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AFFIDAVIT FOR TRANSFER OF CERTIFICATE OF TITLE FOR A VEHICLE / WATERCRAFT WITHOUT ADMINISTRATION

State Form 18733 (R10 / 11-24)
INDIANA BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES

The legal authority for this form is IC 29-1-8-1(c).

- INSTRUCTIONS:
1. Complete in blue or black ink or print form.
 2. Complete this form to request a transfer of vehicle ownership for an estate, wherever located, less liens or encumbrances, whose gross value does not exceed \$100,000.
 3. A copy of the death certificate is required in addition to this affidavit.

SECTION 1 - CLAIMANT / DISTRIBUTE OF THE ESTATE

Name (last, first, middle initial)

Boddicker, Marguerite A.

Legal Address (number and street)

1207 Newton St

City

Jasper

State

IN

ZIP Code

47546

SECTION 2 - DECEDENT INFORMATION

Name (last, first, middle initial)

Boddicker, Harlan W.

Date Deceased (mm/dd/yyyy)

05/02/2026

SECTION 3 - VEHICLE / WATERCRAFT INFORMATION

Identification Number

1 G 4 G A 5 E C 9 D F 1 2 0 5 8 3

Year

2013

Make

Buick

Model

LaCrosse

Title Number

1907230085412

SECTION 4 - AFFIRMATION OF FACTS

Pursuant to Indiana Code §29-1-8-1(c), the transfer of the certificate of title to the motor vehicle shall not be prohibited if five (5) days have elapsed since the death of the decedent and no appointment of a personal representative is contemplated. A transfer of vehicle or watercraft ownership shall be made by the Bureau of Motor Vehicles upon receipt of this affidavit. The affidavit must be duly executed by the distributees of the estate.

I, the above named claimant, hereby swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury:

- The value of the gross probate estate of the above named decedent, less liens and encumbrances, does not exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).
- Five (5) days have elapsed since the death of the decedent.
- No application or petition for the appointment of a personal representative is pending or has been granted in any jurisdiction.
- I am entitled to ownership of the vehicle / watercraft.
- I certify that the vehicle / watercraft is not subject to any liens that are the responsibility of the claimant.

I swear or affirm that the information I have entered on this form is correct. I understand that making a false statement may constitute the crime of perjury.

Signature of Claimant

Marguerite A. Boddicker

Printed Name

Marguerite A. Boddicker

Date Signed (mm/dd/yyyy)

05/20/2026

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One page that moves a car out of a small estate without opening probate. The claimant swears to five things - the size of the estate, that five days have passed, that no personal representative has been appointed, that they are entitled to the vehicle, and that it carries no lien that is theirs - attaches a death certificate, and the BMV transfers the title. Four sections and sixteen boxes, which is a remarkably small amount of paper for what it does.

This sheet is not the form. Download the blank State Form 18733 from the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles at <https://forms.in.gov/Download.aspx?id=15187&f=/in-sf18733.pdf> — always take the current revision from the agency rather than a copy. Print this and keep it beside you while you complete theirs.

Every line, in the order you meet it

1	YOU	Wait five days	The second bullet and the statute quoted above it both require that five days have elapsed since the death of the decedent. Watch out: It is the shortest wait in Indiana's title system and there is no way round it. Signing on day four makes the affidavit untrue on its face.
2	YOU	Check nobody has opened probate	The third bullet reaches any jurisdiction, not just Indiana. Watch out: Ask the family before you sign, not afterwards. A personal representative appointed in another state is exactly the situation this bullet is written to catch.
3	YOU	Section 1, the claimant	Your name in the order last, first, middle initial, and your legal address. Watch out: The claimant is the distributee - the person entitled to the vehicle. If that is more than one person, the form's preamble expects it to be executed by the distributees, and a branch will want to see how that was decided.
4	YOU	Section 2, the decedent	The deceased owner's name as the certificate carries it, and the date of death. Watch out: As the certificate carries it. A married name on the death certificate and a maiden name on the title is a one-and-the-same problem on top of a probate one.
5	YOU	Section 3, the vehicle	Identification number, Year, Make, Model and the Title Number. Watch out: The title number is not marked optional on this form. If the certificate cannot be found, that is a separate problem to solve before this one.
6	YOU	Read the five bullets	Nothing to tick - they are certifications, and signing below adopts all five. Watch out: The first one is about the whole gross probate estate, not about the car. A modest vehicle in a large estate does not qualify, however small the vehicle.
7	YOU	Attach the death certificate	A copy, required by instruction 3 in addition to the affidavit. Watch out: A copy is enough here, which is unusual - but it has to be a death certificate rather than an obituary, a funeral notice or a letter.
8	YOU	Sign it	Signature of Claimant, printed name and date. Watch out: Under penalty of perjury and with nobody watching. Every one of the five statements above the line is one you are personally swearing to about somebody else's estate.

What gets this one rejected

- An estate over the ceiling. The first bullet caps it at \$100,000 for the gross probate estate less liens and encumbrances, wherever the estate is located.
- Filing it too soon. The second bullet requires that five (5) days have elapsed since the death of the decedent, and the statute quoted above the bullets says the same.
- Filing it when probate is open, or about to be. The third bullet covers both - no application or petition for the appointment of a personal representative is pending or has been granted in any jurisdiction.
- No death certificate. Instruction 3 requires a copy in addition to this affidavit, and the affidavit alone transfers nothing.
- A claimant who is not entitled to the vehicle. The fourth bullet is a statement about inheritance, and the form's own preamble says the affidavit must be duly executed by the distributees of the estate.
- Signing the decedent's name on the certificate. That is not what this form replaces and it is not a shortcut anybody should be tempted by.

☐ Amber is what you write ☐ Grey is a block somebody else completes The filled-in example is at the start of this sheet.

Read off State Form 18733 (R10 / 11-24) and the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles's own pages, current as of 2026-08-23. Plain-language help with a sellmycarhub.com form, not legal advice — where this and the agency differ, the agency governs.