

Examined

Breckenridge County Ky September 29<sup>th</sup> 1849

Know all men by these presents that I Jeremiah Allen of the County and state aforesaid being admonished of my approaching dissolution by the infirmities of my body and perplexing as I do all the soundness or sanity of mind that I ever enjoyed at any former period of my life do in these presents proceed to make the following disposition of my property to my Wife & amongst my Children

First my will and desire is that all my <sup>shall</sup> just debts be paid out of my property by my wife Susannah Allen as the executrix of my Will Telling privately, such property as she may choose to spare enough for that purpose

Secondly I will and bequeath to my wife Susannah Allen all the remaining part of my Estate both personal and real this property I will and bequeath to her for lifetime or during her Widowhood

I thirdly as regards my children I wish them to have an equal share of my Estate Whereas Charles Allen has received of me one Cow and Calf worth eleven dollars and James Allen one <sup>may</sup> worth forty dollars and Levi Allen one horse <sup>with</sup> forty dollars and Letitia Allen one Cow and Calf worth eleven dollars and Bradford Allen one <sup>may</sup> & cow worth fifty one dollar and Albert Allen one Calf worth forty dollars and Henry Allen one <sup>may</sup> worth forty dollars Now desiring as I do that my children shall all share alike in my property and as there is some of my children that has had but little and others nothing I desire that at my Wife's death those that have received the least shall all and each of them receive an amount sufficient to make them all equal with the one that has received the most and then the remaining part of my property I wish equally divided amongst all my children this I will and bequeath to them and their heirs forever

Lastly I do hereby appoint my wife Susannah Allen executrix of this my last will and testament desiring the Court to require no security of her. In testimony whereof I do hereunto affix my hand and seal

Attest John L. Bennett

Jeremiah Allen Scrib<sup>his</sup> Great  
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Kentucky Breckenridge County Set

County Court Monday November 19<sup>th</sup> 1849

The within writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Jeremiah Allen dec<sup>d</sup> was exhibited in Court and duly sworn by the oath of John L. Bennett and Joel Taint the two subscribing witnesses thereto who made oath that said Testator was of sound mind and memory at the time of making and publishing the same and that he published the same in their presence as and for his last will and testament and that they signed the same as witnesses thereto in his presence and at his request Whereupon the same is ordered to be recorded and Susannah Allen the executrix therein named came in to Court and took the oath required by law and entered into bond in the penalty of \$1500 without security as requested by said will

Attest Gilbert L. Drury Secy

Know all men by these presents that I Martin Wale of Breckinridge County and State of Kentucky, being feeble in body but of sound mind and disposing memory and knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly Estate as it has pleased God to bless me with do hereby make ordain and publish this my last will and testament in the manner and form following hereby revoking all wills or testaments of any other date to this

Item 1<sup>st</sup> It is my will and desire that my executor hereafter named sell enough of the personal part of my property immediately after my death to pay my just debts and legal liabilities together with my funeral expenses

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Nancy Wale for and during the time of her natural life the tract of Land on which I live containing about Three hundred and fifty Acres to live on, rent out or use in any manner she may think proper. I also give her the following negroes Claten Aaron and Dick Grace & Melinda and her two children Lucy and Lewis to live out or use in any <sup>way</sup> she may think proper I also give her all my horses Oxen Cattle Hogs & sheep my large wagon Carriage & harness for the same all the farming utensils house hold and kitchen furniture and all the rest of my personal property of every description except enough to pay my just debts if there should be any against me at the time of my death all of the above named property willed by me to my wife I wish her to enjoy as long as she lives and at her death I wish the same to go to my Children as hereafter named

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I have given a tract of Land and a negro to each of my Children except Henry Harrison Wale to him I have not yet given any land but if I should recover the land I sold to Hensley Ramsey I give and bequeath the same and the balance I own adjoining it to my son Henry Harrison Wale but should I not recover said Land sold by me to H. Ramsey then my son Henry Harrison Wale is to have the value of said Land in money which I estimate at two dollars per acre

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Shrewsbury the negro girl Eliza who I loaned to her and to my daughter Margaret Board now living in the State of Missouri I give two hundred dollars this bequest to my two daughters Elizabeth and Margaret I wish them to have independent and exclusive of an equal share with the balance of my Children not because I love them more but because they have been more unfortunate than the balance of my Children

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I cannot now make a just estimate of the advancement to each of my Children but wishing to do entire justice to every one of them without any preference for one more than another I wish a fair estimate to be placed upon the advancement of every one that they may now have or get hereafter from my Estate and an equal division take place as though I had died intestate except the negro girl willed to Elizabeth Shrewsbury and the two hundred dollars to Margaret Board I do not wish them to account for that

Item 6<sup>th</sup> At the death of my wife I wish all the property willed by me to her to be divided between my Children viz, Elizabeth Shrewsbury Ann Dratcher Margaret Board William B. Wale Hopkins C. Wale and Henry H. Wale without being subject to publick sale if there has to be any sale at all I wish it to be with my Children only and no body else to bid and I wish my executors to give them all notice and see that they or their legal representatives are present when a division takes place

Item 7<sup>th</sup> I do hereby constitute and appoint my two sons Hopkins C. Wale and Henry H. Wale Executors of this my last will and testament. In witness