Deceased Estate Declaration and Claim/Indemnity Form*

This form applies when Probate/Letters of Administration are not being applied for. It may be used for claims up to but not exceeding the value of $15,000.

Section A: Deceased's Details and Checklist

Full name

Date of death

Documentation checklist: *(please tick)*

- □ Certified copy of the Death Certificate or Medical Cause of Death Certificate
- □ Certified copy of valid photo ID for the Declarant

Section B: Declarant's Details

Name (In accordance with ID)

Date of Birth

Contact phone number

Home Address

Email

Relationship to deceased: (choose one)

- □ Husband or wife of the deceased
- □ Defacto partner of the deceased
- □ A child of the deceased
- □ Person entitled to the estate under the will of the deceased
- □ Person appearing to be entitled to obtain administration of the estate of the deceased in New Zealand
- □ Person who has custody and control of the infant children of the deceased
- □ Brother or sister of the deceased
- □ Parent or legal guardian of the deceased

Section C: Payment Details

I request Westpac NZ to close the accounts of the deceased and pay the funds to the account of _____

Bank Branch Account Number Suffix

Section D: Declaration & Indemnity

I _____ solemnly and sincerely declare that;

- I confirm that I am acting as the Administrator or Executor of the above named estate. I am either named as Executor in the will or confirm that the deceased died without leaving a will.
- All the information provided above is true and correct and forms part of this declaration.
- To the best of my knowledge Probate or Letters of Administration have not been applied for or obtained in New Zealand and I do not intend to nor will I apply for grant of Probate or Letters of Administration of the Estate of the said deceased and to the best of my knowledge no other person intends to apply for Probate or Letters of Administration of the Estate of the deceased.
- I will pay and discharge any debts that may be proved in the estate of the deceased
- I claim payment of the moneys to which the deceased was entitled upon the grounds of my relationship to the deceased as detailed above.
- I shall apply the said moneys in due course of administration as the law requires. In consideration of Westpac New Zealand Limited (Westpac NZ) releasing the funds in the deceased's account(s) I hereby agree to indemnify Westpac NZ against any claims, losses, damages, costs and/or expenses whatsoever (including its own legal costs on a solicitor/client basis,) which may arise in connection with the said account(s) or the payment of the balance(s) therefore and also against all amounts Westpac NZ maybe called upon to pay and all costs (including its own legal costs on a solicitor/client basis) charges and expenses which Westpac NZ may incur in connection therewith.

I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the Oaths and Declarations Act 1957.

Declared at _____on this day _____

Signature of Declarant

Full Name

Witnessed by: *(Must be a Solicitor of the High Court of New Zealand/Justice of the Peace in New Zealand)*

Signature

Justice of the Peace/Solicitor's Stamp

**Any changes made to this form must be initialled by the declarant and the witness to the declarant's signature*