

REQUEST FOR POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION

I. I hereby request, authorize and consent to the performance of an autopsy (postmortem examination) upon the remains of _____

Full name of deceased

II. Consent to and Request for Autopsy

I hereby authorize Midwest Autopsy and Medical Services, LLC, or any other person or persons as it may designate, to perform an autopsy on the body of the above named deceased. I warrant that I have the legal authority to give consent and to make this request. Organ specimens may be removed and retained for study subsequent to the autopsy which, in the judgment of the physician by whom it is performed, may be necessary to accomplish its purpose. Disposal of specimens shall occur one year from the date of the autopsy, unless directed otherwise, in writing, by the next of kin and shall be handled by standard biohazard technique unless directed otherwise as indicated in the space provided. I understand that the services provided shall not include a review of the medical records, toxicologic analysis or bacteriologic, serologic, virology or any analysis examination.

(Other direction, if any) _____

I bear the relation of _____ to the deceased and have read the statement on the law (below) as from which consent must be obtained, and have made appropriate remarks thereon.

The Laws of the State of Missouri provide that consent for autopsy may be granted only by certain persons, and further, that some have more rights than others. The following chart is a list of those who may give consent, in order of importance or degree of right. A person cannot give legal consent for an autopsy unless there are no surviving relatives higher on the list, or unless one of the following remarks is applicable to each surviving relative who is higher on the list:

- (a) Is under 16 years of age.
- (b) Is incapable of giving consent because of mental capacity.
- (c) Surviving spouse is unknown.
- (d) Address is unknown or beyond the boundaries of The United States.
- (e) Is incapable of giving consent because of injury or illness.
- (f) Surviving spouse has been separated and living apart from the deceased.
- (g) Cannot be contacted by telephone or telegraph; (superior right of the surviving spouse is not affected by this situation.)

DIRECTIONS

1. Circle the category of the person giving consent.
2. If there is a surviving relative higher on the list than the person giving consent, indicate which of the above remarks [(a) through (g)] is applicable to each.

Category	Still Living?	Remarks
1. Surviving Spouse		
2. Surviving Child		
3. Surviving Parent		
4. Surviving Brother or Sister		
5. Any Relative by Blood or Marriage		
6. Any Friend		

Unless specifically limited, the autopsy request shall be a complete autopsy including head.

(Limitations, if any) _____

After the autopsy, I direct the body to be released to:

(Funeral Home of your choice) _____

III. Fees

An up-front fee of \$1000 will be collected before the post mortem examination and the remainder of the balance due upon completion of the report.

Date _____

Time _____

Signed _____

Address _____

City & State _____

Telephone _____

Witness:

Name _____

Address _____

Name _____

Address _____