

all be made equal with Charles and soon with Jas. M. Moorman, my oldest child, except Catharine, who is providing for herself. It is my will and desire that if my said wife should marry, then and in that case the Law shall come in and divide & distribute my whole estate on the terms of perfect equality between all of my children. And in any event the trustees are not to distribute any money, until the fact is ascertained whether the same can be held or not. & if they cannot be so held, & make provision for said Children then the money, or so much of it as is necessary must be retained for their nurture and education, & for the purpose above mentioned.

Signed, sealed & published  
in our presence, & attested by  
us, in presence of the testator the  
day and year aforesaid.

In Testimony whereof I  
here to set my hand and  
Seal this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April  
1864.

Hiram Bruce  
D. W. Warfield  
Jas. S. Henscote

W. W. Moorman.

State of Kentucky,  
Brockenridge County

May 16<sup>th</sup> 1864.

A writing purporting to be the last will and testament of W. W. Moorman deceased was this day produced to Court, and duly proven by the Oaths of Hiram Bruce and Roderick W. Warfield, who swore that the testator signed, sealed and acknowledged the same, in their presents, as his last will and testament, and that they believed said testator to be of sound mind, and disposing memory, at the time of signing, and making the same. And also that they signed it as witnesses in the presents of the testator, and in the presents of each other.

Wherefore the Court is ordered to be recorded,  
at D. P. Jolly Clerk.

Council I, Henderson Board of Brockenridge Co. and State of Kentucky being of sound mind and disposing memory do make this my last will and testament, being now seventy three years of age.  
First. I want all my just and honest debts paid, funeral and burial expences. Second. I want my wife Louisa Board to have all my land that I have a right to hold all the appurtenances belonging thereto during her life time. Third I want my wife Louisa Board to have all my personal property consisting of personal crops, horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, hawks, hounds and

and provisions. 5<sup>th</sup> I wish it to be distinctly understood, that I am not devising any thing specifically to my children Jas<sup>ts</sup> H. C. & P. C. & Elizabeth. And I now will and devise the whole of my Estate, which I may have, or own at my death, whether real estate, whether real personal or mixed, whether in action or possession, monies on hand &c. To C. & M. Abner my brother & my wife, and to my beloved wife Lucretia - and my son Lewis may take the place of my wife, if necessary, or if in her life or she desire it. Subject to the following trusts and conditions. Whereas it is my desire, that what property I may have, or may acquire during my life, shall inure to the benefit of all my children equally, or in such proportion as can be done, after providing for my wife Lucretia, and her young children. It is therefore my desire & will that she have in her own right, my home Farm, and all my slaves during her natural life, for the benefit of herself and children, for their nurture and Education, and she may manage said Estate as best she can, to bring up the family, and settle them in life, to wit: Lewis, Robert, Lucy, Abner, Lucretia, Virginia, and Reiner, and any others we may hereafter have. It is hereby understood that my said wife, is to exercise exclusive control over said farm and slaves for the purpose aforesaid, during her natural life, provided she can retain the slaves under the present Law. And it is further provided that if said slaves cannot be retained in the family, by virtue of any law State or National, or because they may become unmanageable, in that case my said Trustees C. & M. Woman & my wife Lucretia may sell the Land, except the Dower right of my wife, which she is to keep during her natural life. It may convey the same, selling the funds for the use & purpose aforesaid, to wit: the benefit of my wife Lucretia & her children. But in no case are the slaves to be sold; but if they are retained, as my younger children come of age, the negroes shall be apportioned out to them - to make them equal with my elder children, to be charged to them as advancements under the present law. And when the land is so sold my said Trustees may use the proceeds to the best advantage together with what money may be on hand at the time of my death, either in some profitable business, investments, or Land, and in such manner as shall inure to the benefit of my children. And as each of my children become of age, or marry, their portion shall be paid to them by said Trustees, to make them equal with Allen and Elizabeth, and if at any period, there were any surplus means to distribute, they may

With his furniture in fact every thing that I have. The above  
 Clause sets out the during the last time I have two sets  
 of children all my first wives children has had down thing  
 from my hands I perhaps as much as there will be for the  
 last of children; with this view of the matter my wife and  
 desire is that at the death of my wife Leina Board, her  
 estate she has of this land and property at her death  
 shall be divided equally between her children taking in  
 consideration what the older ones has had making all her  
 children equal as witness I set my hand and seal this February  
 the 15<sup>th</sup> Eighteen hundred and sixty four.

Henderson Board

Attest, Isaac Bennett  
 William P. Hardin  
 John Hays  
 Nathaniel M. Priest.

State of Kentucky, Buchanan Co. County, Ky.

County Court Monday Aug 15<sup>th</sup> 1864.

The within and foregoing writing purporting to be the last  
 will & testament of Henderson Board do & was produced  
 in Court and proved by the oath of Isaac Bennett, and on the  
 20<sup>th</sup> of August 1864 by the oath of John Hays, subscribing  
 witnesses thereto, who came in to Court & swore that the said  
 Henderson Board was of sound mind & disposing memory,  
 at the time of signing said writing: and the Court is ordered  
 by the Court to be recorded.

Attest Eldon P. Jolly Clerk

Exam?  
 and

Know all Men by these presents that I Martha McKesson  
 of the County of Buchanan and State of Kentucky being of  
 Sound Mind and disposing Memory do Make and Constitute  
 this My last will and testament

1<sup>st</sup> I will and bequeath to my Son A. J. Willerson my entire  
 estate interest in and to the farm upon which I now  
 reside said interest being one eleventh part of said  
 farm said A. J. Willerson is to have the following  
 interest upon the following conditions to wit that  
 he shall pay to my other legal heirs hereafter to be  
 named the sum of eighty five Dollars in months after  
 my death said eighty five Dollars I desire shall be equally  
 divided among my legal heirs hereafter to be mentioned  
 I also give & bequeath to my son aforesaid my old  
 slave Woman Minna & being her daughter, I  
 with him I request that he shall take special  
 care of her during her life

2<sup>nd</sup> I desire that all the rest of my property of  
 every description whatsoever after the payment of  
 all of my Just debts funeral expenses &c