

John W.
Apfornman
Will

In the name of God Amen: I John W. Apfornman of the County of
Franklin and State of Tennessee on the Sixth day of December
in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and fifty three
being not of sound body but of sound mind and memory do make
this my last Will and Testament at the same time entirely revoking
all former Wills made by me declaring this to be my last
Will and Testament. First I will my body be committed to the ground
my soul to the God who gave it when he in presence of witnesses
to all. Secondly after a sufficiency of my affairs are disposed
of to pay all my just debts I will that my dear wife
Elizabeth Apfornman the wife of the deceased of all the rest
of my property without sale during her life or widowhood
at the same time giving to her the right of selling any three
known surplus property except my negro boy Susan. Thirdly
I will that my negro boy Susan be raised to the highest school
in the town of Winchester on the first Monday after his
first month after my decease on the following terms
One half of the purchase money to be paid down the other
half in a series of twelve months the purchase to give him
an Apfornman Apprenticeship and a sum to be held on the negro till
all the purchase is paid forthwith I will that a sufficiency
of the proceeds of my negro boy Susan be laid out for
good land as shall be a comfortable home for my family
thus all of which land in any way I do prohibit any and
known person in the stated Church the wife or widowhood
of my dear wife Elizabeth Apfornman. Fourthly I will at the
marriage or death of my dear wife Elizabeth Apfornman
all my property to be sold and left to the legal heirs accord-
ing to Law. Fifthly and finally I do appoint my dear wife Elizabeth
Apfornman Elizabeth and William W. Taylor Sen as Co-Executors
with her to this my last Will and Testament, to which I have
hereunto set my hand and seal this day and date before witnesses
Signed and Sealed in the presence of
me
J. W. Apfornman

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County Clerk January Term 1853

Then the last Will and Testament of John W. Apfornman
did as was presented to Court for probate fully proven
by the Oaths of S. R. Farish William Farish the Subscribing
Witnesses there to as was ordered to be recorded as the
Law directs. Testers my hand at Office January
20/1853

W. E. Taylor Secy.