

## **WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §44-3A-33**

§44-3A-33. When distributees and legatees may be sued on claims; extent of liability; costs.

Every creditor who shall not have presented his claim to the fiduciary or the fiduciary supervisor before distribution of the surplus by the personal representative, or before that time shall not have instituted an action thereon against the personal representative may, if not barred by limitation, bring his action against the distributees and legatees, jointly or severally, at any time within two years after such distribution. But no distributee or legatee shall be required to pay to creditors suing by virtue of this section a greater sum than the value of what was received by him out of the decedent's estate, nor shall any distributee or legatee be required to pay to any one creditor a greater proportion of such creditor's debt than the value of what was received by such distributee or legatee bears to the total estate distributed. A creditor suing by virtue of this section shall not recover against such distributees and legatees the costs of his action.