

In the name of God Amen I William Knight of the County of Amherst and
County of Amherst in the state of Virginia, being of sound mind and memory and call-
ing to mind the uncertainty of life do hereby make and ordain this my last will
and Testament hereby revoking all others heretofore by me made.

Impresions It is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid out of such part
of my estate as shall not be necessary for the use of my family and out of collections as
fast as they can be made.

2^d after the payment of my debts I desire that the balance of the monies due to
my Estate shall to my executors hereafter named collected and laid out in such
property as they in their discretion shall think most advantageous to my estate
and most likely to increase the same. The real property so purchased shall
remain in the hands of my wife during her life for the support of my family
and after her death be distributed as hereinafter directed.

3^d I bequeath to my son William Henry Knight and George W. Knight all
my saddlers tools which may on hand at the time of disease and also my patent
right for the manufacture of patent spring saddles, to be used by the said William
on for his sole use and benefit until the said George W. attains the age of
twenty one years and then to be equally divided between them.

4th It is my will and desire that my son William Henry Knight shall at
my disease take all the stock of saddles, leather, and other articles of materials
on hand pertaining to the trade or business of a saddler (except the tools and
patent right) at such prices as shall be set on them by the appraisers
who make an inventory of my estate, and that he shall not be required to pay

remain in the hands of my wife during her life for the support of my family and after her death to be distributed as hereinafter directed.

3.^d I bequeath to my son William Henry Knight and George W. Knight all my saddlers tools which may on hand at the time of decease and also my patent rights for the manufacture of patent spring saddles, to be used by the said William for his sole use and benefit until the said George W. attains the age of twenty one years and then to be equally divided between them.

4.th It is my will and desire that my son William Henry Knight shall at my decease take all the stock of saddles, leather and other articles of materials on hand pertaining to the trade or business of a saddler (except the tools and patent rights) at such prices as shall be set on them by the appraisers who make an inventory of my estate and that he shall not be required to pay for the same nor be charged with interest thereon during the life of my wife, but that the amount shall at her death be due from him to my estate to be disposed of as hereinafter directed.

5.th I give to my son William Henry Knight for and during the life of my wife the use and possession of the house in which my saddlers shop is kept the same at her death to revert to my estate, and to be disposed of with the balance of my real estate as hereinafter directed.

6.th I give and bequeath to my daughter Knight and her heirs forever my one half of my negro and her future increase.

7.th I give my daughter Jane Fuleher and her heirs forever my negro girl Ann and her future increase in the following manner. The said

Same shall be entitled to the use, possession and vines of the said Negro girl
& her future increase from the time of my decease during the life of my
wife, and until a division of my slaves among my daughters hereafter
provided shall take place at which division the said Negro girl and her
increase shall be allotted to the said Jane & her heirs according to
their value at the time of such division. minum

8th I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Margaret Knight for and during
her natural life all my estate real and personal (except
what is hereinafore disposed of) to the intent and purpose
that the use and profits of the same shall be applied by
her and at her discretion to the support and support of herself
and such of my children as are unmarried, so long as they shall continue
unmarried and choose to live with her and upon this condition that
in case any of my children who are now single shall marry during
her life that they shall be furnished by her with such articles of hous-
hold furniture &c as I have heretofore advanced to my children at their
marriage, and if any shall remain unmarried at the death of my wife
I wish them to be furnished in the same manner out of my personal
estate before a division minum

9th After the death of my wife it is my will and desire that the balance of my
estate (not herein before disposed of) shall be distributed to my children or
their legal representatives in the following manner, To my sons William
Henry Knight and George W. Knight all my real estate consisting of the

estate (not herein before disposed of) shall be distributed to my children or their legal representatives in the following manner, To my sons William Henry Knight and George W. Knight all my real estate consisting of the house and lot wherein I now reside and all my land adjoining the same including the clear lot in front of my dwelling house together with all the improvements and appurtenances belonging to the same and every part thereof. To my daughters Flora Higginbotham, Lucinda Knight, Jane Fulcher, and Mary Knight and their heirs respectively all my negro slaves which I may possess at the time of my decease and their future increase (Maggie Mulatto girl excepted) to be equally divided between four daughters aforesaid, but in such manner that the girl Ann before mentioned and her increase shall be allotted to my daughter Jane Fulcher towards making up, just as herein before provided. To my sons Wm. Henry Knight and George W. Knight, and my daughters Flora Higginbotham, Lucinda Knight, and Mary Knight all the balance of my estate consisting of such property as my executors may hereafter purchase agreeably to the provisions of the second clause of this my will & of the debt which will thus be due from my son William Henry Knight for the stock of artillery &c and also of my household & kitchen furniture, and all other property not herein before disposed of, to be equally divided between my said two sons and three daughters, and one fifth part assigned to each, or if the said last mentioned property cannot be conveniently divided in five parts the same may be sold and the

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success divided in the same manner
I do hereby appoint my son William Henry Knight Guardian to my other
son George W Knight and to my daughter Mary Knight, to the said George
W Knight untill he attains the age of one year to the said Mary untill
she attains the same age or marries, and if my desire that my said
son George W Knight shall be put and continued at the trade or
business of a saddler under the instruction of his said brother untill he
arrives at full age, provided that in the meantime he shall have the
benefit of ~~one~~ years instruction at school

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my son William H
Knight Executor and Administrator of this my
last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this 19th day of March 1824 and this future more intent

signed sealed &c &c know - signed before signing
laid in the presence of the
said Wm Knight hereunto
subscribed our names

Wm Knight

Robert Lindsay
Joseph H Staples

At a superior Court of Law held for Amherst County the 30th day of April 1824
This last will and Testament of Wm Knight Decd was this day produced into
Court and proved by the oaths of Robert Lindsay and Joseph Staples two sub-
scribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and in witness whereof

This last will and Testament of Wm Knight deceased was this day produced into Court and proved by the oaths of Robert Sinsley and Joseph Staples two subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and on motion of William Knight the Executor therein named who made oath thereto and together with John Coleman Hezekiah S. Fulcher, Robert Sinsley and Joseph Staples his securities entered into and acknowledged alone in the penalty of \$1000 conditioned as the law directs certificate is granted him for obtaining probate thereof in due form

Teste

Attest We all men by these presents that we William Knight John Coleman & Hezekiah S. Fulcher & Robert Sinsley do hereby seal and firmly bind unto Archibald Sinsley Esq. a Justice of the Peace of the Superior Court of Amherst County now sitting and to his successors in office in the sum of \$1200 Current money of Virginia to which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves our heirs & jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this 30th day of April 1824 and within 48th years of the Commonwealth. The Condition of this obligation is that if the said William Knight Executor of the last will and Testament of William Knight deceased do make a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods chattels and credits of the said deceased which have or shall come to the hands possession or knowledge of him the Wm Knight or into the hands or possession of any other person or persons for him and the

and the same made do exhibit in the Superior Court of Amherst at such time as the place to which required by the said Court and the same goods chattels & credits do well and truly administer according to Law and make a just and true account of his doings and doings therein when there to required by the said Court and further do well and truly pay and deliver all the legacies contained and specified in the same will as far as the said goods chattels & credits will extend according to the value thereof and as the Law shall charge. Then this obligation to be void order to remain in full force

Teste
J. B. Parvizek

Wm. H. Knight

John Coleman

Gezhuah Fulehur

Pro. Higginbotham

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At a Superior Court of Law held for Amherst County the 30th of April 1818
This Court and was acknowledged in open Court and order to be recorded
Teste

Certo John Crawford Decd		In A/c with Alastor W. Jopling & Joseph R. Carter Executors			
1818	1	To paid Ch of Amherst for Ticket		8	
	2	To paid Bal of Taxes for year 1817		3	32
	3	To paid Joseph R. Carter for A/c for 1817		27	84 1/2
		paid do do for A/c		20	40 1/2