**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CHATHAM COUNTY**

**STATE OF GEORGIA**

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| IN RE:  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. | ESTATE NO. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

**AFFIDAVIT OF DILIGENT SEARCH**

Comes now \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_[Affiant], after being duly sworn, on oath, deposes and states the following:

1. Affiant is over eighteen years old and is competent to give testimony.

2. The address and contact information for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, an heir listed in the Petition (hereinafter referred to as the “subject Heir”), is unknown to me because:

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3. The following information is known about this Heir:

* Other Names Known or Used: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Date of Birth (or approximate age): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Social Security Number: XXX-XX-\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Last Known Phone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Last Known Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Last Known Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Last Known Employment(s): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Other information known about this Heir: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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4. I have made the following efforts to locate the subject Heir and have been unsuccessful in each effort. Said methods to locate being as follows:

*[Methods can include (1) telephoning the Heir at his or her last known number, (2) searching printed and online directories and social media websites, (3) contacting the Heir’s last known employer, (4) mailing a letter to the Heir’s last known address, (4) contacting known friends and relatives of the Heir, (5) checking local jails and prison state systems, and/or (6) hiring professionals to conduct or assist in a search for the person.]*

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| Date of Search | Method of search | What did you search for? What criteria or facts did you use to search? | What did you find or learn through this search? |
| *e.g. 9-23-2019* | *Facebook* | *Justin Wallace*  *Justin Q. Wallace*  *Just Wallice*  *J. Quinton Wallace* | *Multiple results for Justin Wallace with none matching appearance or profile; no match for Just Wallice, J. Quinton Wallace or Justin Q. Wallace* |
| *e.g., 9-24-2019* | *Phone Calls to Relatives:* | *Mary Wallace, Grandmother*  *(555) 555-555*  *Joe Smith, Cousin*  *(333)333-3333* | *J.W. Last spoke to grandmother in 1999 and was homeless at that time.*  *Last information known to Cousin Smith was in 2002 that J.W. was in jail in state of Nevada.* |
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4. Despite the above-described efforts, I was unable to locate the subject Heir and I am unable to provide to this Court a current known address for this heir.

WHEREFORE, I request that the Court issue an Order for Service by Publication upon \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*[Name of Heir]*, to notify him or her of the above-styled Petition.

Submitted on this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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Signature of Affiant Address

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Printed Name of Affiant City, State and Zip Code

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Phone Number

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Email Address

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this

\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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Notary Public

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_