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This is to certify that Bill No. 15, "An Act to add Sections 57, 58 and 59, to Article 1, Chapter 1, Division 1, Probate Code of Guam, pertaining to depositing of wills with the Clerk of the Island Court of Guam, and for other purposes", was on the 19th day of June, 1961, duly and regularly passed.



A. B. WON PAT  
Speaker

ATTESTED:


  
V. D. BAEA  
Legislative Secretary

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This Act was received by the Governor this 22nd day  
of June, 1961 at 1:55 o'clock P. M.

/s/ Manuel F. L. Guerrero

MANUEL F. LEON GUERRERO  
Secretary of Guam

APPROVED:

  
BILL DANIEL  
Governor of Guam

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Bill No. 15

Introduced by \_\_\_\_\_  
Committee on Rules, by  
request

AN ACT TO ADD SECTIONS 57, 58 AND 59, TO  
ARTICLE 1, CHAPTER 1, DIVISION 1, PROBATE  
CODE OF GUAM, PERTAINING TO DEPOSITING OF  
WILLS WITH THE CLERK OF THE ISLAND COURT  
OF GUAM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TERRITORY OF GUAM:

2 Section 1. Section 57 is hereby added to the Probate Code of  
3 Guam, to read as follows:

4 "Section 57. Will deposited with the Clerk of the  
5 Island Court. The Clerk of the Island Court is authorized  
6 to receive and deposit in his office any will delivered  
7 to him for that purpose, and give a written receipt  
8 therefor to the depositor. He shall enclose each such  
9 will in an individual sealed envelope so that it cannot  
10 be read, and indorse on said envelope the name of the  
11 testator, his residence, the date of the deposit, and  
12 the name of the person, if any, to whom the testator  
13 desires the will delivered at his death, and such  
14 envelope shall not be opened until the delivery of said  
15 will as provided in this Chapter."

16 Section 2. Section 58 is hereby added to the Probate Code of  
17 Guam to read as follows:

18 "Section 58. Deposited will, how disposed of. A  
19 will deposited under the provisions of Section 57 shall be  
20 delivered only:

21 (1) During his lifetime, to the testator in  
22 person, or upon his written order, duly approved by the  
23 oath of a subscribing witness;

24 (2) After the death of the testator, to the person,  
25 if any, named in the indorsement on the envelope of the



1 will; or, if there is no such indorsement, then to  
2 the Chief Judge of the Island Court."

3 Section 3. Section 59 is hereby added to the Probate Code of  
4 Guam to read as follows:

5 "Section 59. Duty of Judge on Receipt of deposited  
6 will. The Chief Judge of the Island Court to whom a  
7 will is delivered as specified under item (2) of Section  
8 58 shall forthwith publicly open and examine the will  
9 and file the same in the office of the Clerk of the  
10 Island Court there to remain until duly proved, or  
11 until jurisdiction is lawfully established in some  
12 other court as the proper venue for probate."