Quicken WillMaker Plus 2015 Edition: Book & Software Kit
Quicken WillMaker Plus 2015 is the easiest way to create your estate plan, whether it’s your first time or you want to update a previous plan. You’ll be guided through the process from beginning to end with practical and relevant legal information so you can make the best decisions for you and your family. Create a customized estate plan with a Will, Health Care Directive, and other essential documents. Documents reflect the laws of your state* Easy interview format lets you complete documents at your own pace User-friendly legal manual answers common questions. Quicken WillMaker Plus 2015 is the original will-writing software, written and updated regularly by Nolo’s expert attorneys. Free legal updates will keep your program current through 2014. Technical support is also available. Plus, get a free living trust! Spare your family from the hassle and expense of probate court as they carry out your wishes. Quicken WillMaker Plus 2015 gives you free access to Nolo’s Online Living Trust. Here’s a deeper look at what you can do with Quicken WillMaker Plus 2015: Your Will The heart of every estate plan is a will, also known as a last will and testament. This legal document puts you in control of who inherits your property and who would assume guardianship of your children if it were ever necessary. Without a will, state law will determine these issues. Your will allows you to name an executor (a personal representative) whose job it is to see that your wishes are carried out. And you can appoint a trusted person to manage property left to young people. With Quicken WillMaker Plus 2015, you can revise and update your will whenever you like. Your Health Care Directive Spares your loved ones difficult decisions by laying out your wishes for medical care and naming someone to carry those wishes. Health Care Power of Attorney Permit a loved one to make important medical decisions for you if necessary. Living Will Specify whether you want your life prolonged through artificial means in certain circumstances and set out your wishes about specific medical treatments and procedures. Your Final Arrangements Plan a funeral or other ceremony and ease the burden on your loved ones. Describe your preferences for burial, cremation, memorials, obituaries, and more, and select someone to oversee your final arrangements. Letter to Survivors Use this letter to leave a final message to your loved ones. You can explain the gifts you left in your will, leave advice, divulge secrets, suggest ways of splitting shared gifts, or any other thoughts you’d like to leave behind. Documents for Your Executor Make sure your executor has all the forms and instructions necessary to do the job: checklists, letters, notices, claim forms and more. Information for Caregivers and Survivors Organize your estate so that your survivors don’t have to. Use these documents to give them information about everything from bank accounts to the names of people you’d like contacted in the event of your illness or death. Personal Finance Documents Over a dozen forms let you
handle common financial situations, such as lending money to friends or family, creating a bill of sale, and closing a credit card account. Home & Family Documents Practical forms you can use every day to help run your home and keep your family safe, including authorizations and agreements, promissory notes, limited powers of attorney, and child and elder care forms. * Estate planning documents not valid in Louisiana or U.S. Territories. Quicken WillMaker Plus 2015 is ONLY for estate planning in the USA. Platform Windows Only System Requirements: Computer: Pentium 400 MHz Operating System: Windows XP/Vista/7/8 Memory: 512 MB RAM Hard Disk Space: 54 MB (plus up to 500 MB for Microsoft .NET 2.0 SP1 if not already installed) Monitor: 800 x 600 (1024 x 768 recommended; with 16-bit color) CD-ROM Drive: 2x speed Internet Connection: 56 Kbps modem required to access online features Printer: Any printer supported by Windows XP/Vista/7/8 Software: Microsoft Internet Explorer 6.0 or higher; Adobe Reader (optional); spreadsheet program (optional).

Book Information
Series: Quicken Willmaker
Paperback: 472 pages
Publisher: NOLO; Fifteenth edition (October 31, 2014)
Language: English
ISBN-10: 1413320732
Product Dimensions: 7 x 1.5 x 9 inches
Shipping Weight: 1.5 pounds
Average Customer Review: 4.3 out of 5 stars See all reviews (128 customer reviews)
Best Sellers Rank: #84,605 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #16 in Books > Law > Estate Planning > Wills #23 in Books > Computers & Technology > Software > Accounting #29 in Books > Law > Estate Planning > Estates & Trusts

Customer Reviews
After many years have passed since my wife and I had our Wills prepared by a lawyer, I realized that they are now outdated and in need of attention. Before returning the lawyers firm to have our documents revised, I chose to buy this book for education / guidance purposes, and use the included software disk to possibly get the job done. So I’ve been reading through the book, chapter by chapter, and finished the entire book last night (430 pages of text, not including the Index). I’m VERY IMPRESSED with how it is systematically written (and in plain English) and all of the
in-depth information it has to offer. Not only is it a Will Writing tool, but also contains all of the other very important documents (medical & financial power-of-attorney, etc.) that any wise person should have in place. An outstanding feature of the software is that it will generate documents that are "tailored to your wishes and the laws of your state". There's a brief description of the Book / Software contents when you scroll down the main page some. At the bottom of the paragraph, there's a "Read more" that you should click on. From there you can scroll down and see all of the other content in the book. All of these items are FORMS / DOCUMENTS contained on the included disc. Well worth the $32.23 (that I paid)!!! I'd HIGHLY RECOMMEND this book to anyone wanting a straight-forward education on estate planning! This will now be my new (and improved) tool to generate my estate plan!

DON'T BUY THIS FOR CREATING A TRUST... WillMaker is one software that gets updated every year and regardless of the packaging that it is sold, it is the same software sold in all the packages in that particular year. What is different is the additional items sold with the packaging otherwise there are no different versions of the software except the operating system or downloading. WillMaker is not a complete software for creating a trust but as far as Will, Health Care Directive and Durable Power of Attorney go, it is a complete, very complete, easy and helpful software to use, worthy of every single penny that you pay for. The fact is that you may not want all three parts of the software except one since for example you may want to use POA for your child to secure your child’s financial future although that HCD is essential for anyone since that is the dying person who chooses what their wishes are instead of allowing someone else’s conscious or The Courts to make many, many decisions if you do not have the Will or the HCD. It asks all the questions that it should and more, much more including your FINAL ARRANGEMENTS so that way money can go to donations or to a cause that you care instead of others wasting it where they want. You can write your burial instructions from where to how in what. You can write your own funeral speech. You can request the ones that you hate not to be around. It covers anything and anyone in your life from loved ones to hated ones to your enemies. It covers those flakes who borrowed money and still have failed to pay you back and keep hoping that you die and go away which they will be very surprised by your Will. It covers your friends, neighbors, plants to your pets. Every single item that you own, have or is part of your existence including your body, organs to every single person that you know or assume to know. This software is a perfect choice even if you have to go to an attorney to write a trust since after all, you need to cover all the questions and think about your decisions in advance before visiting a professional and discussing all the issues that this software covers.
Excellent software for the price and you can update it all the time since situations really change as you get older. Those individuals that you trusted and put their names may not be around or even if around, they may not be worthy of association so with this software you can update anytime and anywhere. I would not get the download version since you can never re-install, CD is the way to go although it will ask you to update. Do not let others to speak for you, it is your life, speak for yourself in advance without any hesitation since it is about you, not about them.P.S. HCD document is worthless unless you can get it to the physicians at time of emergency so I keep a copy in my car glove box so in case of an accident they will have access to my HCD immediately. Furthermore, I have a copy of my POLST which is accepted in most states in US which goes on top of HCD. POLST is more important than the HCD and instructs physicians accordingly of your wishes, accepted by all Emergency Hospitals.

Wow - such a deal! A very dear loved one recently died. We all thought she had updated her will, but alas the only one was created in 1986. The result was that her estate was not distributed in the manner she told everyone she desired prior to her death. Over the years I have purchased maybe 10 how-to books from Nolo Press (Berkeley, CA). So I had a high amount of trust in this product. I’ve been putting the creation of my own will off. I bought this program 10 years ago and never loaded that version onto a computer. So I purchased this new version. Now understand I have a very simple will. Only one beneficiary. I installed it onto my trusty Windows 7 desktop. Some 20 minutes later I had completed it and printed out my will. Yahoo! Plus there are forms for health care directives, etc. which I also have “not gotten around to”. And there’s a well-written paperback book included. And of course you can revise your will at any time. A strong 5 Stars!

I probably should have read the book before I stepped through the guide. A friend recommended this book and electronic guide as a way to prepare for a meeting with our attorney (to create our wills). I flipped through the book but started completing the guide right away (my mistake). I printed the results and gave it to our attorney when we met. I learned that many of the items I wanted listed in our will would result in estate taxes. The attorney noted that willed items (no matter how small) are subject to a 15% estate tax unless they are given to one of your children. For example, we wanted to give our car to a friend in need. It is old and probably worth about $10K. The estate taxes would be $1500. The electronic guide never mentioned this fact. So, if you have an easy will and are giving everything to your children, this book and guide might be great. If you plan on bequeathing items to others, you really need to talk to an attorney.