

State of Kentucky

Franklin County Court February 18th 1841

A writing purporting to be the last will & testament of Mary C. Lee was produced in Court & proved by the oaths of J. Sargent & A. Morris the subscribing witnesses thereof & ordered to be recorded which is done.

A. H. Renssels

John Morris Will

I John Morris of the county of Franklin & State of Kentucky do make this my last will & testament and do hereby revoke all other wills by me heretofore made

- 1st I will that my just debts & funeral expenses be paid
- 2^d I leave to my beloved wife Ann Morris one share part of all my estate whether real personal & mixed real or personal widowhood. And here I will of my land is to be laid off as to include my dwelling house

The land thus allotted to my wife is to pass into her as hereinafter directed and the personal & mixed thus devised to my wife are to pass to & be equally divided among my daughters who are now living or may be living at the time of my death and the representatives of such of my daughters as are now dead or may be dead at the time of my death share & share alike that is the representatives of each deceased daughter are to take as a child what their mother would have taken had she been living at the time of my death. But the representatives of my deceased daughter Louisa M. Blain are excluded from this class of my will.

3^d To my grand daughter Louisa M. Blain daughter of John & Louisa Blain I leave in full or her share of my estate the sum of one thousand dollars to be paid to her either in money or property as my Executors may think best

4th I devise the tract of land on which I now reside in Franklin County as follows to wit: The tract of land described as lot Number one containing 250 acres and particularly set forth in the plat accompanying this will I leave to my son H. J. Morris

5th The tract of land described in said plat as lot Number 2 containing 2 1/2 acres I devise to my son Charles D. Morris

6th The tract of land on which my residence is situated marked on said plat as numbered 3 I devise to my beloved wife during her lifetime and after her death to be held by my two sons John J. Morris & H. J. Morris in trust for the use & benefit of Ann Morris the wife of my son William Morris and the children of the said William & Ann Morris as now or hereafter to be born that is to say for the benefit of said Ann Morris and said children while the said Ann Morris is the wife of said William and during her widowhood in case the said William should die before the said Ann, and in case she dies before the said William

the tract of land is to be held by my said sons in trust for the sole benefit of the children above named

I have heretofore advanced to my son in law John J. Pendleton & his deceased wife the sum of five thousand dollars

To my son in law H. J. Battenden and his wife Anne the sum of two thousand nine hundred & fifty dollars

To E. C. Coston and his wife Sarah I the sum of one hundred dollars

To W. C. Morris the sum of seventeen hundred & twenty five dollars

To my son Wm. Morris fifteen hundred & ninety dollars

To Charles D. Morris seventeen hundred dollars

To C. S. Bertrand & Maria H. his wife one thousand & fifty dollars

The foregoing advances have been made partly in money & partly in property & the use of property. My children are to be charged with the above advancements & no more, whether heretofore made or hereafter made in pursuance of the equalization under the real clause of my will for which purpose above said advancements have been assumed to

be made. I wish all the residue of my estate not heretofore devised to be divided among my sons & daughters now living and the representatives of those now dead or who may be dead at my death except the representatives of my deceased daughter Elizabeth Pendleton & Louisa M. Blain who are to receive no part thereof except that Louisa M. Blain is to receive her legacy as mentioned heretofore in my will upon the following principles to wit: viz

1st that the advancements to my said children are out of said fund to be made equal to them & their representatives and the balance so then to be equally divided between my sons & daughters now living or who may be living at the time of my death or the representatives of those now dead or may be dead at my death share & share alike that is the representatives of each child that is now dead or may then be dead is to take the same share that my deceased child would have received if he or she had been living at the time of my death except the representatives of Elizabeth Pendleton & Louisa M. Blain who are not to receive any thing under this clause. And with this further exception that the share of my estate which under this clause would otherwise go to my son Wm. Morris shall be held by my two sons Charles D. & H. J. Morris in trust for the sole use & benefit of the said William's wife & children under the same terms & restrictions & conditions as contained in the 6th clause of this my will.

To Susanna Reynolds I have made advancements in money & property in trust for her benefit to the amount of \$1000.00 whatever shall be coming to my said daughter Susanna under this my will shall forthwith be paid by my executors to her or to her representatives

said daughter Susannah and the heirs of her body free from the control or hindrance of her husband Charles J. Reynolds and I hereby constitute my said son trustee for that purpose and direct him to receive & hold the said fund for said purpose.

If in the equalization of my estate under the seventh clause of my will it should turn out that the respective shares should be equal to the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5000) the amount advanced by me to Mrs J. Pendleton & wife then it is my will that the children of my deceased daughter Elizabeth Pendleton shall represent one stock & share pro rata with the others whatever may remain of the said fund to be divided after the said shares have respectively amounted to \$5000 as aforesaid & do hereby appoint my sons Charles J. Morris and G. S. Morris Executors of this my last will & testament & request that they may qualify as such without being required to give security as I have full confidence in their integrity.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 17th day of June 1805

James
 J. A. Leonard
 James Morris
 Franklin County
 April 17th 1805

Surveyed for Inc. Morris as follows
 Beginning at figure 1 on the South of Main Elkhorn where formerly stood the old mill growing from the original corner of said Morris' purchase of Graham and with the line of the same
 100 N. 78 poles to a white oak Red Oak & hickory in a gap on top of a ridge thence with the ridge the line thence & Gittens line North 68 West 21 poles West 48 poles West 48 poles South 70 West 16 poles to three cedars & wild cherry line pointed on Gittens line thence North 12 East 253 poles to a stone black hickory & white Walnut marked as pointers on Hoages line and with the several lines of Do S. V. Hoages & F. N. Hoages South 82 East 8 poles to a stone near a Red Oak where formerly stood three white oaks & 2 hickories South 27 East 35 poles to a cedar from this point the line run as follows by agreement of H. J. Morris & F. N. Hoages with the center of the road South 65 East 26 poles South 86 East 12 poles to a Black Walnut South 27 East 18 poles South 68 East 43 poles South 55 East 17 poles to a White Oak South 55 East 24 poles to a stump corner between Do S. V. & F. N. Hoages thence with the line of said F. N. Hoages by agreement as before mentioned South 33 East 18 poles South 18 East 20 poles South 2 West 18 poles South 34 West 20 poles South South 87 West 56 poles South 11

30 poles to a stone on Main Elkhorn below the mouth of Pond Branch where formerly stood two elms Hackway & hickory thence up said Elkhorn & binding them to the Beginning containing two hundred & fifty acres with 12 acres lying on the upper side of this tract which was purchased of H. Gittens and not included in this boundary - this is represented as lot No 1.

Lot No 2 was laid off for Charles J. Morris and contains two hundred & seventy five acres & is bounded as follows
 Beginning at a white oak & stone on Parkers line near Thomas Bullchicks line thence South 12 West 209 poles to a stone thence South 33 West 48 poles to a stake on Gittens line near G. J. Morris' gate and including the same thence with Gittens line South 85 East 135 poles to a White oak & sugar tree corner to Gittens thence South 38 poles to 2 Black Walnut oak & hickory thence East 16 poles thence S 70 East 50 poles to three cedars corner to lot No 1 laid off for H. J. Morris in Gittens line thence North 12 East 253 poles to a stone with black hickory & white Walnut marked as pointers thence North 82 West 81 poles to a dogwood & small blue ash on Dandages line thence North 18 East 21 poles to a large White oak on Parkers original line thence North 80 West 100 poles to the beginning containing as before mentioned 275 acres
 The within plat was made from the deeds of Macy to Morris and Graham to Morris and from a survey of G. M. Selford of that portion of said tract which was conveyed by deed from Judge James to said Inc. Morris the calculation & plat having been made & the same divided by reference to said papers

R. C. Steele drew

