

full power to act jointly or separately or in case of death or refusal to act the other is vested with like ^{power} as they are the best & most honest men I know of & I believe that they will perform my last request & I wish them to pay these bills for their expenses & trouble out of my estate & so to save my family but my hand & seals July 11th 1857

Mary Ann Martha A Stephens
July 11th 1857

State of Kentucky
County of Boonebridge

County Court & Term 1865

A writing purporting to be the last will of Mary Ann Martha A Stephens deceased was exhibited in Court and duly examined by the oath of Jesse, Dr Nicholas and Gideon P. Jolly who sworn that they were well acquainted with the hand writing of the said Mary Ann Martha A Stephens deceased and that they had frequently saw her hand writing and that the whole was her hand writing of the hand writing of the said Mary Ann Martha A Stephens deceased as they verily believe and therefore the same is ordered to be returned

all G. P. Jolly Clerk

I Martin Shelman being of sound mind and disposing memory but for advanced in years do make this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills after paying all my just debts and funeral expenses I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Shelman the farm on which I now reside with all the privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging also all my personal property of whatever kind at the death of my wife Elizabeth it is my will that all the property herein bequeathed to my said wife deced to my son Solomon Shelman except as hereinafter specified I give and bequeath to my other children and grand children the following of money which my son Solomon is to pay to them out of my estate hereinafter bequeathed to ~~them~~ him at the death of my said wife Elizabeth To the Children and heirs of my daughter Sally Barker now deceased five Dollars To my daughter Ruth Seibert or her heirs five dollars To the heirs of my son Lewis Shelman five Dollars to my daughter Elizabeth Barker five Dollars To my son Isaac Shelman five Dollars I also will and bequeath to my son Solomon Shelman in addition to what I have hereinbefore bequeathed to him a tract or parcel of land which I derived in part by ~~inheritance~~ inheritance from my father and part by purchase from the other heirs heirs of my father Lewis Shelman containing

about twenty two and situate and lying on the
waters of the Kentucky river and bounded adjoining
some tract on which I now reside and being the part
on which my said Son, Solomon formerly resided
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this 7th day of Sept 1860

Attest

James A. Hamilton
Andrew Barger
Wm. S. Bright

his
Mark
Marshall Shelton

State of Kentucky
Buckner County

County Court January 6th 1865

I J. J. Jolly Clerk do certify that the within
foregoing Will was this day exhibited in Court and duly
proven by the oath of Andrew Barger and James A.
Hamilton who swore that the deceased signed
and acknowledged the same in their presence
to be his act and last will and that they
signed the same in his presence and in the
presence of each other all of which ordered to be
recorded etc

at G. J. Jolly Clerk

Examined
&
Subscribed
to
E. M. Norton

Now all men by these presents that I Isaac Norton sign, of Buckner
County and State of Kentucky this day Being of sound mind and memory
and considering the uncertainty of this mortal life do make and publish this
my last Will and Testament as follows. First I have given to each of my sons as
they become of age or shortly after one horse saddle and Bridle worth twenty
five dollars or more and fifty dollars in farming tools or other property or
cash to that amount. Secondly I have given to each daughter as they
become of age seventy five dollars in one cow and saddle and bed and bedding
house hold and kitchen ^{furniture} all but my youngest daughter Almira now it is
my will that she shall have the same amount as the other girls before
there is any further division and at the same prices one good cow at
eight dollars and other things like the other girls got I leave a small
memorandum book to show the price of all their things to have all
treated equally. Likewise Thirdly I give to my youngest son that is
now living Elijah M. Norton all my land that I now own provided
he lives with me and takes care of and provides all necessaries of
life for me and my wife our life time and Almira as long as she
lives single paying all Doctor bills and burying expenses if he
should chance to die before me and my wife the lands stands
good for our maintenance we are to hold full possession of all
right and privilege our life time at our death he takes full possession
right and title to remain and defend the same if I should die
before my wife I appoint her Administrator with out security to