

## Sample Language for Bequests

The first paragraph identifies the bequest (select one):

- *a. If the bequest is the remainder of an estate:* I {devise, bequest, give} the remainder of my estate of whatever nature and wherever located, which I may own or over which I have the right of testamentary disposition or a power of appointment at my death, to Arkansas Coalition Against Domestic Violence, an Arkansas charitable corporation (124 W. Capitol Ave. STE 885; Little Rock, AR 72201; tax identification #71-0536263), to be administered in accordance with and subject to the governing instruments of the Coalition. [If the value of this gift at the time it is transferred equals or exceeds \$10,000, this gift or bequest shall be a permanent named fund known as the {name of fund} Endowment.]
- b. If the bequest is a specific amount or asset: I give {amount or description} to Arkansas Coalition Against Domestic Violence, an Arkansas charitable corporation (124 W. Capitol Ave, STE 885; Little Rock, AR 72201; tax identification #71-0536263), to be administered in accordance with and subject to the governing instruments of the Foundation. [If the value of this gift at the time it is transferred equals or exceeds \$10,000, this gift or bequest shall be permanent named fund known as the {name of fund} Endowment.]

II. The second paragraph indicates how the bequest will be used. The Arkansas Coalition Against Domestic Violence strongly recommends that you discuss any bequest plans with us to ensure that the charitable intention can be fulfilled. In most cases, clients choose not to include this paragraph but rather execute a fund agreement with the Arkansas Coalition Against Domestic Violence. This allows them the flexibility of changing the charitable purpose as often as they like during their lifetimes without redrafting or amending the legal documents.

- *a. If the bequest is unrestricted:* It is my desire that distributions for the Fund be made to provide financial support for such worthy charitable, cultural or educational purposes as the Arkansas Coalition Against Domestic Violence Board of Directors shall from time to time determine.
- **b.** *If the bequest is to support a particular field of interest:* It is my desire that distributions for the Fund be made to provide financial support for the Arkansas Coalition Against Domestic Violence, to be executed by the Arkansas Coalition Against Domestic Violence Board of Directors that are [state particular field of interest or area of service; e.g., organizations that are engaged in domestic violence victim support].

**\*\*Add The Following For All Gifts:** In the event that it becomes unnecessary, undesirable, impractical or impossible to utilize funds for such purposes, Arkansas Coalition Against Domestic Violence shall have the right to utilize the Fund for such other charitable purposes as the Arkansas Coalition Against Domestic Violence Board of Directors deems appropriate, in accordance with the governing instruments of the Arkansas Coalition Against Domestic Violence, as amended from time to time.