

Now all men by these presents, that on the tenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventeen and the forty second of the independence of the United States of America at the request of Thomas S. Kennedy of this City of New Orleans and in conformity to my order, bearing the same date as above I James Pitot judge of the Court of Probates in and for the parish and City of New Orleans, proceeded to the opening of a packet, folded up as a letter, sealed with three seals of black wax, and bearing the following subscription "The last will and testament of Paul Skidmore" in presence of Michail de Damas and Prosper Prieur witnesses residing in the City of New Orleans, and the same packet being broken open I found a last will written on two pages of letter paper, signed Paul Skidmore and by seven witnesses and bearing date New Orleans the fourth December 1817. Which last will I left in the custody of the register of wills of this Court to be proved before me in the presence of the number of witnesses required by law. And the above witnesses signed the present process verbatim after a due reading, the same day and year first above written signed Thomas S. Kennedy, Prosper Prieur, Michail de Damas.

J^s Pitot - Judge.

And this day to wit, the eleventh of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventeen and the forty second of the Independence of the United States of America At the same request as above stated, personally appeared before me James Pitot judge aforesaid

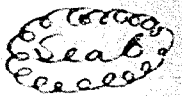
above stated, personally appeared before me James Pitot judge of said
Messrs P Gilly, Nick to Hall and Thos S Kennedy all residing in
this said City of New Orleans, who being duly sworn agreeable to
law do declare and say that a last will which I presented to
them, and which appears having been made at the instance and
under the direction of the late Paul Skidmore deceased in this
City of New Orleans on the fifth instant Anno Domini 1817, is the
same that the said deceased (Paul Skidmore) caused to be written in
his presence on the fourth instant, that the same was read in their
presence and hearing to the testator and further that they recognize
their signatures and that of the testator at the foot of the said
last will, which he (said Paul Skidmore) told them to be such
his last will and testament, for the purpose therein mentioned and
they signed Signed Thomas S Kennedy, Nick to Hall, P Gilly
Sworn to and subscribed before me New Orleans December 11th
Signed J^s Pitot Judge and Mr Alfred Kennon here present do
declare upon oath that the aforesaid last will and testament was
in his (said witness) own hand writing, and that the same was
so made at the instance and under the direction of the aforesaid
testator who acknowledged it as such in the presence of the aforesaid
witnesses and the declarant hath signed in Witness thereof Signed
Alfred Kennon Sworn to and subscribed before me New
Orleans December 11th 1817 Signed J^s Pitot Judge Whereupon I
the said Judge do declare the said last will duly proved and
made (as to its form) agreeable to the laws of this State, and after
having subscribed it, hereunto at the beginning and at the end

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they signed. Signed Thomas Kennedy; Nick Le Gall, &c.
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swears upon oath that the aforesaid last will and testament was
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Orleans December 11th 1817 Signed J^s Pitot Judge. Whereupon
the said Judge do declare the said last will duly proved and
made (as to its form) agreeably to the laws of this State, and after
having subscribed it, he varied at the beginning and at the end
of each page, I do order that the same remain and be deposited
among the records of the Registers Office of this Court and
copies thereof may be delivered to all persons it may concern
Now and passed at New Orleans the same day and year.

ington, County of Adams and State of Ohio, living near the
above named lot of land.

Made at Louisville, County and State before mentioned this fif-
teenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and Seventeen

Witness
Narrow Barker
H. Clapp

Matthew Norton 

At a County Court held for Jefferson County in the State of Ken-
tucky at the Court house on the ninth day of June 1818

The foregoing instrument of writing purporting to be the last
will and testament of Matthew Norton dec'd was produced in
Court and proved by the oaths of James H. Barker and Daniel
Clapp the subscribing witnesses thereto to be the last will and
testament of Matthew Norton dec'd and the same was by said
Court ordered to be recorded which is done accordingly

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