

State of Kentucky

Franklin County Court August Term 1863

A Writing purporting to be the last will & Testament of Susan Balf dec was produced in Court & was proved by the oaths of Geo W Swin & Wm H Hardin and the same is ordered to be recorded, which is truly recorded in my office

A. A. Rennieck cflc

J. B. Blakimore
Will

I Thomas B. Blakimore of the County of Franklin & State of Kentucky being now unwell but of sound mind & disposing memory make this my last will & testament hereby revoking all former wills After my death I direct my debts be promptly paid

I give & bequeath to my wife Armenta Blakimore during her widow hood my entire estate which is to be kept together and managed for her benefit by my Executors hereinafter named mentioned

In the event of the marriage of my said wife I will & direct that my estate pass directly into the hands of my Executors and in lieu of said devise to her I will & bequeath to her the sum of Eight hundred dollars to be paid to her annually during her life out of the profits of my estate.

I will & desire that my wife move Elizabeth Dickinson who is now residing in my family continue to do so so long as the said Elizabeth shall remain single and that no charge be made against her for board or clothing

At the marriage or death of my said wife my Executors are directed to have an Inventory & appraisement of my estate made and recorded

At the death of my wife I will & direct my entire estate except my faithful old slave Sarah to be given to the children of my brother Madison Blakimore being eight in number to wit: Nevill Oscar Mary Sarah Nell Susan Marcus & William

The slaves that may be living at the time (except Sarah) I give & bequeath to the said nephews Nevill Oscar Marcus & William which are to be equally between them

The remainder of my estate I will & devise be equally divided amongst the said eight children share & share alike

I desire that my said slave Sarah be well cared for during her life by my Executors

I hereby constitute & appoint my nephews Nevill & Oscar Blakimore Executors of this my last will and having confidence in their capacity & integrity I direct that they be permitted to qualify without giving security - Witness my hand & seal this 17th day of March 1863

Signed sealed & ack in our

presence & in the presence of each other

P. S. Blakimore

T. B. Blakimore

Thos B Blakimore

State of Kentucky to

Franklin County Court November Term 1863

A writing purporting to be the last will & testament of Thomas B. Blakimore dec was produced in Court & was proved by the oaths of Philip Swigart & Jacob T. Dickinson subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded. Whereupon the same is truly recorded in my office

A. A. Rennieck cflc

I Joshua Middleton of Franklin County State of Kentucky do hereby make my last Will & testament in manner & form following that is to say

1st I desire that all the perishable part of my estate be immediately sold after my decease and out of the moneys arising therefrom all my just debts & funeral expences be paid - Should the perishable property prove insufficient for the above purpose then the balance to be taken from my real estate. After all my just debts are paid arising from my personal & real estate (which I desire to be sold) the proceeds to be equally divided between my several children (to wit) Julia who belongs to J. J. Bain, Sarah who belongs to John Seaford - Parthenia owners name not recollected - Margaret who belongs to William Baly, Anica who belongs to Robt Thomason, Madison who belongs to Marshallan of Henry County, James who belongs to Peter B. Force, Edward who belongs to Matilda Roberts, Melissa who belongs to Sarah Thomason, Elijah who belongs to John S. Roberts and if any of the above named children should die before I do, their interest is to go their heirs and if they have no heirs then it is to revert back to the balance of my children - I want my grave yard fenced in with stone four feet high and the man who performs the labor to be paid out of my estate and lastly I do hereby appoint my friend John S. Roberts Executor of my last will & testament - Given under my hand April 9th 1859

Attest
J. J. Bain
S. A. Geoghegan

his
Joshua Middleton
mark

The foregoing will was this day read to Joshua Middleton the maker thereof & he again acknowledged the same to be his act & deed & we signed our names here to in his presence April 9th 1859

A. A. Rennieck

State of Kentucky to - Franklin County Court Nov Term 1863
A writing purporting to be the last will & testament of Joshua Middleton dec was produced in Court & was proved by the oaths of A. A. Rennieck & W. Franklin subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded. Whereupon the same is truly recorded in my office