

## Will of John Closs

Name in Record	Reason for Being in Record	Date of Record
John Closs	Of Campbell county, Kentucky; makes his last will & testament	Feb. 2, 1889
Mary Closs	Wife; inherits homestead & furniture in Campbell County, Kentucky	
Mary Closs	Wife; inherits 1/3 of real estate owned in Adams County, Indiana	
Mary Closs	Daughter; shares remaining estate with siblings	
Charles Closs	Son; shares remaining estate with siblings	
Emma Closs	Daughter; shares remaining estate with siblings	
Edward Closs	Son; shares remaining estate with siblings	
Adelaide Closs	Daughter; shares remaining estate with siblings	
Arthur Closs	Son; shares remaining estate with siblings	
Mary Closs	Wife; appointed executrix of will of John Closs	
John Reichelmann	Witnessed John Closs making his last will	April 29, 1896
Mary E. Reichelmann	Witnessed John Closs making his last will	
J. N. Reinhold	Witnessed John Closs making his last will	
John Closs	Will admitted to probate in Campbell County, Kentucky	
Mary E. Reichelmann	Subscribing witness; oath of death & validity of will	
J. N. Reinhold	Subscribing witness; oath of death & validity of will	April 9, 1915
Chris Mitius	Clerk of Campbell County, KY; oath of true copy of will	
J. Edward Boltz	Judge of Campbell County, KY;	

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State of Kentucky  
Campbell County

Now before the Hon. H. L. Bennett, Judge &  
of the Campbell County Court at the Court House in  
Hazard Ky, on the 27th day of April in the year A.D. 1896  
his last Will and Testament of  
John Closs:-

Be it remembered, that on the 27th day of April 1896, a  
paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament  
of John Closs, was offered for Probate and record, and  
which said paper is in words and figures as follows  
to-wit:-

Last Will and Testament of  
John Closs, Deceased:-

Being of sound mind and memory, I hereby make  
and declare the following to be my last Will,  
1. I will and bequeath to my beloved wife, Mary,  
during her life, my homestead, being the house and all  
dwelling thereon, situated on the South west corner of Fairfield and  
of the lot situated on the South west corner of Fairfield and  
Wood Avenue, in the Town of Bellevue, and the County of  
Campbell, and State of Kentucky, the remainder, in equal shares,  
to my six children, viz Mary, Charles, Emma, Edward, Abigail  
and Arthur in fee.

2. I also Will to my beloved wife, Mary to have and  
possess in her own right, all the furniture and household  
effects of whatever kind, whether for use, ornament or  
amusement, now in my homestead, situated as above.

3. After the payment of all debts, out of the personal  
property, not above bequeathed, I will to my beloved wife Mary  
absolutely, One third of balance, and the remainder, in  
equal shares to my six children, as above mentioned.

4. Of whatever other Real Estate, I may own or  
or interest in any that I may have in this or  
any other State. I will and bequeath One third  
thereof in fee to my beloved wife, Mary, and the  
remainder in equal shares to my six children,

as above mentioned in Sec.

The property referred to in this will, is situated in  
Bellevue, Campbell County, Kentucky, and being  
Eighty acres of land, and town lots in Section in said  
County of Adams and State of Indiana.

I, I hereby appoint my beloved wife Mary, as executrix  
for the due execution thereof, I also exempt  
her from filing any inventory, and rendering any account  
in carrying out the Administration of this my will and  
estate.

Bellevue, Campbell County, Kentucky, February 2nd, 1897.

Acknowledged and signed in our presence, by  
the said John Closs and we subscribed the same as  
witnesses in his presence.

John Richardson  
Mary E. Richardson  
J. H. Reinhold

Thereupon came Mary E. Richardson, and J. H. Reinhold  
the two subscribing witnesses of the last Will and Testament  
of John Closs, late of this County, deceased, and appearing  
in open Court and being first duly sworn, and  
examined according to laws touching the due  
execution of said will, the Court therefore made the  
following order which is in words and figures  
as follows, To-wit:-

Campbell County Court:  
Regular Term, April 27th, 1896.

Hon. L. H. Bennett, Presiding.

A paper purporting to be the last  
Will and Testament of John Closs who died  
in open Court, filed and offered for probate, whereupon  
came Mary E. Richardson and J. H. Reinhold the  
subscribing witnesses thereto who being first duly  
sworn testified that the deceased signed and  
acknowledged said paper to be his last Will  
in their presence that at the time of so doing



In view of said record and disposing vacancy that they signed a said witness at the request and in the presence of said witness in the presence of each other, wherefore it is ordered that said paper be admitted and established as and for the last Will of John Class deceased and as such is ordered to stand.

State of Kentucky,  
Campbell County, Ky.

I, Chris Wetters, Clerk of the County Court within and for the County and State aforesaid, having a Court of Record, having a Seal and having Jurisdiction of the Probate, Administration, Guardianship of Executors, Administrators, Guardians and other business, do hereby certify that the foregoing and here attached writing contains a full and complete copy of the last Will and Testament of John Class deceased, and as such is ordered to stand as the same appears from records on file in my office.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the Seal of said Court at my office in Harpoot, Kentucky, this 4th day of April A.D. 1915.

(Seal)

Chris Wetters  
Clerk

State of Kentucky,  
Campbell County, Ky.

I, J. Edward Balty, Proceeding Judge of the County Court within and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Chris Wetters, who signed the foregoing Certificate is now, and was at the time of signing the same, Clerk of said Court, duly elected, qualified and sworn, that the said signature is in his own genuine and proper handwriting, and that said Certificate and authentication is in due form of law.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed

my name and caused the Seal of said Court to be here affixed at Harpoot, Kentucky, this 4th day of April A.D. 1915.

(Seal)

J. Edward Balty.

Proceeding Judge Campbell County Court

State of Kentucky,  
Campbell County, Ky.

I, Chris Wetters, Clerk of the County Court within and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that J. Edward Balty, who signed the foregoing Certificate is now, and was at the time of signing the same, Judge of said Court, duly elected, qualified and sworn, that the said signature is in said Certificate and authentication is in due form of law.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Seal of said Court to be here affixed at Harpoot, Kentucky, this 4th day of April A.D. 1915.

Chris Wetters  
Clerk Campbell County Court.