

What hangs on the name of God in me? If William Phillips of said state and county being of advanced age  
and infirm but of sound and disposing mind and memory, knowing I must shortly depart this life, doth it right  
and proper both to myself my family and myself, that I make a disposition of the property with which a  
kind Providence has blessed me, I do therefore make this my last will and testament hereby revoking and  
annulling all others by me heretofore made.

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and Christian like manner, by the side of my wife,  
suitable to my condition in life. My soul I trust shall return to rest with God who gave it, as I hope for  
salvation through the merits and intercession of the blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid without delay, by my executor herein after named  
and appointed.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I desire and direct that my property be sold by my executor, either publicly or privately, as in his judgment  
may seem best, and the money arising from the sale thereof be disposed of in the following manner viz  
to my daughter Susan Mary now the wife of John H. Blakiston (\$1500) One thousand and five  
hundred dollars, in bush or any thing she may accept as an equivalent thereto. To my daughter Angelina  
Belville one thousand dollars (\$1000) in cash or any thing she may accept in lieu thereof. To my daughter  
Birnia Elizabeth now the wife of James A. Stephenson seven hundred (\$700) dollars or any thing she  
may accept in lieu thereof. To my daughter Emily Jane now the wife of William Allen Two hundred (\$200)  
dollars or any thing she may accept in lieu thereof. To my grand daughter Sarah Brown, the daughter  
of my son George B. Phillips, One thousand (\$1000) dollars, and I do hereby  
appoint John McBlakiston as guardian of the property of the said minor grand daughter Sarah  
Brown Phillips, after the foregoing sums are paid as directed. I direct that the remainder of  
my estate be equally divided between my five daughters viz Emily Jane Allen, Angelina Belville  
Birnia Elizabeth Stephenson Susan Mary Blakiston and Margaret Long Cawthron, share and  
share alike. Should any of my above named daughters die before the execution of this will, then  
their children to succeed to their distributive share of my undivided estate.

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I direct my executor to exact of William Allen and James A. Stephenson my sons in law the sum of  
seven (\$7000) unless they pay to me or my order by the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February eighteen hundred and  
seventy two, the sum of thirty thousand (\$3000) five hundred dollars, which shall be taken and  
received as full payment of the said seven thousand dollars. Should they fail to pay said  
thirty thousand five hundred dollars at the time specified or fourteenth of February eighteen hundred  
and seventy two, then the said seven thousand dollars or whatever part thereof is due, shall be charged  
to the said Emily Jane Allen and Birnia Elizabeth Stephenson and accounted for at the final settlement  
of my estate.

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I hereby appoint my son in law James A. Stephenson as trustee for my daughter Emily Jane Allen  
to take charge of her money whenever gotten up and invest the same in land, as a trust estate, for said  
Emily Jane, and for her benefit during her natural life, and as the children marry or arrive at the age of  
majority, to incur such provision from the said trust estate, as in the judgement of the said trustee, will  
not exceed their equal share in said estate, helping in voice always the comfort and support of the said  
Emily Jane, and at the death of the said Emily Jane the said trust estate or estates, and all the rents and  
profits arising from the use of the same to go to and descend to the children of the said Emily Jane  
then in life or the representatives of such as may be deceased share and share alike, free from  
the debts liabilities or contracts of the said Emily Jane present or any future husband.

Item 6<sup>th</sup> I hereby constitute and appoint John O'Westell executor of this my last will and testament, this the  
fifteenth day of November in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and seventy one.

Signed sealed dictated and published by William Phillips as his last will and testament, the foregoing for hours of page  
and letter paper, in the presence of us the undersigned, who subscribed our names thereto in the presence of  
each other in his usual instance and request, and in the presence of each other this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of Nov 1871  
in common form of law acknowledged to record from 1732. At the lot  
and recorded this day the 2<sup>d</sup> 1873, by Peter C. McCurrie  
P. C. McCurrie Polk County Wills 1848-1891 Joseph A. Blance