



*Explore surprising
ways a will can be
attacked!*



Unusual Will Challenges: What You Need to Know

with Lynne Butler

Tuesday, December 9, 2025

**Live webinar with chat
includes 60 day replay***

9:00 am – 10:30 am (Pacific)
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WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This program is ideal for estate planners and litigators who want to deepen their understanding of novel will challenges, so they can advise clients with confidence.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Think you know all the ways a will can be contested? Think again! In this lively, highly practical webinar, experienced trusts and estates practitioner Lynne Butler dives into the unusual and creative ways that wills have and are being challenged in Canada. From drafting mistakes and forgotten promises to family secrets and quirky legal loopholes, Lynne will explain how these challenges arise, when they may succeed, and how to guard and defend against them in your own files. By the end of this seminar, you will be better able to:

- Evaluate when a testator's misunderstanding or mistaken belief may invalidate a will.
- Understand the limits of testamentary freedom and how public policy may intersect with discriminatory or questionable bequests.
- Identify how factual "unknowns" like secret relationships, hidden heirs, or adoptions can give rise to post-death challenges.
- Evaluate when equitable remedies may operate alongside or instead of validity challenges.
- Understand the rare but not entirely theoretical pre-death will challenge and the hurdles involved.
- Develop strategies to mitigate risk when drafting or defending wills exposed to unusual challenges.

Join us and learn from atypical cases how to more fully protect your client's intentions. Don't miss this fun, practical roadmap for identifying and assessing unusual challenges and mitigating drafting and litigation risk. Registration is limited!

SCHEDULE (Eastern)

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Welcome and Introduction

Mistake by the Testator or Drafting Solicitor

Public Policy and Testamentary Freedom

Mutual Wills and Constructive/Resulting Trusts

Unknown Circumstances and Hidden Facts

Conflict with Contractual Obligations

Practice Considerations & Litigation Risks

Program Wrap-up and Evaluation

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"Super practical. I learned a lot."

"Excellent presenter - well organized, thorough and very practical. Appreciated all the personal examples and explanations she shared."

"Lynne is my absolute favourite presenter! Fun, down to earth and I always learn something new."

"Very informative, polished presentation. Top marks all around."

"I've been doing wills work for 5 years and found everything useful. Would definitely recommend."



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MEET YOUR PRESENTER



Lynne Butler is a lawyer, mediator, and writer. She graduated from UBC Law School and was called to the Bar in Alberta in 1986. After more than 20 years, thousands of wills drawn and hundreds of estates probated, Lynne joined the estates

department of a leading trust company for a further seven years. She now practises law in her home province of Newfoundland and Labrador, working exclusively in wills, estates, probate, elder law, and trusts. Lynne has been interviewed by Global TV, BNN, CBC Radio, the *Wall Street Journal*, the *Globe & Mail*, the *Vancouver Province*, the *Edmonton Journal*, the *Toronto Star* and the *Montreal Gazette*, among other media. She is the former co-host of The Law Show and is the author of ten books about estate planning. She was the reviewer for Newfoundland and Labrador for LexisNexis *Drafting Wills in Canada: A Lawyer's Practical Guide*, 3rd Edition. She has chaired the Wills and Estates Section of the Newfoundland and Labrador Bar Admissions Course since 2019.

✓ **Yes, I want to attend Unusual Will Challenges: What You Need to Know, with Lynne Butler**

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