

Sample Bequest Language

Percentage:

“I devise to Mother Seton Academy, a nonprofit corporation of the State of Maryland, located at 2215 Greenmount Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21218, ____% of my estate.”

Specific:

“I devise to Mother Seton Academy, a nonprofit corporation of the State of Maryland, located at 2215 Greenmount Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21218.”

(Choose one)

1. The sum of \$_____.”
2. _____ shares of stock in _____ Company.”, or
3. My real property commonly known as _____.”

Residual:

“I give to Mother Seton Academy, a nonprofit corporation of the State of Maryland, located at 2215 Greenmount Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21218, all the residue of my estate, including real personal property.”

Contingent:

“In the event of the death of any of the beneficiaries, “I give to Mother Seton Academy, a nonprofit corporation of the State of Maryland, located at 2215 Greenmount Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21218, ____% of my estate., (percentage, specific, or residual language as above).”

Already have a will? You can modify your will and direct a gift to Mother Seton Academy with a simple codicil.

Sample Codicil (Will Modification):

[date]

I, *[name]*, a resident of the *[city of Baltimore]* or, County of *[county]*, State of Maryland, declare that this is the codicil to my last will and testament, which is dated *[date original signed]*.

I add or change said last will in the following manner:

[list with particularity all changes to the will. Reference each section number of the will and the specific language you will be affecting. Be as clear and precise as possible.]

Otherwise, I hereby confirm and republish my will dated, *[date original signed]*, in all respects other than those herein mentioned.

I subscribe my name to this codicil this *[day, e.g. 1st]* day of *[month]*, *[year]*, at *[full address where signed]*, in the presence of *[full name of first witness to codicil]* and *[full name of second witness to codicil]*, attesting witnesses, who subscribe their names here in my presence.

Maker

Attestation:

On the date last above written, [name], known by us to be the person whose signature appears at the end of this codicil, declared to us, *[full name of first witness to codicil]* and *[full name of second witness to codicil]*, the undersigned, that the foregoing instrument, consisting, of *[number of pages to codicil]* page(s) was the codicil to the will dated, *[date original signed]*; who then signed the codicil in our presence, and now in the presence of each other, we now sign our names as witnesses.

Witness

Address:

Witness

Address:
