

The nuncupative will of Joseph Stroud made and
declared during the time of his last illness at his habitation
at or near the mouth of Bearcreek in the County
of Jefferson as made known and attested by the following
witnesses of the witnesses subscribing —

Lorena (Gromans) being first duly sworn deposes & saith
that she heard Joseph Stroud, in his last illness upon his
dying bed, declare that he wished his wife to have and
had, after sole and individual property, all of whatever
personal or real estate he possessed. That they (the
husband & wife) had began with nothing and that
she (the wife) had assisted and been the chief
instrument in collecting together & accumulation
what he had — that he did not wish that any of
his relations parents or connections by name or nature
should have ^{any} part or share of his property or estate
after his death — That he had lost his child which
he had, had by his wife, that if the child had lived
it would have inherited his property and estate
but as it had died perhaps his father (the father
of Joseph Stroud) might come in for or set up a claim to
some part of the estate, and that he did not wish
for him to have a single shilling of it — that he
had not been treated, as he ought to have been
treated considering the relation of parent & child
Signed & sworn to 27th Feby 1813 E Lorena (Gromans)
In presence of Jas. L. Johnston & P. L. C. 

The Affidavit & Testimony of Betsey (Elizabeth) Kelly
at the same time & place states that she heard Joseph
Stroud, declare and say upon his dying bed that
Polly his (then) wife should in case of his decease which
afterwards happened be entitled to all the property
real and personal, of which he might die seized or
possessed of — That this declaration was made at

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had a her sole and individual property, all of whatever
personal or real estate he possessed. That they (the
husband & wife) had began with nothing and that
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he had had by his wife, that if the child had lived
it would have inherited his property and estate
but as it had died perhaps his father (the father
of Stroud) might come in for or set up a claim to
some part of the estate, and that he did not wish
for him to have a single shilling of it - that he
had not been treated, as he ought to have been
treated considering the relation of parent & child
Signed & sworn to 27th Feby 1813 E. Lorene (Promans
In presence of Sa. J. Johnston & P. G. C.)

The Affidavit & Testimony of Betsey (Elizabeth) Kelly taken
at the same time & place. states that she heard Joseph
Stroud, declare and say upon his dying bed that
Polly his (then) wife should in case of his decease which
afterwards happened) be entitled to all the property
real and personal, of which he might die seized or
possessed of - That this declaration was made at
the time when the said Stroud was in his perfect mind
and the deponent hath no doubt, that it was the
intention of the decd. to confer upon and convey
said Polly Stroud (his wife) or any other relative
all that he then owned that Polly had inherited

getting (or gathering) what they had been
with his father to own possess or enjoy any part
Subscribed and sworn to, this 27th of Feb. 1853

Sworn to in presence of Elizabeth Kelly
Chas: J. Johnston J.P.C.

The affidavit of Frances B. Moss taken at the same
time & place, states, that in the last dying hours of
Joseph Stroud, she hath frequently heard him say
that he wished and desired that his (then) wife
Polly should have all the property of which he should
die possessed and that he did not wish any person
to have any part of his property but his wife -
that she had assisted him in making what they
had - and that his father ought not (nor any
other person ought) to receive or be benefitted
by any part of his estate. And in fine that the
whole should be, after his death the property
of his said wife - signed Frances B. Moss
Sworn to before me the date above

Chas: J. Johnston J.P.C.

The witnesses aforesaid testify that they believe this and
the foregoing to be last will & testament of the said
Joseph Stroud deceased. Attest Chas: J. Johnston J.P.C.

at a County Court held for Jefferson County at
the Court house in Louisville on the 7th day
of March 1853 -

The within non estative
will of Joseph Stroud deceased was produced in
Court and proved by the oaths of Elizabeth Kelly
and Lorenna Grobman and ordered to be
recorded.

The affidavit of Francis C. Mose taken at the same
time & place, states, that in the last dying hours of
Joseph Shroud, he hath frequently heard him say
that he wished and desired that his (then) wife
Polly should have all the property of which he should
die possessed and that he did not wish any person
to have any part of his property, but his wife &
that she had gifted him in making what they
had - And that his father ought not (nor any
other person ought) to receive or be benefitted
by any part of his estate. And in view that the
whole should be, after his death the property
of his said wife - Signed Francis C. Mose
Sworn to before me the date above

Edw. J. Johnston & P. H. C.
The witnesses, of &c. testify that they believe this and
the foregoing to be last will & testament of the said
Joseph Shroud and attest Edw. J. Johnston & P. H. C.

at a County Court held for Jefferson County at
the Court house in Louisville on the 7th day
of March 1873 -

The within non estative
will of Joseph Shroud deceased was produced in
Court and proved by the oaths of Elizabeth Kelly
and Lorenna Spohn and ordered to be
recorded which is done accordingly
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Edw. J. Johnston & P. H. C.