

Will of John Christen Sr.

Name in Record	Reason for Being in Record	Date of Record
John Christen Sr.	Of Root Township; makes his last will & testament	November 9, 1896
Godfrey Christen	Son; Inherits \$100.00	
Mary Christen	Wife of son, Albright; inherit's 300.00	
Albright Christen	Son	
John Christen	Son; inherits 200.00	
Catherine M. Christen	Wife of son, John; inherits 100.00	
Robert Christen	Son; has already received his inheritance	
Godfrey Christen	Son; to share balance of estate	
Eliza Christen	Daughter; to share balance of estate	
Mary Christen	Daughter; to share balance of estate	
John Christen	Son; to share balance of estate	
William Christen	Son; to share balance of estate	
Caroline Christen	Daughter; to share balance of estate	
Godfrey Christen	Son; appointed co-executor of will of John Christian, Sr.	
John Christen	Son; appointed co-executor of will of John Christian, Sr.	
Jonas Cline	Witnessed John Christen Sr. making his last will	March 12, 1898
D. M. Rice	Witnessed John Christen Sr. making his last will	
John Christen Sr.	Died	
Jonas Cline	Subscribing witness; oath of death & validity of will	March 28, 1898
John H. Lenhart	Clerk	March 28, 1898
John H. Lenhart	Clerk; will has been admitted to probate	

Last Will and Testament of John Christen Sr.

#585.

I, John Christen Senr of Root Township in the County of Adams and State of Indiana, being of sound mind and memory do make and publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me at any time heretofore made.

My will is that all my just debts and funeral expenses also all bequests herein made, shall by my Executors hereinafter named, be paid out of my estate as soon after my decease as shall by them be found convenient.

I give and bequeath to my son Godfrey one hundred dollars.

I give and bequeath to my son's Allbrights wife, Mary three hundred dollars in lieu of his entire share of all my property to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease.

To my son John I give and bequeath two hundred dollars.

I give and bequeath to my son John's wife Catharine M. Christen, one hundred dollars.

My son Robert having already received more than his share of all my property to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease, is hereby excluded from this will.

All the rest of the proceeds of my estate personal and mixed to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease, I give, devise and bequeath to be equally divided among the following of my children Godfrey, Eliza, Mary, John, William and Caroline.

My two daughters Eliza and Mary having already received one hundred dollars each, said sums shall be deducted from each of their shares with the interest added to Eliza's share.

And hereby I do nominate and appoint my two sons Godfrey and John to be the executors of this my last will and Testament.

In witness whereof, I the said John Christen Senr, have to this my last Will and Testament subscribed my name this the ninth day of November, 1876.

John X Christen Senr.
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Signed sealed and published and declared by the said John Christen Senr as and for his last will and Testament, in the presence

Last Will of John Christian Sr.

James, who at his request and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, have subscribed our names as witnesses:

Seal) James Blair } Residing in Root Tp.
Seal) S M Rice } Adams County Ind.

State of Indiana, Adams County ss:
Be it known that James Blair, one of the subscribing of the last Will and Testament of John Christian Sr. late of Adams County, deceased personally appeared before the undersigned, Clerk of the Adams Circuit Court, of Adams County, being of lawful age, and being by me duly sworn, depose as follows. That John Christian Sr. deceased on the 13th day of March, 1898, 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 declared 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 James Blair and David M Rice each signed their names to the same as subscribing witnesses, in his presence, and at his request and in the presence of each other.

James Blair
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 28th day of March, 1898.
John H Leubart Clerk

State of Indiana, Adams County ss:
I, John H Leubart, Clerk of the Adams Circuit Court, of Adams County, Indiana, certify that the above and foregoing Will of John Christian Sr. late of Adams County, deceased, has been duly admitted to Probate that its due execution was this day proven by James Blair whose proof, together with said Will, have been duly recorded on page 575 + 576, Record "C" of wills in this office.

Witness my hand, and Seal of said Court, this 28th day of March, 1898.

John H Leubart Clerk