

of a profitable division in kind. I hereby authorize and direct my executors hereafter named, or other person who may have in charge the due execution of this my will, to sell the land, slaves and other property here devised at public auction, after giving twenty days' notice, of said sale, and that he take bond and sufficient security, payable in twelve months, after the date of sale, and he is also authorized to make conveyance of the land, or do other acts to perfect the title my said estate in, or other person having charge of the execution of the will is also authorized to make deeds, & conveyances, to any person or persons having lands or me for conveyances, according to the terms of said bonds or bonds, and I also direct to make a distribution of that estate devised to me by my father, in his last will and testament in the following manner viz: I give and devise to my beloved wife Agnes five hundred dollars, and I devise and will that the remainder be equally divided among my children or the heirs of such as may have died, they taking their parents' share. I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my beloved wife Agnes and my son Robert my executors of this my last will and testament.

In Testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this the 13th day of August 1860.

Witness

Joseph H. Hays.

Kentucky, Buckenridge County, Oct.

A County Court began and held in and for the County of Buckenridge, at the Court house in Hardinsburg, on Thursday the twenty first day of July 1862. A writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Joseph H. Hays deceased, was produced to Court and duly proven by the oaths of John H. Hasty and William Smith who specially sworn that they were well acquainted with the hand writing of him the said Hays dec'd. and that the whole of said writing or will was in the hand writing of him the said decedent, as they verily believe, and therefore the same was ordered to be recorded.

Gideon S. Sally Clerk.

Examinee

I Elizabeth Cook of Buckenridge County being old but of sound mind and disposing memory do make & ordain this my last will & testament newly writing all for me made by me.

I have been living with Hannah Hall for many years and have been frequently in bad health, and do not expect to live a great while. When I die I wish to be decently buried out of my little estate. The residue would not be worth dividing amongst my relations. I therefore devise to the said Hannah Hall the whole of my estate including the balance of a note I hold on J. Jennings, To her & her heirs forever after the payment of my funeral expenses & any little debts I may owe. As witness my hand and seal this 30th day of March 1860

Witnessed & ack

in presence of
J. Jennings
Garnett L. Stoll

Elizabeth ^{her} Cook ^{Coat} mark

295 Kentucky Buckenridge County sat.

At a County Court leg an and held in and for the County of Buckenridge at the Courthouse in Hardinsburg on Monday 18th day of August 1862. A writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Elizabeth Cook was produced in Court and duly and legally proven by the oaths of Jefferson Jennings and James Q. Noel Two subscribing witnesses thereto, who severally sworn that that the said Elizabeth Cook signed and acknowledged said will in their presence and they in her presence and that they believed she was in sound mind and disposing memory. Whereupon the same is now ordered to be recorded.

Given under my hand this 18th day of August 1862
Hiram P. Kelly Clerk

I Jefferson Jennings of Buckenridge County do make this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

1st I desire my Executors to provide out of my estate for the support & education of my infant children Henry Cotton Jennings, Lucy & Jennings, & James Allen Jennings, until they are of ages mature, when this is done and all my debts are paid, I will and desire the residue of my estate to all my five children equally, hereby giving my Executors or either of them full power to sell and convey any real or personal estate I may own, and to make docket any land I may have sold, & executed lands, & authorize my Executors to compromise my suit against Willis Green, of five thousand dollars to be paid by Green with interest from the institution of the suit and Green to assign, convey & release to my Executors all interest he has in & to our partnership estate & effects of every description, & this is a much smaller sum than I am entitled to, but as I am obliged to take it I will still do so. As this compromise is made I desire the money to be paid to my daughter, Eliza Ann Watkins & Mary Lettie Allen & to be charged to them on final settlement. I have 200 acres of land in Cook County Ill worth now about \$25, per acre, but I think it will be worth \$50 in a few years, which I desire should not be sold at present, unless it should become necessary, in the opinion of my Executors, I have given a bond to my nephew Jefferson H. Jennings for an undivided half of my 1/2 land being 200 acres of the 400 acres in Cook County Ill for which they will make him a deed according to my bond. I executed this bond in consideration of the great advance in the value of the land, I had advanced him my brother Henry Jennings the money to buy the land & he after words conveyed it to me in payment of the debt.

I hereby appoint my sons-in-law Alfred Allen & William Watkins executors of my estate and both to act in all cases, I also appoint them & authorize the persons & property of my infant children, that is Alfred Allen for Henry & Lucy & Jennings & Wm Watkins for James & as I consider my estate amply sufficient to pay all my liabilities I request the Court not to require of them sureties, either as Executors or Guardians.
This 14th day of February A D 1859.

Jeff. Jennings B3
It is my further will & desire that my Executors do & they are hereby authorized to adjust & compromise any difficulties or ^{laws} suits that may arise in the settlement of my estate. Thus 15th
Feb 15th 1859.

J. H. Jennings B3