

State of Kentucky
Boyle County Court } Court March Term 1863

I John B. Nichols clerk of the Boyle County Court do certify that this instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and testament of William S. Bottoms decd was produced to said Court at its above term and proved to be the last true will and testament of William S. Bottoms decd by the oaths John R. Williams D.D. Williams J. A. ^{Butler} subscribing witnesses thereto and order to be recorded thereupon said will together with this certificate hath been duly recorded in my office Given under my hands this day of

John B. Nichols. Clerk

Danville 14th March 1861

In the event of my death there are very few alterations I would have made to the disposition of my estate to what is made by the laws of the State - which if I am not mistaken provides that the Widows shall have one third of the estate. I think it also provides that at her option she may take a child's part and the balance is to be equally ^{divided} among the children

The alteration from the above is this that in addition to what falls to my beloved wife. I want her to have our little black boy Henry she has raised him from an infant and I think has fully paid for him. It is my wish also that my faithful servant Jacob shall have the full benefit of all he may earn. And as the law of the land prohibits ^{setting} him free. and he would not be disposed to leave the place where all his children are. I wish him to choose some person in whom he may have confidence to act in the capacity of a master. who will faithfully give him the proceeds of his labor. Or if he should prefer to go to Liberia or some free state it is my desire that he may be freed for that purpose

It is also my request that my friend John Bowman should act as executor of my estate. and should it be thought best for the settlement thereof by the executor & the heirs. to sell the property it can be done. Should my wife hold a note on me at my death it must be paid with interest

H B Haggener
& H Doneghy

W A Russel

1st Bodicil December 3rd 1862

As John Bowman is now engaged in the army and will not be able to attend to the business herein intrusted to him. I hereby appoint and request my friend Milton Durham to act as my executor

Furthermore as concerns Jacob. in his business he is very liable to accidents which may disable him from making a support. and in this case will have no recourse on my estate. I hereby request my executor to invest one thousand dollars in some good solvent interest paying stock Bond. the interest accruing thereon to be paid annually or semiannually as the stock or bond may pay it to said Jacob during his lifetime and at his death the Bond to be the property of my son James R. Russel

There is a legacy in my hands from the estate of R D Russellfield decd the parts belonging to my daughters Sue Bell & Pattie. and my son James are unpaid. by reference to my account book. the amounts due each may be seen and must be paid. It is my wish that my son James should continue with his uncle John M. Murtry until it is time he should return to college next fall. and that M^r Murtry shall be paid whatever expence he may be at for him

And last tho not least. it is my earnest request that my legates may not have any wrangling or heart burnings. about the distribution of my estate. remember it is my will that I have written I have tried to do justice to you all. and may the good Lord who has watched over me and cared for me to a good old age be your God. to whose care I commit you all

In testimony I have hereunto set my hand the day and date above written

W A Russel

Witness

A R McKee
H B Haggener
& H Doneghy

Bodicil 3rd

December 17th 1862

It is my wish that all the carpenters tools shall be given to Jacob

W A Russel

Geo Doneghy
H B Haggener
Bodicil 3rd

Janry 28th 1863

It is my wish that at my death a lot should be purchased in the Cemetery and my body deposited thereon. that the remains of my two deceased wives & the remains of my five deceased children should be removed and deposited on so. and that head & foot stones (as near as may be) like those have had put at the grave of my son Michel may be placed at the graves of my wives & myself. and suitable ones placed at the graves of my four little daughters

For the events my Ex^r & the heirs deem it advisable to sell the real

estate I invest my Exr with full power to sell & convey the same as other property. Witness my hand this the day & date above written

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H. H. Haggener
H. H. Doneghy
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signed in the Presence of
H. H. Haggener
& H. H. Doneghy

Ed A Russel

State of Kentucky
Boyle County Court

I John B Nichols clerk of the Boyle County Court, do certify that this instrument of writing purporting to be the last true will and testament of Ed A Russel deceased was produced to said Court at its above term and proved to be the true last will & testament with the three codicils thereto attached by the oaths of H. H. Haggener & H. H. Doneghy subscribing witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded whereupon said will together with this certificate hath been duly recorded in my office Given under my hand this 18th day of May 1863

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In the name of God amen I Charles Henderson of the town of Danville and State of Kentucky being at present in good health and of sound mind and memory do hereby constitute and appoint this to be my last will and testament hereby revoking and rendering null and void all other wills and testaments made by me I wish my Executors hereafter to named to pay all my just debts

I give and bequeath to the children of my Nephew William C Lucas viz Anne Jane Lucas William Lucas Susanna Lucas John Lucas and Charles Lucas the house and lot I purchased of John H Caldwell in Danville H. H. Haggener I wish this property not to be sold or subdivided until the youngest child arrives at the age of twenty one years

I give and bequeath to my Niece Catharine C Lucas and her three children namely Charles C Lucas James C Lucas and Fanny C Lucas all the remainder or balance of my property both

age of twenty one years of age and then to be divided in four equal divisions

Should I make at some future time any codicil to this my will I wish it to have the same force and effect as if it was the will

I hereby and appoint my friend Joshua F Bell and my Catharine C Lucas Executors to this my last will and Testament of which is written with my own hand & signed by me this 14th April 1860

I Charles Henderson the maker and signer of this my last will hereby add the three following codicils

1st I give and bequeath to my sister Jane Lucas two notes on hand delivered by H. C Lucas which with the interest due and becoming due will be over first day of Jan'y 1864 amount to five thousand five hundred & these notes I delivered to her in Jan'y 1860 I can give no more of my day to her - Signed and wrote by me this 23 Jan'y 1860 Charles Henderson

2nd When my sister Nancy Deer married I gave her three thousand & also a Negro Woman worth seven hundred dollars. I have since given her every comfort in my power for more than forty years I now request M^{rs} Catharine Lucas to continue the same comforts her so long as they can live agreeably together - this is all I give of my estate to her - this is written and signed by me Shall Jan'y 1860 Charles Henderson

3rd I give and bequeath to the children of my Brother John Henderson each one dollar each this is all they can get of my estate this is written and signed by me this 23 day of Jan'y 1860 Charles Henderson

4th I hereby authorize the County Court not to require my Executors to give any security for the due performance of this last will and testament Charles Henderson

The within will of Charles Henderson was witnessed this day by me as his act and seal Feb 14th 1859 Geo H Collins W M Weatherford