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# CLERK'S ALERT

## **Uniform Electronic Wills Act RCW 11.12.400 – 11.12.491**

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The Uniform Electronic Wills Act permits testators to execute an electronic will and allows probate courts to give electronic wills legal effect. The act retains core formalities of writing, signature, and attestation but makes them executable electronically. Additional information is available at [5132.PL.pdf \(wa.gov\)](#).

Currently, King County local rule LGR 30 does not permit the electronic filing of wills. Therefore, the Clerk's Office can accept a paper copy of an electronic will. However, the paper copy of the electronic will must follow the provisions of the Uniform Electronic Wills Act to be recognized by the Court.

The Court is considering a local rule change that will allow electronic wills to be e-filed.



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