

Where no heirs
or creditors
in Canada

23.27 If the last residence of the deceased in Canada cannot be ascertained and if no heirs or creditors in Canada are found, the estate should be regarded as belonging to the Crown in right of Canada, and will be paid to the Receiver General of Canada by the Department of External Affairs. Any subsequent claim to the property should be dealt with under the provisions of the Escheats Act R.S.C. 1927, Chapter 58.

23.28-23.30 **Spares**

PART IV

FEES

Fee for
Administration

23.31 When a consular officer is required to be the Administrator of an estate, Fee 81 is charged.

Fee when Admini-
stration not
undertaken

23.32 When it is necessary for a consular officer to take temporary charge of an estate, or to make arrangements for its custody pending a reference to the relatives of the deceased person, he will not charge Fee but should charge Fee 76 for affixing his consular seal, if that is required.

Deduction of
disbursements
costs

23.33 a. When it is merely a case of the distributive shares passing through the hands of a consular officer, the levy of a fee is not justified but all disbursements should of course be deducted before the money is forwarded.

b. If the consular officer has found it essential to use the services of a