

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 30th NOVEMBER 2020**

Question

Following the introduction of emergency Covid legislation earlier this year to enable wills to be completed by video link, will the Minister advise members how many documents have been completed using this method, and, of any such wills, did the use of the video-link method, and the experiences of those who have used it, prompt any queries or review of the suitability of this process?

Answer

There is no central register of wills in the Island and therefore it is not possible to say how many wills have been completed by video-link. The manner of how a will has been executed will only become apparent when the will is presented to the Judicial Greffier for probate at a future date. A number of wills completed by video-link have already been admitted to probate, all without difficulty. The Minister has not received any queries relating to the use of the video-link method or requests to review the suitability of the process.