

Can I make written changes or additions to my Will on my own?

Changes or additions to your Will, whether by written changes on the Will itself or by another separate handwritten note are possible but if not done correctly, those changes can be completely ineffective and can throw your estate and loved ones into costly and bitter lawsuits. It is important that changes meet the requirements of our Wills Act. Even simple changes, like naming a different executor, if done directly on your Will document must meet formal requirements of witnesses and proper signing or must be done to meet “holograph” standards. It is important that no ambiguities or uncertainties exist. During my years of legal practice it has been common to see families thrown into legal chaos because of confusing notes or because handwritten notes or masking tape on objects are different from what has been written in a Will.

For help with changes to your Will or estate planning call 306-664-6900 or email [reception@saskatoonlaw.ca](mailto:reception@saskatoonlaw.ca)