

Will of Anna Claus

Name in Record	Reason for Being in Record	Date of Record
Anna Claus	Of Hartford Township; makes her last will & testament	Sept. 18, 1914
Edward Stahly	Son from first marriage; inherits 725.00	
Jacob J. Stahly	Son from first marriage; inherits 725.00	
Mary Johnson	Daughter of 2nd husband; shares balance of estate	
William Claus	Son of 2nd husband; shares balance of estate	
Selma Claus	Daughter of 2nd husband; shares balance of estate	
Mary Johnson	Appointed co-executor of will of Anna Claus	
William Claus	Appointed co-executor of will of Anna Claus	
Peter J. Baumgartner	Witnessed Anna Claus making her last will	
Amos Hirschy	Witnessed Anna Claus making her last will	
Anna Claus	Died	Oct. 21, 1916
Amos Hirschy	Subscribing witness; oath of death & validity of will	Dec. 8, 1916
Will Hammell	Clerk	
Will Hammell	Clerk; will has been admitted to probate	Dec. 8, 1916

In the name of the Benevolent Father of all:
 I the undersigned Anna Claue, residing in
 Harrison Township, Adams County, State of
 Indiana, being of sound mind and disposing
 memory and being the owner of the above
 hereby make public and declare the following to
 be my last will and testament, hereby renouncing
 any and all other wills by me heretofore made.

Item First.

I leave my will that all my just debts and
 funeral expenses shall be first paid out of my estate.

Item Second.

After the payment of my debts and funeral
 expenses as in and by this will provided, I then
 leave my will and I hereby give devise and bequeath
 the sum of Twenty hundred dollars (\$200) to Edward
 Stahly and Jacob B. Stahly. They divide the said sum
 equally between themselves. I hereby giving my children
 from my first husband.

Item Third.

After the payment made as mentioned in
 Item first and second of this will, then it so my
 will and I hereby give, devise and bequeath all the
 net and residue of my estate real, personal and
 mixed to Mary Johnson, William Claue and
 Selma Claue, children of my second husband, the
 same to be there in fee simple and to share alike.

Item Fourth.

I hereby appoint Mary Johnson and William
 Claue as the executors of this my last will.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set
 my hand and seal, this 18th day September A.D. 1894
 Anna Claue (Seal)

Signed, sealed and acknowledged by the above
 named testatrix Anna Claue, as her last will and
 testament in our presence, and by each of us signed at
 her request in her presence and in the presence of each
 other as attesting witnesses thereto the day and date
 last above written.

Peter J. Baumgartner }
 Amos Kerechay } Witnesses

State of Indiana, Adams County, ss:
 Be It known, That Amos Kerechay, one of the
 subscribing witnesses of the last Will and Testament of
 Anna Claue 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, deposed as follows:
 That Anna Claue deceased, departed on the 11th day of October
 1894; that she left the foregoing as her last Will and
 Testament, that she understood and was present and con-
 sents, published and declared that she same, and also
 her mind and memory, fully competent to devise her
 property and was under no restraint or coercion
 whatever; That Peter J. Baumgartner and
 Amos Kerechay each signed their names to the
 same as subscribing witnesses in her presence and
 at her request, and in the presence of each other
 on the 18th day of September 1894.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 8
 day of Dec. 1894

Will Hammell - Clerk
 State of Indiana, Adams County, ss:
 I, Will Hammell, Clerk of the Adams
 Circuit Court, of Adams County, Indiana, certify
 the above and foregoing Will of Anna Claue late of
 Adams County, deceased, has been duly admitted
 to probate, that its due execution was duly
 proven by Amos Kerechay whose proof, together
 with said Will, have been duly recorded on pages
 174-175 Record of Will in this Office.
 Witness my hand and seal of said Court,
 this 5th day of December 1894

Will Hammell Clerk