

Edward Sears'
"Will"

I Edward Sears of the City of Baltimore State of Maryland being of sound mind memory and understanding do make this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say I wish my Executor hereinafter mentioned to collect policy no 46.385 of the Continental Life Insurance Company of New York by which policy my life is insured for the sum of Five thousand dollars and out of the money collected under said policy no 46.385 I desire my Executor to pay as soon as possible after receiving the money on the above mentioned policy the following Legacies - pay to my Sister Francis A. Heeghus of Gloucester County and State of Virginia the sum of three hundred dollars, pay to my Sister Emily Anderson of King and Queen County State of Virginia the sum of three hundred dollars, pay to my Sister Matilda Eno of the City of Richmond and State of Virginia the sum of three hundred dollars, pay to Laura, Lulie and Richard Shackelford Children of my Sister Lucy A. Shackelford the sum of fifty dollars each, pay to Mrs M. E. Dunn of the City of Baltimore and State of Maryland the sum of three hundred dollars, pay to Charlotte A. Mouse of the County of Middlesex and State of Virginia the sum of three hundred dollars, pay to Mrs Margaret Gray the sum of twenty five dollars, and pay to Mrs Cordelia Channing of Lancaster County and State of Virginia the sum of fifty dollars per year for three successive years should she live as long from the day of my death. None of the above mentioned Legacies are to be paid out of any other money than that received or collected under said policy no 46.385.

I desire my Executor to pay as soon as possible after receiving the money on the above mentioned policy the following Legacies - pay to my Sister Francis A. Hughes of Gloucester County and State of Virginia the Sum of three hundred dollars, pay to my Sister Emily Anderson of King and Queen County State of Virginia the Sum of three hundred dollars, pay to my Sister Matilda Enos of the City of Richmond and State of Virginia the Sum of three hundred dollars, pay to Laura, Lulie and Richard Shackelford Children of my Sister Lucy A. Shackelford the Sum of fifty dollars each, pay to Mrs M. E. Dunn of the City of Baltimore and State of Maryland the Sum of three hundred dollars, pay to Charlotte A. Mouse of the County of Middlesex and State of Virginia the Sum of three hundred dollars, pay to Mrs Margaret Gray the Sum of twenty five dollars, and pay to Mrs Cordelia Channing of Lancaster County and State of Virginia the Sum of fifty dollars per year for three successive years should she live as long from the day of my death. None of the above mentioned Legacies are to be paid out of any other money than that received or collected under said Policy No 46.385.

Second I desire my Executor to sell and convey all my real estate Lands and Tenements lying and being in the County of Gloucester and State of Virginia, whenever in his opinion the Lands and Tenements herein mentioned can be sold at a fair valuation or satisfactory price and on such terms as he may deem best and the proceeds of such Sale or Sales of the above Lands and Tenements shall

be equally divided between my three sons Charles E. Sears Willie M. Sears and Virgil C. Sears.

Third. I do hereby empower and direct my Executors to Rent or lease the above mentioned lands and tenements until a Sale thereof can be effected and the sums accruing from such rents or leases shall when collected be also equally divided between my three sons.

Fourth. The remainder of my estate consisting of personal property monies and sums of money due me and the balance of money that may be realized from Insurance policies I direct to be equally divided between my three sons.

Fifth. I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Charles E. Sears Executor of my last will and Testament, and I specially direct and request that no security or Executors bond shall be required by the Court of my Executor Charles E. Sears. In witness whereof I the said Edward Sears have to this my last will and Testament set my hand and Seal this eighth day of April One thousand eight hundred and seventy three

Edward Sears

Witness
G. E. Bowdoin
L. J. Cox
William K. Merritt

Baltimore City SS

On the 22nd day of May 1874 came George E. P. Luther J. Cox and

Baltimore City SS

On the 22nd day of May 1874 came George E. Proddin Luther J. Cox and William H. Merrill the three subscribing witnesses to the foregoing last will and testament of Edward Sears late of said City deceased and made oath on the Holy Evangelij of Almighty God that they did see the testator sign this Will that they heard him publish pronounce and declare the same to be his last will and testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they subscribed their names as witnesses to this Will in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other sworn to before the subscriber

J. Harman Brown Register of
Wills for Baltimore City

I Edward Sears desire and will that my Son Virgil C. Sears shall be joint Executor with my Son Charles E. Sears I likewise desire as mentioned in my last Will and testament of the eighth day of April one thousand eight hundred and Seventy three to which said Will I add this Codicil. As in the case of my Son Charles E. Sears, I likewise desire and request that the Court shall not require bond and security of my said Son Virgil C. Sears as one of my Executors and I also desire my Executors to pay to my nephew W^m J. Leigh the sum of fifty dollars out of the money received under the policy no 46. 385 of the

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Continental Life Insurance Company of New York by which
policy my life is insured for ^{the sum of} five thousand dollars
Given under my hand and Seal this 3rd day of May 1873
Edward Sears

Witnesses to Codicil
L J Cox
Wm K Merritt
James Williams

Baltimore City SS

On the 22nd day of May 1874 came Virgil
W Sears and made Oath with the Holy Evangelist of Almighty
God that he doth not know of any Will or Codicil of Edward
Sears late of said City deceased other than the above instru-
ment of Writing and that he received the same from
the testator on or about the 10th day of March 1874 and
has had it in possession until produced in Court and
that the testator departed this life on the 19th day of April
1874. Sworn to before the Subscriber

J Harman Brown
Register of Wills for Baltimore
City

Baltimore City SS

On the 22nd day of May 1874 came
Sethor J Cox Gloucester County, Virginia, Wills 1762-1896
Wm K Merritt and James Williams

Baltimore City S.S.

On the 22nd day of May 1874 came Luther J. Coxe William H. Merritt and James Williams the three subscribing witnesses to the aforesaid Codicil to the last Will and Testament of Edward Sears late of said City deceased and made oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that they did see the testator sign this Codicil that they heard him publish, pronounce and declare the same to be a Codicil to his last Will and Testament that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding and that they subscribed their names as witnesses to this Codicil in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other sworn to before the subscribers

J. Norman Brown
Register of Wills for Baltimore City

In Baltimore City Orphan's Court

The Court after having carefully examined the above last Will and Testament of Edward Sears late of Baltimore City deceased together with the Codicil therunto attached and also the evidence adduced as to its validity Orders and decrees this twenty second day of May 1874 that the same be admitted in this Court as the true and genuine last Will and Testament and Codicil

of the said Edward Sears deceased

John A. Inglis
 Geo. Wm. Bishop
 G. W. Lindsay

In testimony that the foregoing is a true copy taken from the Original filed and remaining in the Office of the Register of Wills for Baltimore City.

Seal

I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of my Office this Twenty fifth day of ~~May~~ May in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and Seventy four
 Teste J. Harman Brown
 Register of Wills for Baltimore City

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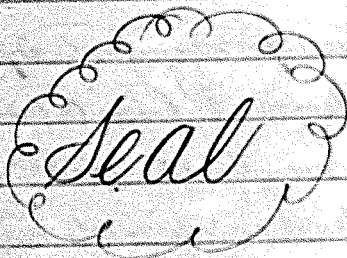
I, John A. Inglis Presiding Judge of the Orphans Court for Baltimore City in the State of Maryland do hereby certify that the foregoing attestation of J. Harman Brown Register of Wills for said City is in due form and by the proper Officer Given under my hand at the City of Baltimore this twenty fifth day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and Seventy four

John A. Inglis

State of Maryland
Baltimore City Oct

I hereby certify that the Honorable John A Inglis by whom the above Certificate was given and who has thereto subscribed his name was at the time of so doing Chief Judge of the Orphans Court for Baltimore City, duly Elected, Commissioned and qualified.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of the said Court this twenty fifth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy four
Teste J Harman Brown
Register of Wills for Baltimore City



At a Court of Quarterly Session held for the County of Gloucester at the Court House on the first day of June one thousand eight hundred and seventy four Charles E Sears this day produced in open Court a paper writing purporting to be the last will of Edward Sears dec'd. and produced to the Court a certified copy of the said paper writing and of the Codicil thereto and it appearing from a copy of an Order of the Orphans Court of the City of Baltimore that the Original paper writing and Codicil have been proved in that Court as the true last will and testament of Edward Sears and the copy of the said will

and Codicils and Copy of the probate thereof appearing to be duly authenticated according to law. It is Ordered that the said paper writing and Codicils be received in this Court as the true last Will and Testament of the said Edward Sears dec'd.

Teste

Jno J Cooke cc

Willis Perier's
"Will"

In the name of God amen. I Willis Perier of the County of Gloucester and State of Virginia being of sound mind do make and declare the following to be my last Will and Testament revoking all other Wills heretofore made by me. First I give and bequeath to my brother Wm K. Perier all the land of which I may die possessed to him and his heirs forever, and in the event of my brother dying before I do so as to cause what the law calls a lapse legacy then and therein case I give the said land to all the children of my said brother who may be living at the time of my death to them and their heirs forever. Secondly. It is my Will and desire that all my negro Slaves and all my other personal property be equally divided between my wife Stephen James Kennon Dobney and all the children of my brother William K Perier.

Thirdly. It is my Will and desire that my Executor raise out of all my estate both real and personal the sum of two thousand dollars to be distributed in the following manner