

John Golden
W. W.

John Golden of Henderson County State of Kentucky, being in full health, but of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner & form following, that is to say:

1st It is my will that all my just debts if I should owe any at the time of my death be paid.

2nd I give and devise to my son John Golden my tract of land containing Three hundred & twenty five acres lying in Henderson County in the Ohio River called the Harrison farm, also my tract of land lying in said Henderson County containing Five hundred and nineteen acres, called the Knight Ford tract, and also my negroes Ned and his family, Providence George, Kuma, Levi, Nancy, Robert, Ann, Charles, and Alfred, with their increase.

3rd I give and devise to my son John Golden the said tract of land, and the negroes above named, with their increase to him the said John Golden during his natural life and after his death to his children forever. I also give and bequeath to my said son John Golden Three thousand dollars in cash, absolutely. The cash to be paid to him and said land (if he land), and the negroes afterwards delivered to him by Christmas day next, if I should die before that time. Then, I give and devise to my son Eliza Golden my "Home" or "Back" farm in said Henderson County. To have the same during her natural life. I also give to her the following Slaves, wit: Kossila, her family viz: Sarah, Frances, James, Homer, and John Morris, and my slave named Jim. So that the said Slaves during her natural life, I give and bequeath to my said wife absolutely, one third of my money after the payment of my debts & necessary expenses and third to be deducted after the said sum is paid to my said son John Golden, and I also give to her all of my household and kitchen furniture to use and dispose of as she pleases.

4th All the monies of my estate & property of every kind and description whether Real, personal or mixed, not herein above willed to my son John Golden, including the property and estate willed to my said wife during her life, I give and devise to my grand children John Rogers Stanley, William Thomas Stanley, Edmund Green Stanley and George Washington Stanley, children of my deceased daughter Fannie Stanley & her husband, E. G. Stanley. The estate and property herein willed to my wife to go to my said grand children after the death of my wife. All the property willed to my said grand children is to be held and kept by their Guardian, the money paid to interest. The Slaves hired out and the land rented until the youngest of said children arrives at the age of twenty one years and then the same to be equally divided among them, to share hold, use and enjoy the same during their lives and after their death to be equally divided among their children. The Guardian of said grand children can hold the said property as above provided and work the said Slaves on the lands devised to said children instead of hiring out said property if he thinks it best for the interest of my said grand children. The Slaves now devised to my said grand children are as follows: Charlotte, Frank, Melinda, Corriet, Ann, and John Henry John, William Leathy, Catharine, Gust, Let Sam, Fanny & the two children Leathmore & Mary and their increase.

5th It is my will and desire that if my said son John Golden should die leaving no child or children nor their descendants living at his death, then and in that event the property willed to him during his life together with all increase shall go to my said grand children above named to be held and enjoyed in the same manner and under the same terms and restrictions as the other property herein willed to them.

6th I hereby authorize

and authorize the Guardian of my said grand children at any time if he should so feel for their use of all the negro man slave named John to the said being to care and to hold the proceeds of the sale in the same manner as the money herein willed to my said grand children is held.

7th I hereby nominate and appoint my friend Henry Williams Executor of this my last will and Testament; and I authorize my said grand children to have the management and control of their property and funds as herein above directed and out of the proceeds of which so many application to obtaining for them a good education, and it is my will and desire that the said Henry Williams shall not be named to give any such Executor or Guardian.

8th If I should die before Christmas it is my desire that my Executor with the remainder of my remaining property and effects at or about Christmas together with the proceeds of the sale of the same should think it necessary to provide for their education, to pay interest on any portion of their money in his hands in good likely young negroes, and when it is needed the negroes are to be held by him for the benefit of my said grand children in the same manner as the Slaves herein devised to them are held.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my said truly working all other wills by me made this 27th day of April 1859.

Signed, Sealed and acknowledged in the presence of us, who signed the same at the request of the testator.

John Golden

W. W. Crafton

State of Kentucky, John May County Court 1859, in 23rd May.

This last will and Testament of John Golden deceased, was produced and proved in open court according to law, by the oaths of Richard A. Webb, John C. Wallace and J. H. Taylor subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded, which is done accordingly.

Attest: Nick D. Allison

W. W. Green 3rd of Henderson County and State of Kentucky do hereby make my last will and Testament in manner and following that is to say:

1st After the payment of my debts and funeral expenses I give my wife Fanny (name) during her natural life the farm on which I live including the land adjacent thereto for the support of said farm) all the grain of every description the stock of every kind and description the household and kitchen furniture, farming tools, and everything on hand at my death with the servants, trust, Ostrava, Lucinda, Milla and Eliza for the maintenance & support of my wife Fanny Green & the support and education of my son George Green.

2nd I give to my daughter Virginia Pentecost forty acres of land adjoining the land of Williams 13th Pentecost and bounded as follows: Beginning at a maple in the split standing in the line of a survey of James McQuady now owned by Andrew Bach, thence with said McQuady line to a corner of Charles McQuady, thence with said McQuady line to a corner of J. H. Russell, thence with said Russell line to another of said Russell corner on the south east corner of the Macksville road, thence with said road and corner in a line parallel with the first named line returning from said road to the line between Williams and J. H. Russell to include Forty acres provided the said