

PREFACE TO THE 2026 EDITION

Edwards' North Carolina Probate Handbook addresses the procedural steps in the administration of the probate estate of a decedent who was a North Carolina resident. The chapters are ordered as the steps are encountered in the administrative process, with one chapter being devoted to each step. Each chapter gives the principles of law applicable to that particular step in the probate proceeding, practical suggestions which may be relevant, and perhaps most important of all, the forms necessary to complete that step. This 2026 Edition incorporates 2025 legislation as well as updates to any recent case law.