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**SELL, KEEP, OR TOSS? HOW TO DOWNSIZE A HOME, SETTLE AN  
ESTATE, AND APPRAISE PERSONAL PROPERTY**

By Harry L. Rinker

Anyone who has ever lost a loved one knows how difficult it can be coping with that loss. Now imagine what it must be like to have to immediately figure out what to do with said loved one's possessions. Over a lifetime, it's quite easy to fill a home with more than just memories. The distribution and disposal of those accumulated objects, on the other hand, is not so easy. Collectibles expert and professional appraiser Harry Rinker has written a new book, **SELL, KEEP, OR TOSS? HOW TO DOWNSIZE A HOME, SETTLE AN ESTATE, AND APPRAISE PERSONAL PROPERTY** (*House of Collectibles*; September 11, 2007; \$16.95) to ease the difficult personal, financial, and familial decisions involved in clearing out a house.

In addition to having authored over 20 books on antiques and collectibles, Rinker has a syndicated column "Rinker on Collectibles" that appears weekly in newspapers nationwide and a monthly column titled, "Treasure Hunter" that appears in *Quick & Simple Magazine*. Frequently appearing as an expert guest on shows like *Oprah*, the *Today* show, and *Good Morning America*, Harry is available for interviews and can discuss the following:

- Passing down treasured mementos to future generations
- How to find reputable appraisers and auctioneers
- How to get a tax benefit from donating unwanted items
- How to recognize valuable collections
- The best way to maximize the profit on items sold
- The most efficient ways of discarding unwanted items

Whether dispersing the contents of a loved one's estate or downsizing to a smaller home, Rinker will guide readers through the intricacies of how to sell, keep, or toss.

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