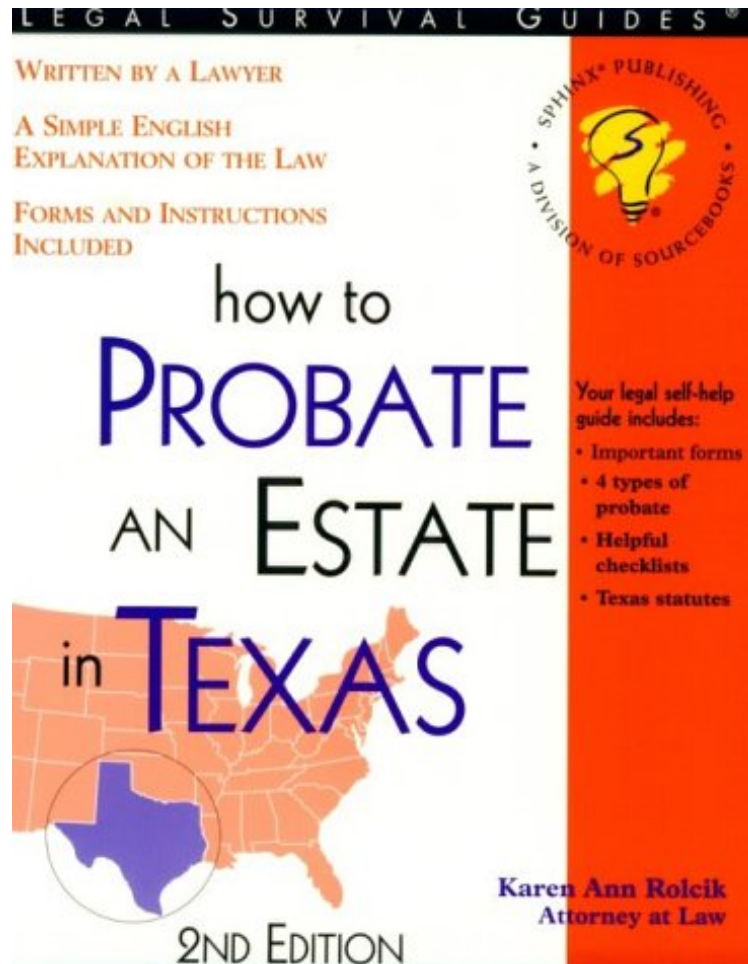


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Good book for purposeBy DragonheartThis book is worth the read if you have an easy will and want to save some attorney's fees. However, if you are trying to probate for someone without a will or where lots of heirs are involved, take some good advice and just pay an attorney.Basically, most of the useful information is on a couple of pages and that is about filing. I found I got all the information and forms I needed by just going to the court house and talking with the clerks. The clerks can give you better and more current information than this book, but the book gives you a good overview of the process so I was glad I read it. Probate was

not that difficult, but it is time consuming and not free, as there are filing fees involved, so one needs to balance everything as opposed to hiring an attorney who will just do it all. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Saved \$2,000 by using this instead of a lawyer! By NativeTexan411 I used this book to probate a relative's estate as a Muniment of Title. We saved the estate nearly \$2,000 in legal fees that an attorney wanted for the same, very simple service. 14 of 15 people found the following review helpful. Far more forms than substance. By RBM Half of the book is readily-available boilerplate forms. One third of the remainder is verbatim Texas Probate Code. Of that which remains, only about one quarter applies to any given situation. Bottom line: Don't plan to spend more than 15 minutes reading this book. Helpful advice, such as how best to conduct the inventory and value property, are nowhere to be found. It's better than nothing if you want a high-level overview of the process, and sufficient if all you need to do is file the forms. Otherwise, look for something with more useful substance.

Contrary to popular belief, a will does not eliminate the requirement for probate. But the probate process does not need to be complicated as long as the necessary forms are filed, required persons are notified and proper procedures are followed. *How to Probate an Estate in Texas* will help you understand, prepare for and easily move through the process of distributing an estate in Texas. Complete with step-by-step instructions and the forms you need, this book simplifies the Texas probate process, helping you avoid the extra costs, delays and frustration commonly associated with distributing an estate. In simple language, *How to Probate an Estate in Texas* explains: Four types of probate in Texas Each step of the probate process Who can be a personal representative What can be done without an attorney How to find an attorney What forms are used in probate What tax forms are required What to do if a witness is unavailable Which property is exempt from probate

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