

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §16-19-8

## **§16-19-8. Preclusive effect of anatomical gift, amendment, or revocation.**

(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (g) and (f) of this section, in the absence of an express, contrary indication by the donor who has made or amended an anatomical gift, a person other than the donor is barred from making, amending or revoking an anatomical gift of the donor's body or part.

(b) If an authorized person makes an unrevoked anatomical gift or an amendment to an anatomical gift of the donor's body or part, no other person may make, amend or revoke the anatomical gift after the donor's death.

(c) A revocation of an anatomical gift by the donor or by another individual who is authorized to act on behalf of the donor under any section of this Act, is not a refusal. Following the revocation, the donor, or any person authorized by any section of this act to act on behalf of the donor before the donor's death, or any person authorized to act on behalf of the decedent after the decedent's death, may subsequently make an anatomical gift of the body or part thereof.

(d) In the absence of an express, contrary indication by the donor or the person authorized to make an anatomical gift under section four of this article, an anatomical gift of a part is neither a refusal to give another part nor a limitation on the making of an anatomical gift of another part at a later time by the donor or another person.

(e) In the absence of an express, contrary indication by the donor or other person authorized to make an anatomical gift under section four of this article, an anatomical gift of a part for one purpose is not a limitation on the making of an anatomical gift of the part for any of the other purposes by the donor or any other person under section five or section ten of this article.

(f) If a donor who is an unemancipated minor dies, a parent of the donor who is reasonably available may revoke or amend an anatomical gift of the donor's body or part.