

115- I Richard W. Munn of Hancock County Ky being of sound mind and memory and knowing the uncertainty of life do make & ordain this my last will & testament as follows to wit:

First It is my will and desire that all my just debts and funeral expenses be first paid out of my estate
Second I give and bequeath unto my affectionate wife Miranda all my household and kitchen furniture to have and to hold for her own use and benefit during her natural life but with this exception that as my sons Mary & settle themselves, my said wife is to give back of them one Bedstead & Bedding.

Thirdly it is my will and desire that the house & lot on which I now reside shall remain in the possession of my wife Miranda during her natural life. But to be at all times a home for my sons or any of them so long as they see fit to live with my wife and assist in the management support of the family.

Fourthly As to my slaves it is my will and desire that they be kept together or kindred for the purposes hereinafter mentioned until my sons William Robert come to the years of maturity or shall marry & settle themselves; That when they or either of them marry or arrive at age of twenty one years then my son William is to have and take my negro girl named Adeline to have & to hold to him & his heirs forever my son James to have and take my negro girl named Martha to have & to hold to him and his heirs forever and my son Robert is to have and take my negro boy John to have and to hold to him & his heirs forever and said slaves to be delivered to them respectively as they become of age or of service or marry, and if either of the slaves before devised to my son shall die before they are delivered to them that so long as her slave before devised to him shall be entitled to another of my slaves as near of equal value with the one last as can be.

Fifthly It is my will & desire that the hire and services of my slaves before my said sons become of age or marry and before my son shall receive & take those devised to them shall be for the benefit and support of my wife and sons & the family and giving myself a good common caveat including the rule of three.

Sixthly It is my will and desire that my wife Miranda retain possession of those during her natural life my negro woman Betty and negro girl Mary for her special use & benefit and after her death to be disposed

of as hereinafter mentioned
Seventhly It is my will & desire that if my wife should have an heir to me hereafter that such child shall at the death of my wife Miranda have and take my said negro girl Mary
Eighthly As to the balance of my slaves not heretofore specially devised It is my will and desire that when my son or either of them marry or arrive at full age the said slaves not hereinafter specially devised & their increase shall be equally divided between all my children including such as I now have and such as I may hereafter have.

Ninthly As to said devising of the bringing any here It shall be for the use of the family as before named
Tenthly At the death of my wife Miranda It is my will and desire that all the property herein devised to have during her natural life real and personal and the increase of the slaves if any then remaining shall be equally divided among all my children share & share alike the children of such as may be dead taking the part of their ancestors.

Eleventhly It is my will and desire that all the notes & amounts due me shall be collected and applied to the support of my wife & family.

Twelfthly I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife Miranda executrix and my friend James to Stone Executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made and declaring this alone to be my last will & testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal the 7th day of March in the year Eighteen hundred & forty four
Signed sealed

published & declared by
the testator to be his last will
and testament in presence of
the subscribing
J. W. Williams
Notary

Kentucky Hancock County Court Oct
February Term 1848

The above and foregoing writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Richard W. Munn died was produced in Court and duly proved by the Oath of J. W. Williams and R. H. Cox to be the act and deed of the said Richard W. Munn and ordered to record.

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