

232 In the Name of God Amen. I Joseph Morton
 Joseph Morton of the County of Mason and State of Kentucky
 being of sound mind and perfect under-
 standing, though weak in body, do make, make
 constitute and appoint this my last will and
 Testament in manner and form following
 Viz:

Item I give and bequeath my Soul
 to Almighty God who gave it me, and my body
 to the ground, to be decently ~~buried~~ at the
 discretion of my Executors hereafter named.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my beloved
 Mother Lucy Morton one Moiety of all my
 Estate Real and Personal Except my In and
 out Lots in the Town of Washington & County
 aforesaid during her Natural Life

Item I Give and bequeath unto my Brother
 Robert M. Morton the Other Moiety of my
 Estate ^{Real} Real and Personal Except a negro
 Boy named Lee and the In and out Lots
 in Washington before mentioned,

Item I give and bequeath unto my Brother
 Jesse Payne my In and out Lots in Wash-
 ington before ~~mentioned~~ and Also the Negro
 Boy named Lee before mentioned,

Item I give and bequeath unto my Brother
 Robert M. Morton after the decease of my
 beloved Mother Lucy Morton all & Singular
 bequests made to her during her Natural Life

233 Item I hereby nominate and appoint my
 beloved Mother Lucy Morton Executrix and
 my Brothers George Morton and Robert M.
 Morton and Stephen Lape Payne Executors
 and Executrix of this my last will and
 Testament hereby taking all former will
 or wills heretofore by me made, and ratify-
 ing and confirming this as my only & true
 last will and Testament In Witness whereof

I have herunto set my hand and Seal
 this 12th day of January Anno, One thou-
 sand seven hundred and ninety seven

Signed Sealed and
 Acknowledged in
 presence of

Joseph Morton

Zachariah Thompson
 Joseph D. Stephenson

Margaret Stephenson

At Court held for Mason County the 27th
 February 1797 This last will and Testament
 of Joseph Morton Deceased was proved by the Oath
 of Zachariah Thompson Joseph Stephenson and
 Margaret Stephenson Witnesses thereto and
 Ordered to be Recorded and on Motion of
 Robert M. Morton one of the Executors the
 same was read and approved and the
 same with Lewis Craig Zachariah Thompson
 and John P. Duwall his Securities entered into
 and acknowledged bond in the penalty of his
 Thousand and four hundred dollars as the Law directs
 Certificate is granted him for obtaining Copy of
 in due form Liberty being reserved for the
 Executors in the said will named to join in the
 said will

Teste J. Marshall

9) We the Subscribers having been appointed
by the County Court of Mason County to
appraise the personal Estate of Joseph
Morton deceased. do certify the above
to be a true inventory and valuation or
appraisment of the property produced to
us as the property of the said Joseph
Morton deceased Given under my
hands this third day of March 1797

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John Green
Robt S. Thom
Stephen Treacle

Mason County to wit
I the Subscriber a Justice of the Peace
for said County do certify that John
Green Robert S. Thom and Stephen
Treacle were ^{this day} duly sworn, impartially
and to the best of their judgments to
appraise the personal Estate of Joseph
Morton deceased Given under my hand
this third day of March 1797

John Wilson

Mason County 2d June Court 1797

This Inventory and

appraisment of the Estate of Joseph
Morton deceased was returned and
ordered to be recorded 2d J. Marshall

217) In the name of God Amen whereas
I Benjamin Wood of the County of Mason
and Commonwealth of Kentucky being much
afflicted with sickness but of sound memory
do think it most proper to make this my
Last will and Testament this twentieth day
of January in the year of our Lord one
Thousand Seven Hundred and ninety seven
I do will and bequeath unto my well
beloved son Amos Wood my black mare
and the sd. Amos Wood to give the aforesaid
mare a good horse in the next season
and to deliver the first Colt unto my son
in law Philip Baltimore -

I do also will and bequeath unto my son
in Law Philip Baltimore my black heifer.
I do also will & bequeath unto my well
beloved daughter Eliza Griggs my red heifer
I do also will and bequeath unto my son
William Wood my two Steers.

I do also will and bequeath unto my
daughter Nancy Wood one feather bed.

I do also will and bequeath unto my