

March the 4<sup>th</sup> 1863—

In the Name of God Amen,  
I am well and in my right mind  
but having to leave home and my  
family, feel and go into the army  
fully desirous to leave my last will  
and testament with regard to the  
things of this world, I never return.  
My last will and testament is  
as follows.— Viz— That all Lawful  
Claims against me to be satisfied out of my  
Estate and my wife Katharine to have and  
hold all my property as long as she remains  
single but not sell any portion of the  
Land during her lifetime, and at her death  
for it to be Equally divided between my  
three sons, to wit, William L. Brittain,  
Francis M. Brittain & Asper M. Brittain,  
and the permanent of my other property  
all to belong to my daughter  
Mary M. Brittain.

My wife to have the use of the property  
but not to spend any part of it  
This done. Signed & Sealed and ~~Witnessed~~  
in presence of

John Johnson

Martina Johnson

W<sup>m</sup> L Brittain