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To ensure that a Will is valid, there are specific requirements that need to be met in accordance with the Wills Act 7 of 1953.

Requirements for the valid signing of your Last Will and Testament:

1. The testator must be over the age of 16 (sixteen) years.
2. The Will must be in writing. This means that a Will can be typed or handwritten. If the Will is handwritten, it is important to note that the person who writes the Will is not allowed to be mentioned as a beneficiary in that specific Will.
3. Each page of the Will, including the last page, must be signed by the testator. The Will must also be signed by two competent witnesses.

BOTH WITNESSES MUST BE FOURTEEN (14) YEARS OR OLDER AND MAY NOT BE A FAMILY MEMBER OR ANY PERSON MENTIONED IN THE WILL.

4. Insert the place and date of signature of the will.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE ORIGINAL SIGNED COPY OF YOUR WILL IS KEPT BY YOU TOGETHER WITH YOUR OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

IT IS ALSO RECOMMENDED THAT YOU SAVE AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF YOUR WILL.

A TRUSTED FAMILY MEMBER OR CLOSE FRIEND SHOULD BE MADE AWARE OF WHERE YOUR ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS CAN BE FOUND SHOULD THIS BE REQUIRED.