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Real Estate Excise Tax
Exempt
Skagit County Treasurer
By Lena Thompson
Affidavit No. 20260607
Date 03/03/2026

WHEN RECORDED RETURN TO:

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LACK OF PROBATE AFFIDAVIT

GRANTOR: CAROL J. VAN SICKLE
GRANTEE: LARRY D. VAN SICKLE
PARCEL NUMBER: P29922
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: PTN GVT LOT 3, 36, 34N, 4E (Additional legal on pages 1-2)
REFERENCE NO: 9208260113 (Rerecord)
9105300024 (SWD)

STATE OF WASHINGTON)
) ss.
COUNTY OF SKAGIT)

I, LARRY D. VAN SICKLE (“Affiant”), being first duly sworn on oath, depose and say:

THAT I am the surviving spouse of CAROL J. VAN SICKLE (“Decedent”), who died testate on July 8, 2025 in Burlington, Skagit County, Washington, and was at the time of their death a resident of Burlington, Skagit County, Washington, as evidenced by the Death Certificate attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

THAT the Decedent and I were married on August 15, 1959.

THAT three (3) children were born by the Decedent, namely, PAUL E. VAN SICKLE, DAVID L. VAN SICKLE, and KEITH J. VAN SICKLE, all of whom are adults. THAT the Decedent has no children who are now deceased leaving issue surviving.

UNCONFIRMED

THAT the Decedent executed their Last Will and Testament on July 25, 2001, and said Will has been filed with the Skagit County Clerk, under Skagit County Cause No. 26-4-00104-29, with a conformed copy attached hereto as **Exhibit B**. Since title to the subject property herein passed to Affiant via operation of law, it is Affiant's intent not to probate said Will (as it is not required).

THAT pursuant to the above referenced documentation and pursuant to the operation of law, I am the sole and rightful heir to the real property described herein below. My name, age, relationship and address is as follows:

LARRY D. VAN SICKLE, age 92, Surviving Spouse
17401 W Big Lake Blvd.
Mount Vernon, WA 98274

THAT all obligations, expenses of last illness and funeral and burial services owing at the date of death of the Decedent have been paid in full or provided for, and all future and currently unknown expenses connected therewith shall be provided for by the Affiant.

THAT the Decedent had never received from the State of Washington assistance consisting or nursing facility services, home and community-based services, related hospital and prescription drug services, or any other type of medical assistance.

THAT no inheritance tax or estate tax is due to either the State of Washington or to the United States of America as a result of the Decedent's death.

THAT probate of the Estate of the Decedent has not been instituted nor contemplated.

THAT all of the real property owned by the Decedent at the time of their death, or in which they had an interest was community property, was situated in Mount Vernon, Skagit County, Washington, and is legally described as follows:

THAT PORTION OF GOVERNMENT LOT 3 OF SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 4 EAST, W.M. DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE EAST MARGINAL LINE OF THE COUNTY ROAD (H.C. PETERS ROAD) AS THE SAME EXISTED ON FEBRUARY 11, 1925; THAT IS 480' NORTH OF SOUTH LINE OF SAID GOVERNMENT LOT 3; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID ROAD TO A POINT THAT IS 120 FEET NORTH OF THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SAID POINT BEING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THAT CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND CONVEYED TO LENA S. RENO AND

Q.P. RENO, WIFE AND HUSBAND, BY DEED DATED OCTOBER 2, 1924, AND RECORDED OCTOBER 6, 1924, UNDER AUDITOR'S FILE NO. 177728, RECORDS OF SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 59'08" EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID RENO TRACT AND PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID GOVERNMENT LOT 3 A DISTANCE OF 102.80 FEET TO THE MOST WESTERLY POINT OF THAT CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND CONVEYED TO KENNETH AMBURGEY BY DEED DATED JULY 28, 1959, AND RECORDED AUGUST 4, 1959, UNDER AUDITOR'S FILE NO. 587701, RECORDS OF SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON; THENCE SOUTH 75 DEGREES 08' EAST ALONG THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF THE AMBURGEY TRACT A DISTANCE OF 140.37 FEET TO THE MOST SOUTHEASTERLY CORNER THEREOF; SAID PLAT BEING ALSO THE SOUTHWESTERLY CORNER OF THAT CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND CONVEYED TO EUGENE W. JOHNSON ET UX BY DEED DATED AUGUST 22, 1986, AND RECORDED AUGUST 25, 1986, UNDER AUDITOR'S FILE NO. 8608250001, RECORDS OF SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AND BEING ALSO THE MOST NORTHEASTERLY CORNER OF THAT CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND CONVEYED TO LARRY D. VAN SICKLE ET UX BY DEED RECORDED MAY 10, 1965, UNDER AUDITOR'S FILE NO. 665902, RECORDS OF SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 75 DEGREES 08' EAST ALONG THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF THE EUGENE W. JOHNSON TRACT A DISTANCE OF 20 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE SHORE OF BIG LAKE; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE MEANDER LINE OF BIG LAKE AND ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED RENO TRACT AND ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF THAT CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND CONVEYED TO DELBERT A. HAYES ET UX BY DEED DATED SEPTEMBER 4, 1924, AND RECORDED FEBRUARY 11, 1925, UNDER AUDITOR'S FILE NO. 180897, RECORDS OF SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON, TO THE SOUTHEASTERLY CORNER OF THE SAID HAYES TRACT; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF THE HAYES TRACT TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; EXCEPT THAT PORTION THEREOF LYING WITHIN THE H.C. PETERS ROAD, NOW KNOWN AS WEST BIG LAKE BOULEVARD AND ALSO EXCEPT THAT PORTION CONVEYED TO SKAGIT COUNTY FOR THE H.C. PETERS ROAD #263 BY DEED RECORDED SEPTEMBER 11, 1947, UNDER AUDITOR'S FILE NO. 408679, RECORDS OF SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON.

Parcel No.: P29922


THAT this affidavit is made solely to induce a title company to issue its policies of title insurance on real property passing to LARRY D. VAN SICKLE in reliance upon the representations set forth above. Affiant(s) agree(s) to indemnify and hold the title company harmless from loss or damage which it may suffer as a result of said reliance. The transfer of real property by this affidavit is made pursuant to WAC 458-61A-202(6)(h).

Dated this 17th day of February, 2026.


LARRY D. VAN SICKLE

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me, by LARRY D. VAN SICKLE, this 17th day of February, 2026




SARA L.C. HULFORD
Notary Public in and for the
State of Washington
Residing in Bellingham
My commission expires: 10/03/2027

STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH



EXHIBIT A

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH



CERTIFICATE NUMBER: 2025-034118

DATE ISSUED: 07/10/2025
FEE NUMBER:

FIRST AND MIDDLE NAME(S): **CAROL JOAN**
LAST NAME(S): **VAN SICKLE**

COUNTY OF DEATH: **SKAGIT**
DATE OF DEATH: **JULY 08, 2025**
HOUR OF DEATH: **11:28 PM**
SEX: **FEMALE** AGE: **89 YEARS**
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: [REDACTED]

PLACE OF DEATH: **NURSING HOME/LONG TERM CARE FACILITY**
FACILITY OR ADDRESS: **210 NORTH SKAGIT STREET**
CITY, STATE, ZIP: **BURLINGTON, WASHINGTON 98233**

HISPANIC ORIGIN: **NO, NOT SPANISH/HISPANIC/LATINO**
RACE: **WHITE**

RESIDENCE STREET: **210 NORTH SKAGIT STREET**
CITY, STATE, ZIP: **BURLINGTON, WA 98233**
INSIDE CITY LIMITS: **YES** COUNTY: **SKAGIT**
TRIBAL RESERVATION: **NOT APPLICABLE**
LENGTH OF TIME AT RESIDENCE: **2 YEARS**

BIRTH DATE: [REDACTED]
BIRTHPLACE: **WALLA WALLA, WA**

FATHER: **JACK H. HILL**
MOTHER: **ROSANNA** [REDACTED]

MARITAL STATUS: **MARRIED**
SURVIVING SPOUSE: **LARRY DELL VAN SICKLE**

METHOD OF DISPOSITION: **CREMATION**
PLACE OF DISPOSITION: **MOUNT VERNON CREMATORY**

OCCUPATION: **SOCIAL WORKER**
INDUSTRY: **SCHOOL DISTRICT**
EDUCATION: **MASTER'S DEGREE**
US ARMED FORCES: **NO**

CITY, STATE: **MOUNT VERNON, WASHINGTON**
DISPOSITION DATE: **JULY 11, 2025**

INFORMANT: **KEITH VAN SICKLE**
RELATIONSHIP: **SON**
ADDRESS: **1500 E. COLLEGE WAY, STE A, PMB 430, MOUNT VERNON,**

FUNERAL FACILITY: **KERN FUNERAL HOME**

ADDRESS: **1122 S. 3RD STREET**
CITY, STATE, ZIP: **MT. VERNON, WASHINGTON 98273**
FUNERAL DIRECTOR: **EUGENIO MORALES**

CAUSE OF DEATH:
A: **DEMENTIA, UNSPECIFIED**
INTERVAL: **YEARS**

B: INTERVAL:

C: INTERVAL:

D: INTERVAL:

OTHER CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH: **DYSPHAGIA, RECURRENT URINARY TRACT INFECTIONS**

MANNER OF DEATH: **NATURAL**
AUTOPSY: **NO**
WERE AUTOPSY FINDINGS AVAILABLE TO COMPLETE
CAUSE OF DEATH: **NOT APPLICABLE**
DID TOBACCO USE CONTRIBUTE TO DEATH: **NO**
PREGNANCY STATUS IF FEMALE: **NOT APPLICABLE**

DATE OF INJURY:
HOUR OF INJURY:
INJURY AT WORK:
PLACE OF INJURY:

CERTIFIER NAME: **ERIKA POPE, DO**
TITLE: **DO**
CERTIFIER ADDRESS: **227 FREEWAY DRIVE SUITE A**
CITY, STATE, ZIP: **MOUNT VERNON, WASHINGTON 98273**
DATE SIGNED: **JULY 09, 2025**

LOCATION OF INJURY:

CITY, STATE, ZIP:
COUNTY:
DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED:

CASE REFERRED TO ME/CORONER: **NO**
FILE NUMBER: **NOT APPLICABLE**
ATTENDING PHYSICIAN: **NOT APPLICABLE**

IF TRANSPORTATION INJURY, SPECIFY: **NOT APPLICABLE**

LOCAL DEPUTY REGISTRAR: **CHRISTIAN STECHER**
DATE RECEIVED: **JULY 10, 2025**



Affidavit for Correction

03/03/2026 11:04 AM Center for Health Statistics
P.O. Box 47814
Olympia, WA 98504-7814
360-236-4300

This is a legal document. Complete in ink and do not alter.

STATE OFFICE USE ONLY

State File Number Fee Number Initials Date Affidavit Number

Required information must match current information on record

Record Type: Birth Death Marriage Dissolution (Divorce)
1. Name on Record: First, Middle, Last 2. Date of Event: MM/DD/YYYY 3. Place of Event: (City or County)
4. Father/Parent Full Birth Name (Spouse A for Marriage or Dissolution) 5. Mother/Parent Full Birth Name (Spouse B for Marriage or Dissolution)
6. Name of Person Requesting Correction: Relationship to Person on Record: Self Guardian Informant Hospital Parent(s) Funeral Director Other (specify)

7. Return Mailing Address: PO Box or Street Address, City, State, Zip
Telephone Number: () Email Address:

Use the section below for requesting any changes on the record. The record is incorrect or incomplete as follows:

The record currently shows: The true fact is:
8. 9.
10. 11.
12. 13.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the forgoing is true and correct.

14a. Signature: 14b. Signature of 2nd parent (if required):
Printed name: Date: Printed name: Date:

INSTRUCTIONS – go to www.doh.wa.gov for more information

Required proof documentation must be submitted with the affidavit and include full name and birth date. Examples of proof documentation include:
• Birth/Marriage/Divorce record • Military record (DD-214) • School transcripts • Social Security Numident Report
• Certificate of Naturalization • Hospital/medical record • Copy of Passport / Enhanced ID • Green/Permanent Resident card (I-551)
You cannot use a Driver's license, Social Security card, or hospital decorative birth certificate as proof documentation.

Birth Certificates
1. Only a parent(s), legal guardian (if the child is under 18), or the named individual (if 18 or older) may change the birth certificate.
2. The proof(s) must match the asserted fact(s). For example, if the affidavit says the name should be Mary Ann Doe, the proof must show the name to be Mary Ann Doe.
3. Proof documentation must be five or more years old or established within five years of birth.
4. This affidavit cannot be used to add a parent to a birth certificate (use Acknowledgment of Parentage form DOH 422-159).
Child under 18
• If legal guardian(s), include certified court order proving guardianship.
• Up to age one or up to one year following the filing of an Acknowledgement of Parentage form, last name can be changed once to either parents' name on certificate (can be any combination of the first, middle or last names); thereafter, a court order is required to change the last name.
• No proof is required to change the first or middle name.*
• To correct parent's information, one proof documentation is required.
• To correct the sex of the child, one proof documentation from a medical provider is required.
*To change any part of the name of a child using this form, signatures from both parents listed on the certificate are required. If one parent is deceased, submit a death certificate with request.
Adult (18 years or older)
• Only the adult can change his or her birth certificate.
• If the first or middle name is missing, three pieces of proof documentation are required.
• If the first, middle and/or last name is misspelled, or month and/or day of birth is incorrect, two pieces of proof documentation are required.
• To correct parent's birth date, place of birth, or name, one proof documentation is required.

Death Certificates
1. Only the informant may change the non-medical information without proof documentation. The funeral director, executors/administrators, or a family member may change the non-medical information with proof documentation. Family members are spouse or registered domestic partner, parent, sibling, or adult child or stepchild. Marital status requires a certified court order if someone other than the informant is requesting the change.
2. The medical information (cause of death) may be changed only by the certifying physician or the coroner/medical examiner.

Marriage/Dissolution (Divorce) Certificates
1. Personal facts (minor spelling changes in name, date or place of birth, or residence) may be changed by the person with one piece of proof documentation.
2. To change the date or place of marriage or dissolution, the officiant (marriage) or clerk of court (dissolution) must complete and submit the affidavit.



Certificate not valid unless the Seal of the State of Washington changes color when heat applied.



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LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

SKAGIT COUNTY, WASH
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EXHIBIT B

of
CAROL JOAN VAN SICKLE

FEB 23 2026

MELISSA BEATON, CO. CLERK
Deputy

I, **Carol Joan Van Sickle**, now of Mount Vernon, Skagit County, Washington, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, and not acting under duress, menace or the undue influence of any person whomsoever, do make, publish and declare this my Last Will and Testament.

ARTICLE I.

Identification of Family

I hereby declare that I am the wife of **Larry Del Van Sickle**. We have three children. Our children's names are: **Keith James Van Sickle, David Lawrence Van Sickle and Paul Edward Van Sickle**. Other than as hereafter provided, I make no provisions for such children.

ARTICLE II.

Revocation of Prior Estate Documents

I hereby revoke any and all of my former wills, codicils and any former community property agreements, and declare this my Last Will and Testament.

ARTICLE III.

Nomination of Personal Representative

I hereby nominate and appoint my husband, **Larry D. Van Sickle**, as personal representative of this, my Last Will and Testament. In the event **Larry D. Van Sickle** is for any reason unable or unwilling to act as personal representative hereof, I nominate and appoint my son, **Keith J. Van Sickle**, as my personal representative. I direct that none of my named personal representatives shall be required to post bond.

ARTICLE IV.

Non-Intervention Will

I hereby confirm that it is my intention that my estate be settled without the intervention of any court, except as may be required under the laws of the state of Washington in the case of unrestricted, nonintervention

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wills and that my personal representative settle my estate in such manner as shall seem best and most convenient to him.

ARTICLE V.

Taxes

All estate and inheritance taxes shall be paid from the share of each heir and each recipient of nonprobate assets so that each taker bears a proportionate share of the taxes imposed on the total taxable estate, EXCEPT that any disposition that generates a tax deduction shall be free from contribution towards payment of taxes.

ARTICLE VI.

Devises and Bequests

- A. **List.** I may have prepared a list of items to assist my personal representative in distributing certain items of personal property to my heirs. I direct that my personal representative shall be obligated to follow the terms of that list and I give, devise and bequeath the items listed in that list to the persons named therein. In the event that I have prepared more than one list, then to the extent of any conflict the later list shall control. If no such written list is found or identified by my Personal Representative within ninety (90) days after my Personal Representative's qualification, it shall be conclusively presumed that there is no such list and any subsequent discovered memoranda shall be ineffective. Any property given and devised to a beneficiary who is not living at the time of my death and for whom no effective alternate provision has been made shall pass according to the provisions of the following paragraphs, and not pursuant to any anti-lapse statute.
- B. **Convenience Bank Accounts.** I may have placed one or more of my heir's names on bank accounts at the time of my death. I hereby declare that any such arrangement (other than any accounts where my spouse is the joint tenant) has been done for convenience purposes and not with the intent that such person or persons should take such accounts in addition to the devises and bequests of this will. I direct that any such accounts should be considered a part of my estate for

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accounting and distribution purposes and, to the extent that any such account may not be brought back into my estate, it shall be charged towards any distribution to the account holder.

- C. **Bequest to Credit Trust.** If my spouse survives me by 30 days, I give to **Larry D. Van Sickle**, in Trust, assets of my estate having a total value (as finally determined for federal estate tax purposes), equal to the largest dollar amount which can pass free of the federal estate tax in my estate, by reason of the unified credit and the state death tax credit (but only to the extent the use of the latter credit does not increase the tax payable to any state), and also taking into account all other tax credits, deductions and/or exclusions provided for in IRC Section 2033A, and no other credits.
1. Such legacy shall be held in trust for the benefit of my husband and my descendants pursuant to the paragraphs of the Article herein entitled Credit Trust.
 2. The bequest to this Credit Trust shall be deemed a pecuniary bequest. Said bequest may be satisfied in cash or in kind, or partly in cash and partly in kind, as determined in the sole discretion of my Personal Representative; provided, however, my Personal representative shall act impartially in allocating assets to said bequest so that any distribution to the Credit Trust shall be made of assets, including cash, fairly representative of appreciation or depreciation in the value of all property then available for allocation to the Credit Trust.

D. **Residual to Spouse.** All of the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate and all property which I may own or possess, of every kind and nature, and wheresoever situated, I give, devise and bequeath to my husband, **Larry Del Van Sickle**, provided he survives me by 30 days.

E. **Alternate Residual Bequest.** In the event **Larry Del Van Sickle** shall not survive me by 30 days, I give, devise and bequeath all of my estate and all of the property which I may own or possess, of every kind and character whatsoever and wheresoever situated, as follows:

1. I give, devise and bequeath to each of my grandchildren, now or hereafter born to or adopted by any of my children, who are alive at my death, the sum of \$20,000.
2. I have created an irrevocable trust for the benefit of my son, Paul. This trust is known as the **Paul Van Sickle Irrevocable Trust of 2001**. It is my intention that this trust be funded with principal amount of at least \$100,000. My husband and I have made contributions to this trust during our life. To the extent that the principal of said trust has not reached said \$100,000, I give, devise and bequeath such sum to such trust as is necessary to bring the principal balance to \$100,000.
3. All the rest, residue and remainder, I give, devise and bequeath to my children named in Article I, hereof, equally and by right of representation.

In the event that any heir under this will is under age 21 at the time of distribution of his or her gift, devise or bequest, I direct that the share of such heir shall be held by such heir's legal guardian, in trust, pursuant to the terms of Article VIII, below entitled **Minor's Trust**.

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ARTICLE VII.

Credit Trust

The legacy to be disposed of pursuant to this Trust shall be held, administered and distributed as follows:

- A. The Trustee shall pay to or apply for the benefit of my husband, during his lifetime, all of the net income of the trust estate on at least an annual basis.
- B. In addition to the above, the Trustee may make distributions of principal of the trust as is required for the health, education, support or maintenance of my husband. However, no distribution shall be made under the preceding sentence in satisfaction of a legal obligation of support of my husband unless other sources of support (both principal and income) are properly considered.
- C. In addition to the above, the Trustee may make annual distributions of principal of the trust to my husband limited to the greater of \$5,000 or 5% of the principal of the trust.
- D. Upon the death of my husband, I give, devise and bequeath the rest, residue and remainder of this trust in accordance with Article VI.E, hereof.
- E. In the event **Larry D. Van Sickle** is for any reason unable or unwilling to act as trustee hereof, I nominate and appoint my son, **David L. Van Sickle**, as my successor trustee.

ARTICLE VIII.

Minor's Trust

- A. Trustee. I hereby nominate and appoint the parent or guardian of each beneficiary under the age of 21 as Trustee of this Trust. The Trustee is directed to and shall hold, pay and distribute the trust estate as is herein provided.
- B. Educational Costs. Trustee may provide monies from the trust income or from the corpus of the trust for the educational costs of my beneficiaries, including vocational training, provided only that such education is reasonably calculated, as determined in the sole judgment of the Trustee, to contribute to and enhance the beneficiary's ability to become and remain financially self-supporting.
- C. Discretionary Distributions. In addition to the above, my Trustee is hereby granted the right and ability to make discretionary distributions of principal or income, by means of direct distribution or by loan of such sums as my Trustee (in my Trustee's sole and unrestricted discretion) shall deem appropriate based upon the intended use of the distributed proceeds, the maturity and lifestyle of my beneficiary, and any other factors that my Trustee deems relevant.
- D. Distribution of Trust Estate. The assets of said trust shall be distributed to the beneficiaries thereof at such time as said beneficiary attains the age of 21 years.

In the event any of my said children shall die before attaining the age of 21 years, leaving issue, said issue shall take the deceased child's share of said estate, per stirpes, each beneficiary receiving their pro-rata share upon attaining the age of 21 years.
- E. Accounting & Compensation. The Trustee shall keep accurate and complete books of account which will, at all times, remain available to any beneficiary or the guardian of any under age or

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otherwise incapacitated beneficiary. The Trustee shall render annual statements of account to each adult beneficiary (or to the legal guardian of the estate of any beneficiary). The Trustee shall be entitled to reasonable compensation for his or her services.

- F. Alienation. The beneficial interests (in principal or income hereunder) of any beneficiary hereof, shall not be subject to claims of the respective beneficiaries, creditors, or others nor to legal process and shall not be voluntarily or involuntarily assigned, alienated or encumbered, including, but not limited to, proceedings in bankruptcy.

ARTICLE IX.

Failure of Line

If my husband does not survive me and I leave no descendants surviving, or if my husband and all of my issue die prior to the distribution of all of the assets of my estate or any trust established by this instrument, I give the residue of my estate or such undistributed trust assets as follows: one-half (1/2) to my heirs at law, and one-half (1/2) to the heirs at law of my husband, with said heirs to be determined at such time according to the laws of intestate succession of the state of Washington.

ARTICLE X.

Powers and Duties of Trustees and Personal Representative

- A. Powers and Duties of Trustees and Personal Representative. Any Trustee herein and my Personal Representative shall have all of the rights, powers and duties given by law on the date hereof, including all those set forth in R.C.W. 11.98.070. In addition thereto, the Trustee and Personal Representative shall have power to:

1. Determine the allocation of receipts and expenses between income and principal in accordance with the Washington Principal and Income Act; provided, there is reserved to the Trustee the power to make such equitable allocation as may nevertheless be contrary to the terms of that Act with respect to allocations relating to under productive property, capital gains, depreciation, bond premium and discount, corporate distributions and the operation of a trade, business, or farm except that the Trustee may not take any action regarding such equitable allocation that may impair any marital deduction gift contained in this instrument.
2. Manage any business or other enterprise, including any farm or ranch interest, in any trust governed by this instrument and in so doing shall have all powers, privileges, and authority with respect thereto that the Trustee has by law and this instrument in respect to business interests, specifically including the provisions of subsections (21), (22), and (25) of R.C.W. 11.98.070.
3. Exercise the powers given the Trustee in this instrument and by law only in the Trustee's fiduciary capacity; and notwithstanding any other provision in this instrument, the Trustee

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shall have no power under any such provision to enlarge or shift any of the beneficial interests under this instrument except as an incidental consequence of the discharge of the Trustee's fiduciary duties.

4. Exercise any powers not otherwise granted in this instrument or given by law which the Trustee, in the Trustee's absolute discretion, determines are necessary and desirable and not inconsistent with the provisions of this instrument.

5. Continue to hold in trust any payment or distribution of principal or income otherwise authorized in this instrument to be made to or for any beneficiary for such length of time as the Trustee, in the Trustee's absolute discretion, considers appropriate because of (a) any court proceeding or judgment involving the beneficiary and/or the beneficiary's family, (b) a terminal illness of the beneficiary, (c) the acute or chronic alcohol or drug abuse, addiction or dependency of the beneficiary, (d) any failure to take medication or the taking of any medication that impairs the beneficiary's judgment (e) any threatened or probable transfer that the beneficiary has made or has permitted or suffered to be made in anticipation of any such payment, which the Trustee, in the Trustee's absolute discretion, deems to be imprudent or ill-advised or in exchange for what the Trustee deems to be insufficient or inappropriate consideration, (f) and mental or physical illness of the beneficiary, (g) any action, lifestyle or habit, such as excessive or inappropriate gambling by the beneficiary, or (h) any other similar reason.

As to any such payment that is held in accordance with this section, my trustee is hereby granted a special power of appointment, to be exercised or not exercised in my trustee's sole and absolute discretion, to apply any portion (or all) of such held principal or interest on behalf of the beneficiary or the beneficiary's issue in such amounts and manners as shall to my trustee seem appropriate.

If any such payment or distribution is being withheld at the death of the beneficiary, my trustee may appoint such payment or distribution to one or more of my beneficiaries or the issue of any beneficiary of my trust or to a trust or trusts for one or more of my beneficiaries, or the issue of any of my beneficiaries, as the Trustee, in the Trustee's absolute discretion, shall select; and in the exercise of any such discretion, the decision of the Trustee shall be final and binding on all persons; provided, however, as to this power to appoint at a beneficiary's death, that such appointment of any such payment or distribution on the death of the beneficiary may not be made to my trustee and may only be made by the Trustee to a trust other than a trust where my trustee is a beneficiary of the trust.

6. Take any action and make any election to minimize the tax liabilities of any trust held under this instrument and its beneficiaries, allocate the benefits among the various beneficiaries, and make adjustments in the rights of any beneficiaries, or between the income and principal accounts, compensate for the consequences of any tax election or any investment or administrative decision that the Trustee believes has had the effect of directly or indirectly preferring one beneficiary or group on beneficiaries over others, all of such powers being in the Trustee's absolute discretion.

7. Retain, without liability in so doing, any property, real, personal or mixed, regardless of the kind, quality or value which at any time, may become part of this trust other than through investment or reinvestment of the trust estate by the Trustee.

8. Set aside out of income such reserve fund as the Trustee deems appropriate for the protection or improvement of any real property constituting a portion of the trust estate.

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9. Invest and reinvest the whole or any part of the trust estate in accordance with RCW 11.100.010 et seq.

10. Act without bond or without posting security of any kind provided that my trustee is named herein.

11. My Personal Representative or Trustee, as the case may be, may, at any time and from time to time, divide any trust established hereunder into two or more separate trusts based on the fair market value of the trust assets at the time of the division and combine two or more trusts with substantially identical terms (whether or not such trusts were previously separated from one trust).

If a trust is held as, or divided into, separate trusts, my Personal Representative or Trustee may, at any time prior to a combination of such trusts, (a) make different tax elections (including the allocation of the generation skipping tax exemption) with respect to each separate trust; (b) expend principal and exercise any other discretionary powers with respect to such separate trusts differently; (c) invest such separate trusts differently; and (d) take all other actions consistent with such trusts being separate entities. Further, the donee of any power of appointment with respect to a trust so divided may exercise such power differently with respect to the separate trusts created by the division.

I anticipate that my Personal Representative or Trustee may hold property as one or more separate trusts or divide trusts hereunder for both tax and administrative reasons. For example, if my Personal Representative decides to allocate some or all of my generation skipping tax exemption to any trust created hereunder, he or she may determine it to be desirable to create separate trusts in order that no trust has an inclusion ratio (as defined in Section 2642 (a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code) other than zero or one.

I exonerate my Personal Representative and Trustee from any liability arising from any exercise or failure to exercise these powers, provided the actions (or inactions) of either or both are taken in good faith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand on July 25, 2001.

Carol Joan Van Sickle
Carol Joan Van Sickle

The foregoing instrument, was at the date thereof signed, published and declared by Carol Joan Van Sickle to be 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, have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

Ann M Nelson
Residing at: Mount Vernon

Victoria Johnson
Residing at: Mount Vernon

State of Washington)

County of Skagit) ss.

The undersigned, each competent to testify, being duly sworn, each testifies as follows:

The foregoing instrument, dated July 25, 2001, being declared to be the Last Will and Testament of Carol Joan Van Sickle was signed and executed by her in the presence of myself and the other witness.

Carol Joan Van Sickle thereupon published the instrument as, and declared it to be, her Last Will and Testament and requested us to sign the same as witnesses. At the request and in the presence of the Testatrix, and in the presence of each other, the other witness and I subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

At the time of executing the said instrument, the Testatrix was of legal age and he appeared to be of sound and disposing mind and not acting under duress, menace, fraud, undue influence or misrepresentation.

James M Nelson

Victoria Johnson

SIGNED AND SWORN to before me on July 25, 2001.

Notary Public
My commission expires FEB 8 2022
