

Richard McLin's Will

Washington County
State of Tennessee

Know all men by these presents, That I Richard McLin, of the County and State aforesaid, being weak in body, but of sound mind and memory, doth make this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows.

Item 1st. It is my will that after my death my son Robert A McLin shall have that portion of my farm, generally known as the Benj McLin part, with all the improvements and appertinances belonging thereto. The division line to be as it was made by the committee that made the division between Benj McLin and myself. Beginning at the mouth of the Mill branch, and to run as specified in the conveyance made by Benj McLin to me, cornering on a double white oak at the State bank in the corner of the field next to John F Smiths farm, thence running South of East straight across to the boundary line, and supposed to contain eighty three acres be the same more or less.

Item 2^d. It is my will that at ^{my} death, after all my just debts and funeral expenses are paid, that my two daughters at home Elizabeth and Sophia, shall be made equal to my two daughters who are married, in stock and outfit. And after that, all my other property both real estate and personal property of what ever kind I possess shall be for the use and benefit of my beloved wife Rachel McLin, and my two daughters who are at home to be used & managed by them for their support, so long as my daughters may remain at home with their mother; I wish my wife to have the power to remunerate my two daughters Elizabeth & Sophia for any extra care and trouble that they may have in taking care of their ~~partments~~ in such way and to the amount that she in her judgment may think their meritorious services deserves. I wish my wife to have the use of the land & property, (not otherwise devised) so long as she lives or remains my widow. At the death of my wife I wish the farm, or that portion of it not conveyed to Robert, sold in a body, and the proceeds divided equally between my four daughters Elizabeth, Lucinda, Francis and Sophia. And if any surplus remains of my personal property I wish it divided equally between my five children.

Richard McLins Will cont^d

I constitute & appoint my son Robert A McLin my Executor and my wife Rachel McLin my Executrix to settle up my estate according to the provisions of this will. In witness whereof I hereto subscribe my name and affix my seal this 27th of January 1870.

In presence of
S B Lyon
James A Carson
W B Crookshank

Rich^d McLin *Dead*

Codicil to the last will & testament of Richard McLin

Whereas on the 27th day of January 1870. I Richard McLin made a will which is duly signed by me, and witnessed by S B Lyon & James A Carson. Since then in the Providence of God my daughter Francis E Seehorn has been called from time to eternity, & This Codicil of mine is to amend the aforesaid will of Jan 27th 1870. in manner and form as follows, viz. At the death of my wife, I will that the farm, or that portion of it not conveyed to Robert, sold in a body and the proceeds divided equally between my four children, Robert, Elizabeth, Lucinda, & Sophia, if they are all living at that time, if not, equally divided between my surviving children at their mothers death. Also if any surplus remains of my personal property I wish it equally divided between my surviving daughters at ^{my} the death of my wife. I constitute and appoint my son Robt A McLin my executor and my wife Rachel McLin Executrix to ^{settle up} my estate according to the provisions of the will & codicil.

In testimony whereof I hereto subscribe my name & affix my seal this 29th of Sept 1870.

In presence of us
S B Lyon
W B Crookshank

Rich^d McLin *Dead*

The foregoing will was presented to the Court at January term 1871 And proven by the oaths of S B Lyon and W B Crookshank, two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

J. H. Cushman Clerk