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Feb 4th 1892
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I. H. Bird of Kings Mountain County State of Virginia,
but now, and since December last, under medical
treatment in the City of Baltimore State of Maryland
do make my last will and testament as follows to wit:
I direct that all my just debts be paid out of so much
of the proceeds of my personal property as may be
necessary therefor.

second. I direct that my executors herein after named shall
in such manner as is herein after provided allot
to my wife Martha C. Bird in fee one sixth in value
of all my real estate, in lieu of her dower interest
in same. It being my express intention that by
accepting this clause of my will, she my said
wife, renounce her dower and all other interest in
my real estate, this bequest being made in accordance
with her wishes. I also give and bequeath to my said
wife in fee one third of my personal estate.

and I direct that after allotting to my wife one sixth
of my real estate as herein before provided the remain-
ing five sixths thereof shall be equally divided
among my four children, Spottwood Bird, Mary
Ella Purcell, Maria Susan Bird and William
Wallace Bird, share and share alike, my
daughter Mattie F. Taylor having already received
her full share of my real estate by deed of
gift is not to participate in the remainder
thereof.

with Two thirds of my personal estate. I direct shall
be equally divided among all my children here-
in before mentioned including my daughter
Mattie F. Taylor, share and share alike.

5th In dividing my real estate among my said children
I desire that my daughter Mary Ella Purcell
shall have allotted to her, as a part of her interest
in same, or so much thereof as she may be entitled
to, the lot on which she now resides, including

buildings and all the land which I now own adjoining said lot and lying on that side of the Public road from the Leeks Office to the mill Creek and down creek to, and along the line of the land of my daughter Mary F. Taylor. Also the tract known as the "Tavern Land" at Kings Lanes Leekhouse Virginia.

Sixth I also desire that my son Spottiswood Bird should have allotted to him as a part of his interest in my real estate, or so much thereof as he may be entitled to, the store house, granary and Office at Kings Lanes Leekhouse Virginia, together with two acres of land laid off as to include said buildings and run out to the Public road in front of said buildings, unless, in the division of the land the said two acres should be included in the part allotted to him.

Seventh I direct that my executors herein after named shall have full power and discretion in the division of my estate as herein directed and provided, including the right, if in their judgment they deem it necessary or proper to associate with them for this purpose a competent surveyor, or one or more disinterested persons of sound judgment to aid them in an equitable division of said estate.

Eighth After my executors shall have made division of my real estate as herein before provided. It is my wish that my wife and children shall unite in a deed of partition or division, expressing their satisfaction with, and ratification and approval of such division. But the failure of any or all of them to do this shall not invalidate or render ineffective said division.

Ninth I hereby constitute and appoint my son Samuel F. Harwood, and my sons Spottiswood Bird and William Wallace Bird Executors of this my last will and Testament, and request that they be

permitted to qualify as such without security
Witness my hand and seal this fifth day of
March 1892 W.B. Bird (seal)

Signed sealed and acknow-
ledged by the testator as his
last will and Testament in
my presence, who in his presence
and in the presence of each other and
at his request hereunto subscribe our names
as witnesses this 5th day of March 1892

W. C. Bird
William Wallace Bird
Maria Susan Bird

In King & James County, County of April 7th 1892
This last will and Testament of W.B. Bird dead was
proved by the oaths of W.C. Bird and William Wallace
Bird two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and is
ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of Spotswood
Bird and William Wallace Bird two of the Executors
therein named who made oath thereto and entered
into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty
of thirty thousand dollars conditioned as the law
directs without security (The Testator having requested
in his said will that no security be required of
the said Executors) Certificate is granted them
for obtaining a probat of the said will in due
form - liberty being reserved to the other Executor
named in the said will to join in the probat
when he shall think fit.

Witness Robert Pounce DC

Truly recorded
Date

B. T. Taylor