

Manumipative
Last Will & Testament
Anna Mercer Harrison
Dec 9

I William Nelson of the county of Platte and State of Va do hereby certify, that on the 28th Day of July I was in Attendance on the late Anna Mercer Harrison who died this Day between the Hours of four and five P.M. and that the said Anna Mercer Harrison called for me to record the following Article of the Disposition of her Property to be made after her Death.
To wit: She devised the sum of Money belonging to her, now in the Hands of the Agent Anna Nelson to the said Anna Nelson.

She devised the Negroes for whom a Suit is now pending (more or less) as appears by Law Suit) in Manus following - They are to be offered the Privilege of going to the place of Liberia in Africa if they wish so to do. after a full statement of the Facts attendant upon emigration to that place.

If they prefer to remain in this country they are divided in equal Portions to the said Mary McQueen, her sister Abby Nelson and her sister Anna Nelson, except some one or two of said Negroes, which may be her Brother Ben or some other of her Brothers, & others as an Award in which just the said Ben or some one to select among her Brothers & others.

She devised various Articles to be distributed among her Brothers and others as appears of her Affidavit.

The above I certify to be a true Statement of the Facts in the Premises.

Witness my Hand and Seal this 23rd Day of July 1846.

Wm Nelson Secy

The above I certify to be a true statement of the facts, in the presence of

William Lloyd Garrison and others, 24th Day of July, 1846.

Wm. Nelson (J. E.)

I certify that the facts herein stated by the parties are substantially true and the same were
witnessed by the above at the time

Eliza Maria Page (J. E.)

July 24th 1846

John Hay

At a joint meeting of the joint committee on the 24th Day of August 1846. The Municipal
Court of the District of Columbia was presided over by the Justice of the Peace
Page and William Nelson before whom the said bill was attested and declared, they having been called upon by the
Justice to take notice that the bill was signed by him in their presence, was to be taken as an original bill and
Testament of the said Municipal Court and Testament to be taken as the said bill and Testament
of the said Anna Maria Garrison &c.

To be

John Hay J. of the joint
John Hay