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Prince's only full-relative, his sister, filed court papers to establish that he died intestate and to have a master appointed to administer the complex affairs. I have always found it sad and baffling that these musical geniuses who actually involve themselves in myriad commercial judgments and business transactions, can die without a will. I guess I understand a very young musician thinking he or she will live forever, but when you have had an almost 40 year career, as did Prince, Michael Jackson, and James Brown, it is just a jaw-dropping and astounding development. Given his intense and career-long business acumen and attention to artists' rights, it seems a cruelly ironic turn.

The details of this case will spool out, and I will follow them, but listen to my take on the subject in a recent The Law of Rock and Roll radio show, and read the affidavit (attached above), signed by Prince's sister. The copyrighted text of the show is below. The show is copyrighted, so I ask you to respect it and not circulate it: Class 29: Trusts and Wills: Heirs' Cut. Where else do you get this kind of stuff?

More surely to follow, but not for a while. And none of my listeners and Posse members should be without wills, so go do so if you haven't already.

Michael