

YAVAPAI COUNTY
Self-Service Center

**COLLECTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY
IN A SMALL ESTATE BY AFFIDAVIT
without going through Probate Court
(Arizona Revised Statute §14-3971)**

CHECKLIST

USE THE FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS in this packet only if the following factors apply to your situation:

- ✓ You are related to a person who died or you have a legal interest in the person's personal property, **AND**
- ✓ The person had a will or did not have a will, **AND**
- ✓ The person only had a small or modest amount of personal property when he/she died, **AND**
- ✓ You want to collect the personal property without going through a court probate case. **AND**
- ✓ You can get notarized documents from all other heirs having an interest in the personal property **OR**
- ✓ All the heirs having an interest in the personal property will sign the Affidavit for Collection of Personal Property.
- ✓ The funeral expenses and expenses of the last illness of the decedent have been paid.

READ ME: It is very important for you to know that when you sign a court document, you may be helping or hurting your court case. Before you sign any court document, or get involved with a court case, it is important that you see a lawyer to make sure you are doing the right thing.