

I Ana Johannah Spohnhour of Salem, Stokes County, North Carolina, aforesay being weak in body, but of sound memory and mind, do this fifteenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three make and publish this my last will & Testament in manner following, viz.

1. I commit my soul to God who giveth it and my body to the earth to be decently buried according to the rites of the Church of the United Brethren, whose member I am,
2. It is my will that all my just debts & funeral expenses be fully and fairly paid,
3. I give and bequeath unto my three sisters Elizabeth Rich, Gertrude Smith and Catherine Conrad, the residue of my money, should there be any, to be divided in equal share among them,
4. I give and bequeath unto my sister Catherine Conrad my best Blanket, my wash basket, my cloak and my silver table spoon, a bequest of the late Mary Smith Esq.
5. I give and bequeath unto Rebecca Conrad, the daughter of my sister Catherine Conrad, my cotton fall shawl,
6. I give and bequeath unto Lydia Brinkley, late Conrad the daughter of my sister Catherine Conrad, my best gown and my umbrella,
7. I give and bequeath unto my niece Caroline Rich daughter of my sister Elizabeth Rich my bed and bed clothing, and my chest,
8. I give and bequeath unto my niece Amelia Minkler late Rich daughter of my sister Elizabeth Rich my white monos handkerchief,
9. I give and bequeath unto my niece Rebecca Briley late Briley, daughter of my sister Elizabeth Rich my black silk handkerchief,
10. I give and bequeath unto my niece Charlotte Smith daughter of my sister Gertrude Smith, my large shawl and my parasol,
11. I give and bequeath unto my niece Lucia Smith daughter of my sister Gertrude Smith my bonnet and my monos dress,
12. I give and bequeath unto three sisters Elizabeth Rich, Gertrude Smith and Catherine Conrad the residue of my clothes, goods and chattels to be divided among them in equal shares,

13. I give and bequeath unto Sarah Siddle a small plate a pair <sup>150</sup> side combs, and my money purse with one dollar of hard money in it, if my funds permit it.

14. I give and bequeath unto my god child Caroline Boston late Stockinger one flowered glass tumbler.

15. And I hereby appoint my friend O. A. Vining executor of this my Last will and Testament, in witness whereof the said Anna Johannah Spohnhour hereunto this my last will and Testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written. Witness Seals and attested in the presence of

S. Thos. Pfob Anna Johannah Spohnhour  
mark. his  
mark. AD

June term 1843.

The execution of the last will & testament of Anna J. Spohnhour of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proved in open court by the oath of S. T. Pfob a subscribing witness thereto & ordered to be recorded.

Mt. Hill. etc.

State of Indiana — Martin County Probate Court November Term AD 1840. In the matter of the estate of Elizabeth Oldridge.

Ordered that the letters issued by the Clerk in relation be confirmed and that said Administrator give notice of taking out said letters agreeable to law by posting up notice in three of the most public places in the County of Martin and this cause is continued.

Rufus Brown Clerk of the Probate court of Martin County do hereby certify that the above and foregoing contained a true copy & correct transcript of the record and proceedings had in the matter of the probate of the last will & testament of Elizabeth Oldridge and of the grant of letters of Administration with the seal annexed to Seals of Oldridge as appears of record in my office. In testimony

131 whereof I have hereunto set my hand affixed the  
Seal of said Court at Mount Pleasant in the  
County aforesaid on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September 1842

Rufus Brown Clerk

Letter of Administration with the will annexed of the  
estate of Elizabeth Eldridge late of Martin County deceased  
was granted in vacation to Erie A Eldridge as follows:  
to wit State of Indiana Martin County to wit  
of Silas S. Halbert Clerk of the Probate court of the  
County of Martin & State of Indiana to certify the  
aforestated to be a true copy of the last will & Testament  
of Elizabeth Eldridge late of said County deceased and  
that Erie A Eldridge was duly proved the same and  
is authorized to take upon himself the administration  
of the estate of the said Elizabeth Eldridge according to  
law. Witness my hand and seal of said Court at  
Mount Pleasant this 11<sup>th</sup> day of October 1840

Silas S. Halbert Clerk  
by Rufus Brown Deputy

Copy of will  
Nov 26<sup>th</sup> 1849

Know all men by these presents that I Elizabeth  
Eldridge have this 33<sup>rd</sup> day of November in the year  
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty nine  
doth bequeath that I Elizabeth Eldridge do by this  
instrument bequeath unto each of my children one equal  
portion in my last will and Testament of all the money  
goods and chattels coming to me by will or otherwise except  
my Daughter Palmae Share which is to be kept out at  
Interest for her benefit as long as she lives & after  
her death her children shall have it equally divided  
amongst them when they become of age. In testimony  
whereof I have set my hand and Seal this day &  
date first above written

Palmae Eldridge  
John C. Murchison  
mark

Elizabeth Eldridge

State of Indiana) Martin Co 26/1  
of A. M. Bone Judge of the probate court of Martin  
County in the State aforesaid do hereby Certify that  
said to Halbert at the date of the above proceedings  
certificates was Clerk of the said probate Court that the

is above Rufus Brown was his Deputy & that since <sup>1842</sup>  
Certificates are in due form of law and are entitled to  
full faith & credit as such, witness my hand and  
Seal this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September 1842

A. M. Bone Probate Judge

June term 1843.

The last will & testament of Elizabeth Eldridge Esq.  
of Indiana with the accompanying certificate of which the  
foregoing is a true copy was presented to the Court & proved to be  
admitted to record, and its appearing to the satisfaction of the Court  
that the same was sufficiently authenticated to be admitted to  
record in this State. It was ordered by the Court that the same  
with the accompanying endorsed certificate be recorded.

In & Hill. ex.

I Sarah Stockburger of the County of Stokes and State  
of Carolina being of sound mind and memory but Consider-  
ing the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and de-  
clare this my last will and Testement in manner and form  
following that is to say that my Executor herein after named  
have my body decently Buried after the direction of my relatives  
and that my funeral expences be first paid and all my other  
Just debts of whatever kind. first I will and bequeath  
that my Coll and Cow be sold for the purpose of paying my just  
debts in case that should not be sufficient to pay my debts I  
will and bequeath that a debt of Thirty four Dollars Eighty three  
cents & the Interest be applied to the payment of my debts if the  
above should not be enough to pay my debts I desire my  
Executor to sell such other property as he may think best  
to satisfy my debts I will and bequeath my mare to my  
children to remain with my mother and Brother Silas for  
their benefit I further will and bequeath that my children  
remain with my mother Brother Silas until they are of  
age further I will and bequeath my part of the tract  
of Land be sold at my Mothers death and equally divided  
between my beloved Children Rachel A. Stockburger  
Sarah C. Stockburger and Mary A. C. Stockburger I further  
will and bequeath that all my other property whatever  
be equally divided between my children Rachel A.  
Sarah C and Mary A. C. when the youngest Child