



Chief Judge Order 25-06
DEPOSITED WILLS IN THE 18TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

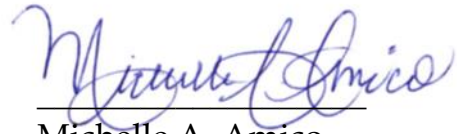
It has long been the practice of the 18th Judicial District not to accept the deposit of any will or codicil for safekeeping pursuant to C.R.S. § 15-11-515, except for good cause shown. The existing Chief Judge Order Terminating Deposit of Wills in the 18th Judicial District (signed December 10, 2003, effective January 1, 2004) is outdated, and this CJO 25-06 updates the existing policy. Thus, pursuant to the authority in Chief Justice Directive 95-01 Authority and Responsibility of Chief Judges, the undersigned, in her capacity as Chief Judge, enters the following CJO 25-06.

C.R.S. § 15-11-515 states, “[a] will **may** be deposited by the testator or the testator's agent with any court for safekeeping, under rules of the court.” C.R.S. § 15-11-515 (emphasis added). Accordingly, the 18th Judicial District does not accept the deposit of any will or codicil for safekeeping under C.R.S. § 15-11-515 except for good cause shown. All requests for deposit shall be directed to the Chief Judge of the 18th Judicial District. Nothing in this CJO 25-06 impacts requirements

for active probate cases, and rather this CJO 25-06 only pertains to wills or codicils for safekeeping under C.R.S. § 15-11-515.

SO ORDERED this 14th day of January 2025.

BY THE COURT:



Michelle A. Amico
Chief Judge
Eighteenth Judicial District