TEMPLATE 1 — INHERITANCE LETTER OF INSTRUCTION

NO SECRETS ON THIS FORM. Never write seed words, passphrases, PINs, passwords, or private keys here. This letter tells my family what exists, where it is, and who to call. The secrets stay in their own secured locations.

Owner: _____ Date: _____ Revision #: _____ Next review: _____

Copies of this letter are kept at: (1) _____ (2) _____

People to call	Name	Phone / email	What they have or know
Spouse / primary heir			
Executor / trustee			
Estate attorney			
Trusted technical contact (and backup)			
Tax professional			

Wallet nickname	Type: single-sig / passphrase / multisig	Device model(s) and where kept	Backup location (place only, never contents)	Who can open that place

Mining operation and accounts	Details (no passwords, no seed words)
Home mining rigs: count, location, shutdown steps kept at, electrician	
Hosted rigs: host, contract location, account contact, billing	
Pool account(s): name; where login and 2FA backup codes are kept	
Payouts go to wallet (nickname from the table above)	
Exchange accounts: name; where records are kept	
Password manager and emergency-access contact	
Income, cost-basis, tax records; will / trust / POA kept at	

First steps for my family

1. Take your time. Secure this letter, the devices, and the backup locations. Nothing else has to happen this week.
2. Anyone who contacts you offering to recover bitcoin is not the contact. Real help never asks for seed words by phone, email, or online.
3. Call the estate attorney and the trusted technical contact listed above.
4. Home rigs: keep them running or shut them down using the steps listed above. Hosted rigs keep running under the contract; keep paying hosting invoices until the attorney and the host agree on a plan.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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TEMPLATE 2 — CUSTODY SETUP CHECKLIST

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Wallet nickname: _____ Stack tier: ☐ Learning ☐ Serious ☐ Life-changing

Custody level: ☐ Single-sig ☐ Single-sig + passphrase ☐ Multisig 2-of-3 ☐ Collaborative custody

Phase	Step	Done (date)	Notes
Setup	Device bought direct from the manufacturer; packaging checked		
Setup	Maker's genuine-device check passed		
Setup	Firmware verified and current before creating the seed		
Setup	Seed created on the device (dice only by the maker's documented method)		
Setup	Seed written by hand, stamped in metal, metal checked; paper copy destroyed		
Setup	Backup verified (device backup check or restore on a wiped device)		
Setup	Passphrase decision made; if used, backed up exactly and stored apart		
Setup	Multisig only: wallet configuration file saved with each key		
Payouts	Watch-only wallet set up (public keys only)		
Payouts	Small test receive confirmed; small test send completed		
Payouts	Payout address generated and verified on the device screen		
Payouts	Pool payout address entered, then re-read after saving		
Payouts	Pool 2FA on; payout-change alerts on if offered		
Payouts	First small payout confirmed in the watch-only wallet		
Payouts	Payout threshold and consolidation plan set		
Family	Letter of instruction written (Template 1); two copies placed		
Family	Estate attorney meeting held		
Family	Trusted technical contact named and briefed		
Family	Spouse or heir walkthrough and training-wallet practice done		
Family	Host asked about death and incapacity process; contacts confirmed		

Annual drill 1	Annual drill 2	Annual drill 3	Annual drill 4	Annual drill 5
Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:

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