Testate Succession

Testamentary capacity

QUESTION:

If a person attempts to make a will when he or she is eg. 14 years old with the result that the will is invalid, does this will become valid once the person reaches the age of 16?

ANSWER:

No. A testator should have testamentary capacity at the time when he or she makes the will. A change in the status of a person does not affect the validity or invalidity of a will. Therefore, the will will not become valid once he reaches the age of 16.