

Will of Benjamin H. Ostermeyer

Name in Record	Reason for Being in Record	Date of Record
Benjamin H. Ostermeyer	Makes his last will & testament	Jan. 2, 1905
Sophia Ostermeyer Rumpus	Daughter; to receive \$200.00	
Henry Ostermeyer	Son; to receive \$200.00	
Fredrick Ostermeyer	Son; to receive \$200.00	
Ernest Ostermeyer	Son; to receive \$200.00	
Louisa Ostermeyer	Daughter; to receive \$200.00	
Minnie Ostermeyer	Daughter; to receive \$200.00	
Carolina Ostermeyer	Daughter; to receive \$200.00	
Anna Ostermeyer	Daughter; to receive \$200.00	
William Ostermeyer	Son; inherits real estate; to take care of mother & pay siblings' inheritance	
Unnamed wife	To receive \$50.00 per year allowance	
William Ostermeyer	Son; appointed executor of will of Benjamin Ostermeyer	
Seth D. Beavers, MD	Witnessed Benjamin Ostermeyer making his last will	
Louis H. Boknicht	Witnessed Benjamin Ostermeyer making his last will	
Benjamin H. Ostermeyer	Died	Jan. 5, 1905
Louis H. Boknicht	Subscribing witness; oath of death & validity of will	Jan. 20, 1905
David Gerber	Clerk	
Paul Baumgartner	Deputy	
David Gerber	Clerk; will has been admitted to probate	Jan. 20, 1905
Paul Baumgartner	Deputy	
Doredea Ostermeyer	Widow; election to take 1/3 of estate by law and not accept will's provision	Dec. 12, 1905
Perry Robison	Witnessed widow's election	
John Schurger	Notary Public; acknowledges widow's election to be her voluntary act	

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No 728 Know all men by these writings that B. Ostermeyer a person of sound mind realizing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death do hereby declare this to be my last will & Testament making all other Wills here before made & dating this the 2nd Second day of Jan. Nineteen hundred & five 1905 I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sophia Ostermeyer \$200.00 to be paid by my son William One year after my death

2 I give to my son Henry Ostermeyer \$200.00 to be paid by my son William Two years after my death

3 I give and bequeath to my son Frederick Ostermeyer \$200.00 to be paid by my son William Three years after my death

4 I give and bequeath to my son Ernest Ostermeyer \$200.00 to be paid by my son William Four years after my death

5 I give and bequeath to my daughter Louise Ostermeyer \$200.00 to be paid by my son William Five years after my death

6 I give and bequeath to my daughter Minnie Ostermeyer \$200.00 to be paid by my son William Six years after my death

7 I give and bequeath to my daughter Caroline Ostermeyer \$200.00 to be paid by my son William Seven years after my death

8 I give and bequeath to my daughter Anna Ostermeyer \$200.00 to be paid by my son William Seven years after my death
all legacies to bear 4% Int

9 I give and bequeath to William Ostermeyer in fee Simple all personal property he owns ~~the~~ ^{including all personal property} the North East ~~Half~~ ^{Quarter} of The of The north east Quarter in Sec 2 Range 14 - east 40 acres also the South

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east Half of The South ^{South 1/2 Sec 11} east Quarter ^{East 1/2 Sec 11} in Sec also 1 1/2 S.E. 1/4 S.E. 1/4 35 ^{containing 20} acres, for which I desire and demand that he shall keep his Mother the balance of her life in a good and son like manner also to give her a yearly allowance of \$20.00 to be paid to her yearly also when her time come to follow me to give her a respectful Burial

Signed B. H. Ostermeyer
Witnessed Seth W. Beavers M.D.
Louis H. Boknecht

I desire that William Ostermeyer shall be Administrator

State of Indiana, Adams County, Ill:

Be it known, That Louis H. Boknecht, one of the subscribing witnesses of the last Will and Testament of B. H. Ostermeyer 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 B. H. Ostermeyer, deceased, on the 5th day of January 1905; 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 what ever; That Seth W. Beavers and Louis H. Boknecht each signed their names to the same as subscribing witnesses, in his presence, and at his request, and in the presence of each other.

Louis H. Boknecht.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 20th day of January, 1905

David Gerber, Clerk.

By Paul Baumgartner, Deputy.

State of Indiana, Adams County, Ill:

Last Will and Testament of B. H. Ostermeyer

I, David Gerber, Clerk of the Adams Circuit Court, of Adams County, Indiana, certify that the above and foregoing Will of B. H. Ostermeyer late of Adams County, deceased, has been duly admitted to probate; that its due execution was this day proven by Louise H. Bokmecht whose proof, together with said Will have been duly recorded on pages 280 & 281 & 282 Record "D" of Wills, in this office.

Witness my hand, and seal of said Court
this 20th day of January, 1905.

(Seal)

David Gerber, Clerk

By Paul Baumgartner, Deputy

Election by the Widow of B. H. Ostermeyer Dec.

The undersigned Widow of B. H. Ostermeyer Deceased Late of Adams County in the State of Indiana Who Died Testate and whose last Will and Testament has been admitted to probate and recorded in Will Record "D" page 280 of the Circuit Court of said Adams County State of Indiana, hereby makes Election as such Widow, to hold and retain her right to one third of the lands of which her said husband died seised, not withstanding the terms of said Will; and she refuses to accept any devise or promise whatsoever made by said Will in her favor for or in lieu of her said statutory right aforesaid in and to said Real estate.

Witness

Louisa ^{her} Ostermeyer
mark

Curry Robinson

State of Indiana

Adams County ss)

On this 12th day of December, 1905 Personally appeared before me the undersigned A. Notary Public in and for said County and State Louisa Ostermeyer Widow of B. H. Ostermeyer Late of Adams County Indiana Deceased, to me Well known, and having had fully explained to her the contents of the foregoing instrument, acknowledged that she Executed the same as her voluntary act and deed.

Witness my hand and notarial seal at my office in
Decatur in Adams County Indiana the date last
above written.

John Schurger, Notary Public
Adams County Indiana

My Com. expires Oct 1st. 1907