

Marcellus M. Martin's Will.

In the name of God. Amen, I Marcellus E. Martin of the County of Washington, State of Tennessee now residing on Boone's Creek in the aforesaid County & State being of sound & disposing mind & memory, calling to mind the frailty and uncertainty of human life, and being desirous of settling my worldly affairs, and directing how that estate which it has pleased God to bless me shall be disposed of after my decease while I have strength and capacity to do so, do make and publish this my last will and Testament, hereby revoking and making null and void all other last will and Testaments by me heretofore made. And first I commend my spirit to Him who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried with as little expence or ostentation by my executor hereinafter named as is expedient.

And 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 the manner following, to wit:

First - My will is that all my just debts and funeral charges shall by my executor hereinafter named be paid out of my estate as soon after my decease as shall by him be found convenient.

Item 2nd - I give, devise and bequeath to my beloved and faithful sister Ida E. Martin all my property, real, personal or mixed, of whatever kind it may be, to use & to hold, and to have the benefit thereof during her natural life, after the decease of Ida E. Martin, it is to be equally divided between the heirs

of my brother Williams H. Martin now deceased. Lastly - I do nominate and appoint A. C. Bowman to be the Executor of this my last will & Testament.

In Testimony whereof the said Marcellus E. Martin to this my last will and Testament contained on this paper have subscribed my name and affixed my seals this the first day of Sept. in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & eighty five
Marcellus E. Martin

We do affirm that we saw Marcellus E. Martin sign this as his last will and Testament to which we affix our names as witnesses.

E. Miller, Clerk

George E. Bowman

E. Miller resides at Boone's Creek, Washington Co. Tenn. - Geo. E. Bowman resides at Athens City, Washington Co. Tenn.