

Will of Elizabeth Kemp

I Elizabeth Kemp of the County of Henderson and State of Kentucky being in feeble health but sound mind do make this my last will and testament
 1st I desire all debts I may be owing first paid
 2nd I devise and bequeath all my property of every nature and description and wherever situated equally to my three children but the same is not to be divided until the youngest arrives at the age of twenty one years - Neither should marry before the youngest ^{and arrives} at the age of twenty one - Then I authorize my Executor or Administrator to advance to her the sum of five hundred dollars -

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It is my desire that all my children shall reside together at my Swope place in Green Street recently purchased by me until a division of the estate is made.

3rd I hold a mortgage upon the house of my father Charles Knell and I now direct that the same shall not be enforced during the life time of my father or mother but I would advise them to live with my children at the Swope place which they may do without paying any board and if there is not enough room for them to live there in comfort I authorize my Executor or Administrator to add to the house one or more rooms -

5th I direct that my stock of Groceries - Barren fixtures &c in my store room in Main Street where I now reside be sold as a whole and my brother Charles Knell shall have the option and preference in the purchase of same

6th I nominate and appoint my two brothers John & Charles Knell and my daughter Anna Executors & Executrix of my will, and Guardians of my minor children, and I admonish them to wind up the estate and manage same in a business like and economical manner

7th I desire my Executors to keep the real estate in good repair, and the Cemetery lot in good order.

Witness my hand this the 7th day of July, 1874 in the presence of the

subscribing witnesses who subscribed same in my presence and in the presence of each other
 Elizabeth Kemp -

Ben. Lecher
 Montgomery Merrill

State of Kentucky, June Term Henderson Co Court
 Henderson Ky Dec July 20th 1874

This day this paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Kemp dec'd late of Henderson Ky. was produced in open Court and proven by the oath of Ben. Lecher one of the subscribing witnesses thereto - Whereupon the said paper was adjudged to be the true last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Kemp dec'd and ordered to be recorded as such which is here done.

Attest

J. H. West - C. C. C.

Will of William Cannings

Henderson Ky Mch 18th 1871

Believing in the uncertainty of life and being of sound mind and memory and wishing to provide for the comfort and happiness of those loved ones who are dependant upon me - I Wm Cannings do voluntarily make this my last will and testament, revoking all others -

First - I desire that all my legal debts shall be paid, including my funeral expenses -

Second I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah Cannings all of my estate both real and personal to have and to hold and enjoy so long as she remains a widow -

Third - I appoint my wife Sarah Cannings sole executrix of my estate and Guardian of my children and request that no bond be required of her in either instance for the

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performance of said duties - I further desire that
no inventory of my estate be required
Fourth I mean by this instrument that my wife
Sarah Cummings shall have the right to manage
my estate and the rearing of my children without
any embarrassment, or restraint from the Courts
I want this document read after my burial in
the presence of all parties that are interested in its
provisions
I sign the foregoing with my own hand in the pres-
ence of witnesses
Attest J. Johnston
William Cummings

State of Kentucky, 3 July, Term 1894
Henderson County, 3 Henderson County Court July 9th
I J. H. Hart Clerk of the Henderson County
Court do certify that this day this paper purporting to
be the last will and testament of William Cummings
dec'd late of Henderson Ky. was produced in
open Court and proven by the oaths of J. B.
Johnston and O. A. King subscribing witnesses
thereto. Thereupon the said paper was adjudged
to be the true last will and testament of
William Cummings dec'd and ordered to be
recorded as such which is here done -
Attest
J. H. Hart

Will of Mahala Taylor

I Mahala Taylor being of sound
mind & disposing memory do hereby make
& declare this to be my last will & testament
inasmuch as my daughter Jane Clay has for the past
several years taken care of me & paid for me all
the taxes on my place & has performed more
service for me & given me more comfort
than any one else now I hereby will bequeath
& devise to the said Jane Clay all the property
of what so ever kind or character that I may
own or in which I have an interest at the time
of my death in short I will & devise to said

Jane Clay every thing I own or possess. Attest
Kentucky January 8, 1889. Mahala T. Taylor
Subscribed and acknowledged by, Attest
Mahala Taylor in our presence J. L. Dorsey

J. L. Dorsey
Elijah Sellers } Witnesses
Lambert Priest }

State of Kentucky, August Term 1894
Henderson County, 3 Henderson County Court Aug 27th
I J. H. Hart Clerk of the Henderson
County Court do certify that this day this paper
purporting to be the last will and testament of
Mahala Taylor dec'd late of Henderson County
Ky. was produced in open Court and proven
by the oaths of J. L. Dorsey and Lambert Priest
two of the subscribing witnesses thereto. Thereupon
the said paper was adjudged to be the true last
will and testament of Mahala Taylor dec'd and
ordered to be recorded as such, which is here done
Attest
J. H. Hart C. C. C.

Will of C. C. Cooksey

Henderson Aug 18th 1894
I Charles C. Cooksey being sound in mind but
feeble in body do make this my last will, I will
that my house & lot in town on which L. White
has a mortgage be sold to satisfy said mortgage
with remainder be equally divided between my
daughters Kitty & Lora. Having already given my
son Hambley & daughter Carry their share I will
them one dollar each. I will that M. C. R. up
execute this will without seeing, signing my hand,
Attest
C. C. Cooksey

Jas C. Cravens
J. D. Hicks

State of Kentucky, August Term 1894
Henderson County, 3 Henderson County Court Aug 27th 1894
I J. H. Hart Clerk of the Henderson County
Court do certify that this day this paper purporting