

The Last Will and Testament of A. Harmon

State of Vermont
Washington County. Know all men that I, Adam Harmon of said County & State, being sensible of the solemn change from life to death appointed for all living by the mercy of God still enjoying the full exercise of my senses and reason do on this 10th day of April in year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three ordain & declare this instrument to be my last Will and Testament as specified under the following heads viz.

1st To the gracious Lord my Creator I in humble confidence of his mercy dedicate my spirit, who gave it, & also graciously will leave it again unto existence at the last day.

2nd To my sons Conrad Harmon & Phillip Harmon I do give and bequeath all that tract of land of Lane Warren I now own whether originally bought or entered to have & to hold as their joint property from the day of my death, on the conditions specified in the 3rd clause of this instrument, it is also my will & desire that each of these my sons, Conrad & Phillip shall be furnished with a horse, harness, saddle & bridle, each, and that the wagon & gears found at my death shall remain in the place as their joint property, with all the other tools and implements of husbandry.

3rd To my beloved wife Barbara Harmon I give and bequeath during her natural life, the fourth part of every thing raised on the farm, as already given to my sons as declared in the preceding clause, for her maintenance to be disposed of at her own will & pleasure.

4th I hereby order and direct by my beloved wife Barbara Harmon shall have and hold in her possession all the personal property, house hold & kitchen furniture, with the stock on the farm with the exception of the horses & farming utensils already given to my sons Conrad & Phillip as specified in the 3rd clause, during her natural life.

5th It is further my will and desire that all the notes and claims in favor of my estate shall remain in the hands of my beloved wife Barbara Harmon whose debt it shall be at the marriage or the legal age of my three daughters, Susannah, Sally & Elizabeth to give or divide unto them such a part or share as shall make them equal with that portion bestowed on my daughter Margaret already married.

6th It shall further be remarked and understood that the remainder of all the personal property or claims that shall remain, after such a division as above mentioned to my three daughters, Susannah, Sally & Elizabeth shall be at the disposal of my wife Barbara Harmon during her natural life or so long as she shall remain

in her widowhood, which must be understood in every case above where a bequest has been made to her.

7th After the death of my wife Barbara Harmon upon her marriage after my death it is my will that all movable property remaining in possession not already disposed of shall be equally divided between my four daughters, Susannah, Sally, Elizabeth & Margaret the McNeal to each in equal share.

8th It is further my will & desire that nothing what has been said concerning stock or movable property in the farm shall be so construed as to include any stock raised or property purchased by my two sons Conrad & Phillip Harmon after they shall have become of age & in possession of their farm, but only such stock & the increase therefrom as shall be born on the farm at my death not otherwise disposed of.

9th My three sons Conrad, I and John have already received their full share and support of my living it is my affectionate wish and desire that they remain satisfied with what I already have done for them & therefore permit their mother & younger brothers & sisters to remain in peaceful & amiable possession of what is herein mentioned & directed.

10th I hereby name & constitute my wife Barbara Harmon during her life & widowhood to be my sole executrix of this my last will & Testament.

11th Finally I hereby declare this instrument to be my last will & Testament & hereby revoke all former wills or Testaments done this day & date as above stated.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal
 signed sealed & delivered
 in presence of
 Augustus Grahl
 Ira Harmon

Adam Harmon (read)
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The foregoing will was proven in open Court by the oath of Ira Harmon one of the subscribers witnesses and the removal of Augustus Grahl the other witness proven by Ira Harmon and the hand writing of Grahl proven by John Lyland and Barbara Harmon qualified as Executors at June Term 1844 and recorded.