

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT – PROBATE DIVISION


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) No. 2024-P-02
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GENERAL ORDER

On and after July 1, 2024, the following process shall be used in Decedent Estates in the Circuit Court of Cook County for the recovery of funds deposited with the State Treasurer for a ward, a missing or recalcitrant heir or legatee, a distributee of an estate, a claimant or an unknown heir:

1. The ward, missing or recalcitrant heir or legatee, distributee of an estate, or claimant shall seek any funds which have been deposited with the Illinois State Treasurer by searching for properties under the Treasurer's I-Cash system at icash.illinoistreasurer.gov.
2. To recover funds for an unknown heir:
 - (a) Any interested person may file a Petition pursuant to 755 ILCS 5/5-3(c) requesting that the Court identify the unknown heir and seeking to amend the Order declaring heirship.
 - (b) Upon the entry of an Order amending the Order declaring heirship with the identity of the unknown heir, the Court shall consider entering an Order authorizing the State Treasurer to release funds previously deposited for such unknown heir and enter an Order closing the estate.
 - (c) The interested person can then submit a claim to the State Treasurer for that person's share of the deposited funds, as set forth in the Court's Order and in accordance with the Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act, 765 ILCS 1026/15-101.

Dated: June 2024


Daniel B. Malone
Presiding Judge - Probate Division

