

J. F. Gilliam Will

I J. F. Gilliam of Johnson City Washington County State of Tennessee being of sound and disposing mind and heart under any restraint or the influence or representations of any person what ever do make Publish and Declare this my last will and testament in manner following. that is to say, all my real Estate wherever it is situated including all in Tennessee, Virginia, Indiana and all other States or wherever it is situated, as well as all stock, Bonds and all other interest parts of interest in any real Estate whatever. I give bequeath and devise unto H. A. Stratton. I also give bequeath and devise unto said H. A. Stratton all other property and all my properties Real and personal of whatever nature or kind, and I also give and bequeath unto said Stratton the proceeds of all life insurance Policies that I hold the proceeds from the life insurance Policies to be held by said Stratton in trust for my wife and children to be used by them as said trustee thinks in his judgment is best. I do hereby name write and appoint H. A. Stratton the Executor of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 13th day of August 1888.

witness
Jesse Brame
A. R. Wing

The foregoing Will was presented before the County Court of Washington County Tenn. at its August Term 1889 and proven by the oaths of Jesse Brame & A. R. Wing the two subscribing witnesses thereto and there being no exception taken the same was admitted to probate and ordered to be entered of record.

Aug 27. 1889.

E. A. Shipley,
Circuit Co. Court.

John Beals Will

In the name of God Amen.

I John Beals being in ill bodily health but of of sound and disposing mind and memory calling to mind the frailty and uncertainty of Human life and being desirous of settling my worldly affairs and directing how the estates with which it has pleased God to bless me shall be disposed of after my deceased whilst I have strength and capacity so to do, make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making null and void all other last wills and testaments by me heretofore made. And first I commend my immortal being to him who gave it, and my body to the earth to be buried with little expense or ostentation by my Executors hereinafter named.

And as to my worldly estate and all the property real personal or mixed of which I shall die seized and possessed or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease, I devise bequeath and dispose thereof in manner following, to wit, in primis My will is that all my just debts and funeral charges shall by my Executors hereinafter named be paid out of my Estate as soon after my decease as shall by them be found convenient.

Item - I give devise and bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah Ann Beals all of my furniture that is the house hold goods, also one cow and two calves also two bridle mares, one a clay bank the other a dark bay, also all of the Hogs.

2. My will is that my beloved wife is to occupy and live in the house she now lives and to be plentifully and decently supported by my three sons namely Joseph E. Beals, James H. O'Beals and Isaac S. Beals during her natural life this provision is expressly made in Lieu of Dower.

3. My will is that Joseph E. Beals is to have the Savannah Beals tract of land and I bequeath unto him that tract of land containing forty acres

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on the terms and conditions herein after named I further give, devise and bequeath unto my son Joseph E. Beals a certain field adjoining the forty acre tract, better known as the lower field, bought of old Joseph Archer, including in same field a small piece of land bought from David Deal said field, contained some eight or nine acres. My will is that my son Joseph E. Beals is to have what fruit that will be necessary for his family use from the Home orchard until he has plenty of fruit of his own by the said Joseph E. Beals performing equal labor in tinning and keeping Home orchard in a bearing condition.

H. I give devise and bequeath unto my two sons namely James N. D. Beals and Isaac S. Beals the remainder of my real Estate known as the old Beals farm & to have and to hold for ever upon the following conditions to wit & the above includes the field above. the road bought of old Joseph Archer. And in consideration of the above devise and bequeath it is my will that my three above named sons, pay to my son William D. Beals. One hundred & fifty dollars and my son John K. Beals One Hundred & fifty dollars, and my Daughter Susanah Dore, one Hundred & fifty dollars, and to my Daughter Martha E. Matern, one Hundred & fifty dollars the same to be due each of the above named after the decease of my beloved wife, Sarah Ann Beals, but can pay and take receipt for same at any time, and it is my will that in further consideration of the real Estate bequeathed unto my three sons, that they pay off all my just debts and funeral Expenses.

I give and bequeath unto my son James N. D. Beals one mowing machine & reaper, one half interest in grain drill, one half interest in Hay Rake, one half interest in Wheat Fan and one two horse plow and one double shovel plow I give and bequeath unto my son Isaac S. Beals my half interest in threshing machine and one Harrow and one double shovel and one small sorrel Horse and one bay colt and one milch cow

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and one two year old bull.

My will is that all the property not otherwise provided for is to remain on the farm as the property of my three sons who are in possession of the real estate with the exception of the old threshing machine box and horse power which I give my interest to my son Joseph E. Beals lastly I nominate and appoint my son Joseph E. Beals to be the Executor of this my last will and testament this the 9th day of August 1889.

Signed in the presence of
S. P. Martin and
S. L. Diehl

John Beals
John Beals

The foregoing Will was presented to the County Court of Washington County at its September Term 1889, and proven by the oaths of S. P. Martin and S. L. Diehl the two subscribing witnesses thereto, and there being no exceptions taken, the same was admitted to probate and ordered to be entered of record.

Jacob Leah
Co. Cl. Clerk.