

Samuel Garst's Will.

I Samuel Garst of the County of Washington State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory, do make and publish this as my last will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time made.

First I direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid, out of any moneys on hand at my death, or may first come into the hands of my Executor.

Secondly I will and bequeath unto my beloved wife Susannah Garst all of my Estate both real and personal for and during her natural life or widowhood, and at her death, or in the event she should marry again, I direct all my estate real and personal be sold to the highest bidder for cash, on a credit of twelve months, and the proceeds thereof to be equally divided amongst all my children. I direct my wife, pay to my children as they arrive at age, such property as she can spare from the farm, and take their receipt for the same, or charge them with whatever they may receive, it being my object in this will to give all my estate real and personal to my wife during her natural life or widowhood and should she be able to give my children a part of it on their arriving at Twenty one years of age, (still retaining enough to keep her comfortable.) for her to do so, taking care to make the children all equal. And should she wish to dispose of any of the property by giving the same to any of the children, the same must be valued to them by two freeholders, disinterested in the matter.

Lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my son-in-law, William A. Sharp, sole Executor of this my last will and Testament, placing confidence in his integrity and faithfulness.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 21st day of April 1869, ^{his} Signed sealed and acknowledged Samuel Garst ^{mark} Seal in the presence of us.

C. F. C. Deake. The foregoing Will was proven in open Court at J. F. Krisham. The November term 1876. by the oath of J. F. Krisham one of the subscribing witnesses, and the genuine signature of S. C. Deake by the oaths of James L. Deadrick, and S. S. Luttrell two citizens of said County and the Court being satisfied with the probate the same was ordered to be recorded. J. F. Krisham, Clerk.

John Williams Will.

State of Tennessee } In the name of
Washington County } God Amen.

I John Williams of the County and State aforesaid being of sound mind do make this my last Will and Testament.

1st

I do will and bequeath to my beloved wife forty acres of land including the buildings, also the clock and cupboard, all of which is to be equally divided between my daughter Anne and Mary at their Mothers death.

2nd

I give to my daughter Anne thirty acres of land over and above what she is to receive of her Mothers estate also my Black mare.

3rd

I give to my daughter Mary B. and Stephen A. Williams thirty six acres of land that formerly belonged to the tract of John Williams Sr. also Mary B. is to have my gray horse.

4th

I give to my son Geo. W. twenty five and one third acres over and above what I have decided to him, also my gray mare and three Cattle.

5th

The cattle, Hogs, Reaper and Wagon to be left on the farm to be disposed of to the best advantage and the proceeds to be applied to the payment of the heirs.

6th

I give to my son James one hundred and fifty dollars to be paid out of the first money collected.

7th

I give to my son John L. and daughter Caroline, Sarah and Sophronia fifty dollars \$50. each to be paid out of the proceeds of the sales.

8th

I appoint my son George W. executor without security. Signed and sealed in the presence of the following witnesses. This the 10th day of Oct. 1876 John Williams Seal

John Williams' Will.

The foregoing Will was proven in open Court at the November term 1876, by the oaths of ~~John L. Williams and Daniel Allen~~ the subscribing witnesses, and the Court being satisfied in the probate the same was ordered to be recorded.

J. F. Grisham
Clerk.

Joshua Henleys Will.

I Joshua Henley being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and publish this my last Will and Testament and hereby revoke and make void all other Wills by me heretofore made and more particularly a will made and dated the 3rd January 1864 and Registered in the registers office of Washington County Tennessee in Vol. 38 and page 579.

Article First.

After receiving a life estate therein to myself and wife or either surviving the other, I devise to my daughters Rebecca Henley and Seraphina Graham two thirds of the farm on which I now live to include all the improvements or buildings the same to be laid off and divided as hereinafter provided, to secure to their only separate use and behoof and benefit, free of claim or control of their or either of their present or future husbands, and to my son John the remaining one third of said farm to be laid off and divided as hereinafter provided to be to him an inheritance in fee all subject to the charge of a support for their brother Theodore hereinafter provided for.

Joshua Henleys Will.

Article Second.

I give and bequeath to my said two daughters Rebecca and Seraphina, my ~~entire~~ personal estate, to be equally divided between them at the death of myself and wife by consent and if they cannot agree then by the parties hereinafter provided for to divide said farm.

Article Third.

It is my will that at the death of myself and wife, if the said two daughters and my son John cannot agree upon a partition of said farm devised in Article first - that each one of them shall choose one freeholder, and they three shall partition said farm according to quantity, quality and value laying off the two thirds of said Rebecca and Seraphina together if they ^{shall} so elect and if not then to each one third, and this partition shall be final and conclusive, and if either after it is made shall disagree to it and go to law about it or shall go to law about the partition before it is made, he or she so acting shall forfeit his third and the whole farm shall be partitioned as aforesaid between the two who shall agree to the partition first provided for.

Article Fourth.

It is my will that my two daughters Rebecca and Seraphina and my son John shall furnish a support for life to my son Theodore such as is fair and reasonable and the said land devised in Article first is expressly charged therewith, and if he should elect to live with any one of them exclusively then the others two is to contribute their fair proportion to his support which upon any disagreement as to the amount of the same shall be settled by three arbitrators, one chosen by each whose decision shall be final and my son Theodore shall have the liberty at all times and from time to time of selecting which one he will live with.

Article Fifth.

It is my will that all my remaining children and their representatives be excluded from any participation in my estate because I have advanced them what I regard as the entire portion of my estate intended for them.

Article Sixth.

I appoint John S. Henley my executor to execute this my last will and Testament.