

**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF UNION COUNTY, OHIO**  
**PROBATE DIVISION**  
JUDGE RICK RODGER

**ESTATE OF** \_\_\_\_\_, **DECEASED**

**CASE NO.** \_\_\_\_\_

**FIDUCIARY'S SELF-REPRESENTATION ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

Loc.R. 60.2

I hereby acknowledge that I have read, understand and agree with all the following statements:

1. The Union County Probate Court strongly recommends that I hire an attorney to represent me in this case. Contrary to that recommendation, I intend to proceed on my own without the advice and assistance of an attorney.
2. I have the time, knowledge and ability to manage all aspects of this case correctly and without any assistance from the Court or any other person.
3. The Court and its Deputy Clerks are prohibited by law to assist me with any aspect of this case, including, without limitation, determining what forms I am required to complete and file.
4. The Court and its Deputy Clerks cannot provide me with any information other than what is published on the Court's website: <https://www.unioncountyohio.gov/ProbateDivision>.
5. I am responsible for understanding and correctly applying the applicable portions of: the Ohio Revised Code; the Rules of Superintendence for the Courts of Ohio; the Ohio Rules of Civil Procedure; the Union County, Ohio Probate Court's Local Rules; and all other laws, rules, regulations, policies and case law that relate to this case.
6. The Court will hold me to the same standards that apply to attorneys and persons represented by attorneys in similar probate proceedings.
7. I have a duty to act fairly, honestly, impartially, and in the mutual best interest of all persons or entities that may have an interest in this case. I also have a duty to not do anything in my self-interest that is detrimental or harmful to others.
8. I understand that I could be held personally liable to any person or entity that suffers financial damages because of anything I do in this case that does not comply with the applicable legal requirements.
9. If I do not fulfill my responsibilities in this case properly and in a timely manner, I could be subject to: citation proceedings; contempt of court; termination of my authority and removal from my appointed position, without payment of a commission; and/or I could be ordered by the Court to retain legal counsel in order to continue.

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Fiduciary's Signature

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Date

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Fiduciary's Typed or Printed Name