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## **Application for Hardship Waiver**

Mail or fax the completed application form and supporting documentation to the contact information below.

All of the information requested in this application is voluntary; however, failure to completely and accurately provide the information may result in a denial of the undue hardship waiver.

Each heir with an interest in the individual's estate must apply for a separate hardship. If approved, that heir's interest in the estate will be exempt from recovery but the estate interests of other heirs that did not apply for a hardship or whose application(s) for a hardship was/were denied are subject to recovery.

Each heir who requests a hardship waiver must complete the appropriate section(s) of this application and return it with supporting documentation within 60 days from the date of the Notice. Applications returned later than 60 days from this date will not be accepted.

Written notification will be sent to the applicant with an explanation of the determination. If the request is denied, the applicant has an additional 60 days to submit a written request for review of the denial. Medicaid will review submitted documentation and make a determination.

The criteria for an undue hardship waiver are as follows:

"Undue Hardship" is defined as the existence of a situation, established by convincing evidence, that the estate subject to recovery is an asset such as a family farm or family business which produces "limited income" (defined as equal to or less than the income limit established in Rule 560-X-25.14) and is the sole income-producing asset of one or more heirs to the estate.

An undue hardship is not available in the following circumstances:

- 1. For recipients with long term care insurance policies who became Medicaid eligible by virtue of disregarding assets because of payments made by a long term care insurance policy or because of entitlement to receive benefits under a long term care insurance policy;
- 2. If Medicaid determines the hardship was created by the recipient by resorting to estate planning methods under which the recipient illegally divested assets in order to avoid estate recovery.

Please complete and return this application to: Alabama Medicaid Agency – Estate Recovery/Liens Section PO Box 5624 Montgomery, AL 36103

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It is the applicant's responsibility to provide complete information to the Alabama Medicaid Agency ("Medicaid"). The undue hardship waiver request will be denied if the applicant does not submit the necessary supporting documentation to meet the undue hardship criteria. A copy of the Will or Affidavit of Heirship must be attached to this application.

Please fill this out in blue or black ink (if not using the fillable version).

All applicants must complete the ge Decedent's Name (First, Middle, La		<u> </u>	reques	acu on ill	n page.			
Decedent's Medicaid ID Number	Decedent's Social Security Number				Decedent's Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)			
List the estate asset that is subject to	o probate:							
List the assets that will pass directly	to the heirs/	/benefi	ciaries	independe	ent of the	probate	e process:	
Applicant's Name (First, Middle, Last)					Relationship to Decedent			
Applicant's Primary Residence		City				State	Zip Code	
Area Code and Telephone Number	r Social Security Number			Number	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)			
Applicant's Employer	1			Employe	r Area C	ode and	Telephone Number	
<b>Employer Address</b>		City	L			State	Zip Code	
Spouse's Name (First, Middle, Last	)			Spouse's	s Area Co	ode and	Telephone Number	
Spouse's Address (If different from Applicant's)			City	City State Zip Code				
Spouse's Employer			Spouse's Employer Area Code and Telephone Number					
Spouse's Employer Address			City			State	Zip Code	

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Please answer all of the questions and provide the documentation requested. If needed, use a separate sheet of paper.

1.	Describe the income-producing asset in detail.
2.	How much income have you received from the asset during the current calendar year?
3.	How much income have you received from the asset in each of the three previous calendar years?
4.	What are your other sources of income?
5.	What is your total gross income?
6.	Attach your most recent two years of federal tax filings, including all W-2s and supporting schedules. If you have not filed taxes recently, please explain why not.
7.	Attach documentation showing all revenue produced by the asset in the past two years. If this is not available, explain why it is not available.
I ce	ify that the information I have provided is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.
Sign	ture of Applicant Date