased the Decedent. MARY CHWALNY was married only once to FRANK CHWALNY. No children were born to or adopted by MARY CHWALNY.

5. Based on the foregoing, FRANCES KUCZAK, left as her only heirs at law: JACQUELINE BETANCOURT, niece  
ROBERT P. SZCZEPANSKI, nephew

6. The Decedent left a Last Will and Testament dated October 4, 2012 that was filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County on July 19, 2013. A copy of the Last Will and Testament is attached as Exhibit B. No letters of office are now outstanding on the decedent's estate and no petition for letters is contemplated or pending in Illinois or in any other jurisdiction, to my knowledge.

7. The Last Will and Testament dated October 4, 2012 states that the Decedent left her entire estate to her niece, JACQUELINE BETANCOURT, if she survived the Decedent and

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if she did not survive the testator then to the descendants of JACQUELINE BETANCOURT, per stirpes.

8. At the time of her death, the Decedent was the sole owner of the real estate commonly known as 7417 W. Carmen, Harwood Heights, IL 60706. The legal description of the property is as follows:

Lot 48 in Witwicki's Foster Oketo Gardens Subdivision, a Subdivision of the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 12, Township 40 North, Range 12, East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois.

P.I.N.: 12-12-410-014-0000

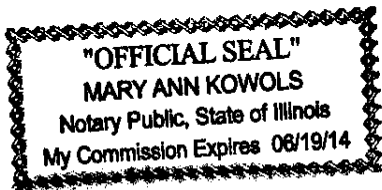
9. The value of the Decedent's estate for federal or state estate tax purposes is less than the applicable exemption. No estate tax is due or payable. All debts of the Decedent are paid in full, including but not limited to funeral and medical expenses.

10. This Affidavit of Heirship is made in lieu of the probate of her estate and acknowledge title of the subject property in JACQUELINE BETANCOURT.

*Jacqueline Betancourt*  
Jacqueline Betancourt

The undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the above county and state, certify that JACQUELINE BETANCOURT, is personally known to me to the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing Affidavit, appeared before me in person and acknowledged that she signed, sealed and delivered the said Affidavit as her free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

On this 29 day of July, 2013



*Mary Ann Kowols*  
Notary Public

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**COOK COUNTY CLERK VITAL RECORDS  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS  
MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**

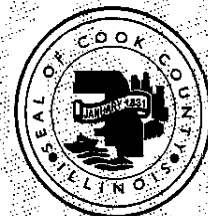
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DATE ISSUED 6/18/2013

DECEDENT'S LEGAL NAME FRANCES J KUCZAK		SEX FEMALE	DATE OF DEATH JUNE 14, 2013	
COUNTY OF DEATH COOK	AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY 91 YEARS	DATE OF BIRTH FEBRUARY 17, 1922		
CITY OR TOWN PARK RIDGE	HOSPITAL OR OTHER INSTITUTION NAME RAINBOW HOSPICE ARK			
PLACE OF DEATH HOSPICE FACILITY				
BIRTHPLACE CHICAGO, IL	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER [REDACTED]	STATUS AT TIME OF DEATH WIDOWED	SURVIVING SPOUSE/CIVIL UNION PARTNER'S MAIDEN NAME	EVER IN U.S. ARMED FORCES? NO
RESIDENCE 7417 W CARMEN	APT. NO.	CITY OR TOWN HARWOOD HEIGHTS	INSIDE CITY LIMITS? YES	
COUNTY COOK	STATE IL	ZIP CODE 60706	FATHER/CO-PARENT'S NAME PRIOR TO FIRST MARRIAGE/CIVIL UNION PAUL PLUSKOTA	MOTHER/CO-PARENT'S NAME PRIOR TO FIRST MARRIAGE/CIVIL UNION KATHERINE MLODZINSKI
INFORMANT'S NAME JACQUELINE BETANCOURT		RELATIONSHIP NIECE	MAILING ADDRESS 5726 N WINTHROP, CHICAGO, IL, 60660	
METHOD OF DISPOSITION ENTOMBMENT	PLACE OF DISPOSITION MARYHILL CATHOLIC CEMETERY	LOCATION - CITY OR TOWN AND STATE NILES, IL	DATE OF DISPOSITION JUNE 20, 2013	
FUNERAL HOME CUMBERLAND CHAPELS, 8300 W LAWRENCE AVE, NORRIDGE, IL, 60706				
FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S NAME LOUIS A MARTINO			FUNERAL DIRECTOR'S ILLINOIS LICENSE NUMBER 031008880	
LOCAL REGISTRAR'S NAME DAVID ORR			DATE FILED WITH LOCAL REGISTRAR JUNE 18, 2013	
<b>CAUSE OF DEATH</b>				
PART I. GASTRIC ULCER PERFORATION		APPROXIMATE INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH	10 DAYS	
IMMEDIATE CAUSE (Final disease or condition resulting in death)				
Due to (or as a consequence of):				
Due to (or as a consequence of):				
PART II: Enter other <i>significant conditions contributing to death</i> but not resulting in the underlying cause given in PART I.			WAS AN AUTOPSY PERFORMED? NO	
			WERE AUTOPSY FINDINGS USED TO COMPLETE CAUSE OF DEATH? N/A	
FEMALE PREGNANCY STATUS NOT APPLICABLE			MANNER OF DEATH NATURAL	
DATE OF INJURY	TIME OF INJURY	PLACE OF INJURY	INJURY AT WORK?	
LOCATION OF INJURY				
DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED			IF TRANSPORTATION INJURY, SPECIFY	
ATTEND THE DECEASED? YES	DATE LAST SEEN ALIVE JUNE 14, 2013	WAS MEDICAL EXAMINER OR CORONER CONTACTED? NO	DATE PRONOUNCED	TIME OF DEATH 06:25 PM
CERTIFIER PHYSICIAN			DATE CERTIFIED JUNE 15, 2013	
NAME, ADDRESS AND ZIP CODE OF PERSON COMPLETING CAUSE OF DEATH HOMA MAGSI, 1601 N WESTERN AVENUE, PARK RIDGE, ILLINOIS, 60068			PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE NUMBER 036122030	

This is to certify that this is a true and correct copy from the official death record filed with the Illinois Department of Public Health.

*David Orr*  
David Orr  
Cook County Clerk



**ANY ALTERATION OR ERASURE VOIDS THIS CERTIFICATE**

THE WORD VOID APPEARS WHEN PHOTOCOPIED

NOTE: EMBOSSED STATE AND COUNTY SEALS AT BOTTOM

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## Last Will and Testament of

FRANCES KUCZAK

I, FRANCES KUCZAK, of Harwood Heights, Illinois, hereby make, publish and declare this my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking any and all wills and codicils thereto heretofore made by me.

### ARTICLE I

I order and direct my Executor to pay out of the principal of my estate all my just debts, funeral expenses and costs of administration of my estate. I further direct my Executor to pay out of the principal of my estate, or to make deposits to secure such payment, and treat as expenses of administration chargeable against my estate generally, all so-called inheritance and estate taxes, including interest and penalties thereon, that may be assessed in any way by reason of my death, and I hereby waive on behalf of my estate any right to recover from any person, including beneficiary of insurance on my life, any part of such taxes so paid.

### ARTICLE II

I give, devise and bequeath all of my estate, both real and personal, wheresoever located, including my residence commonly known as 7417 W. Carmen, Harwood Heights, IL 60706 to my niece, JACQUELINE BETANCOURT, 5726 N.

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Winthrop, Apt. 402, Chicago, IL 60660, if she survives me and if she does not survive me, then to her descendants, per stirpes.

### ARTICLE III

a) I hereby nominate and appoint my niece, JACQUELINE BETANCOURT, as Executor of this my Last Will and Testament, and direct that she shall not be required to give surety on her official bond. In the event JACQUELINE

BETANCOURT is unable or unwilling to act as my Executor, I nominate and appoint my niece, LISA DIAZ, as Successor Executor and direct that she not be required to give surety on her official bond.

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JMB*

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b) I give unto my said Executor, or her assigns, and hereby direct that the same be exercised without requiring leave or direction of any court in that behalf, full power and authority to sell and convey the whole or any part of said estate, real or personal and mixed, for such prices, on such terms and to such parties as my said Executor shall deem best; to extend, renew from time to time, or pay in whole or in part, any note or obligation existing at the time of my decease; to borrow money for the use of my estate and to pledge or mortgage all or any portion of the property belonging to my estate as security for the repayment thereof, to settle and compound any and all claims either in favor of or against my estate, upon such terms as she may deem proper, and to execute and deliver all necessary and proper documents in evidence or confirmation of any act

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herein authorized. No person taking property from said Executor by way of sale, mortgage, pledge or exchange shall be required to see to the authority of said Executor.

My Executor is further authorized, when she deems such action necessary to the proper protection of the interest of the estate, to join in any plan of reorganization, consolidation, merger or readjustment in respect of any securities belonging to my estate; to accept new securities offered thereunder and to do any acts to make any payments which may be required to entitle my estate to the benefits of such plan.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, FRANCES KUCZAK, have to this my Last Will and Testament contained on four (4) sheets of paper, and to each sheet thereof have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal in the presence of the witnesses named on page four (4) this 4 day of Oct, 2012.

*Frances Kuczak* (Seal)  
*ns*      *frb*



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Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said FRANCES KUCZAK, as and for her Last Will and Testament, in the presence of us, who at her request and in her presence and in the presence of each other, believing her to be of sound mind and memory, have subscribed our names as witnesses on the day and year last above written.

Norma Schaffer

701 Forum Sq. #110  
Glenview Ill 60025

Anna M. Bouchard

9272 Home Terrace  
Urbana, Ill. 60016

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We, the attesting witnesses to the Will of FRANCES KUCZAK, on oath state that each of us was present on October 4, 2012, and saw the testator sign the Will of which this affidavit is a part in our presence; that the Will was attested by each of us in the presence of the testator; and that each of us believed the testator to be of sound mind and memory at the time she signed the will.

Norma Schaffer

Amin W. Roschew

SIGNED and SWORN to before me

this 4 day of October, 2012.

Mary Frances Hegarty  
Notary Public

