

deceased was this day returned to heaven, and the same is ordered to be Recorded.

Attest

Lucas Judge of the

I Abraham Pilger of the County of Alleghany in the State of Virginia, being at this time of sound mind and disposing memory, & being aware of the uncertain duration of life, and having a desire, so to arrange my temporary concerns, that those who may survive me may be justly dealt by, so far as my duty to them is involved; do under such reflections make, ordain, publish & declare this my last will and Testament, in manner and form following.

1st I do hereby declare that after my decease my body shall be committed to the earth, from whence it came, & that my funeral expenses be defrayed by my Executors herein after named.

2^d It is my will and desire & I do hereby direct accordingly, that my Executors herein after named do pay off and discharge all my just debts, as soon after my decease as they can conveniently raise the necessary funds out of my Estate.

3^d I devise and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary, to be used and enjoyed by her, during her natural life, one third part of my real estate & my entire personal estate, after the payment of my debts & the legacies herein after mentioned.

3^d I devise to my son in law John Armontrout all that part of my land, which lies in the County of Alleghany, on the south side of the Kanawha River, upon the Conditions of his paying to me in my lifetime, seven hundred

and fifty dollars, and should he not pay the same to me in my lifetime, he is to pay it to my Executors after my death.

4th I bequeath to my daughter Sarah, the sum of Six hundred dollars in money, also Two beds & bedding, four Milch Cows & one Minding Horse of the Choice of my Stock of Horses.

5th To my son in law Sebastian Stansberger I give & bequeath the sum of One hundred dollars.

6th I devise and bequeath unto my son John Pilger, all the rest & residue of my estate, both real and personal, including also that which I have given my wife the use of during her life - after the death of my wife, it is all to belong to my said son John.

Considering that I have heretofore done an ample part by my daughters Magdalen & Annemaria & my son Semmon, I have concluded that my duty to my other Children forbids my making any further provision for my said daughters in my will.

7th I do hereby constitute and appoint my son John Pilger & my son in law Sebastian Stansberger Executors of this my last will & Testament, & I do hereby revoke all former wills by me heretofore made. - In testimony hereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 23^d day of April 1834.

signed sealed & delivered in

presence of us

Wm. H. Lemell

Stephen Hook

Andrew Hodge

Abraham Pilger

Alleghany County Court June Term 1836

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The last will and Testament of Abraham D. Pitzer deceased, was this day produced in Court for probate, and proved by the oaths of William H. Service, Stephen Cook and Andrew Judger, witnesses thereto, and is ordered to be recorded; And on the Motion of ~~John Hays~~ Hansbarger and John Pitzer the Executors therein named, who made oath thereto, and together with George H. Payne and William H. Terrell their securities, entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of \$5000. Conditioned as the law and the Certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate of the said Will in due form. &c

Teste

Andrew Judger Clerk

In the name of God Amen. I Jacob Nixley of the County of Allegheny and State of Virginia, do hereby Will Make and Ordain this Writing to be my last Will and Testament, in manner and form hereafter mentioned to wit: I do hereby direct, that the Executors of this my last Will, to be hereafter named, shall pay off all my just debt, my Funeral expenses first. I give and bequeath to my Wife Elizabeth all the personal property of every kind, that she brought with her, when I married her, and in addition to that, I give, ^{her} one good cow out of my flock, to have her Choice, two Breeding sows, her Choice and also the first Calf that may be produced out of my Bay Mare Jane. - and two Sheep her Choice, and my Lard, and one Acorn bedstead, to have and to hold the same, to her and her heirs forever. - And I also give to her the use of the Room during her life, or so long as she may remain on the premises she now occupies. And whereas at the time I exchanged my plantation

on the Simpsons Creek with Jordan & Irvine for the plantation in which I now dwell, to effect that exchange, I then and there agreed with my Wife Elizabeth, to give her one hundred acres of land off the lower end of my plantation, to her and her heirs forever, as a full Compensation for her one third part in my Estate, which one hundred acres of land is agreed on, I have conveyed to her and her heirs in fee simple forever, and which it is my intention shall be in full of her third part in my ^{improved} Estate. - I also give to her during her life or so long as she may choose to occupy it, the use of my dwelling House, with an acre of ground attached thereto for a garden and yard, to enjoy the use of the same during her natural life, or so long as she may occupy it but with the understanding, that she is not at liberty to rent it out so as to be occupied by others. I also give her during her life under the same restrictions the orchard field including a Stable that is thereon, supposed to contain about four acres. - I also give her the use of my Spring and Spring House during her life, under the same restrictions and also a sufficiency of fire wood during her life with one rail Timber. - I do hereby direct my Executors to be hereafter named as soon as it may be convenient after my decease, to make sale of all my personal Estate & property of every kind, on such terms and terms, as may best promote the interest of the Legates to be hereafter named; and out of the proceeds of such sale, to pay my sons George Nixley, Michael Nixley, Jacob Nixley, James Braden and Barbara his Wife and John Nixley the sum of one hundred dollars each; To Charles Armistead and Elizabeth his Wife the sum of fifty dollars, To Leonard Hart and Mary his Wife the sum of twenty dollars, To Henry