

**How to Determine whether Estate Qualifies for
Disposition of Personal Property without Administration**

1. Did the decedent live in Alachua County?
If yes, go to question 2.
If no, the petitioner must file in the county where the decedent lived.
2. Did the decedent own real property subject to probate?
If yes, the estate does not qualify.
If no, go to question 3.
3. Has decedent been deceased for more than 2 years?
If yes, the estate does not qualify.
If no, go to question 4.
4. Is the funeral bill paid and did the customer pay the bill?
If yes, go to question 5—the customer will need to prove customer made the payment.
If no, the customer can still file, if funeral bill qualifies, but the payment will need to be made to the funeral home, if the bill is not paid, or to the person who paid the bill.
5. Is the funeral bill more than \$6,000?
If yes, go to question 8.
If no, go to question 5.
6. Is the total value of the assets equal to or less than the funeral bill?
If yes, go to question 6.
If no, go to question 7.
7. Is the difference between the assets and the funeral bill \$1,000 or less (homestead personal property)?
If yes, go to question 8.
If no, go to question 9.
8. Is the customer a relative of the decedent?
If yes, go to question 6, however the difference between the amount of the funeral bill and value of the assets (homestead personal property), less than \$1,000, must be paid to all qualifying relatives in proper shares.
If no, the estate does not qualify.
9. Do some of the assets include household furnishings or appliances (total value less than \$20,000) or automobiles (all “exempt property”)?
If yes, go to question 10.
If no, the estate does not qualify.
10. If the value of the exempt property (and homestead personal property) is subtracted from the total value of the assets, is the balance \$6,000 or less?
If yes, go to question 11.
If no, the estate does not qualify.
11. Is the customer the spouse or a child of the decedent?
If yes, the estate qualifies, however the exempt property must be distributed to the qualifying spouse or child.
If no, the estate does not qualify.

If the estate does not qualify for disposition of personal property without administration, it may qualify for summary administration.