

Directory of Judges Maryland Orphans' Court

Orphans' Court of Allegany County

Hon. Billie J. Gilpin
Associate Judge

Hon. Donna F. May
Chief Judge

Hon. Mark L. Widmyer
Associate Judge

Register of Wills - Rebecca D. Drew

James S. Getty Annex
59 Prospect Square
Cumberland, MD 21502
(301) 724-3760 (FAX) 301-724-1249
Tues. – Fri.: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Orphans' Court of Anne Arundel County

Hon. Judith Duckett
Associate Judge

Hon. Nancy Phelps
Chief Judge

Hon. Gordon Witherspoon
Associate Judge

Register of Wills - Lauren Parker

Circuit Courthouse
Church Circle
P.O. Box 2368
Annapolis, MD 21401
ROW (410) 222-1430 (FAX) 410-222-1467
Court (410) 222-1418 (FAX) 410-222-1393
Tues. & Thur.: 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Orphans' Court of Baltimore City

Hon. Joyce Baylor-Thompson
Chief Judge

Hon. Lewyn Scott Garrett
Associate Judge

Register of Wills - Mary W. Conaway
Suite 311 Courthouse, East
111 N. Calvert Street
Baltimore, MD 21202
ROW (410) 752-5131
Court (410) 396-5034 (FAX) 410-545-3487
Mon. – Fri.: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Orphans' Court of Baltimore County

Hon. Colleen Cavanaugh
Associate Judge

Hon. William Evans
Chief Judge

Hon. Theresa A. Lawler
Associate Judge

[JUDGES' BIOGRAPHIES](#)

Register of Wills - Grace G. Connolly
County Courts Building
401 Bosley Ave. Suite 3507
Towson, MD 21204
ROW – (410) 887-6680
Court (410) 887-6516 (FAX) 410-296-5480
Mon. – Fri.: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Orphans' Court of Calvert County

Hon. Jessie Jo Bowen
Associate Judge

Hon. Leslie M. Downs
Associate Judge

Hon. Thomas M. Pelagatti
Chief Judge

Register of Wills - Margaret H. Phipps
County Courthouse
Prince Frederick, MD 20678
(410) 535-0121 (FAX) 410-535-1787
Every Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – Noon

Orphans' Court of Caroline County

Hon. Beverly S. Blades
Associate Judge

Hon. Francis Callahan
Associate Judge

Hon. Robert Taylor
Chief Judge

Register of Wills - James L. Phelps
Courthouse
109 Market Street, Room 119
Denton, MD 21629
(410) 479-0717 (FAX) 410-479-4983
Every Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. – Noon

Orphans' Court of Carroll County

Hon. Ronald Brewer
Associate Judge

Hon. Catherine E. Reese
Associate Judge

Hon. Dorothy V. Utz
Chief Judge

Register of Wills - Paul G. Zimmermann
55 North Court Street, Room 124
Westminster, MD 21157
ROW – (410) 848-2586
Court - (410) 386-2086 (FAX) 410-876-0657
Mon. & Tues.: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Orphans' Court of Cecil County

Hon. W. Edwin Cole, Jr.
Associate Judge

Hon. Carolyn Crouch
Chief Judge

Hon. Vincent R. Pantalone
Associate Judge

Register of Wills - Allyn Price Nickle
Circuit Courthouse
129 East Main Street, Suite 102
Elkton, MD 21922 – 0468
ROW (410) 996-5330
Court – (410) 996-5330 – (FAX) 410-996-1039
Every Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – until completed

Orphans' Court of Charles County

Hon. J. Lorraine Berry
Associate Judge

Hon. Warren A. Bowie
Chief Judge

Hon. Frank H. Lancaster
Associate Judge

Register of Wills - Loraine D. Hennsessy
Court House
11 Washington Ave.
LaPlata, MD 20646
(301) 932-3345 (FAX) 301-932-3349
Every Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Orphans' Court of Dorchester County

Hon. George R. Ames, Jr
Associate Judge
[BIOGRAPHY](#)

Hon. Carolyn I. Todd
Associate Judge

Hon. Calvin Travers
Chief Judge

Register of Wills - Doris K. Lewis
206 High Street
Cambridge, MD 21613
(410) 228-4181 (FAX) 410-228-4988
Every Tuesday: 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Orphans' Court of Frederick County

Hon. Michael L. Cady
Associate Judge

Hon. Cleopatra Campbell
Chief Judge

Hon. Adrian McC. Remsberg
Associate Judge

Register of Wills - Virginia P. Fifer
100 West Patrick Street
Frederick, MD 21701
(301) 600-6565 (FAX) 301-600-6580
Tues. & Thur.: 9:00 a.m. – Noon

Orphans' Court of Garrett County

Hon. Clifford C. DeWitt
Chief Judge

Hon. James F. Margroff
Associate Judge

Hon. H. Wayne Wilt
Associate Judge

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Register of Wills - Rita L. Watson

313 East Alder Street

Oakland, MD 21550

(301) 334-1999 (FAX) 301-334-1984

Every Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. – until completed

Orphans' Court of Harford County

Circuit Court Judge, sitting as Judge of Orphans' Court: Hon. Emory A. Plitt

Register of Wills - Derek K. Hopkins

Court House, Room 304

20 W. Courtland St

Bel Air, MD 21014(410) 638-3275 FAX (410) 893-3177

Orphans' Court of Howard County

Hon. Anne L. Dodd
Associate Judge

Hon. Sherae McNeal
Chief Judge

Hon. Leslie Smith Turner
Associate Judge

Register of Wills - Byron MacFarlane

8360 Court Ave.

Ellicott City, MD 21043

(410) 313-2133 (FAX) 410-313-3409

Every Wed.: 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

(Extra day as needed)

Orphans' Court of Kent County

Hon. William I. Blake
Associate Judge

Hon. Elroy G. Boyer, Jr.
Chief Judge

Hon. Harry T. Williams
Associate Judge

Register of Wills - Nancy Lee Jewell
Court House
103 N Cross St.
Chestertown, MD 21620
(410) 778-7466 (FAX) 410-778-2466
Every Tuesday: 10:30 a.m. – Noon

Orphans' Court of Montgomery County

Admin. Judge of Circuit Court for Montgomery County: Sit on rotation basis.

Register of Wills - Joseph M. Griffin
Judicial Center
Room 322
50 Maryland Ave.
Rockville, MD 20850-2397
(240) 777-9600 (FAX) 240-777-9602

Orphans' Court of Prince George's County

Hon. Wendy A. Cartwright
Chief Judge

Hon. Athena Malloy Groves
Associate Judge

Hon. Vicky L. Ivory-Orem
Associate Judge

Register of Wills - Cereta A. Lee
14735 Main Street #D4001
Upper Marlboro, MD 20773
ROW (301) 952-3250 (301) 780-7819
Court (301) 952-3790 FAX (301) 952-4489
Hearings: Tues., Thurs. & Fri.

Orphans' Court of Queen Anne's County

Hon. Kimberly J. Cascia
Associate Judge

Hon. Joseph V. DiPietro
Chief Judge

Hon. George M. O'Donnell
Associate Judge

Register of Wills - Winsie A. Cannon
P.O. Box 59
107 North Liberty St.
The Liberty Building
Centreville, MD 21617
(410) 758-0585 (FAX) 410-758-4408
Every Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – Noon

Orphans' Court of St. Mary's County

Hon. Linda Dean
Chief Judge

Hon Charles "Jenks" Mattingly
Associate Judge

Hon. Dalton Wood
Associate Judge

Register of Wills - Lois A. Duke
41605 Courthouse Drive
Leonardtown, MD 20650
(301) 475-5566 (FAX) 301-475-4968
2nd & 4th Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. – until completed

Orphans' Court of Somerset County

Hon. Donald L. Howard
Associate Judge

Hon. Betsy S. Schrock
Chief Judge

Hon. John R. Somers
Associate Judge

Register of Wills - Gary W. Miller
30512 Prince William Street
Princess Anne, MD 21853
(888) 758-0039
(410) 651-1696 (FAX) 410-651-3873
Every Tuesday: 10:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Orphans' Court of Talbot County

Hon. Carville D. Duncan
Associate Judge

Hon. William J. Howard
Associate Judge

Hon. Donald E. James
Chief Judge

Register of Wills - Alice W. Anderson
11 North Washington Street
Easton, MD 21601
ROW (410) 770-6700
Court (410) 770-6700 (FAX) 410-822-5452
Every Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. – Noon

Orphans' Court of Washington County

Hon. Robert L. Adair, Jr.
Associate Judge

Hon. Frank E. Novinger
Associate Judge

Hon. John M. Shriver
Chief Judge

Register of Wills - Jason A. Malott
24 Summit Ave., Room 213
Hagerstown, MD 21740
ROW (301) 739-3612
Court (301) 791-3298 (FAX) 301-733-8636
Tues. & Fri: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Orphans' Court of Wicomico County

Hon. Norma Lee Barkley
Chief Judge

Hon. Melissa Pollitt Bright
Associate Judge

Hon. William J. Smith, Jr.
Associate Judge

Register of Wills - Karen A. Lemon
Court House
101 North Division Street, Rm 102
Salisbury, MD 21803-0787
(410) 543-6635 (FAX) 410-334-3440
Every Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. until completed

Orphans' Court of Worcester County

Hon. Linda M. Hess
Associate Judge

Hon. William D. Shockley
Chief Judge

Hon. J. Dale Smack, III
Associate Judge

Register of Wills - Charlotte K. Cathell
Court House, Room 102
One West Market Street
Snow Hill, Maryland 21863-1074
(410) 632-1529 (FAX) 410- 632-5600
Every Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. until completed
