

Will of Jacob Butcher

Name in Record	Reason for Being in Record	Date of Record
Jacob Butcher	Of Geneva; makes his last will & testament	Jan. 2, 1911
Catharine A. Butcher	Wife; requests vaults for them in West Lawn Cemetery	
Catharine A. Butcher	Wife; inherits residence in Geneva, Indiana, 600.00	
Catharine A. Butcher	Wife; inherits household goods, except piano;	
Catharine A. Butcher	Wife; inherits rents from brick business until it is sold	
Minnie M. Burk	Daughter; share proceeds from sale of brick business with siblings	
Lola L. Hutchens	Daughter; share proceeds from sale of brick business with siblings	
Gladys G. Gettinger	Daughter; share proceeds from sale of brick business with siblings	
Roy L. J. Butcher	Son; share proceeds from sale of brick business with siblings	
Elizabeth R. Butcher	Daughter; share proceeds from sale of brick business with siblings	
Bertie Burk	Son of Minnie Burk; inherits 100.00 if his mother is deceased	
Elizabeth R. Butcher	Daughter; inherits piano & 50.00 to use for musical education	
F. S. Armantrout	Appointed executor of will of Jacob Butcher	
C. N. Brown	Witnessed Jacob Butcher making his last will	
Thomas E. Kraner	Witnessed Jacob Butcher making his last will	
Jacob Butcher	Died	May 2, 1911
Thomas E. Kraner	Subscribing witness; oath of death & validity of will	May 8, 1911
James P. Haifling	Clerk	
James P. Haifling	Clerk; will has been admitted to probate	May 8, 1911

No 922
 I, Jacob Butcher of Geneva Adams County State of Indiana being of sound mind and disposing memory do hereby make with my own hand this my last will and testament in being the only will ever made by me. Item first, I desire that all my just debts including my funeral expenses and a suitable burial in west Lane Cemetery for my self and my wife Batharine A. Butcher shall be fully paid from my estate.

Item second, I give bequeath and devise to my beloved wife Batharine A. Butcher my residence property in Geneva described as follows to-wit: Lot one hundred and sixty in Isaac Nelsons Plat Butchers Nine addition to the town of Buffalo now Geneva Adams County, Indiana, as the same is designated on the recorded plat of said town, together with all the appurtenances thereto belonging including all the house hold goods of every description whatever except my Piano for and during her natural life. And I also give for her Comfort and support that after her death the above recorded real estate shall be sold and the proceeds thereof shall be divided share and share alike to my five Children hereinafter named. I also give and bequeath to my said wife the rents and profits of my Brick Business Room on line street in the town of Geneva Indiana until such time as it can be sold for not less than two thousand dollars, said sale to be made as soon as possible after my death and the proceeds thereof shall after the payment of all expenses of said sale be divided share and share alike to my five Children Viz Minnie M. Burk, Lola L. Butcher, Gladys E. Kettinger, Roy L. J. Butcher, and Elizabeth R. Butcher. Provided however that if my daughter Minnie M. Burk should die prior to my death or that of my said wife, in that case her son Bertie Burk shall take of her share one hundred dollars no more and the remainder of her said share shall be divided equally among the remaining of my said Children.

I give and bequeath to Elizabeth R. Butcher in addition to her other share my Piano and fifty dollars in money said money to be used for her musical education.

All the rest of my property including my office fixtures of every description and money on hand after the full and complete settlement of my Estate shall be divided

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equally to my four children except as in the former provision in case of the death of mine wife M. Bitcher prior to my death or her of my said wife.

I am Charles, The above by L. J. Bitcher and Elizabeth B. Bitcher shall in person at earliest opportunity until they each own at their majority unless for a special necessary or educational purpose.

John Smith shall be executor of this will

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 2nd day of January 1911

Jacob Bitcher

Subscribed by the said Jacob Bitcher in our presence and by him declared by him to be his last will and attested by us as such in his presence and in the presence of each other this 2nd day of January 1911

R. M. Brown
Thomas E. Kramer

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State of Indiana, Adams County, ss.

Be it known that Thomas E. Kramer, one of the subscribing witnesses of the last will and Testament of Jacob Bitcher late of Adams County, Indiana, personally appeared before the undersigned, Clerk of the Adams Circuit Court of Adams County, being of lawful age and being by me duly sworn as follows: That Jacob Bitcher deceased on the 2nd day of May 1911; that he left the foregoing as his last will and Testament; that the undersigned was present and saw the said testator sign his name to the same and he also published and heard that the same was his last will and Testament; that he was of sound mind and memory, fully competent to devise his property, and was under no restraint or coercion whatever; that Charles N. Brown and Thomas E. Kramer each signed their names to the same as subscribing witnesses in his presence and at his request and in the presence of each other

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of May 1911
Thomas E. Kramer
James P. Haefliger

State of Indiana, Adams County, ss.

I, James P. Haefliger, Clerk of the Adams Circuit Court of Adams County, Indiana, certify that the above and foregoing will of Jacob Bitcher late of Adams County, Indiana, deceased, has been duly admitted to probate, that its due execution was this day proven by Thomas E. Kramer whose proof together with said will, have been duly recorded on pages 163-4-5 Book E of wills in this office

Witness my hand and seal of said Court this 8th day of May, 1911.

Seal

James P. Haefliger, Clerk