

In the Name of God, Amen:

I, James S. Squire, of the County of Norfolk in the State of Virginia, but now sojourning in the town of Westfield, County of Richmond and State of New York, do publicly, pronounce and declare this as and for my Last Will and Testament, viz:

First- I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my brother, Henry S. Squire and my friend Abraham H. Wood both of the County of Richmond and State of New York, Executors of this my Last Will and Testament, and it is my will and desire that they be permitted to act as such Executors without being required to give security either in the State of Virginia or elsewhere.

Second- I give and bequeath to my sister Catharine Gygou a legacy or annuity of five hundred dollars a year during her natural life, to be paid her by my Executors in semi-annual payments dating from my death.

Third- I give and bequeath to my nephew Joseph S. Squire a legacy of One thousand dollars payable as soon after my death as sufficient funds for that purpose come into the hands of my Executors.

Fourth- I give and devise to my son James Henry Squire during his natural life, for his use and occupation, but not to be assigned or disposed of by him the farm formerly owned by my deceased father, situated on the Embury Road in the Town of Westfield, County of Richmond and State of New York, which I lately purchased at Refugio Sale, together with the twelve acres of land which I purchased of my brother Henry S. Squire adjoining said farm, and at his death I devise the same to his children in fee simple if he leaves any him surviving and in failure of children then to his Grand children. But if my said son leaves no children or Grand children him surviving, then I devise the said lands and premises after his death, to my brother Henry S. Squire in fee simple. And that my son may have the full use and enjoyment of said premises, I order and direct my Executors or the survivors of them, in their discretion, out of the proceeds of my other property to expend in the

erection of buildings and other improvements on said lands and premises and in farming implements and utensils therefor, a sum not to exceed four thousand dollars.

Fifth- I give and bequeath to my son James Henry Squire an annual legacy or annuity of seven hundred dollars to be paid three in semi-annual payments during his natural life by my Executors, dating from my death.

Sixth- I give and bequeath to my friend and Executor Abraham H. Wood, a certain promissory note for One thousand dollars which I now hold against him together with all the interest which may have accrued thereon at my death, and he is discharged from the payment thereof.

Seventh- I authorize, empower and direct my said Executors or the survivors of them to hire out my slaves in the State of Virginia and North Carolina, from time to time during the lives of such slaves, but not to sell the same, and in the manner of carrying out this direction they are to consult the welfare, comfort and happiness of such slaves. The proceeds of this hiring are to belong to my residuary legatee as hereinafter provided.

Eighth- I authorize and direct my Executors to invest on Bond and Mortgage, secured by Real Estate in the State of New York, and to keep invested in this manner so Executors a principal sum sufficient to yield annually the several annuities above bequeathed to my son James Henry Squire and to my sister Catharine Gygou and to pay over the income so above provided.

Ninth- I give devise and bequeath all the rest and residue of my Real Estate and personal property of every description (including the principal sums above directed to be invested after the payment of said annuities) to my brother Henry S. Squire of the County of Richmond and State of New York, and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal to this my Last Will and Testament, the twenty-second day of May, in the year of our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and fifty nine, hereby revoking and annulling all former Wills and Testaments.

James S. Squire

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Signed, sealed, published,
acknowledged and declared by the
said James S. Seguire to be
his last Will and Testament
in our presence, who in his
presence and at his request, and
in the presence of each other, have
subscribed our names thereto
as attesting witnesses, this 22nd
day of May, 1859.

B. P. Minant, Rossville, Richmond County, N. Y.
D. A. Edgar, Rossville, Richmond County, N. Y.
Lot. C. Clark, Port Richmond, Richmond County, N. Y.

At the Circuit Court of Norfolk County, continued by
adjournment and held on the 7th day of March 1868.

The will of James S. Seguire late of this County,
bearing date on the 22nd day of May in the year
Eighteen hundred and fifty nine was this day
offered for probate by Henry S. Seguire and Abraham
H. Hood the Executors therein named, and James H.
Seguire the only child & heir at law of the said James
S. Seguire and who has been summoned as a person
interested in such probate to appear here on this
day to show cause why the said will should not
be admitted to record, appeared by John H. Gayle his
attorney in fact and declined to ask a jury to ascertain
whether the paper produced be the will of the decedent
James S. Seguire, whereupon the Court proceeded to decide
the question of probate without a jury, and B. P. Minant
and D. A. Edgar two of the witnesses to the said will were
sworn and examined and the parties aforesaid by
their Counsel fully heard. On consideration whereof it is
the opinion of the Court that the said James S. Seguire
died, was at the time of executing the aforesaid will of
sound mind, that he signed and acknowledged the said
will as & for his last will and testament in the presence
of the said B. P. Minant and D. A. Edgar and of Lot. C.
Clark, competent witnesses present at the same time,
that the said witnesses subscribed the said will in the
presence of the said James S. Seguire, that the said
Lot. C. Clark is a citizen of the State of New York but
is now absent, travelling in Europe,
and the said will having been found according to law

as a will of personal & real estate by the testimony
of the said two witnesses B. P. Minant and D. A. Edgar,
it is therefore ordered that the said will of the said
James S. Seguire, bearing date on the 22nd day of
May in the year Eighteen Hundred & fifty nine and
this day offered for probate as aforesaid, be admitted to
record as a will both of personal and real estate,
And on the motion of Abraham H. Hood one of the
Executors therein named, who made oath thereto and
entered into and acknowledged a bond without security
as directed by the will, in the penalty of Forty thousand
dollars with conditions according to law, which bond is
ordered to be recorded, Certificate is granted him for
obtaining a probate of the said will in due form,
liberally, being reserved to the other Executors named in
the will to join in the probate when he shall think
fit, the said other Executors consenting to the separate
qualification of Executors of the said A. H. Hood.

Test: G. F. Edwards, C. C.

Clerk of said Court.

State of Virginia
Norfolk County.

I, Abrah. H. Martin, Clerk of the
Circuit Court of Norfolk County, State of Virginia do
hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and
perfect copy of the last will and testament of James
S. Seguire deceased, and of the facts found by the Court
in matter of probate of same, and of the judgment
of the Court adjudging said paper to be the last will
and testament of said James S. Seguire deceased, as
appears of record in this office. I further certify
that said Court is a court of record and has full
jurisdiction to take probate of wills and testaments.
Witness my hand & the seal of said Court at office
in Portsmouth Norfolk County, State of Virginia, this
January 4, 1907.

(L.S.)

Abrah. H. Martin,
Clerk of Circuit Court of
Norfolk County, Virginia.

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