

Record of the Will of William Eddy  
State of New York, &c. Be it rememberec that at  
Richmond County, &c. a Surrogate Court held for  
the County of Richmond at the Surrogate office in  
the village of Richmond on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of May 1831.

Present Richard Crockeron Surrogate  
On the matter of proving the last will and  
testament of William Eddy late of Westfield deceased.

Whereas William Shea one of the Executors  
named in the said will of the said deceased, as  
is alleged intends to make application to the said  
Surrogate to have the said will proved before the  
said Surrogate, and record the same pursuant to the re-  
-vised Statutes of the State of New York, and whereas it  
has been made satisfactorily to appear that Eliza  
Cole, Mary, Caroline, Cornelius and Susan Eddy  
have been at law the said deceased are minors.  
It is therefore ordered by the said Surrogate that  
Capt Henry Butler of the town of Westfield be appoin-  
-ted Guardian of the said minors to take care of their  
interests in the premises. — Whereupon a certificate  
of Guardianship was duly issued by the said Sur-  
-rogate to the said Henry Butler. — And whereas  
at a Surrogate court held at the said office  
the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 1831 present Rich Crockeron Surrogate  
William Shea and Andrew Eddy Executors na-  
med in the last will and Testament of William Eddy  
deceased appeared and produced the following note.

In the matter of proving the last will and Testa-  
-ment of William Eddy late of Westfield deceased  
To Catherine Cole, Sarah Cole, Maria Lydia, John  
Eddy & Catherine Prior heirs of said deceased, and to  
Henry Butler Guardian of Mary, Caroline, Cornelius  
b. and Susan Eddy, and Eliza Cole, minors heirs of  
said deceased. — Please to take notice, that I in-  
-tend to apply to the Surrogate of the County of Rich-  
mond at his office in the village of Richmond on  
the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June at 3 o'clock in the afternoon for  
the purpose of having the last will and Testament  
of William Eddy late of Westfield proved.  
Dated 30<sup>th</sup> day of May 1831. — Signed Andrew Eddy executor

Pittmon County, &c. Andrew Eddy being duly sworn  
saith that he personally served the foregoing notice on the  
persons therein named, except Catherine Cole he left a copy  
at her place of residence all which he served June 1<sup>st</sup> 1831 —  
and further saith that there are no other heirs of the said  
William Eddy dec'd than those named in the said notice  
except himself. — Signed Andrew Eddy. Sworn before  
me the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 1831. Rich Crockeron Surrogate

Whereas the said court being satisfied with the proof  
made in the premises, that due notice had been given  
according to law, of the intention to have the said will  
of the said deceased proved, according to the revised  
Statutes of the State of New York. It was therefore or-  
-dered, on reading and filing the above affidavit by  
the said court, that William Shea and Andrew Eddy  
Acting Executors, have leave to proceed to prove to  
the said will of the said deceased, and thereupon the  
said will being produced and shown to the said court.

State of New York. Richmond County, &c.

In the matter of proving the will of Real and  
Personal estate of William Eddy late of the Town of  
Westfield in the County aforesaid deceased.

Jacob Simanson of the Town and County aforesaid be-  
ing duly sworn, deposes and saith, that he did-  
-see the said deceased sign and seal the said instru-  
-ment now shown to him purporting to be the last will  
and testament of the said deceased, bearing date the first  
day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight-  
hundred and twenty nine, and heard him the said  
deceased, publish and declare the same as and for  
his last will and Testament, that at the time thereof the  
said deceased was of sound disposing mind and mem-  
ory and not under any restraint, to the best knowledge  
and belief of this deponent, that he together with Ban-  
-iel Sharrot and Sarah Ann Shea the other Subscri-  
-bing Witnesses to the said will, subscribed their  
names thereto as witnesses, at the request and in the  
presence of the testator and in the presence of each o-  
-ther. — Signed Jacob Simanson. — Sworn  
before me the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. 1831.

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State of New York. Richmond County Jr.

In the matter of proving the Will of Real and Personal estate of William Eddy late of the town of Westfield in the said County deceased - Daniel Sharrot of the Town and County aforesaid being duly sworn deposeth and saith, That he did see the said deceased, sign and seal the said instrument now sheweth to him purporting to be the last Will and testament of the said deceased bearing date the first day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty nine, and when him the said deceased, publish and declare the same as and for his last will and testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound disposing mind and memory, and not under any restraint, to the best of the knowledge and belief of his deponent, that he together with Jacob Simonson and Sarah Ann Shea the other subscribing witnesses to the said will subscribed their names thereto as witnesses, at the No. greatest said in the presence of the testator, and in the presence of each other. — Signed Daniel Sharrot  
Sworn before me the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 1831. Richd. Crookshank Esq.

And therefore it appearing to the said Court that the said will of the said deceased was duly executed according to law, and that the said testator who executed the same; was at the time of making such execution, of sound mind and memory and not under any restraint, It is ordered by the said Court, on due deliberation, that the said will together with the proof thereof be recorded, which said proof is herein before recorded and contained, and that the said will so ordered to be recorded is as follows. To wit.

In the Name of God. Amen,  
I William Eddy of the Town of Westfield Richmond County and State of New York, being weak in body but of sound mind and memory, Bless ed be Almighty God for the same, do make and publish this as my last will and testament in manner and form following, To wit I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God who

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gave it, and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian manner by my Executor hereinafter mentioned. And as touching such worldly estate as I am possessed of I dispose of the same in the following manner.

First. I order that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid after my decease by my Executor hereinafter mentioned, by selling all my personal estate immediately after my decease except such furniture, bedding and such other articles as may be necessary for my wife Catherine to furnish a room with which I will leave her, and the residue and remainder of the money arising from the sale of my said personal estate if any there should be, shall be put out at interest for the use of my said wife, and the interest paid unto her yearly and every year during her life time or as long as she remains my widow, and also I give unto her my said wife Catherine full possession of all my Real estate during her natural life or as long as she remains my widow, but in case she should marry, I give unto her the sum of two hundred Dollars in fee of her owner right or of anything therein contained. — I give and bequeath unto my daughter Catherine wife of Andrew Pier all the money or sum of money which Andrew Pier her said Husband owes me. — Then I give and bequeath unto my son Andrew Eddy the one equal half part of my Farm or Plantation, lying on the west most side thereof adjoining the lands of Cornelius Slaght deceased and James Lafferty dividing the line along the main road on the north side of said Farm in two equal proportions from the northeast corner of the land of Cornelius Slaght deceased, to the northwest corner of the land of Moses Wenant and running from thence southerly so as to divide my said Farm or plantation in two equal shares, allowing unto my said son Andrew my Barn with forty feet to the north thereof thirty feet easterly and sixty feet southerly, a distance from said Barn, as I considered and expect that the line will strike said Barn, and also I give and bequeath unto him my son the said Andrew Eddy the privilege of water from my well, and

also the one half of my salt meadow. The whole  
of said estate will be to him I give and bequeath unto  
him his heirs and assigns forever. — Then I give  
and bequeath unto my son John Eddy the remain-  
ing one equal half part of my Real Estate by his  
paying or causing to be paid unto my daughter Mary  
wife of Patrick Dwyer the sum of two hundred dol-  
lars immediately after the decease of my wife Cath-  
erine, and it is further to be understood that where-  
as I have sold unto my dear son Andrew a cer-  
tain part of my said Farm on the northwest corner  
thereof, and unto my son John a certain part on  
thereof on the southeast corner, it is my will that  
the said Farm when divided between them, shall  
be so divided in such a manner as to make two  
equal shares thereof as if I never had sold the same  
or in other words giving unto my son Andrew the  
one equal half part of my said Farm on the west  
side, and unto my son John the one equal half on  
the east side to be divided between them in equal  
quantity of land, allowing unto Andrew the former  
mentioned privilege. — The said proportion of land  
which I bequeath unto my son John, I give unto  
him his heirs and assigns forever. — And in case  
there should be any personal estate left after the  
decease of my wife Catherine, I give and bequeath  
the same share and share alike unto my said son  
John and Andrew Eddy. — And lastly I con-  
stitute and appoint my said Son Andrew Eddy and  
William Shea Executors of this my last will  
and Testament hereby revoking and making null  
and void all former Wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my  
hand and seal the first day of July in the year of  
our Lord one thousand eight hundred & twenty nine  
Published, pronounced and  
declared by the said William Eddy  
to be his last will and Testament in  
the presence of us who have hereunto  
subscribed our names —

William Eddy (2)

Jacob Simanson. Daniel Sharot. Sarah Ann Shea

State of New York, &c. Be it remembered that at  
Richmond County, &c. a Surrogate Court held in  
said for the said County at the  
Surrogate office in the Village of Richmond on the six-  
teenth day of June, in the Year of our Lord one thousand  
and eight hundred and thirty one before Richard  
Cocheron Surrogate of the said County, the last will  
and Testament of William Eddy late of Westfield in  
the said County deceased, was admitted to probate  
after having been duly proved, (which will together  
with the proof thereof is herein before recorded.)  
Whereupon it is ordered by the said Surrogate —  
that letters Testamentary thereon be granted to An-  
drew Eddy and William Shea the executors there-  
in named, after the expiration of thirty days from  
the time of taking the proof aforesaid in their taking  
and subscribing the oath of Office prescribed by law.

Richard Cocheron Surrogate

Richmond County, &c. Be it remembered that on  
the sixteenth day of July in the year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and thirty one, personally  
appeared before me Andrew Eddy and William  
Shea the executors in the aforesaid will named, and  
were duly sworn to the faithful performance and  
execution thereof by taking the usual oath in  
such cases provided.

Whereupon Letters Testamentary was duly is-  
suued to the said Andrew Eddy and William Shea  
the aforesaid Executrix, under the seal of office  
of the said Surrogate.

Richard Cocheron Surrogate

(107) Recored of the Will of Stephen Wood

State of New York ss. Be it remembered that at a Surrogate Court held for the County of Richmond at the dwelling house of John Wood in the Town of Castleton in the said County on the nineteenth day of July A. D. 1831. Present Richard Brockeson Esq.

In the matter of proving the last will and Testament of Stephen Wood late of Castleton deceased. Whereas John Wood and Richard Wood appear before they being the executors named in the said Will of the said deceased, and offered the said Will for proof, and produced the following consent of the heirs, — In the matter of proving the last will and Testament of Stephen Wood late of the Town of Castleton in the County of Richmond deceased.

Whereas John Wood and Richard Wood Executors named in the last will and Testament of the said deceased, alleged that they intend to apply to the Surrogate of the County of Richmond, on Tuesday the 19th day of July instant at 1 o'clock P. M. at the dwelling house of the said John Wood, to have the said will proved. — We the undersigned heirs at law of the said deceased, do hereby consent and agree to have the said will proved on the said day. Signed by Elizabeth Christopher and Stephen Wood. And dated the 18<sup>th</sup> day of July A. D. 1831.

Richmond County ss. John Wood of the said County, being sworn, saith, that Elizabeth Christopher and Stephen Wood the persons who signed the above consent to have the last will and Testament of Stephen Wood deceased, proved, are all the heirs of the said deceased, except himself and his brother Richard Wood, who are heirs, and the executors and the applicants to have the said will proved. Signed John Wood. — Sworn before me the 19<sup>th</sup> day of July 1831. Richard Brockeson Surrogate.

Whereas the said court being satisfied with the proof made in the premises, that due notice had been given according to the true intent and meaning of the laws of the State of New York, concerning Wills of

(108) Real and personal property and the proof of them. It was therefore ordered on reading and filing the foregoing consent and affidavit by the said court, that John Wood and Richard Wood acting executors, have leave to proceed to prove the said Will of the said deceased, and thereupon the said Will being produced, and shown to the said court

State of New York, Richmond County, ss.

In the matter of proving the last will and Testament of Stephen Wood late of the Town of Castleton in the County of Richmond deceased,

Richard Conner and Timothy Bogert of the Town of Castleton and Simon Bogert of the Town of Northfield, all in the said County, being duly sworn deponeth and saith, that they did see the said deceased sign and seal the instrument now shown to them purporting to be the last will and Testament of the said deceased, bearing date the eleventh day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty eight, and heard him the said deceased publish and declare the same, as and for his last will and Testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound disposing mind and memory and not under any restraint, to the best of the knowledge and belief of these deponents, that they did each and severally subscribe their names thereto as witnesses at the request of the testator in his presence and in the presence of each other. And further these deponents saith not.

Signed Richard Conner Simon Bogert Timothy Bogert Sworn and subscribed the 19<sup>th</sup> day of July A. D. 1831 Before me Richard Brockeson Surrogate

And thereupon it appearing to the said court that the said Will of the said deceased was duly executed according to law, and that the said testator who executed the same, was at the time of making such execution of sound mind and memory and not under any restraint. It is ordered by the said court on due deliberation, that the said Will together with the proof thereof be recordable, which said proof is hereinafter recorded and contained, and that said Will so ordered to be recordable as follows:

In the Name of God. Amen. I Stephen  
Wood of the Town of Cattletown in the County of  
Richmond and State of New York, yeoman, Tho:  
enjoying the perfect use and exercise of my mental pa-  
tient, as a sound mind memory preserved un-  
-der; and being moreover deeply impressed with  
the necessity and importance of the junction, to  
sett our house in order before we die, do in the most  
solemn manner & in strict conformity with  
my present desire, direct and order that the  
subsequent clauses be considered, received and  
observed in my last Will and Testament. --  
Previous to the disposal of my dear bodily property  
it behoves me to invoke the divine benediction, and  
to deliver into the hands of Almighty God, my  
immortal spirit, whenever in the course of his own  
and evering Providence he shall be pleased to sum-  
mon it hence, beseeching his gracious acceptance  
thereof, only for the Righteousness sake of the blessed  
Redeemer. - My Body I request may be committed  
to the earth in a decent and Christian like manner  
and my Executors shall be pleased to direct. --

Artimus, I hereby Will and do hereby order  
and direct that my Executors or the survivor of  
them shall immediately after my decease pro-  
ceed to call in and collect all the monies that shall  
then be found to be due to me from every person  
and persons whom soever, on Bond, Note or Book  
Debt or otherwise how so ever, And without delay  
to settle and pay off all my funeral and Testa-  
mentary charges, and all other just claims and  
demands, in, upon or against my estate. --

Item. I give and devise unto my three sons  
namely. John, Stephen and Richard All my  
salt meadow, to them their heirs and assigns.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughter  
Elizabeth wife of Joseph Christopher the sum of  
fifteen dollars yearly and every year during her  
natural life, and order my executors hereafter named  
to pay my said daughter Elizabeth said year  
ly sum of fifteen dollars yearly and evering every

year during her natural life. -- And lastly  
as to all the rest, residue and remainder of my personal  
estate, goods and chattels of what kind or nature soever,  
I give and bequeath the same to my two sons, John and  
Richard, share and share alike, after all my just debts  
and the legacy to my daughter Elizabeth is paid. --

And I do hereby nominate, constitute, authorise  
and appoint my two sons John Wood and Richard  
Wood to be the Executors of this my last Will and Testa-  
ment, hereby revoking, disannulling and disallow-  
ing all Wills and Testaments by me at any time here-  
before made, ratifying, allowing and confirming this  
only to be my last Will and Testament. --

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my  
hand and seal the Eleventh day of July in the Year  
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & twenty eight.

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced  
and affixed to the said Will and  
Testament in the presence of us who  
have signed our names as witnesses  
thereto at the request and in the pres-  
ence of the said Testator, and also  
in the presence of each other.

Stephen Wood, Simon Bogart, Timothy Bogart

State of New York. } Be it remembered that at a  
Richmond County } Surrogate Court held in and  
for the said County at the dwelling House of John Wood  
in Cattletown on the nineteenth day of July in the year  
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty one,  
before Richard Brocheron Surrogate of the said County.  
The last Will and Testament of Stephen Wood late of  
Cattletown in the said County, deceased, was admitted  
to probate, after having been duly proved, (which will  
together with the proof thereof is herein before recorded) --  
Whereupon it is ordered by the said Surrogate that  
Letter Testamentary thereon be granted to John Wood &  
Richard Wood the executors therein named, after the expira-  
tion of thirty days from the time of taking the proof aforesaid  
on their taking the oath of office required by law Rich? Brocheron Surrogate

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State of New York<sup>3d</sup> Be it remembered that on  
County of Richmond<sup>3d</sup> the twentieth day of August  
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred  
and thirty one, personally appeared before me  
John Wood and Michael Hooper, the executors in  
the aforesaid Will named, and were duly sworn  
to the faithful performance and execution thereof  
by taking the usual oath in such cases provided.  
Whereupon, letters testamentary was duly issued  
to the said Executrix, under the seal of office of the  
said Surrogate. Richard Crockeron Surrogate.

Record of the Will of Bornt Segurie

State of New York<sup>3d</sup> Be it remembered that  
Richmond County<sup>3d</sup> A Surrogate Court held for the County of Richmond  
at the Surrogate's office in the Village of Richmond on  
the 2d day of July A. D. 1831.

Present Michael Crockeron Surrogate  
On the matter of proving the last Will and  
Testament of Bornt Segurie late of Westfield dec'd

Whereas, Joseph S. Bennett one of the trustees  
named in the last Will and Testament of the said  
deceased, doth alleg'd intend to make application  
to the said Surrogate, to have the said will proved  
before the said Surrogate, and recorded pursuant  
to the revised Statutes of the State of New York, and  
also for probate. And whereas it has been made  
satisfactorily to appear that, Henry Stewart Segurie  
nephew & heir at law of the said deceased is a minor,  
and also that Martha, Elizabeth & Maria Poillon-  
Meier and heirs at law of said dec'd are also mi-  
nor. — Whereupon It was ordered by the  
said Surrogate that Joseph G Segurie of South-  
field be appointed Guardian of Henry S. Segurie  
to take care of his interest in the proceedings to be had  
upon the said Will. And that Andrew Eddy of  
Westfield be appointed Guardian of Martha, Eliza-  
beth and Maria Poillon to take care of their interests in  
the said proceeding, to be had on the said Will.

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Whereupon Certificate of Guardianship was duly is-  
sued by the said Surrogate to the said Joseph G Segurie  
and to the said Andrew Eddy. — and Whereas,  
at a Surrogate Court held at the said office on the 18<sup>th</sup>  
day of August 1831, Present Richard Crockeron Surrogate  
Joseph S. Bennett the aforesaid Executor appeared  
and Joseph Segurie Brother and Executor named in  
the last Will and Testament of the said Bornt Segurie  
dec'd also appeared and produced the following notice  
In the matter of proving the last Will and Testa-  
ment of Bornt Segurie deceased.

Please to take notice, That I intend to apply to  
the Surrogate of the County of Richmond at his office  
in the Village of Richmond on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August  
next at 10. O'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose  
of having the last Will and Testament of Bornt  
Segurie late of Westfield in the said County  
deceased, proved. — Dated the 27<sup>th</sup> day of July 1831.

To Henry Segurie, Stephen Segurie, Frederick Se-  
gurie, Joseph Segurie, Mary Bennett, Joseph Bedell  
and Helcha his wife, James Guyon and Martha his  
wife. Children of John Segurie dec'd. Namely, George,  
John, Robert and Bornt Segurie, Nancy wife of Dan-  
iel Lourneay & Catherine wife of John Johnson.  
Children of Madie<sup>d</sup> Sister Catherine also deceased. Name-  
ly James Laforge, Henry Laforge, Stephen John-  
son and Catherine Johnson, — James Segurie  
deceased children, Namely, Joseph G Segurie for  
himself and as Guardian for Henry Segurie his minor  
Brother, James Segurie and Catherine wife of John  
Guyon. — Children of the deceased Sister Eliza-  
beth Poillon dec'd. Namely, Abraham, James, Peter  
and John Poillon, Margaret Poillon, Catherine  
wife of Andrew Eddy, and to Andrew Eddy as  
Guardian of Martha, Elizabeth and Maria Poil-  
lon, minors. Signed by Joseph S. Bennett Legatee

Richmond County Jr. Joseph S. Bennett being  
duly sworn, saith, that he personally served  
the within notice on all the persons herein name-  
d, except John Segurie and Abraham Poillon.

Who are not to be found. — And this deponent further saith, that there are no other heirs at law of the said Bornt Seguine deceased than the aforesaid persons, in the said notice wherein named, to the best of the knowledge and belief of this deponent. — Signed Joseph S. Bennett

Sworn before me the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August 1831.

Richard Crocheron, Surrogate.

Whereas, the said court being satisfied with the proof made in the premises, that due notice has been given according to law, of the intention to have the said Will of the said deceased proved, according to the Revised Statute of the State of New York, concerning Wills of Real and personal property and the proof of them.

It was therefore ordered, on reading and filing the above affidavit by the said court,

that Joseph S. Bennett the said legatee and Joseph Seguine the aforesaid named Executrix have leave to proceed to prove the said Will of the said deceased, and thereupon the said Will being produced and shewn to the said court.

State of New York, Richmond County, Jr.

In the Matter of proving the last Will and Testament of Bornt Seguine late of the Town of Westfield in the County & State aforesaid deceased.

John Eddy and Peterson Winant of Westfield in the County of Richmond being duly sworn, doth and saith, that they did see the said deceased sign and seal the said instrument now shown to them, purporting to be the last will and Testament of the said deceased, bearing date the twenty third day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty four, and heard him the said deceased publish and declare the same, as, and for his last will and Testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound disposing mind and memory, and not under any restraint, to the best of the knowledge and belief of these deponents, and that they together with William Wood the other subscribing witnesses to

the said Will, at the said time, subscribed their names thereto as witnesses, in the presence of the testator and at his request, and in the presence of each other and further these deponents saith not, signed John Eddy & Peterson Winant Sworn and Subscribed the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August A. D. 1831, before me Richard Crocheron Surrogate.

Richmond County, State of New York Jr.

In the Matter of proving the last Will and Testament of Bornt Seguine late of the Town of Westfield in the County of Richmond deceased.

William Shea, John Eddy and Peterson Winant of the Town and County aforesaid being duly sworn deponeth and saith, that on the first day of January A. D. 1830, the aforesaid Bornt Seguine deceased, did acknowledge the instrument now shown to them purporting to be his last Will and Testament, bearing date the twenty third day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty four, and the said deceased did acknowledge, republish and declare the same, as, and for his last will and Testament, that the deceased at the time of making said acknowledgement was of sound disposing mind and memory and not under any restraint to the best of the knowledge and belief of these deponents, and that they severally subscribed their names thereto as witnesses at the request of the testator in his presence and in the presence of each other and further these deponents saith not.

Signed William Shea, John Eddy, Peterson Winant Sworn and Subscribed the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August 1831, before me Richard Crocheron Surrogate.

And thereupon it appearing to the said court that the said Will of the said deceased was duly executed according to law, and that the said Testator who executed the same, was at the time of making such execution, of sound mind and memory, and not under any restraint and that at a subsequent date the said deceased did acknowledge and republish the same as his last Will. — It is ordered by the said court, on due deliberation, that the said Will together with

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the proof thereof be recorded, which said proofs  
herein before recorded and contained, and that  
the said will so ordered to be recorded is as fol-  
lows. to wit.

¶ In the Name of God. Amen.

I, Boritt Seguine of Staten Island, Richmond  
County, State of New York. — Being in my  
perfect mind sense and memory do make and  
publish this my last Will and Testament in man-  
ner and form following. (that is to say) First. —  
I give and bequeath to my Brother Joseph Seguine  
all my part of the land or Farm whereon I now live,  
also all my part of the Land or Farm at Freshkill,  
also all my other lands in Richmond County,  
to him and his heirs and assigns forever. —  
I also give and bequeath to my Brother Joseph Seguine  
All my lands in the State of North Carolina, to him  
and his heirs and assigns forever. Item I give unto my  
Brother Frederick Seguine & sufficient support out of  
my estate during his life. — Item, I give and be-  
queath to my Sister Mary Bennett Seven hundred  
pounds. — I give my Sister Martha Guyon the  
use of three hundred pounds during her life and  
after her death, the principal to go to my Sister Mary  
Bennett and to her heirs and assigns forever. — Item,  
I give to my Sister Helica Bedell Sixty pounds.  
Item, I give to my nephew Joseph S Bennett two hun-  
dred pounds. — Item, I give to my nephew Bonit  
Seguine fifty pounds, — Item I give to Bonit da-  
Forge, the son of my nephew David daForge forty  
pounds. — Item, I give and bequeath to my Bro-  
ther Joseph Seguine all the residue and remainder  
of my estate, both real and personal to him and his  
heirs and assigns forever. — I do constitute and appoint  
my Brother Joseph Seguine Executor to this my last  
Will and Testament, and to see that it is duly and true-  
ly executed and performed according to the true in-  
tent and meaning thereof.

In Witness whereof, I have hereunto set my  
hand and seal this twenty seven day of Novem-  
ber One thousand eight hundred and twenty four.

Be it remembered that on the first day  
of January One thousand eight hundred and  
thirty, the within named Testator Boritt Seguine  
acknowledged the within to be his hand and  
seal and his last will and Testament, in the  
presence of us who have hereunto subscribed  
our names in presence of each other and also  
in presence of the said Testator.

Witness Present

William Shea

John Eddery

Peterson Warrant

Richmond County, N. Y. I, Richard Brockeson  
Surrogate of the said County, do hereby certi-  
fy, that the above Acknowledgment was enter-  
ed and sealed on the Will of Boritt Seguine dec'd, which  
was proved and registered in this office in book D  
Page 115 and 116, and that the same was omitted un-  
intentionally, of being registered in its proper place, gate  
immediately following the Will.

Dated, Surrogate office, October 10<sup>th</sup> A. D. 1831.

: Richard Brockeson Surrogate

Richmond County, N. Y. Be it remembered that  
on the thirteenth day of October, in the year of  
our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty one  
the personally appeared before me Joseph S Ben-  
nett a legatee in the aforesaid Will named, and  
were duly sworn to the faithful performance and  
execution thereof by taking the usual oath in such  
cases provided. — Whereupon letter of Adminis-  
tration with the will annexed, (Joseph Seguine  
the executor in the said will named, having ren-  
ounced the execution thereof) was duly issued to  
the aforesaid Joseph S Bennett, under the seal of  
office of the said Surrogate. Richard Brockeson Surrogate

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# Recd of the Will of John Laforge

State of New York, Richmond County, Jr.

Be it remembred that at a Surrogate Court held for the County of Richmond at New York, office in the village of Richmond on the fifth day of September 1831 Present Rich<sup>d</sup> Crocheron Surrogate

In the matter of Proving the last will and Testament of John Laforge late of Castleton and Whereas Peter D Laforge and Garret M Laforge two of the Executors named in the said will of the said deceased, appeared and offered the said will for Proof, and produced the following notice to him.

In the matter of proving the last will and Testament of John Laforge deceased  
Please to take notice, that we intitute uply to the Surrogate of the County of Richmond on the fifth day of September at 10 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of having the last will and Testament of John Laforge late of Castleton in the County of Richmond deceased, proved, To Peter Laforge of Newgate, Middlesex County, State of New Jersey Signed by Peter D Laforge, John D Laforge, Esq. N. Laforge acting Executors. - Dated the 15<sup>th</sup> August 1831.

Richmond County Jr. - Peter D Laforge being duly sworn deposes and saith, that he personally served the within notice on the within named Peter Laforge on the sixteenth day of August last past, - and further saith that the said within named Peter Laforge is the Testator of John Laforge deceased the within testator, and the only heir at law of the said deceased Peter D Laforge Sevorn and subscriber the 5<sup>th</sup> day of September 1831 before me, Richmond County Surrogate.

Whereupon the said court being satisfied with the proof made in the premises, that due notice had been given according to law, of the intention to have the said will of the said deceased proved, according to the revised Statutes of the State of New York, concerning Wills of Real and personal property and the proof of them, - It was therefore ordered on reading and filing the

In the name of God. Amen. I John Laforge of the Town of Castleton in the County of Richmond and State of New York, Merchant, Being mindful of my Mortality and of Second death and memory, (Blessed be Almighty God for the same) do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following. - Namely & recommend my Soul to Almighty God that gave it and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a decent manner by my Executor.

First, I do authorize and empower my Executors hereinafter named at a reasonable time and within three months after my decease to sell and dispose of all my estate both Real and Personal and all my effects whatsoever at public vendue.

I also will and order that all my just debts and funeral expences be paid by my Executor in a reasonable time after my decease.

I also will and order that all the residue and remainder of the money and proceeds arising from the sale of all my personal and Real Estate and effects be put out at Interest by my Executor on Bond and Mortgage on unincumbered Real estate either in the County of Richmond or in the City and County of New York.

I also give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Gertrude, all the Interest arising from all monies so put out on Bond and Mortgage by my Executor as long as she remains my widow. - I also give and bequeath to the chil-

dren of my wife Gertrude, namely Peter D Laforge, John D Laforge, Garret M Laforge and Martha Ann Laforge all the principal monies so put out on Bond and Mortgage by my Executors, whenever my wife marries or after her decease to be equally divided among them Share and Share alike.

In the said deceased, publish and declare

foregoing affidavit by the said Court, that Peter D. Laforge, alias G. M. Laforge, the aforesaid Acting Executor have leave to proceed to prove the said Will of the said deceased, — And thereupon the said will being produced and shown to the Court.—

State of New York, Richmond County, Jr.

In the matter of proving the last Will and Testament of John Laforge late of Castleton County of Richmond and Isaac B. Swift of the Town of Castleton and County aforesaid, being duly sworn, deposed and saith, that he did see the said deceased, sign and seal the said instrument more shown to him, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, bearing date the eighteenth day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and thirty, that he did hear the said deceased publish and declare the same, as, and for his last Will and Testament, that at the time then of the said deceased was of sound disposing mind and memory and not under any restraint, to the best knowledge and belief of this deponent, — That he, together with Thos S. Kingland and Charles Swift the other subscribing testifiers to the said Will, subscribed their names thereto as witnesses in the presence of the Testator, at his request, and in the presence of each other, and further this deponent saith not. Signed Isaac B. Swift. — Sworn and Subscribed the fifth day of September 1831, before me, Richard Crocker, Surrogate

State of New York, Richmond County, Jr.

In the matter of proving the last Will and Testament of John Laforge of Castleton aforesaid

Charles Swift, of the Town and County aforesaid, being duly sworn deposed and saith, that he did see the said deceased sign and seal the instrument more shown to him purporting to be the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, bearing date the eighteenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty, and heard him the said deceased, publish and declare

affidavit  
Signed & sworn  
before this 5th day of  
September 1831

Isaac B. Swift  
John Laforge  
Peter D. Laforge  
Witnesses  
for the deceased

affidavit  
Signed & sworn  
before this 5th day of  
September 1831

Isaac B. Swift  
John Laforge  
Peter D. Laforge  
Witnesses  
for the deceased

affidavit  
Signed & sworn  
before this 5th day of  
September 1831

the same, as, and for his last will and Testament  
that at the time thereof the said deceased was of  
sound disposing mind and memory, and not un-  
der any restraint to the best knowledge and belief  
of this deponent, and that he together with Thorn  
S. Kingsland and Isaac Bissell the other Subscri-  
-bing witnesses to the said will, Subscribed their  
names thereto as witnesses at the request of the Testa-  
-ment, in his presence and in the presence of each o-  
-ther, and further this deponent with rest signed, Charles Swift  
Sworn and Subscribed the 5<sup>th</sup> day of September A. D. 1831.  
Before me, Richard Crokeron, Surrogate.

And whereupon it appearing to the said Court  
that the said will of the said deceased was duly  
executed according to law, and that the said Testa-  
-tator who executed the same, was at the time of  
making such execution of sound mind and memory  
and not under any restraint. — It is ordered  
by the said Court on due deliberation, that  
the said will together with the proof thereof be  
recorded, which said proof is herein before re-  
corded and contained, and that the said will  
so ordered to be recorded, is as follows, to wit:

In the Name of God, Amen. I John  
Lafarge of the Town of Castleton in the County  
of Richmond and State of New York, Merchant.  
Being mindful of my mortality and of sound  
mind and memory, blessed be Almighty  
God for the same, do make and publish this my  
last Will and Testament in manner and  
form following. — Namely I recommend my  
soul to Almighty God that gave it, and my  
body to the Earth to be buried in a decent man-  
ner by my Executors.

First, I do authorise and empower my Execu-  
-tors hereinafter named at a reasonable time and in  
-within three months after my decease to sell and  
dispose of all my estate both Real and Person-  
al and all my effects whatsoever at public  
Bids.

I also will and order that all my just debts  
and funeral expences be paid by my Executors in  
a reasonable time after my decease.

I also will and order that all the residue and  
remainders of the money and proceeds arising from  
the sale of all my Personal and Real estate and  
effects be put out at interest by my Executors on  
Bond and Mortgage or unencumbered Real estate  
either in the County of Richmond or in the Co-  
-unter County of New York.

I also give and bequeath to my beloved wife  
Gertrude all the interest arising from all mo-  
-ney so put out on Bond and Mortgage by my  
Executors as long as she remains my widow.

I also give and bequeath to the children of  
my wife Gertrude, namely: — Peter D. Lafarge,  
John D. Lafarge, Gertrude M. Lafarge and Martha  
Ann Lafarge all the principal money so put  
out on Bond and Mortgage by my Executors,  
whichever my wife marries, or after her de-  
-cease to be equally divided among them  
these and share alike.

I now do hereby appoint the sons of my  
wife, namely, Peter D. Lafarge, John D. Lafarge  
and Charles D. Lafarge to be Executors of this my  
last Will and Testament, hereby revoking  
all former and other wills by me made.

In witness, whereof, I have hereunto  
set my hand and seal this eighteenth day  
of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand  
eight hundred and thirty.

Signed, Sealed, published and  
declared, by the abovenamed John  
Lafarge to be his last Will and Testa- John Lafarge  
-ment in the presence of us who have  
hereunto subscribed our names as  
witnesses, in the presence of the Testator.

Thorn S. Kingsland.

Isaac B. Swift —

Charles Swift —

State of New York, Richmond County ss.

Be it remembered, that at a Surrogate's Court held in Arden for the said County at the Surrogate's Office in the Village of Richmond on the fifth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty one, before Richard Crockeron Surrogate of the said County, — The last Will and Testament of John D'Lafarge late of the Town of Westfield in the County of Richmond deceased, was admitted to probate after having been duly proved, (which proofs together with the said will is hereinbefore recorded,) — Whereupon, It is ordered by the said Surrogate, that Letters Testamentary thereon be granted to Peter D'Lafarge, John D'Lafarge and Garret M'Lafarge, executors in the said will named, after the expiration of thirty days from the time of taking the oaths aforesaid, in their complying with the Statutes of the State of New York made and provided in such case.

Richard Crockeron Surrogate

Be it also remembered that on the fifth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty one, persons called Appearances before the Peter D'Lafarge & John D'Lafarge two of the executors in the aforesaid will named, and were duly sworn to the faithful performance and execution thereof by taking the usual oath in such cases provided. — Garret M'Lafarge the other executor in the said will named also appeared and renounced his right as executor to the said will and the execution thereof, began instrument in writing to that effect, which is filed in the said Surrogate's office. — Whereupon Letters Testamentary was duly issued to Peter D'Lafarge & John D'Lafarge under the seal of office of the said Surrogate, and recorded in the book kept by the Surrogate for that purpose.

Richard Crockeron Surrogate

Recd of the Will of John Han Buuren

State of New York, Richmond County ss.  
Be it remembered that a Surrogate court, held for the County of Richmond at the Surrogate's office in the Village of Richmond the second day of December A. D. 1831.

Present Richard Crockeron Surrogate  
In the matter of proving the last will and Testa-  
ment of John Han Buuren late of Westfield deceased,

James S. Applewall one of the Executors named in the will of the said deceased, alleges his intention to make application to the said Surrogate to have the said will proved and recorded, and also for Probate, pursuant to the revised Statutes of the State of New York, and doth set forth and make satisfactory appear to the aforesaid Surrogate, that the heirs at law of the said deceased are his children, all minors under the age of twenty one years, viz. Alice Ann Han Buuren, Rebecca Ann Buuren, Catherine Han Buuren, Sarah Han Buuren, Ann Han Buuren, Jane Han Buuren, Gilbert Han Buuren and Elizabeth Han Buuren. The aforesaid revised Statutes provides that in wills of real estate the Surrogate shall appoint Guardians for minor heirs to take care of their interests in the proceedings to be had to be had in the premises. — It is therefore ordered by the said Surrogate that Jacob Hyckoff of the City and County of New York be appointed Guardian for the said minors, to take care of their interests in the premises. — Whereupon a certificate of guardianship was duly issued by the said Surrogate to the said Jacob Hyckoff.

Be it also remembered that at a Surrogate's Court held as aforesaid the 19<sup>th</sup> day of December 1831.

Present Richard Crockeron Surrogate

The aforesaid James S. Applewall appeared and produced the following notice, and a deposition of guardianship of the minor heirs, of the aforesaid deceased, of due service of said notice.

In the matter of proving the last will and

Testament of John Han Buuren deceased,

To Alice Ann, Rebecca A. Catherine, Sarah, Anne, Jane, Gilbert and Elizabeth Han Buuren, Children of the said deceased, and minors.

Please to take notice, That I intend to apply to the Surrogate of the County of Richmond at his office in the Village of Richmond, on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of December instant, at 11 O'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of having the last Will and Testament of John Van Buuren late of Westfield in the County of Richmond aforesaid proved. - Dated the second day of December 1831.

To Jacob Weyhoff Guardian of the above minor.

Signed James S. Stimpsonall, Executor.

I Jacob Weyhoff having been appointed by the Surrogate of the County of Richmond, Guardian of the infant Children of John Van Buuren dec'd., to wit, the Ann Van Buuren, Rebecca & Van Buuren, Cath' Van Buuren, Sarah Van Buuren, Ann Van Buuren, Jane Van Buuren, Gilbert Van Buuren and Elizabeth Van Buuren, for the purpose of taking care of their interest in the matter of proving the last Will and Testament of the said John Van Buuren dec'd.; do admit due service of a notice of an application to the Surrogate of the County of Richmond, at his office on the nineteenth day of December instant at 11 O'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of having the last Will and Testament of the said deceased proved. Dated the second day of December 1831. Signed Jacob Weyhoff.

Richmond County, N.Y. James S. Stimpsonall one of the Executors named in the last Will and Testament of John Van Buuren deceased, being duly sworn deposes and saith that he personally served the above notice on Jacob Weyhoff guardian of the above named minor, and further saith that there are no other heirs of the said deceased than the said minor, signed J. S. Stimpsonall Sworn the 19<sup>th</sup> day of December 1831 before me Richd. Crocker Esq. Wherupon, the said Court being satisfied with the proof made in the premises, that due notice had been given according to law, of the intention to have the said Will of the said deceased proved, according to an act of the Legislature of the State of New York, entitled an act concerning Wills of Real and Personal property and the proof of them, it was therefore ordered on reading and filing the above affidavit by the said Court, that James S. Stimpsonall the aforesaid executor, have leave to proceed to prove the said Will of the said deceased.

And thereupon the said Will being produced and shown to the said Court.

State of New York. Richmond County  
In the matter of proving the last Will and Testa-  
ment of John Van Buuren late of the Town of  
Westfield in the County of Richmond deceased.

Susan Marie of the Town and County aforesaid being duly sworn, deposes and saith, that she did see the said deceased sign and seal the instrument now shown to her, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, bearing date the twenty first day of No-  
vember in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hun-  
dred and thirty one, and hear him the said deceased publish and declare the same, as and for his last Will and Testament, that at the time thereof, the said deceased was of sound disposing mind and memory, and not under any restraint, to the best knowledge and belief of this deponent, that she together with William Shee & D. A. Edgar the other Subscribing witness to the said Will subscribed their names thereto as witnesses at the request of the testator, in his presence and in the presence of each other, and further this deponent saith not. Signed Susan Marie Sworn before me the 19<sup>th</sup> day of Decr. 1831. Richd. Crocker Surrogate.

State of New York. Richmond County, N.Y.

In the matter of proving the last Will and Testament of John Van Buuren late of the Town of Westfield in the County of Richmond deceased

William Shee of the Town and County aforesaid being duly sworn deposes and saith, that he did see the said deceased sign and seal the instrument now shown to him, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, bearing date the twenty first day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty one, and hear him the said deceased publish and declare the same as and for his last Will and Testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound disposing mind and memory and not under any restraint, to the best knowledge and belief of this deponent, that he together with D. A. Edgar and Susan Marie the other Subscribing witness to the said Will, subscribed their names thereto as witness.

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At the request of the Testator, in his presence, and in the presence of each other, and further this instrument doth not signe. William Shea. — Sworn before me the 19<sup>th</sup> day of December 1881. Testata Procurator & Notary.

And whereupon it appearing to the said court that the said will of the said deceased was duly executed according to law, and that the said Testator who executed the same was at the time of making such execution of sound mind and memory and not under any restraint. It is ordered by the said Court on due deliberation that the said Will, together with the proof thereof be recorded which said proof is herein before recorded and contain'd, and that said Will so ordered to be recorded is as follows. to wit:

I, John Van Buren of the Town of Westfield, Richmond County and State of New York, being of sound mind and memory, do make and publish this as my last will and Testament in manner following. (to wit.) In the first place I do order that my funeral be plain and simple but appropriate to my condition in life. — Secondly, I direct that all my funeral expenses and just debts be paid out of my estate. — Thirdly, I authorise and empower my Executors and Executrix hereinafter named and the survivors and survivors of them to sell and dispose of all or any part of my Real estate at their discretion, and to execute good and sufficient deeds of conveyance in the law for the same to the purchaser or purchasers thereof, in as good and sufficient manner as I myself could do. — Such sale or sales to be made whenever my Executors and Executrix should deem it advantageous and for the benefit of my estate, it being my desire however that the same be sold as soon as practicable after my death provided the same can be done advantageously.

And it is my will and I direct that the proceeds of such sale or sales and other funds arising from my estate be invested on Bond and Mortgage upon Real estate, in United States or State Stocks at the discretion of my Executor & Executrix. — Fourthly, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Scott Van Buren

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All and Singular my furniture and plate of every kind whatsoever to her absolutely and to the intent that my said wife may have a comfortable settlement and to the end that she may be enabled to bring up and educate my children in a manner suitable to their condition. — I also give devise and bequeath unto her all and Singular the proceeds and income of all my estate both Real and Personal for so long a time as she remains my widow, but in case she should marry, I give unto her the sum of One hundred dollars in lieu of her dower right, all which said gifts, devises and bequests shall be in full satisfaction with the bringing up and education of my children, and in case my said wife should marry, I order and direct that my Executor shall receive the proceeds of my estate for the support and education of my children during their minority. — Fifthly, upon the decease or marriage of my wife I give devise and bequeath all and Singular my estate both Real and Personal to my children born Born or to be born share and share alike to them their heirs and assigns forever to be possessed by them as they arrive at the age of twenty one years. — Lastly, I nominate, constitute and appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth Scott Van Buren Executrix, and my friend Doctor Francis L. Burger, James S. Spinawall and Henry Wyckoff all of the city of New York Executors of this my last Will and Testament, relying in them especial trust and confidence that they will fully and fairly carry it into execution according to the true intent and meaning thereof and for the best advantage of my family, each of whom I desire will receive out of my estate the sum of One hundred dollars to be appropriated to the purchase of a piece of plate or otherwise. — In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty first day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty one.

Signed, sealed, published and declared as the last will and Testament of the Testator in the presence of us as witness — William Shea of the Town of Westfield, D. S. Edgar of the Township of Westfield, Susan Monroe of the Township of Westfield

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State of New York, Richmond County, p.  
Be it remembered that at a Surrogate court held in and for the said County, at the Surrogate office in the Village of Richmond on the nineteenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty one, before Richard Brocheron Surrogate of the said County. The last will and Testament of John Van Beuren late of the Town of Westfield in the County of Richmond deceased, was admitted to probate. After having been duly proved, (which proof together with the said will is herein before recited,) — Whereupon it is ordered by the said Surrogate, that letters testamentary thereon be granted to Elizabeth Scott Van Beuren Executrix, Doctor Francis E. Berger, James S. Spinwall and Henry Wyckoff Executors in the said will named, after the expiration of thirty days from the time of taking the proof aforesaid on their complying with the revised Statute of the State of New York concerning wills and the probate thereof.

Richard Brocheron Surrogate

Be it also remembered that on the twenty third day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, personally appeared before me Elizabeth Scott Van Beuren, the Executrix in the aforesaid will of John Van Beuren deceased named, and were duly sworn to the faithful performance and execution thereof by taking the usual oath in such cases required. Whereupon letters testamentary was issued to the said Executrix. — Dr. Francis E. Berger, James S. Spinwall and Henry Wyckoff, Executors in the aforesaid will named not appearing and taking the oath required by law where not included in said letters testamentary

Richard Brocheron Surrogate

Be it further remembered, that on the twenty fourth day of May, one thousand eight hundred & thirty six personally appeared before me, Francis E. Berger, James S. Spinwall and Henry Wyckoff, Executors named in the will of the above John Van Beuren deceased, and were duly sworn to the faithful performance & execution thereof by taking the usual oath in such cases required.

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Record of the Will of Henry Kruiser.  
State of New York, Richmond County, p.  
Be it remembered that a Surrogate Court held in and for the County of Richmond at the Surrogate office in the Village of Richmond on the second day of January A. D. 1832.

Present Richard Brocheron Surrogate  
On the matter of proving the last will and Testa-  
ment of Henry Kruiser late of the Town of Southfield ad-

The Reverend R. P. Martin, an acting executor of the last will and Testament of the said Henry Kruiser deceased appeared, and informed the said court that notice had been given pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, of his intention approving the last will and Testament of the said deceased, and the said R. P. Martin brought into this court a notice of his intention to prove the said will, signed by the said R. P. Martin the acting executor of the said will, and made oath of the service of said notice upon all the heirs of Henry Kruiser the said deceased, to which said notice and affidavit are as follows. Testit.

In the matter of proving the last will and Testa-  
ment of Henry Kruiser late of the Town of Southfield ad-  
To Jacob Dogies and Clarissa Dogier heirs at law of the  
said Henry Kruiser deceased and all others whom this  
notice may concern; You and each of you are hereby  
required to take notice, that I shall apply to Richard  
Brocheron Esquire Surrogate of the said County of Rich-  
mond at his office in the Village of Richmond in the  
County aforesaid, on the twelfth day of December next  
at the hour of two o'clock P. M. to have the last will of the  
said deceased proved, and recorded, pursuant to Chap-  
ter Sixth, title first, Article first, part second of the re-  
vised Statute of the State of New York.

Dated the 12<sup>th</sup> day of December 1831. R. P. Martin Executor  
Richmond County, p. The Revd R. P. Martin one of  
the Executors, named in the last will and Testament of  
Henry Kruiser deceased, being duly sworn deposes  
and saith that he personally served a notice of which the  
above is a copy, or of the same import, upon Jacob Dogies  
and Clarissa Dogies, the heirs at law of the said deceased  
and their deponent further saith that there are no other  
heirs at law of the said Henry Kruiser deceased, than the

Said Jacob Dugier and Christopher Dugier named in the aforesaid notice, to the best of the knowledge and information of this deponent. Signed A. R. Martin.

Sworn before me the 2<sup>d</sup> day of January 1832. Richd Crochon Sub.

The proof having been adduced from the day appointed in the notice to this day, no one appearing to make any objections or oppose the proof of the said Will, and the said court being satisfied with the proof made in the premises, that due notice has been given according to law, of the intention to have the said Will of the said deceased proved, according to the revised Statutes of the State of New York, concerning wills of Real and Personal property, and the proof of them. It was therefore ordered by the said court, in reading, and filing the above affidavit, that A. R. Martin the att. -ing Executor, have leave to proceed to prove the said Will of the said deceased, and whereupon the said Will being produced and shown to the said court.

State of New York. Richmond County. p.  
In the matter of proving the last Will and Testa-  
ment of Henry Horner late of the Town of  
Southfield in the county of Richmond deceased.

Edward Perine of the Town of Southfield and County aforesaid, being duly sworn, do hereby and doth say that he did see the said deceased, sign and seal the instrument now shown to him, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, bearing date the thirteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty six, and heard him the said deceased publish and declare the same, as, and for his last will and Testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound disposing mind and memory and not under any restraint, to the best knowledge and belief of this deponent, that he together with the Rev<sup>r</sup> G. A. Hartman and Doctor Isaac Farson, the other subscribing witnesses to the said Will, subscribed their names thereto as witnesses, at the request of the testator, in his presence and in the presence of each other, and this deponent further saith that Isaac Farson one of the witnesses to the said Will is lately deceased, and

further this deponent saith not. Signed Edward Perine Sworn before me the 2<sup>d</sup> day of January 1832. Richd Crochon Sub. The Rev<sup>r</sup> G. A. Hartman being sworn, deposed the same as E. Perine. And thereupon it appearing to the said court that the said will of the said deceased was duly executed according to law, and that the said testator who executed the same, was at the time of making such execution, of sound mind and memory, and not under any restraint. It is ordered by the said court on due deliberation, that the said Will together with the proofs thereof be recorded, which said proof is herein before recorded and contained, and that the said Will so ordered to be recorded is as follows, to wit:

In the Name of God. Amen. I Henry Horner of the Town of Southfield, County of Richmond & State of New York Yeoman, being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this vain and transitory life. Do. Therefore make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament. That is to say. First, after all my just debts be paid and discharged, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Margaret Horner, all my Silver ware, China, Linen, All Mine and her wearing apparel, all my household and Kitchen furniture to her, her heirs and assigns forever, and should she die without a will, then they are to be divided between my wife, niece Margaret Perine widow of Edward Perine now living with me and her daughter Margaret Perine share alike, excepting what shall be hereafter, namely, One feather Bed and Bedding complete which I give and bequeath to John Fountain son of Jacob Fountain his heirs and assigns, — Also give and bequeath to my dear wife Margaret Horner all the remainder of my estate both Real and personal during her natural life, I give and bequeath unto the said Margaret Perine widow of Edward Perine, after the decease of my wife the interest of two thousand dollars during her natural life, and after the decease of the said Margaret Perine the said two thousand dollars to be equally divided between the two children of said Margaret Perine, namely, Joseph Perine and Margaret Ann Perine, share and share alike. But in case either of said children should die, namely, Joseph or Margaret

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State of New York; Richmond County, &c.

Be it remembered that at a Surrogate court held in and for the said County, at the Surrogate office in the Village of Richmond on the nineteenth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty one, before Richard Brocheron Surrogate of the said County. — The last will and Testament of John Van Beuren late of the Town of Westfield in the County of Richmond deceased, was administered to probate after having been duly proved, (which proof together with the said will is herein before recited,) — Whereupon it is ordered by the said Surrogate, that letters testamentary thereon be granted to Elizabeth Scott Van Beuren Executrix, Doctor Francis E. Burger, James Aspinwall and Henry Wyckoff Executors in the said will named, after the expiration of thirty days from the time of taking the proof aforesaid on their complying with the required Statutes of the State of New York, concerning Wills, and the probate thereof. — (Richard Brocheron Surrogate)

Be it also remembered that on the twenty third day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, personally appeared before me Elizabeth Scott Van Beuren, the Executrix in the aforesaid will of John Van Beuren deceased named, and were duly sworn to the faithful performance and execution thereof by taking the usual oath in such cases required. Whereupon said Testament was ipsa facta to the said Executrix. — Doc. Francis E. Burger, James Aspinwall and Henry Wyckoff, Executors in the aforesaid will named, not appearing and taking the oath required by law where not included in said letter testamentary.

(Richard Brocheron Surrogate)

Be it further remembered, that on the twenty fourth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and thirty six personally appeared before me, Francis E. Burger, James Aspinwall and Henry Wyckoff, Executors named in the will of the above John Van Beuren deceased, and were duly sworn to the faithful performance & execution thereof by taking the usual oath in such cases required.

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Record of the Will of Henry Hruser.

State of New York, Richmond County, &c.  
Be it remembered that a Surrogate Court held in and for the County of Richmond at the Surrogate office in the Village of Richmond, on the second day of January A. D. 1832.

Present Richard Brocheron Surrogate  
In the matter of proving the last will and Testament of Henry Hruser late of the Town of Southfield.

The Reverend A. R. Martin, an acting executor of the last will and Testament of the said Henry Hruser deceased appeared, and informed the said court that notice had been given pursuant to the Statute in such case made and provided, of his intention of proving the last will and Testament of the said deceased, and the said A. R. Martin brought into this court a notice of his intention to prove the said will, signed by the said A. R. Martin the acting executor of the said will, and made oath of the service of said notice upon all the heirs of Henry Hruser the said deceased, which said notice and affidavit are as follows. to wit.

In the matter of proving the last will and Testament of Henry Hruser late of the Town of Southfield  
To Jacob Logier and Clarissa Logier heirs at law of the said Henry Hruser deceased And all other persons their notice may concern; You and each of you are hereby required to take notice, that I shall apply to Richard Brocheron Esquire Surrogate of the said County of Richmond at his office in the Village of Richmond in the County offoresaid, on the twelfth day of December next at the hour of two o'clock P. M. to have the last will of the said deceased proved, and recorded, pursuant to Chapter Sixth, Title first, Article first, part second of the Revised Statutes of the State of New York.

Dated the 12<sup>th</sup> day of December 1831. A. R. Martin Executor  
Richmond County, &c. The Rev<sup>d</sup> A. R. Martin one of the Executors, named in the last will and Testament of Henry Hruser deceased, being duly sworn deposes and saith that he personally served a notice of which the above is a copy, or of the same import, upon Jacob Logier and Clarissa Logier, the heirs at law of the said deceased over this deponent further saith, that there are no other heirs at law of the said Henry Hruser deceased, then the

said Jacob Leger and Leopolda Leger named in the aforesaid notice, to the best of the knowledge and information of this deponent. Signee A. R. Martin.

Sworn before me the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January 1832. Richd<sup>r</sup> Brockhouse

The proof having been adduced from the day appointed in the notice to this day, no one appearing to make any objections or oppose the proof of the said Will, And the said Court being satisfied with the proof made in the premises, that due notice has been given according to law, of the intention to have the said Will of the said deceased proved, according to the revised Statutes of the State of New York, concerning Wills of Real and Personal property, and the proof of them. It was therefore ordered by the said Court, on reading and filing the above affidavit, that A. R. Martin the acting Executor, have leave to proceed to prove the said Will of the said deceased; and whereupon the said will being produced and shown to the said Court.

State of New York. Richmond County. ss.  
On the matter of proving the last Will and Testament of Henry Horner late of the Town of Southfield in the county of Richmond deceased.

Edward Perine of the Town of Southfield and County aforesaid, being duly sworn, doth with this death that he did see the said deceased sign and seal the instrument now shown to him, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, bearing date the thirteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty six, and heard him the said deceased publish and declare the same, as, and for his last Will and Testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound disposing mind and memory and not under any restraint, to the best knowledge and belief of this deponent, that he together with the Rev<sup>r</sup> G. A. Hartman and Doctor Isaac Fardon, the other subscribing witnesses to the said Will, subscribed their names thereto as witnesses, at the request of the testator, in his presence and in the presence of each other. And this deponent further saith that Doctor Fardon one of the witnesses to the said Will is lately deceased, and

further this deponent saith not. Signee Edward Perine Sworn before me the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January 1832. Richd<sup>r</sup> Brockhouse witness  
The Rev<sup>r</sup> G. A. Hartman being sworn, deposed the same as E. Perine  
And thereupon it appearing to the said Court that the said will of the said deceased was duly executed according to law, and that the said testator who executed the same, was at the time of making such execution, of sound mind and memory, and not under any restraint. It is ordered by the said Court on due deliberation, that the said Will together with the proof thereof be recorded, which said proof is herein before recorded and contained, and that the said will so ordered to be recorded is as follows, to wit.

In the Name of God. Amen. I Henry Horner  
of the Town of Southfield, County of Richmond & State  
of New York Yeoman, being of sound mind and memo-  
ry and considering the uncertainty of this vain and  
transitory life. Do. Therefore make and Ordain this  
my last Will and Testament. That is to say. First, af-  
ter all my just debts be paid and discharged, I give  
and bequeath to my beloved wife Margaret Horner,  
all my Silver Ware, China, Linen, all mine and her wear-  
ing Apparel, all my Household and Kitchen furniture  
to her, her heirs and assigns forever, and should she  
die without a will, then they are to be divided between  
my wife neice Margaret Perine widow of Edward Perine  
now living with me and her daughter Margaret Pe-  
rine share alike, excepting what shall be hereafter  
namely, One feather Bed and Bedding complete which  
I give and bequeath to John Fountain son of Jacob Foun-  
tain his heirs and assigns. — I also give and be-  
queath to my dear wife Margaret Horner all the re-  
mainder of my estate both Real and personal during her  
natural life, I give and bequeath unto the said Marga-  
ret Perine widow of Edward Perine, after the decease  
of my wife the interest of two thousand dollars during  
her natural life, and after the decease of the said Marga-  
ret Perine the said two thousand dollars to be equal-  
ly divided between the two children of said Marga-  
ret Perine, namely, Joseph Perine and Margaret Anne  
Perine, share and share alike. But in case either  
of said children should die, namely, Joseph or Marga-

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Ann Perine before they come of lawful age, or without issue, then such share of such child so dying under age, or without lawful issue, then their legacies to go to the survivors of them, and in case both of said children should die under age and without lawful issue, then their legacies to go to their Mother the said Margaret Perine, her heirs and assigns forever.

Item. I give and bequeath to the corporation of the first Baptist Church on Hater Island the sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars, to be paid to the Trustee, and by them put to use as they may judge best and the interest forever to be applied toward the payment of the Pastor's salary for the time being.

Item. I give and bequeath to Henry Steir the sum of fifty dollars, his heirs and assigns forever.

Item. I give and bequeath unto the children of Rev<sup>r</sup>. A. R. Martin, Lucia Ann and Margaret Hanes the sum of twenty five dollars each, and in case of the death of either or both the said children Lucia or Margaret, then their legacies shall be paid to their Father.

Item. I give and bequeath to Henry son of James Fountain the sum of twenty five dollars, but in case of the child's death, the legacy to go to his Father or his heirs. — Item. I give and bequeath to Henry and Margaret Hartmann, children of John Hartmann son of Charles Hartmann, the sum of twenty five dollars each, and in case of the death of either under age or without lawful issue, the legacy to go to the survivor of them.

Item. I give and bequeath a further sum of one hundred dollars, to Margaret Perine widow of Edward Perine, provided she will give to my colored Woman Slave Nancy, a home in her family during the said Nancy's natural life, but if the said Nancy should leave the employ and service of her master my wife or the said Margaret Perine, then the said Margaret Perine is released from her obligation to provide her a home.

Item. I give and bequeath to Jacob Logier, John Fountain son of Jacob Fountain, and Henry Fountain son of Garret Fountain, all the remainder of my estate what kind or nature to be equally divided

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Among them share and share alike after all my just debts and legacies aforesaid are paid and the charges attending the settling my estate be previously deducted from the amount that shall remain.

Item. I will, ordain and direct that my Executors or the survivors of them, shall immediately on the decease of my wife Margaret Hanes deliver the above mentioned articles left to my heirs as herein before bequeathed, and also that they forthwith advertise and sell at public auction all my Real and Personal estate, left in the charge of my wife during her natural life without reserve, except such articles as are hereby before bequeathed and as soon as the monies arising from such sale or sales be collected and the charges attending thereon previously deducted from the amount, that then my said executors shall immediately proceed to pay off all the before mentioned legacies without reserve.

Lastly. I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my friends Garret Fountain, Samuel Barton and Anna R. Martin to be the Executors of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills and disannulling and disallowing all former Testaments, by me at any time heretofore made. Ratifying, allowing and confirming this only to be my last Will and Testament.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the thirteenth day of October in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and twenty six.

Signed, sealed and declared  
by the said Henry Hanes on  
his last Will and Testament — Henry Hanes  
in presence of us.

C. A. Hartman  
Edward Perine  
Isaac Sardon

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Be it remembered that at a Surrogate's

Court held in said County of Richmond at the Surrogate Office in the Village of Richmond on the Second Day of January in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand and eight hundred and thirty two. — before Richard Crookhorn Surrogate of the Said County. — The last Will and Testament of Henry Knudsen late of the Town of Northfield in the aforesaid County of Richmond deceased, was admitted to probate after having been duly proved, (which proof together with the Said Will is herein before recorded.)

Whereupon, it is ordered by the Said Surrogate, that letters testamentary thereon be granted to Garret Fountain, Samuel Barton and the Reverend Anna R. Martin the Executors in the Said Will named, after the expiration of thirty days from the time of taking the proof aforesaid, on their complying with the Revised Statutes of the State of New York made and provided in such cases.

Richard Crookhorn, Surrogate

Be it also remembered that on the Second day of February in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two herein aforesaid appeared before me Samuel Barton and the Reverend A. R. Martin, two of the Executors in the aforesaid Will named, and were duly sworn to the faithful performance and execution thereof, by taking the usual oath in such cases required. Whereupon letters Testamentary were duly issued to the said Samuel Barton & A. R. Martin, under the official seal of the Said Surrogate.

Richard Crookhorn, Surrogate

Recorval of the Will of Moses Egbert.

State of New York. Richmond County. p.

Be it remembered, that a Surrogate court held for the County of Richmond, at the Surrogate office in the said County the twentieth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty one. — In the matter of proving the last Will and Testament of Moses Egbert late of the Town of Northfield in the aforesaid County deceased.

Present Richard Crookhorn Surrogate.

Peter Booth of the City of New York, an Acting Executor named in the said Will of the said deceased. Appeared and produced his petition to the said Surrogate, setting forth that the said deceased died about the thirteenth day of November last past in the County aforesaid, having previously duly made and published his last will and Testament. Whereof he did thereof and thereby appoint the said Peter or an Anthony Egbert, son of his son Tunis the Executor that the said Moses Egbert at the time of his death was an inhabitant of the said County of Richmond, by means whereof as he the said petitioner hath been informed, and believeth the Surrogate of the said County has sole and exclusive power to take the proof of the said Will & Testament. — that the said Anthony Egbert who with your petitioner is named Executor of the said last Will and Testament is now and has been for some time past absent from the State of New York. — that the said Moses Egbert left a widow, namely, Ann Cooper Egbert whose place of residence is in the said County of Richmond. — And next of kin as follows, viz. Abraham Egbert and Tunis Egbert sons of the said Moses Egbert, and Ann Pattoon widow a daughter of the said Moses Egbert. That the said Abraham Egbert and Ann Pattoon at present reside in the City of New York, and that the said Tunis Egbert lately resided in the City of New York, but is at present and hath been for some time past absent from the said City, in part to the said petitioner unknown. — And your petitioner being desirous that the said Will should be admitted to probate and letters Testamentary thereon be granted to him. — Your petitioner therefore prays a citation issuing out of and under the seal of this Court, requiring the said Ann Cooper Egbert widow, and Abraham Egbert, Tunis Egbert and Ann Pattoon the children and next of kin of the said Moses Egbert and

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Personally to be and appear, when and where this Court may direct to oppose or support as they may see fit the probate of the said last Will and Testament, - Which Petition was verified by the oath of the Petitioner.

Peter Booth the said Petitioner died at the same time proceeding the affidavit of Ann Cooper Egbert widow of the said deceased, wherein she deposeth, that the said Moses Egbert died in his life time, and on or about the sixteenth day of May One thousand eight hundred and twenty nine, delivered to said deponent a sealed paper parcel, endorsed or written upon as follows: "The last will and Testament of Moses Egbert within." That the said Moses Egbert at the time of such delivery informed the said deponent that the said paper parcel contained his last will and Testament, and desired said deponent to take good care of it, and as deponent further saith that on or about the second day of November last she delivered the said paper parcel to Peter Booth of the city of New York, at the request of the said Moses Egbert there. - Whereupon the said Peter Booth being duly sworn, did before and say, that Ann Cooper Egbert the widow of Moses Egbert late of Richmond County in the State of New York, ~~deceas~~ before the death of the said Moses Egbert about or about the second day of November last past, deliver to deponent a paper parcel endorsed as follows: "The last will and Testament of Moses Egbert within." And that from the time the said paper parcel was so delivered to deponent, until the same was opened, on or about the ninth day of December now instant, the same was all the while in the possession of this deponent unopened and in the same state and condition, as the same was in ~~before~~ as aforesaid delivered to deponent by the said Ann Cooper Egbert, And deponent saith that the said paper parcel was on or about the day and year last aforesaid, delivered by deponent to John Jolly the Clerk of the deponent in the presence of the said Ann Cooper Egbert and others for the purpose of opening the same, and that the said John Jolly then and in the presence of the deponent and the said Ann Cooper Egbert opened the said paper parcel. Whereupon the same was found to contain one paper writing under the hand and seal of the said Moses Egbert purporting to be the last will and Testament of the said Moses

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Egbert and no other paper or thing. And deponent further saith that the said John Jolly then and there read the said paper writing under the hand and seal of the said Moses Egbert purporting to be his last will and Testament, in the presence of said in full hearing of deponent and the said Ann Cooper Egbert and others. - And thereupon immediately delivered back to deponent the said paper writing, and the said envelope, without having altered the same or either of them in the least, and without the same having been in the hands or possession of any one else than the said John Jolly, And deponent saith that from the time the said paper purporting to be the last will and Testament of the said Moses Egbert and the said envelope were so delivered back to deponent, the same have been all the while to the present time in the possession of deponent, and of no one else. And deponent saith that the said paper writing under the hand and seal of the said Moses Egbert purporting to be his last will and Testament is the same which is now produced to the Surrogate of the County of Richmond for probate &c. - All which will more fully appear in the said deposition, and the deposition of Ann Cooper Egbert which are filed in the said Surrogate office together with the Petition of the aforesaid Peter Booth.

On reading and filing the aforesaid Petition and Affidavits it was ordered that citation issue to the widow aforesaid of him agreeable to the prayer of the Petitioner. - (Which order is entered at large in the book of minutes kept by said Surrogate.)

In the matter of proving the last will  
and Testament of Moses Egbert deceased

The People of the State of New York. By the Grace of God. Free and Independent.

To all whom these presents shall come or may concern, and especially to Ann Cooper Egbert, the widow, and Abraham Egbert, Lewis Egbert and Ann Patton, the children and next of kin of Moses Egbert, late of the County of Richmond and State of New York, deceased. Serial Greeting.

You are hereby cited and required personally to be and appear before our Surrogate of the County of Richmond, at his office in Richmond, in the County of Richmond, on the ninth day of January next, at twelve o'clock at noon of that day, then & there to oppose or support as you may see fit the Probate of a certain instrument in writing, which has been left with our said Surrogate by Peter Booth of the City of New York, claiming to be one of the executors of the last will and Testament of the said

Moses Egbert, deceased. — In testimony whereof we have caused the seal of office of our said Surrogate to be hereunto affixed.

Witness Richard Brockeson Surrogate of our said County of Richmond, at Richmond, in the County of Richmond, the twenty-fifth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty one, and of our Independence the fifty sixth.

Richard Brockeson Surrogate

On the aforesaid ninth day of January, Peter Booth of the City of New York appeared, and returned the aforesaid citation. And made oath as follows.

In the matter of proving the last Will and Testament of Moses Egbert, deceased.

Richmond County S.S. Peter Booth of the City of New York, being duly sworn doth depose and say, that he did on the twenty third day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty one, personally serve the annexed Original Citation upon by and under the Seal of the County of Richmond, on Ann Cooper Egbert, Abraham Egbert & Ann Pattoon, therein named, by then delivering to and leaving with them each respectively a copy of the said Original Citation, and by at the same time showing to the said Ann Cooper Egbert, Abraham Egbert & Ann Pattoon each respectively the said Original Citation, and this deponent further saith that the said Ann Cooper Egbert, Abraham Egbert & Ann Pattoon, at the time of the service upon them of the said Citation as aforesaid lived and still lives in the city of New York: Signed by Peter Booth. — Sworn before me this ninth day of January A.D. 1832. Richard Brockeson Surrogate.

The aforesaid Peter Booth also at the same time produced the following affidavit, attached to a copy of said Citation

State of New York. City of New York. S.S.

Joseph Gideon of the City of New York, being duly sworn says that the notice of which the annexed is a copy has been regularly published in the New York Standard every day for two weeks successively, commencing the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December last past. — Signed Joseph Gideon. Sworn before me this 7<sup>th</sup> day of January A.D. 1832.

Niel Gandy Commissioner of Deeds

Whereas the said Court being satisfied that the said Instrument delivered to the said Surrogate by Peter Booth

of the City of New York on the twentieth day of December last past, was the paper executed by Moses Egbert and in tended to be his last Will and Testament, and also that due notice had been given according to law, of the intention to have the said will of the said deceased proved according to the revised Statutes of the State of New York, it is therefore ordered on reading and filing the foregoing affidavit by the said court, that the said Peter Booth the aforesaid Executor have leave to proceed to prove the said will of the said deceased as declared. — When the following witness or witnesses, and deposed, as follows:

State of New York. Richmond County S.S.

In the matter of proving the last Will and Testament of Moses Egbert late of the Town of Easterton in the County of Richmond deceased.

John Richard Conner of the said County aforesaid, being duly sworn, deposes and saith, that he did see the said deceased, sign and seal the said instrument now shown to him, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, bearing date the fourteenth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty nine, and heard him recite said deceased publish and declare the same, as, and for his last Will and Testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound memory, and of sound memory, and not under any restraint, to the best knowledge and belief of this deponent, that he together with Lewis Egbert and Nathaniel Parker, the other subscribers thereto as witnesses to the said Will, subscribed their names thereto as witnesses at the request of the Testator, in his presence and in the presence of each other, and further this deponent saith not. — Richard Conner. Sworn before me the ninth day of January 1832.

Richard Brockeson Surrogate

State of New York. Richmond County S.S.

In the matter of proving the last Will and Testament of Moses Egbert late of the Town of Easterton in the County of Richmond deceased.

Timis Egbert of Southfield in the said County of Richmond, being duly sworn, deposes and saith, that he did see the said deceased, sign and seal the

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Said instrument now shown to him purporting to be the last will and testament of the said deceased bearing date the fourteenth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty nine, and heard from the said deceased, publish and declare the same as and for his last will and testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound disposing mind and memory, and not under any restraint, to the best knowledge and belief of this deposent, that he to gather with Col. Richard Bonner and Nathaniel Parker the other subsisting witnesses to the said will and subscribed their names thereto as witnesses at the request of the testator, in his presence and in the presence of each other, and further this deposent saith not. Test: Egbert  
Sworn before me the ninth day of January, 1832.

Prichard Brockerson Surrogate.

And whereupon it appearing to the said court, that the said will was duly executed according to law, and that the said testator who executed the same was at the time of making such execution of sound mind and memory, and not under restraint, It is ordered by the said court, on due deliberation, that the said will together with the proof thereof be recorded, which said proof is herein before recorded and contained, and that the said will so ordered to be recorded, is as follows:

In the Name of God. Amen. I, Moses Egbert of the Town of Northfield in the County of Richmond and State of New York, aforesaid, enjoying the perfect use and exercise of my mental faculties, as a sound mind memory unclouded, And being moreover deeply impressed with the necessity and importance of the injunction to set our house in order before we die, do in the most solemn manner, and in strict conformity with my present desire, direct and draw that the subsequent clauses be considered, regarded and observed as my last Will and Testament. — Previous to the disposal of my worldly property it behoves me to invoke the divine benediction, and to surrender into the hands

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of Almighty God my immortal spirit whenever in the course of his all wise and unerring Providence, he shall be pleased to summon it hence; Desiring his gracious acceptance thereof, only for the Righteous sake of the Blessed Redeemer. My Body I request may be committed to the Earth in a decent and Christian like manner as my Executors shall be pleased to direct, and also my Executors hereafter named are requested to provide a suitable Head Stone, and cause it to be set up at the head of my grave.

In witness, It is my will and I do hereby order and direct that my Executors or the survivor of them shall immediately after my decease, proceed to call in and collect so much of my monies that shall then be found due to me as will be sufficient to pay off all my funeral and Testamentary charges, and all other just claims and demands in upon or against my estate, and I do hereby further order and direct my several Executors to keep the remainder of my monies at the on good sufficient security, and my Executors are further directed to pay the Interest of all my monies so remaining aforesaid, yearly and every year to my beloved wife Ann Cooper as long as she shall remain my widow. — Item, I also give and bequeath unto my said wife, my cows, hoggs, fowls, and my house and kitchen furniture comprising my personal estate as long as she shall remain my widow. All which is given to her in lieu of her dower right in and upon my estate.

Item, I give and bequeath to my son Abraham and to his heirs, one hundred dollars.

Item, I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann and her heirs one hundred and fifty dollars.

Item, I give and bequeath to my friend Peter Booth of the City of New York, Weaver, and his heirs, one hundred dollars.

Item, I give and bequeath all that shall remain of my personal estate, after the death of my said wife, and the legacies aforesaid, and her funeral expenses, and the costs and charges attending thereon previously deducted from the amount so remaining. I will order and direct that the Nett proceeds of what shall remain as aforesaid of my personal estate be equally divided between my two children, namely,

Ann and Tunis, or their heirs, Share and Share alike.  
Lastly. I do hereby nominate, constitute, Authorize  
and appoint my Grandson Anthony Egbert, Son of my  
Son Tunis, And my friend Peter Booth of the City of New  
York, Weaver, to be the Executrix of this my last Will and  
Testament, hereby revoking, disannulling and disallowing  
all Wills and Testaments by me at any time heretofore  
made, ratifying, allowing and confirming this only  
to be my last Will and Testament.

At Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my  
hand and Seal the sixteenth day of May, in the Year  
of our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and twenty nine.  
Signed, sealed, published, pro-  
nounced and declared by the said  
Moses Egbert, as and for his last Will  
and Testament, in the presence of us  
who have signed our names as wit-  
nesses thereto, at the request and in  
the presence of the said Testator, and also  
in the presence of each other.  
This Egbert, Nathaniel Parker, Richard Brockerson.

State of New York, Richmond County, ss.  
Be it remembered that a Surrogate held for the said  
county of Richmond at the Surrogate office in the village  
of Richmond the ninth day of January, one thousand  
eight hundred and thirty two, before Richard Brockerson  
Surrogate of the said County. — The last Will and Testament  
of Moses Egbert, late of the said County of Richmond, de-  
ceased was admitted to probate after having been duly prov-  
ed, (which proof together with the said Will is herein  
before recorded.) Whereupon it is ordered by the said  
Surrogate, that letters Testamentary thereon be granted  
to Anthony Egbert & Peter Booth the Executors in the said  
will named, after the expiration of thirty days from  
the time of taking the proof aforesaid; on their com-  
plying with the laws of the State of New York, and the  
Statute in such cases provided. Richard Brockerson

Be it also remembered that on the tenth day of  
February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight

hundred and thirty two, personally appeared before me Peter  
Booth, one of the Executors in the aforesaid will named, and  
was duly sworn to the faithful performance and execution thereof  
by taking the usual Oath in such case provided. — Whereupon  
letters testamentary were duly issued to the said Peter Booth  
under the Official Seal of the said Surrogate.

Richard Brockerson, Surgeon

## Record of the Will of John Poyer

State of New York. Richmond County, ss.

Be it remembered, that a Surrogate Court held for the County  
of Richmond at the Surrogate office in the Village of Rich-  
mond on the eleventh day of February in the Year of our  
Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two.

Present, Richard Brockerson a Surrogate.

In the matter of proving the last Will and Testament  
of John Poyer late of Westfield in the County of Richmond and

Bonit Winsant an acting executor of the last  
Will and Testament of the said John Poyer, appeared, and  
informed the said court, that notice had been given  
pursuant to the Statute in such case made and provided  
of his intention of proving the last Will and Testament of the  
said John Poyer deceased, and the said Bonit Winsant  
brought into this court a notice of his intention to prove the  
said Will, signed by the said Bonit Winsant the acting  
executor of the said Will, with the affidavit of Andrew Ed-  
dy, proving the due service of said Notice upon all the  
heirs and devisees of the said John Poyer deceased, which  
said Notice and affidavit are as follows.

In the matter of proving the last Will and  
Testament of John Poyer, deceased.

To Andrew Poyer, Mary Manee, Elizabeth Manee, Ann  
Winsant, Catherine Murianture, Peter O'Hoglam, heir  
at law of the said deceased, also to Andrew Coley, Guar-  
dian to take care of the interest of John O'Hoglam and  
George O'Hoglam minors, also heir of the said John Poyer.

Please to take notice, that I intend to apply to  
the surrogate of the County of Richmond at his office  
in the village of Richmond on the ninth day of Febru-  
ary next at 10. o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose

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of having the last Will and Testament of John Preyer  
late of Westfield in the County of Richmond, deceased, ex-  
proved. Dated the sixteenth day of January 1832. B. P. Winant,  
Richmond County, N.Y. Andrew Eddy being duly sworn  
saith, that he personally served the within notice to  
the persons therein named, the eighteenth day of Janu-  
ary A.D. 1832. Signed A. Eddy, constable;  
Sworn before me February 9<sup>th</sup> 1832. Richd<sup>r</sup>. Crocheron Surrogate.

Whereas the said Court being satisfied with the  
proof made in the premises, that due notice had been gi-  
ven according to law; of the intention to have the said will  
of the said deceased proved, according to the revised statu-  
tes of the State of New York, concerning Wills of real and  
personal property and the proof of them. It was therefore  
ordered, on reading and filing the above notice and  
affidavit by the said court, that Bernt P. Winant the  
acting executor have leave to proceed to prove the said  
will of the said deceased, the witness not attending  
on the said 9<sup>th</sup> the matter was adjourned over to this  
day the eleventh. When the following witnesses ap-  
peared, namely, Susanna Winant, Elizabeth Mance & B. P. Winant

State of New York. Richmond County, N.Y.  
In the matter of proving the last will and  
Testament of John Preyer, late of the Town  
of Westfield in the County of Richmond dec'd.

Elizabeth Mance, Susanna Winant formerly  
Susanna Cole, and Bernt P. Winant, all of the Town  
and County aforesaid, being duly sworn, deponeth  
and saith, that they did see the said deceased  
sign and seal the said instrument now shown  
to them, purporting to be the last will and testament  
of the said deceased, bearing date the eighth day of  
February, in the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and thirty one, and hear him  
the said deceased publish and declare the same  
as and for his last will and testament, that at the  
time thereof the said deceased, was of sound dis-  
posing mind and memory, and not under any re-  
straint, to the best of the knowledge and belief of  
these deponents, that they together with John Preyer  
the other subscribing witness to the said will

subscribed their names thereto as witnesses at the request of the  
testator, in his presence and in the presence of each other, and  
further these deponents saith not. Signed by Susanna Winant,  
Elizabeth Mance, Bernt P. Winant. Sworn the eleventh day of  
February 1832, before me Richard Crocheron Surrogate.

And thereupon it appearing to the said court that the said  
will of the said deceased was duly executed according to law  
and that the said testator who executed the same, was at the  
time of making such execution, of sound mind and memory,  
and not under restraint. It is ordered by the said  
court on due deliberation, that the said will together  
with the proof thereof be recorded, which said proof is here-  
in before recorded and contained, and that the said  
will so ordered to be recorded is as follows, to wit:

In the Name of God. Amen. I. John  
Preyer, of the county of Richmond and State of  
New York, being of perfect sound mind and re-  
membrance, do make and ordain this my last will  
and Testament in manner and form following.

Viz.: I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife  
Susannah Preyer all my estate Real and personal,  
to use and occupy as long as she lives, or it shall  
be at her own option either to occupy the premises or  
be paid by my executors the sum of two hundred  
and fifty dollars, and to have one bed and furniture  
for the same in full for her right of dower or her power  
of thirds or any other demands whatsoever against my  
estate; after my wife relinquishes all her right, or  
after her death, I order all my estate Real and personal  
to be sold within twelve months, and the monies arising  
thereof to be disposed of as follows. — First to pay all  
just and lawful demands against my estate, and  
then the balance to be divided into six equal parts  
Share and Share alike. — I give and bequeath unto  
my daughter Mary Mance the one sixth, unto my  
son Andrew Preyer the one sixth, unto my daughter  
Elizabeth Mance the one sixth, unto my daughter  
Ann Winant the one sixth, unto the heirs of my daugh-  
ter Larissa the one sixth, Share and Share alike to be  
paid to them as they respectively arrive to the age of

(145) twenty one years. - to James Leforge and John Leforge  
heirs of my daughter Catherine the one sixtieth Share and  
Share alike to be paid to them as they respectively to the age  
of twenty one years, to them their heirs and assigns fore-  
ever. — And lastly I do hereby nominate, constitute and  
appoint my two trusty friends or the survivor of them  
Bornt P'Ninant and Daniel Minant my Executors of this  
my last Will and Testament, with full power to execute  
this within contained orders.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand  
and seal, this eighth day of February, in the year of our  
Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty one.

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced  
and declared by the said John P'ryer  
P'ryer, as his last Will and Testament John P'ryer Esq.  
in the presence of us who in his pres-  
ence and in the presence of each other  
have hereunto subscribed our names.

John Bradick, Elizabeth Manee,  
Susan Ann Coote, Westfield, Bornt P'Ninant, Westfield.

State of New York, Richmond County, ss.  
Be it remembered that a Surrogate Court held for the  
said County, at the Surrogate office in the village of  
Richmond the eleventh day of February in the year of  
our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two  
before Richard Crocheron Surrogate of the said County,

The last Will and Testament of John P'ryer late of the  
said County of Richmond deceased, was admitted to  
probate after having been duly proved, (which proof to-  
gether with the said Will is herein before recorded)  
Whereupon it is ordered by the said Surrogate that  
letter testamentary thereon be granted to Bornt P'Ninant  
and Daniel Minant the executors in the said Will  
named, after the expiration of thirty days from the  
time of taking the proof aforesaid, on their complying  
with the laws of the State of New York, and the  
statute in such cases provided. Richard Crocheron, Supt

Be it also remembered that on the twelfth day of  
March in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight

(146) hundred and thirty two, personally appeared before me Bornt  
P'Ninant and Daniel Minant the executors in the aforesaid  
Will named, and were duly sworn to the faithful perform-  
ance and execution thereof, by taking the usual Oath in such  
cases required. — Whereupon letters testamentary was duly  
issued to the said Bornt P'Ninant and Daniel Minant, under  
the official Seal of the said Surrogate.

Richard Crocheron Surrogate

### Record of the Will of Richard Jackson

State of New York, Richmond County, ss.

Be it remembered, that a Surrogate Court held for the said  
County of Richmond at the Surrogate office in the said coun-  
try, the fifteenth day of January in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, before Rich-  
ard Crocheron Surrogate of the said county.

In the matter of proving the last Will and Testament  
of Richard Jackson late of the said County deceased.

William Shea of the said County appeared, and  
produced his petition to the said Surrogate, setting forth  
that Richard Jackson late of the Town of Castleton, Coun-  
ty and State aforesaid, deceased, died on or about the six-  
teenth day of September one thousand eight hundred  
and thirty, at Tompkinsville in the County of Richmond  
aforesaid, leaving a last Will and Testament, that  
the said deceased did therein and thereby appoint  
your petitioner, with John Everson and John Stover  
Executors of his said last Will and Testament. That  
the said deceased died leaving Anne Stover, Jane E-  
verson, John Jackson, William Jackson and Samuel  
Jackson. Next of kin. That your petitioner being  
desirous that the said Will should be admitted to  
proof and letter testamentary thereon granted to  
the aforesaid executors mentioned and named in  
the said Will, therefore prays a citation issuing  
out of and under the Seal of this honorable court re-  
quiring the said next of kin viz. Ann Stover, Jane  
Everson, John Jackson, William Jackson and Samuels  
Jackson, and who are also the devisees of the said  
Jackson under the said will, to appear befor

(147) Said Surrogate at his office in the said County of Richmond on the sixth day of February next, at the hour of eleven o'clock A. M. to oppose or support as they may see fit the probate of the said last will and Testament.

The matter set forth in the said petition was verified by the oath of the petitioner. — On reading and filing the aforesaid petition, it was ordered that citation issue to the said next of kin of the said deceased agreeably to the prayer of the petitioner. — Which order is entered more at large in the book of Minutes kept kept in said office.

The People of the State of New York. To

Ann Storer wife of John Storer, Jane Everson wife of John Everson, John Jackson, William Jackson & Samuel Jackson next of kin of Richard Jackson deceased. Greeting

You are hereby cited to appear before the Surrogate of the County of Richmond at his office in the village of Richmond, on the sixth day of February next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon of the same day, to attest the probate of a certain instrument, bearing date the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September A. D. 1830, purporting to be the last will and Testament of Richard Jackson late of Richmond deceased, on the application of William Shea the acting executor. — In witness whereof the Surrogate of the said County hath hereunto affixed his seal of office

the sixteenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and thirty two. — Richard Brockhouse Esq.

The matter being adjourned over from the sixth of February to the eleventh instant, when John Everson also one of the executors named in the will of the said Richard Jackson deceased appeared, and requested permission to proceed to prove the said will. It appearing that the above citation to the next of kin had been published in the Richmond Republican, or the following affidavit will show.

State of New York. City and County of New York. S. S.  
William Haggadone of the City of New York, being duly sworn says, that the notice of which the aforesaid is a copy, has been regularly published in the Richmond County Republican, a newspaper published in the village of Tompkinsville, one in each week for three weeks successively, commencing the 21<sup>st</sup> day of January last past, that deponent is the Editor, Printer and proprietor of said

paper. Signed William Haggadone. And sworn before me this 6<sup>th</sup> day of February 1832. to Eagle Commissioner  
Whereas the said Court being satisfied with the proof made in the premises, that due notice had been given according to law to have the said will of the said deceased proved. It was therefore ordered on reading and filing the foregoing affidavit by the said court that John Everson acting Executor, have leave to proceed to prove the said will of the said deceased. And the proof was made as follows.

State of New York. Richmond County. S. S.  
On the matter of proving the last Will and Testament of Richard Jackson late of Westleton in the County of Richmond and

Reverend John C Miller and Doctor Samuel P Smith of the Town and County aforesaid, being duly sworn, deponent and saith, that they did see the said deceased, sign and seal the said instrument now shown to them, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, bearing date the fifteenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty, and recollect him the said deceased publish and declare the same as and for his last will and Testament that at the time thereof the said deceased, was of sound disposing mind and memory, and not under any restraint to the best knowledge and belief of these deponents, that they together with Doctor John T Harrison the other Subscribing witness to the said will, subscribed their names thereto as witnesses in the presence of the Testator and at his request, and in the presence of each other, and further these deponents saith not. Sworn the 11<sup>th</sup> day of February — John C Miller 1832. before me. Rich Brockhouse S. S. Samuel P Smith

And thereupon it appearing to the said Court that the said will of the said deceased was duly executed according to law, and that the said Testator who executed the same, was at the time of making such execution of sound mind and memory and not under any restraint. — It is ordered by the said Court, on due deliberation, that the said will together with the proof thereof be recorded, which said proof is herein before recorded and contained, and that the said will so ordered to be recorded in as follow:

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In the Name of God, Amen. I Richard Jackson of the Town of Castleton in the County of Richmond and State of New York, being weak in Body but of sound mind and memory. Blessed be Almighty God for the same, do make and publish this as my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following, to wit, I first order and direct that my property in Westfield which I assigned to John Stover shall be sold and the proceeds thereof, after paying the said John Stover the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars with the interest that may accrue thereon, I order the residue shall be appropriated to the discharge of my lawful debts. — I give and bequeath unto my daughter Ann all my household furniture of all descriptions. — I then order and direct that all the property which I might receive from the estate of my Brother George Smith late merchant in Philadelphia on account of his claims on the French Government when received shall be equally divided share and share alike between my children, namely, Anna the wife of John Stover, Jane the wife of John Everson, and my son John, William and Samuel Jackson after paying all my just debts. — I give and bequeath to my two sons John and William all my bedding apparel to be divided between them share and share alike. — Lastly I constitute and appoint my two sons in law John Everson and John Stover and my friend William Shea of Westfield, Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the fifteenth day of September in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty.

Signed, Sealed, published pro-<sup>3</sup> nounced and declared by the said Richard Jackson Testator to be his last will & Testament in the presence of us, witnesses thereto. —

John T. Harrison, Castleton, Staten Island. John E. Miller, Castleton, Richmond County. Saml R. Smith, Castleton, Staten Island.

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State of New York, Richmond County, sc. Be it remembered that a Surrogate Court held for the said county of Richmond, at the Surrogate office in the Village of Richmond the eleventh day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, before Richard Crockeron Surrogate of the said County. — The last will and Testament of Richard Jackson late of the said County deceased, was admitted to probate after having been duly proved, (which proof together with the said will is here in before recorded.) Whereupon it is ordered by the said Surrogate that letters testamentary thereon be granted to John Everson, John Stover and William Shea, the executors in the said will named, after the expiration of thirty days from the time of taking the prob of aforesaid, on their complying with the laws of the State of New York, and other Statute in such cases provided.

### Record of the Will of Mary Beedell

State of New York, Richmond County, sc.  
Be it remembered that a Surrogate Court held for the said County of Richmond at the Surrogate office in the said County, the tenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, before Richard Crockeron Surrogate

In the matter of proving the last will and Testament of Mary Beedell late of said County deceased. Joseph Beedell of the said County appeared before the said court, and produced a certain instrument in writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Mary Beedell, and made application for the prob