

County of New York  
Surrogate Court

To the Surrogate of the County of New York  
The Petition of Isaac Phillips  
of the City of New York respectfully sheweth

That your Petitioner is an Executor named in the last Will and Testament of Grace Abondanone late of the County of New York widow deceased that the said deceased was at a immediately previous to her death an inhabitant of the County of New York, and departed this life in said County on the twenty second day of December inst. and that said last Will and Testament, relates to both real and personal Estate left then \$18000 Dollars your Petitioner further shews that the names and places of residence of the heirs and next of kin of said deceased are unknown to your Petitioner although he has made diligent enquiry to ascertain the same, that the deceased left no descendants Father Mother Brother Sister or descendants of any deceased Brother or Sister her surviving to the best of the knowledge and belief of your Petitioner

Your Petitioner therefore prays that the said last Will and Testament may be proved and letters testamentary granted thereon according to law

Isaac Phillips

City and County of New York s. /

I Isaac Phillips the Petitioner named in the foregoing petition being duly sworn do depose and say that I have read the foregoing Petition to which I have subscribed my name and know the contents thereof and that the matter of fact therein stated are true and that the matter stated of my information and belief I believe to be true

Sworn to this twenty ninth  
day of December A D 1857  
before me

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General Clerk of  
Surrogate

Isaac Phillips

I Grace Abondanone of the State City and County of New York being at present of sound and disposing mind, and mindful of the uncertainty of human life, do make publish and declare this my last Will and Testament as follows: viz.

1<sup>st</sup> I hereby revoke all and every prior Will and Testament made and executed by me at any time before the Execution of this present instrument.

2<sup>nd</sup> I direct my Executor hereinafter named to pay all my just debts and funeral expenses and to procure and place a suitable tombstone over my grave

3<sup>rd</sup> I hereby direct my said Executor hereinafter named and appointed to convert all my Estate into money as a fund for the payment of the several sums herein and hereby bequeathed and for that purpose to sell and dispose of all my Estate both real and personal wheresoever and howsoever situated as soon after my decease as practicable and I do expressly authorize and empower my said Executor to make execute and deliver upon such sale all necessary instruments of assignment transfer conveyance and release so as to convey to the purchaser or purchasers thereof or of any part thereof all my Estate right title and interest of in and to the said real and personal Estate so by him disposed of

- 1<sup>st</sup> I give devise and bequeath to Miss Rebecca Phillips and to her brother Isaac Phillips (both of the City of New York) as evidence of my high regard and esteem each the sum of five hundred dollars.
- 5<sup>th</sup> I give devise and bequeath to Mrs Lavinia and Josephine Phillips of the City of New York daughters of Naphtale Phillips of said City and sisters of my friends Isaac Rebecca Phillips above mentioned each the sum of two hundred Dollars in token of my remembrance.
- 6<sup>th</sup> I give devise and bequeath to my friends Georgiana Jacobs Francis Jacobs Sarah Jacobs Maria Jacobs and Mrs Barnett Widow of Samuel Barnett) all of the City of New York and children of the late Abraham Jacobs the following sums of money to wit to Georgiana the sum of five Hundred Dollars to Sarah Francis Maria & Mrs Barnett each the sum of two hundred dollars to be paid such of them as may be living at the time of my decease and if any of them shall have died prior to my said decease I then give devise and bequeath the share of such as are deceased to the survivor or survivors of the above named Georgiana Francis Sarah & Maria Jacobs and Mrs Barnett to be equally divided among such survivors share and share alike.
- 7<sup>th</sup> I give devise and bequeath to my kind friend Mrs Augusta Cohen Widow of Phillip S. Cohen late of Norfolk Va. the sum of two Hundred Dollars
- 8<sup>th</sup> To my old and valued friends Mr & Mrs Sampson M Isaacks of the City of New York or to the survivor of them I give devise and bequeath the sum of one Hundred Dollars to procure mourning rings or some other suitable token in remembrance of me
- 9<sup>th</sup> I give devise and bequeath to the congregation Shearith Israel in the City of New York the sum of Two Hundred Dollars.
- 10<sup>th</sup> I give devise and bequeath to my Executors hereinafter named and appointed the sum of one Thousand Dollars in trust to pay or invest the sum of five Hundred Dollars (part thereof) to or for the benefit of Mrs Sarah Gruber of the City of New York as he in his discretion may determine and interest to pay or invest the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (the balance thereof) to or for the benefit of Catharine Gruber daughter of said Sarah) as he may in his discretion also determine. It being my intention to clothe my said Executors with full power and discretion either to pay said sums of five hundred dollars outright to said Sarah and Catharine Gruber or to invest the same for their benefit and to pay each or either of them the income of said investment.
- 11<sup>th</sup> I give devise and bequeath to my friend Mrs Maria Jones Widow of Andrew A Jones now of Philadelphia the sum of three hundred dollars and to my friend Mrs Anna Allen Widow of Louis Allen also of Philadelphia the sum of five hundred Dollars
- 12<sup>th</sup> I give devise and bequeath to my young friend Henry Allen (a son of Anna Allen above named) the sum of five hundred dollars
- 13<sup>th</sup> I give devise and bequeath to my young friend Michael Allen (also a son of Anna Allen above named) the sum of Five Hundred Dollars recalling to him at this time his engagement to say "The Kadiosh" for one during the eleven months of mourning
- 14<sup>th</sup> I give devise and bequeath to Elise Mitchell a daughter of Mitchell and Amalie Mitchell of Philadelphia the sum of five hundred dollars to be invested by my Executor to be paid to her with the accumulations of interest & income until she attains her majority.
- 15<sup>th</sup> I give devise and bequeath to Judith Conter a daughter of Emanuel and Rebecca M. Conter and to Leonora Bentley (wife of Captain Levi Wells of Savannah Ga.)

Each the sum of Five Hundred Dollars.

16. I give devise and bequeath Jacob Hartley son of Leonard and Levi Hartley above named the sum of Five Hundred Dollars to be invested by my Executor and to be paid to him with the accumulation of interest & income when he attains his majority (and make this bequest to Jacob by reason of his being named after the late Jacob De la Motte)
- 17 I give devise and bequeath to Rachel De La Motte of Charlestown & C. daughter of Judith & Emanuel De La Motte the sum of three hundred dollars.
- 18<sup>th</sup> I give devise and bequeath to Wayne Del Myda a son of Abraham and Rebecca Del Myda of Bordeaux in France the sum of Five Hundred Dollars.
- 19<sup>th</sup> I give devise and bequeath to Abigail Leon and Rebecca Bastie (born Del Myda) also of Bordeaux in France sisters of my late husband Wayne Abandonone. each the sum of Three Hundred Dollars.
- 20<sup>th</sup> ~~I give devise and bequeath to~~

I give devise and bequeath to Judith Virginia and Lipporah Del. Myda daughters of Abraham and Rebecca Del. Myda also of Bordeaux France each the sum of Three Hundred Dollars

21<sup>st</sup> all the rest residue and remainder of my Estate I give devise and bequeath to my Executor hereinafter named and appointed and I request him in consideration of this bequest to distribute a portion or portions thereof among such of the Legatees above named as may be in need and worthy thereof

Lastly I nominate constitute and appoint Isaac Phillips of the City of New York Executor of this my last will and Testament,

In witness whereof I have herewith set my ~~hand~~ and subscribed my name this seventh day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven

signed sealed published and declared by the said Grace Abandonone to be her last will and Testament in presence of us as witnesses signing in her presence and in presence of each other at her request this seventh day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven. The word two in the 24<sup>th</sup> line of the second page written on an erasure and the word "clothing" on same line and page altered to "clothe" before execution

Grace Abandonone {I S}

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111 Hammond st  
Samuel Knight 39 Mercer st.  
J. P. Willis Roslyn Queens County  
Long Island

12 Broad st New York

State and County of New York

Surrogate's office

Edward C. West Surrogate of said County

And acting as clerk of the Surrogate's Court do hereby certify that I have compared the annexed copy of the Petition Will and Proof in the matter of the last will and Testament of Grace Abandonone deceased with the original thereof now remaining in this office and have found the same to be a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of such originals on file and of record. In Testimony whereof I have herewith set my hand and affixed my seal of office this tenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight

hundred and fifty eight and of our Independence the Eighty second

Edward C. West  
Surrogate

You do solemnly swear that the writing contains  
the true Last Will of the within named Ralph E.  
Elkoth deceased so far as you know or believe  
and that you will well and truly execute the same  
by paying the debts and then the legacies contained  
in the said will as far as his goods and chattels will  
thereunto extend and the law charge you and that  
you will make a true and perfect inventory of all  
such goods and chattels To Shelp your God

Sworn to before me  
this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April  
1858

William H. Ellick

John Pills  
C. C.

State of Georgia

In the name of God. Amen. I William W Johnston of the City  
of Savannah in the County of Chatham and State aforesaid do make and declare  
this to be my last Will and Testament Hereby revoking and making null and  
void all former and other Wills by me at any time heretofore made. -

I direct that all my funeral expenses and any just debts I may owe at the time  
of my death be paid.

I give and bequeath all my Estate to my Wife Sarah to have and to hold all  
said Estate both Real and Personal together with the debts due to me when collected,  
to her during her widowhood a natural life. This bequeath, to be expressly in  
lieu of dower or any other interest which she can claim in my Estate, and  
from and immediately after the marriage or death of my said Wife I give and  
bequeath all my Estate aforesaid to my children Frances, Margaret, (now the Wife  
of William A. Boquer) William Jasper, and George Lewis, to be divided into equal shares,  
the share that shall fall to the said Frances, Margaret, I give and bequeath the same  
with its future increase to my said Executor hereinafter to be named his Executors  
and Administrators in trust nevertheless to and for the sole separate use of my said  
Daughter during her natural life (not to be subject in any manner to the debts  
contracts or engagements of her present or any future Husband with whom she  
may intermarry) not to be charged or subject to any debt to be contracted by her  
unless expressly so charged by her in writing - with the written consent of said  
Executor or whoever shall succeed him as duly appointed successor or trustees  
in the premises and then and after the death of my said daughter I give and  
bequeath the said share so allotted to her to any child or children or lineal  
representatives of children, who shall take said share as their immediate  
ancestra would have done if living (who may be living at the time of the death  
of my daughter share and share alike if more than one, to them their heirs and  
Executors administrators and assigns jointly or severally in common and not