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Last Will and Testament of Mary J Marley Deceased.

To all whom it may concern,  
I Mary J Marley of the County of Martin and State of Indiana  
being of sound mind and disposing memory, do hereby make  
and declare, this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking  
and making void all former Wills by me at any time heretofore  
made.

First; I order and direct that all legal debts that may  
be against me or my estate shall be paid in full  
including funeral expenses, and a suitable monument  
to mark my grave.

Second; I order and direct that that the sum total  
of my estate after the payment of the above, be divided  
Equally between my five brothers and sisters, three  
brothers, and two sisters, if they are living at the date  
of my death, but if any be deceased the amount  
that would have been due deceased, I order and di-  
rect shall be divided equally between the said de-  
ceased's living children If any. If not the amount that  
would have been due the deceased brother or sister shall  
be divided equally between the remaining brothers  
and sisters, or their children, as heretofore provided  
Provided however that any amount that may be due to  
my Estate from any of my legal representatives herein  
referred to shall be, and I hereby order and direct that the  
same shall be an advancement to said representative,  
and in final settlement shall be charged up to the said  
representative and regarded as a part of the amount due  
the said representative or representatives.

Third; I hereby nominate and appoint Cornelius S Wood  
and James P Bell as executors of this my last Will In  
witness I have hereunto set my hand and subscribed  
my name this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 1894,

Mary J Marley

The above and foregoing instrument was at the date thereof  
signed, published and declared by the said Mary J Marley  
as and for her last Will and Testament, and as a revocation  
of all former Wills heretofore made by her, in presence

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us, who, at her request, and in her presence, and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as Witnesses

James B. Love  
J. S. Lockwood

State of Indiana, Martin County, I. L.

Be it Remembered, That on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 1895 James B Love, one of the subscribing witnesses to the within and foregoing last Will and Testament of Mary J Marley late of said County, deceased, personally appeared before Geo W Gates Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin County, in the State of Indiana, and being duly sworn by the Clerk of said Court, upon his oath declared, and testified as follows, that is to say; That on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 1894 he saw the said Mary J Marley sign her name to said instrument in writing as and for her last Will and Testament, and that this deponent, at the same time, heard the said Mary J Marley declare the said instrument in writing to be her last Will and Testament, and that the said instrument in writing was, at the same time, at the request of the said Mary J Marley, and with her consent, attested and subscribed by the said James B Love and J S Lockwood, in the presence of said testator, and in the presence of each other, as subscribing witnesses thereto, and that the said Mary J Marley was, at the time of the signing and subscribing of said instrument in writing, as aforesaid, of full age (that is more than twenty one years of age), and of sound and disposing mind and memory, and not under any concidor restraint, as the said deponent truly believes, and further deponent says not.

James B. Love

I swear to and subscribe by the said James B Love before me Geo W Gates Clerk of said Court, at West Shvale, the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 1895-

Seal

Geo. W Gates Clerk.  
I attestation whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court Geo. W Gates Clerk.

Last Will and Testament of Mary J. Marley Deceased.

State of Indiana, Marion County, Ind.

I, Geo. H. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion County, Indiana, do hereby certify that the within named Will and Testament of Mary J. Marley has been duly admitted to probate, and duly proved by the testimony of James B. Love, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, that a complete record of said Will, and of the testimony of the said James B. Love, in favor thereof, has been by me duly made and recorded in Book "C" at page <sup>103</sup> of the Record of Wills of said County.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed the seal of said Court at

Westfield this 14 day of October 1893.

Geo. H. Gates Clerk  
Circuit Court Marion County.

## Last Will and Testament of Hannah Hilbert

Deceased.

In the name of the Benevolent Father,  
 I, Hannah Hilbert, of the County of Martin, in the  
 State of Indiana, being of sound mind and disposing  
 memory, do hereby <sup>and</sup> declare this my last Will and Testa-  
 ment, hereby revoking <sup>and</sup> making all former Wills  
 and Codicils thereof made by me at any time heretofore made  
 void,

First, I order <sup>and</sup> direct that out of the money or personal  
 property on hands at the time of my death, all  
 my just debts and expenses of last sickness and funeral  
 expenses be paid as soon as practicable after my  
 death.

Second, I give <sup>and</sup> bequeath to my step daughter,  
 Mrs. Martha E. Russell, my personal property, including  
 all my household and kitchen furniture, beds, bedding  
 and clothing, including wearing apparel, also all money,  
 notes, leases, & mortgages, after the payment of debts and  
 expenses as set forth in the first item,

Third, I will <sup>and</sup> bequeath to General H. Hilbert, the Twenty  
 dollars, which he now has borrowed from me,  
<sup>and</sup> direct that this bequest shall operate as a discharge  
 of said debt due from him.

Fourth, I nominate <sup>and</sup> appoint my trusted friend  
 William Russell of Shreve, Martin County, in the  
 State of Indiana, the sole Executor of this my  
 last Will and Testament, <sup>and</sup> direct that no bond  
 shall be required of him as such Executor.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my  
 name by making my mark this 24<sup>th</sup> day of  
 October 1893. *Hannah Hilbert*

The above <sup>and</sup> foregoing instrument was at the date  
 thereof signed, published <sup>and</sup> declared by the said  
 Hannah Hilbert, as <sup>and</sup> for her last Will and Testament  
<sup>and</sup> as a revocation of all former Wills and Codicils  
 thereof heretofore made by her, in the presence of us,  
 who at her request, <sup>and</sup> in her presence, <sup>and</sup> in the person

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of each other, have subscribed our names as  
Witnesses

Frederick Vogel  
Thomas M. Clarke

The State of Indiana, Martin County, S.S.;  
 Be it Remembered that on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 1896  
 Thomas M. Clarke, one of the subscribing witnesses,  
 to the within foregoing last Will and Testament of  
 Hannah Hilbert late of said County, deceased,  
 personally appeared before the Clerk of the Circuit Court  
 of Martin County, in the State of Indiana, and  
 being duly sworn by the Clerk of said Court, upon  
 his oath, declared and testified as follows; that is to  
 say, that on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of October 1893, he saw  
 the said Hannah Hilbert sign her name to  
 said instrument in writing as for her last  
 Will and Testament, and that the deponent, at the  
 same time heard the said Hannah Hilbert de-  
 clare the said instrument in writing, to be  
 her last Will and Testament and that the said  
 instrument in writing was at the same  
 time, at the request of the said Hannah Hilbert  
 and with her consent attested and subscribed by the  
 said Thomas M. Clarke, in the presence of said  
 testator and in the presence of each other, as subscribing  
 witness thereto. And that the said Hannah  
 Hilbert, was at the time of the signing and subscribing  
 of said instrument in writing as aforesaid,  
 of full age, (that is more than twenty one years of age)  
 of sound disposing mind and memory, and not  
 under any coercion or restraint, as the deponent  
 verily believes and further deponent says not.

Thomas M. Clarke

Swear to and subscribed by the said Thomas M.  
 Clarke before me Geo. W. Gates Clerk of said Court  
 at Westfield the 30<sup>th</sup> day of January 1896

Geo. W. Gates Clerk

In attestation whereof, I have hereunto subscribed

## Last Will and Testament of Hannah Hilbert - Deceased.

my name, and affixed the seal of said Court  
True) J. W. Gates Clerk

State of Indiana, Martin County, § 8;  
I, J. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin  
County, Indiana, do hereby certify that the within  
Granted Will and Testament of Hannah Hilbert  
has been duly admitted to probate and duly  
proved by the testimony of Thomas M. Clarke one of  
the subscribing witnesses thereto, that a complete  
record of said Will, and of the testimony of the said  
Thomas M. Clarke in proof thereof, has been by me  
duly made and recorded in book "C" at pages 456  
of the Record of Wills of said County.

In attestation whereof I have hereunto subscribed  
my name and affixed the seal of said Court  
at West Shoals the 30<sup>th</sup> day of January 1896

J. W. Gates  
Clerk Circuit Court Martin County

Last Will and Testament of Phillip Hutz Deceased.

In the name of the Benevolent Father of All,  
I Phillip Hutz do make & publish this my last Will  
and Testament

1<sup>st</sup>, give & devise to my beloved son William & Mary T. Gee  
all the household goods, & provisions, & 1 cow, 1 hog, & all  
farming implements, the said William Hutz to pay the  
interest on the mortgage six dollars, & ten Dollars  
to John Cook & the Taxee, & after all the debts is paid,  
then the residue of the estate to be equally divided be-  
tween my beloved sons, Alexander Hutz, Robert L. Hutz,  
William A. Hutz, James R. Hutz, William M. Hutz,  
& Mary T. Gee the farm on which I reside, South  
West, South East, Section (35) Town (4) Range (4)  
South East, South West, Section (35) Town (4) Range  
(4) containing Eight acres, more or less,

I do hereby nominate & appoint Robert L. Hutz and  
James R. Hutz, Executors of this my last Will &  
Testament, hereby authorizing, & empowering them  
to compromise, adjust, release & discharge in such  
manner as they may deem proper, the debts &  
claims due me.

I do also charge & empower them if it shall be  
come necessary in order to pay my debts to  
sell by private sale or in such manner, up-  
on such terms of credit or otherwise, as they  
think proper, all or any part of my Real Estate,  
& deed to purchaser, to execute acknowledge  
& deliver insofar simple.

I do hereby revoke all former Wills by me made.  
In Testimony hereof, I have hereunto set my hand  
at And this 27 January 1896.

Phillip Hutz *[Signature]*  
Signed and acknowledged by said Phillip  
Hutz in our presence, & signed by us in his  
presence.

William Sims *[Signature]*  
Thomas J. Clinton *[Signature]*

Last Will and Testament of Phillip Hotz Deceased.

The State of Indiana, Martin County, S.S.  
 Be it Remembered, That on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of February  
 1896, Thomas J. Clinton one of the subscribing wit-  
 nesses to the within and foregoing last Will and Tes-  
 tament of Phillip Hotz late of said County, deceased  
 personally appeared before the Judge of the Circuit  
 Court of Martin County in the State of Indiana and  
 being duly sworn by the Judge of said Court, upon  
 his oath, declared and testified as follows: that is  
 to say; that on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of January 1896, he saw  
 the said Phillip Hotz sign his name to said  
 instrument in writing, and for his last Will  
 and Testament, and that this deponent at the  
 same time heard the said Phillip Hotz declare  
 the said instrument in writing to be his last  
 his last Will and Testament, and that the said  
 instrument in writing was at the same time  
 at the request of the said Phillip Hotz, and with  
 his consent attested and subscribed by the said  
 Thomas J. Clinton, in the presence of said tes-  
 tator, and in the presence of each other as sub-  
 scribing witnesses thereto, and that the said Phillip  
 Hotz was at the same time of the signing and subscrip-  
 tion of said instrument in writing as aforesaid, of  
 full age, (that is more than twenty one years of age)  
 and of sound mind and memory, and not under  
 any coercion or restraint, as the said deponent ver-  
 ily believes, and further deponent says not,

Thomas J. Clinton,  
 Sworn to and subscribed by the said Thomas J. Clinton  
 before me Clerk of said Court at West  
 Sheals the 13<sup>th</sup> day of February 1896

Edw. G. Bates Clerk  
 For attestation whereof, I have hereunto sub-  
 scribed my name, and affixed the seal of  
 said Court.

Last Will and Testament of Philip Holtz Deceased.

State of Indiana Martin County I. L.  
 Attest, W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of  
 Martin County, Indiana, do hereby certify, that  
 the within numbered Will and Testament of  
 Philip Holtz has been duly admitted to probate,  
 and duly proved by the testimony of Thomas J. Clinton,  
 one of the subscribers witnesses thereto, that  
 a complete record of said Will, and of the tes-  
 timony of the said Thomas J. Clinton in proof there-  
 of, has been by me duly made and recorded in Book  
 No. 1 at page 7, 8 & 9 of the Record of Wills of  
 said County.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto sub-  
 scribed my name, and affixed the seal of  
 said Court, at Westville this 13<sup>th</sup> day of  
 February 1896,

E. C. E.

Geo. W. Gates Clerk  
 Circuit Court Martin County

Last Will and Testament of Thomas Butter Deceased.

In the name of the Benevolent Father:

I, Thomas Butter of the County of Martin in the State of Indiana, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do hereby make and declare, this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and making void, all former Wills, & gone at any time heretofore.

First; I order and direct that out of any money on hand (or out of my other property) my just debts and funeral expenses paid as soon as practicable after my death.

Second; I give and bequeath to my heirs as follows;

To Mary Ann Walker, Mary B. Meal, and John Butter, each one fourth of all my real and personal estate after the payment of my debts and funeral expenses; and to my daughter Hannah Walker, afterwards Hannah Meal's deceased, the remaining one fourth of all of such property as I may be seized at the time of my death.

Third; My son Hiram Butter having already received his share of my entire estate through him numbered as my son, & quite aware that the residue of my estate be divided as directed in item Second,

Fourth; I hereby nominate and appoint my son John Butter as the Executor of this, my last Will and Testament.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March 1875,

Thomas Butter

The above and foregoing instrument was at the date thereof signed, published and declared by the said Thomas Butter as and for his last Will and Testament, and at a revocation of all former Wills heretofore made by him, in the presence of us, who, at his request, and in his presence, and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses,

John H. Serry  
Hiram May Jr.

Last Will and Testament of Thomas Butter Deceased.

The State of Indiana, Martin County, S.S.,  
 Be it Remembred, That on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1896,  
 Sarah Lacy one of the subscribing witnesses to the writing  
 and foregoing last Will and Testament of Thomas  
 Butter late of said County, deceased, personally ap-  
 peared before the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin County,  
 in the State of Indiana, and being duly sworn, by the Clerk of  
 said Court, upon his oath, declared and testified, as  
 follows; that is to say; That on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March  
 1895, he saw the said Thomas Butter sign his name  
 to said instrument in writing as and for his  
 last Will and Testament, and that this defendant,  
 at the same time, heard the said Thomas Butter declare  
 the said instrument in writing to be his last Will and  
 Testament, and that the said instrument in writing  
 was, at the same time, at the request of the said Thomas  
 Butter, and with his consent attested and subscribed  
 by the said Isaiah Lacy in the presence of said  
 testator, and in the presence of each other, as sub-  
 scribing witnesses thereto, and that the said Thomas Butter  
 was, at the time of the signing and subscribing of said  
 instrument in writing, as aforesaid, of full age,  
 (that is more than twenty-one years of age) and of  
 sound and disposing mind and memory, and not  
 under any coercion or restraint, as the said defendant  
 verily believed and further defendant says not.

Isaiah Lacy

Swear to and subscribed by the said Isaiah  
 Lacy before me, Geo W. Gates Clerk of said Court at Westville,  
 the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 1896. G.W. Gates Clerk.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto subscribed  
 my name, and affixed the seal of said Court,

(Seal)

Geo W Gates Clerk

State of Indiana, Martin County, S.S.

I, Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the ~~Martin~~ Circuit Court  
 of Martin County, Indiana, do hereby certify that the  
 within witness a Will and Testament of Thomas Butter

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has been duly admitted to probate, and duly proved by the testimony of Isaiah Lucy one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, that a complete record of said Will and the testimony of the said Isaiah Lucy in proof thereof has been by me duly made and recorded in Book R<sup>16</sup> at pages 10, 11 and 12 of the Record of Wills of said County,

In Attestation whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court at West Branch the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April 1896

E. C. G.

Geo. W. Gates Clerk  
Circuit Court Marion County

Last Will and Testament of Joseph Zimmerman Deceased.

I Joseph Zimmerman, of Martin County  
Indiana, do make and publish my last Will  
and Testament.

I give and devise to my beloved wife all my  
land, the farm on which we now reside, situated  
in Baker Township, Martin County,  
Indiana, containing about forty acres, during  
her natural life, or as long as she remains  
my widow, and all my stock, household  
goods, provisions and other goods & chattels  
which may be then at the time of my decease,  
during her natural life, or as long as she  
remains my widow as aforesaid, at her  
death or marriage of my said wife, the Real  
estate aforesaid, I give and devise to my  
three daughters to be divided  
equally among my said three daughters.  
I do hereby revoke all former Wills by  
me made.

In the presence of I have hereunto  
set my hand and seal this June the 4<sup>th</sup> 1887.

Joseph Zimmerman Testament  
Signed acknowledged by said Joseph  
Zimmerman as his last Will & Testament  
in our presence and signed by us in his  
presence.

James Zimmerman  
Samuel Zimmerman.

The State of Indiana  
Martin County, etc.

Be it Remembered That  
on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of October 1896, James Zimmerman  
one of the subscribers witnesses to the within  
and foregoing last Will & Testament of  
Joseph Zimmerman, late of said County  
deceased, personally appeared before me H. W.  
Gates Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin

## Last Will and Testament of Joseph Zimmerman Deceased.

County in the State of Indiana, and being  
duly sworn by the Clerk of said Court upon  
his oath, declared and testified as follows,  
that is to say, That on this day of June 1857  
I saw the said Joseph Zimmerman sign  
his name to said instrument reciting his and  
for his last Will and Testament aforesaid, that  
this is done out of the same time, heard the  
said Joseph Zimmerman declare the said  
instrument in writing to be his last Will and  
Testament, and that this said instrument in  
writing reads, at the same time, at the request  
of the said Joseph Zimmerman, and with  
the same attested and subscribed by the said  
James Zimmerman and Samuel Zimmerman, in  
the presence of said testator, and in the presence  
of each other, as subscribers thereto,  
and that the said Joseph Zimmerman was  
at the time of the signing and subscribing  
of said instrument in writing as appears  
by full age (that is, more than twenty one years  
of age), and of sound and disposing mind and  
memory, and not under any coercion or  
constraint, as the said deponent truly believes,  
and further deponent says not.

James Zimmerman,  
Sworn to and subscribed by the said James  
Zimmerman before me Geo H Gates Clerk of  
said Court at West Books, the 26<sup>th</sup> day of October  
1857.

*E. L. S.*

Geo H Gates Clerk  
By David Gary Amt.

In testimony whereof, I have caused to subscribe  
my name, and affixed the seal of said Court

*D. L. G.*

Geo H Gates Clerk  
By David Gary Amt.

Last Will and Testament of Joseph Zimmerman Deceased.

State of Indiana }  
Martin County, Ind.

I Geo W Gates Clerk of  
the Circuit Court of Martin County, Indiana  
do hereby certify that the within Deed recd.  
vizt. the Last Will of Joseph Zimmerman  
has been duly admitted to probate, and  
duly probated by the testimony of James  
Zimmerman, one of the subscribers witness  
thereto, that a complete record of said Will  
and of the testimony of the said James  
Zimmerman in proof thereof has been by  
me duly made and recorded in Book C  
at pages 13 & 14 of the record of Wills of said  
Court.

In witness whereof I have hereunto  
subscribed my name and affixed the seal  
of said Court at Westphalia, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of  
October 1896,

P. S.  
S. S.

Geo W Gates Clerk  
Circuit Court Martin County  
By David Gandy Pst.

## Last Will and Testament of William H. Grays: Deceased.

I, William H. Grays, of the County of Martin  
and State of Indiana, being of sound mind, and  
disposing memory, do make and publish this  
as my Last Will and Testament, in manner and  
form following, to wit:

First: It is my Will that my funeral expenses  
and all my just debts be fully paid.

Second: After the payment of such funeral  
expenses, and debts and other expenses of the  
settlement of my estate, I give and bequeath  
unto my beloved wife Rosal. A. Grays, all the  
residue of my personal property after the  
payment of the bequests hereinafter mentioned.

Third: To my beloved children Thomas A. Grays,  
James W. Grays, Mary A. Grays and Sherman W. Grays  
I give and bequeath to each Twenty-five  
Dollars in cash.

Fourth: To my beloved son Oscar M. Grays, I  
give and bequeath Three-hundred and fifty  
Dollars in cash, and direct that the same  
be loaned at interest for his benefit on long  
time mortgage security on level well impro-  
ved lands until he shall have attained the age of  
twenty-one years.

Fifth: To my beloved sons Sanford Grays,  
William L. Grays, and Thomas A. Grays, I give and  
bequeath, the South West quarter of the South East  
quarter of section One (1), Town three (3) North  
Range five (5) West, containing forty (40) Acres more  
or less, their interests in the same to be  
equal.

Sixth: I give and bequeath unto my beloved  
sons, James W. Grays, and Sherman W. Grays, the  
South West quarter of the South East quarter of section  
thirty-six (36) Town four (4) North, Range five (5) West  
their interests in same to be equal, and said tract con-  
taining forty (40) Acres more or less,

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Last Will and Testament of William, H. Grays Deceased.

Seventh; I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Mary A. Gray, the following described tract of land to wit. Commencing at a point twenty (20) rods North of the South East corner of the North East quarter of the North West quarter of Section one (1) Town three (3) North, Range five (5) West, thence West parallel to the South line of said tract eighty rods, more or less to the West line of said tract, thence North along said line sixty (60) rods more or less, to the North West corner thereof, thence East eighty (80) rods, more or less to the North East corner of said tract, and thence South sixty (60) rods, more or less to the place of beginning.

Eighth; I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Rosa, H. Grays, the following lands, to wit The South East quarter of the South West quarter of Section thirty-six (36) Town four (4) North, Range five (5) West containing forty (40) Acres more or less; Also twelve (12) Acres in the South East corner of the South West quarter of the South West quarter, of same Section Town and Range, the same being more particularly described as follows; Commencing at the South East corner of said tract, thence West forty-eight (48) rods, thence North forty (40) rods, thence East forty-eight (48) rods, and thence South forty (40) rods to the place of beginning.

And lastly; I hereby appoint and constitute my said wife, Rosa, H. Grays executrix of this my last Will and Testament, and direct that she be not required to give bond in account of said trust,

In witness whereof, I the said William, H. Grays have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December in the year of our Lord, One

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thousand, eight-hundred, and ninety-six,

William H. Grays (Seal)

Signed, sealed published and declared by  
the said William H. Grays as and for his last  
Will and Testament, in the presence of us  
who, in his presence, and in the presence  
of each other, and at his request, have sub-  
scribed our names as witnesses thereto.

Thomas J. Bradley (Witness)  
Peter J. Bradley

The State of Indiana, Martin County, 1881;  
Be it Remembered, That on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of February  
1897, Peter J. Bradley one of the subscribing witnesses  
to the within and foregoing last Will and Testament  
of William H. Grays, late of Said County and State  
deceased, personally appeared before the Clerk  
of the Circuit Court of Martin County in the  
State of Indiana, and being duly sworn by the  
Clerk of said Court, upon his oath, declared and  
testified as follows; that is to say;  
That on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December A.D. 1896, he saw  
the said William H. Grays, sign his name  
to said instrument in writing, as and  
for his last Will and Testament, and that this  
deponent at the same time, heard the said  
William H. Grays, declare the said instrument in  
writing to be his last Will and Testament, and  
that the said instrument in writing was at the  
same time at the request of the said William H. Grays  
and with his consent attested and subscribed by the  
said Peter J. Bradley, and Thomas J. Bradley in the  
presence of said testator, and in the presence of each  
other, as subscribing witnesses thereto, and that the  
said William H. Grays, was at the time of signing and  
subscribing said instrument in writing as aforesaid  
of full age, (that is more than twenty-one years  
of age) and of sound and disposing mind memory.

Last Will and Testament of William H. Braggs Deceased.

and not under any coercion or restraint, as the said deponent verily believes; and further deponent says asst.

Peter J. Bradley  
Sworn to and subscribed by the said Peter J. Bradley  
before me Geo. W. Gates Clerk of Circuit Court at West  
Shoals the 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1897.

(Seal) Geo. W. Gates Clerk  
In Attestation Whereof, I have hereunto  
subscribed my name and affixed  
the seal of said Court,

Geo. W. Gates Clerk  
State of Indiana, Martin County, SS;  
I Geo. W. Gates Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin  
County, Indiana, do hereby certify that the  
within named Will and Testament of  
William H. Braggs has been duly admitted to  
probate, and duly proven by the testimony  
of Peter J. Bradley one of the subscribing wit-  
nesses thereto, that a complete record of  
said Will, and of the testimony of the said Peter  
J. Bradley in proof thereof, has been by me  
duly made and recorded in Book "C"  
at pages 16, 17, 18, & 19 of the Record of Wills of said  
County.

In Attestation Whereof, I have hereunto  
subscribed my name and affixed  
the seal of said Court at West Shoals  
this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February 1897,

Geo. W. Gates Clerk  
Circuit Court Martin County

## Last Will and Testament of William Wilds Jr. Deceased.

In the name of the Benevolent Father of All,

I William Wilds, of Shoals, County of Martin, State of Indiana, being of sound mind and memory, do make publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills by me made,

Item One, I will and direct that all just and obligations that may be outstanding against me at the time of my death be paid and discharged out of such available means, as I may leave including expenses of last sickness and funeral expenses.

Item Two, I give and devise unto my nephew William Wilds Jr. That certain Lot in the Town of Shoals, Martin's County, Indiana, situate and adjoining the Lot upon which the Catholic Church in said Town,

Item Three, I will and devise unto my beloved niece Ellen Hawaugh, all Real Estate owned by me wheresoever situated, with the buildings thereon and improvements except that disposed of in item two; And I do also will give and bequeath unto the said Ellen Hawaugh, all and irregular of every kind and kinds my personal Estate, including, money in hand accounts, notes, choses in action, securities, bonds, and other valuables, together with my household furniture and effects after payment of debts as aforesaid,

Item Four; I do hereby appoint my said niece the said Ellen sole Executor of this my said last Will, requesting that no bond be required of her, she being fully empowered to carry out the provisions hereof.

Witness my hand and seal this  
2<sup>d</sup> day of May 1895

William Wilds Jr. (Seal)

In the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other at Testator's request we the undersigned subscribe ourselves as attesting witnesses to the executing the foregoing Will, this 2<sup>d</sup> day of May 1895

J. Mull Plymmer  
James J. Rogers  
George M. Galt

Last Will and Testament of William Wilds Jr., Deceased.

The State of Indiana, Martin County, &c;  
 Be it remembered, That on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April  
 1897, I, Nutt Plummer, one of the subscribing wit-  
 nesses, to the within and foregoing last Will and  
 Testament of William Wilds Jr., late of said County,  
 deceased, personally appeared before Geo. W. Gates,  
 Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin County in  
 the State of Indiana, and being duly sworn by  
 the Clerk of said Court, upon his oath, declared  
 and testified as follows; that is to say; That on  
 the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 1895, he saw the said William Wilds  
 Jr. sign his name to said instrument in writing  
 as and for his last Will and Testament, and  
 that this deponent, at the same time, heard  
 the said William Wilds Jr., declare the said  
 instrument in writing to be his last Will  
 and Testament, and that the said instrument  
 in writing to be his last Will and Testament  
 and that the said instrument in writing was,  
 at the same time at the request of the said William  
 Wilds Jr., and with his consent attested and sub-  
 scribed by the said J. Nutt Plummer, Jas. T. Rogers  
 and Geo. W. Gates, in the presence of said Testator,  
 and in the presence of each other, as subscribing wit-  
 nesses thereto, and that the said William Wilds Jr.,  
 was, at the time of the signing and subscribing of  
 said instrument in writing, as aforesaid of full age,  
 (that is more than twenty-one years of age) and of sound  
 and disposing mind and memory, and not under  
 any coercion or restraint, as the said deponent  
 verily believes, and further deponent says not  
 I, Nutt, Plummer

I, Nutt, Plummer  
 do swear to and subscribe by the said J. Nutt  
 Plummer before me Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit  
 Court of Martin County, at West Shadel, the 1<sup>st</sup> day of  
 April, 1897, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and  
 ninety seven, in the presence of Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit  
 Court of Martin County, at West Shadel, the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 1897,

Last Will and Testament of William Wilds Jr., Deceased.

~~that a complete record of said Will, and of the Testimony  
of the said J. Mutt Plummer in proof thereof, has been  
by me duly made and recorded in Book "C" at  
page 30, B-1-22 of the Record of Wills of said County.  
And Attestation whereof, I have hereunto subscribed  
my name, and affixed the seal of said Court, at  
West Shoals this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April 1897,~~

(Seal)

Geo. N. Gates Clerk  
Circuit Court of Martin County

~~my name, and affixed the seal of said Court.~~

(Seal)

Geo. N. Gates Clerk

State of Indiana, Martin County, I.D.

I Geo. N. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin  
County, Indiana, do hereby certify that the within annexed  
Will and Testament of William Wilds Jr., has been duly  
admitted to probate, and duly proved by the Testimony  
of J. Mutt Plummer, one of the Subscribing witnesses  
thereto, that a complete record of said Will, and of  
the Testimony of the said J. Mutt Plummer in proof there  
of, has been by me duly made and recorded in book  
"C" at page 30, B-1-22 of the Record of Wills of said  
County.

(Seal)

In attestation whereof, I have hereunto sub  
scribed my name, and affixed the seal of  
said Court, at West Shoals, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of

April 1897.

Geo. N. Gates Clerk  
Martin Circuit Court

Last Will and Testament of James Mahany Deceased.

I James Mahany being of sound mind and disposing memory do hereby make and declare this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all wills made by me.

First; I will and devise that out of any personal property, I may have at my death or out of any money on hand or on deposit, that first my funeral expenses, and expenses of last spell of sickness be paid, second that out of any property or money remaining all of my debts be paid,

Second; I will and devise that all my personal property and money remaining after the discharge of all my legal debts, and all my Real Estate owned by me both in the City of Washington Indiana, and otherwise descend to my beloved sister, Ellen Fitzpatrick to have hold, and have the profits therefrom during her natural life, and at her death that all of said property descend to my then legitimate

Da Witness Whereof, I have this the 7<sup>th</sup> day  
of April 1897, & et my hand,

James Mahany,

Signed in the presence of Phil M. Goorow and  
William Wilds this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 1897.

Phil M. Goorow

William Wilds

The State of Indiana, Martin County, I.S:

Be it Remembered, That on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 1897 Phil M. Goorow one of the subscribing witnesses to the within and foregoing last Will and Testament of James Mahany late of said County, deceased, personally appeared before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Martin County, in the State of Indiana, and being duly sworn by the Clerk of said Court, upon his oath, declared and testified as follows; that is to say; That on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April 1897 he saw the said James

## Last Will and Testament of James Mahany

Deceased.

Mahany signs his name to said instrument in writing as and for his last Will and Testament; and that the defendant, at the same time, heard the said James Mahany, declare the said instrument in writing to be his last Will and Testament, and that the said instrument in writing, was, at the same time, at the request of the said James Mahany attested and subscribed by the said William Wilds in the presence of said testator, and in the presence of each other, as subscribing witnesses thereto, and that the said James Mahany was, at the time of the signing and subscribing of said instrument in writing, as aforesaid, of full age, (that is, more than twenty-one years of age) and of sound and disposing mind and memory and not under any duress or restraint, as the said defendant verily believes, and further defendant says not.

Phil M. Gooren

I swear to and subscribe by the said Phil M. Gooren, before one Geo. W. Gates Clerk of said Court, at West Shotts, Ind. the 13<sup>th</sup> day of April 1877.

Geo. W. Gates Clerk

*[Seal]*  
State of Indiana, Martin County, I. S.  
I Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of  
Martin County, Indiana, do hereby certify that  
the within annexed Will and Testament of James  
Mahany has been duly admitted to probate, and duly  
proved by the testimony of Phil M. Gooren one  
of the subscribing witnesses thereto, that a com-  
plete record of said Will, and of the testimony  
of the said Phil M. Gooren in proof thereof,  
has been by me duly made and recorded  
in Book C at pages 23, 24 & 25 of the Record  
of Wills of said County.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed  
my name, and affixed the seal of said

## Last Will and Testament of James Mahany Deceased.

Court at West Shoals this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April  
1897  
*(Seal)*  
Geo. W. Gates Clerk  
Clerk Circuit Court, Martin County.

Martin County } To Wit:  
 State of Indiana } I Nathaniel Ferrell of  
 Martin County and State of Indiana  
 declare this to be my last Will and  
 Testament,

1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath to my wife Martha R Ferrell One-third ( $\frac{1}{3}$ ) of all my Real Estate or one-third of the money obtained for same when sold; Also all of the household goods and Chattels except 1 bedstead, bed and bed clothing for same, Also; 1 cow so long as she remains on the homestead and when she removes from said said cow to be the property of Sarah Belle Morris and further that said cow cannot be sold until each girl of said Sarah Belle Morris have raised a heifer calf from said cow, also the widow's dower right of my estate, whatever the latest laws would give her in personal property or cash.

1<sup>2d</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Dunlap or her heirs Fifty Dollars (\$50.00)

3<sup>d</sup> I give and bequeath to Jamina Ferrell my daughter or heirs Twenty Dollars (\$20.00)

4<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my son William Henry Ferrell Fifty Dollars (\$50.00)

5<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Rachel Harding Fifty Dollars (\$50.00)

6<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Jessie M. Hopper Fifty Dollars (\$50.00)

7<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Belle Morris Fifty Dollars (\$50.00)

8<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Clara A. Morris one bedstead, bed and bed clothing aforesaid Excepted from any house held by my wife,

Last Will and Testament of Wilberw Ferrell Deceased.

9<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Eva C. King Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00).

10<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my grand son Ralph A. King Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00)\*

11<sup>th</sup> All the rest, residue and remainder of my Real and Personal Estate, I give and devise and bequeath in equal share to my daughter Elizabeth Dunlap and my son William Henry Ferrell and my daughter Rachel Harding and my daughter Sarah Belle Morris, and my daughter Eva C. King; Provided the said Eva C. King shall live upright and lady-like from this date out, and if the said Eva C. King shall fail to live upright and lady-like, she shall part of said remainder to be given to her heirs, and Janima Ferrell, or her heirs one-fifth of an equal share with the aforesaid heirs.

12<sup>th</sup> My funeral expenses to be paid before any of the aforesaid heirs shall have been provided for.

13<sup>th</sup> I appoint Jackson Burton Executor of this my Will, and desire that he shall not be required to give any security for the performance of his duties.

In witness whereof, I Wilberw Ferrell, have hereunto set my hand and seal on this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, in the year of our Lord, One thousand, Eight hundred and ninety.

D. W. Ferrell

(Wilberw Ferrell)

Subscribed by the Testator in the presence of . . . . , and at the same time declared by him to me as his last Will and Testament.

Witness our hands and seals this tenth day of May AD 1897.

Henry Hoard  
Joseph H. Ferrell

## Last Will and Testament of Wilber Ferrell Deceased.

The State of Indiana Martin County, D. S.;  
 Be it Remembered that on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of May  
 1897, Henry Hoad, one of the subscribing witness  
 es to the within and foregoing last Will and  
 Testament of Wilber Ferrell, late of said  
 County deceased, personally appeared before  
 Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin  
 County, in the State of Indiana, and being duly  
 sworn by the Clerk of said Court, upon his oath  
 declared and testified as follows; that is to say  
 That on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 1897 he saw the  
 said Wilber Ferrell, sign his name to said  
 instrument in writing by making his mark  
 as and for his last Will and Testament,  
 and that this deponent at the same time heard  
 the said Wilber Ferrell declare the said in-  
 strument in writing to be his last Will and  
 Testament, and that the said instrument in  
 writing was at the same time at the request  
 of the said Wilber Ferrell, and with his consent  
 attested and subscribed by the said Henry Hoad  
 and Josiah Ferrell, in the presence of said  
 Testator, and in the presence of each other as  
 subscribing witnesses thereto.

And that the said Wilber Ferrell was at the  
 time of the signing and subscribing of said  
 instrument in writing as aforesaid, of full  
 age (that is more than twenty-one years of age)  
 and of sound and disposing mind and mem-  
 ory, and not under any coercion or restraint,  
 as the said deponent verily believes, and further  
 deponent says not. Henry Hoad.

Sworn to and subscribed, by the said Henry  
 Hoad before Geo. W. Gates Clerk of said Court, at West  
 Shoals, the 26<sup>th</sup> day of May 1897, Geo. W. Gates Clerk.

Last Will and Testament of Wilberw. Ferrell Deceased.

Seal

In Attestation whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court,

Geo. W. Gates Clerk

State of Indiana, Martin County SS  
 I Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court  
 of Martin County, Indiana, do hereby certi-  
 fy that the within named Will and  
 Testament of Wilberw. Ferrell, has been  
 duly admitted to probate, and duly  
 proved by the testimony of Henry Board  
 one of the subscribing witnesses thereto,  
 that a complete record of said Will  
 and of the testimony of the said Henry  
 Board in proof thereof, has been by  
 me duly made and recorded in  
 in Book C at page, 26, 27, 28 & 29 of the Record  
 of Wills of said County.

Seal

In attestation whereof, I have  
 hereunto subscribed my name  
 and affixed the seal of said  
 Court at West Shoals, this 26<sup>th</sup> day  
 of May 1897.

Geo. W. Gates  
 Clerk Circuit Court Martin County

## Last Will and Testament of William Shoemaker Deceased.

I do the name of the Benevolent Father, J. Williams Shoemaker of the County of Martin and State of Indiana, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do hereby make publish and declare this my last Will and Testament, revoking and making void all Wills by me heretofore made,

1<sup>st</sup> I do hereby publish and declare that the financial assistance rendered by me to Oliver Ewing and Ralph Ewing was a gift by me at the time to said Ewings on account of the esteem and respect I had for them, and I have no claim against them or either of them for any money furnished them or any sum paid on their account.

2<sup>d</sup> I hereby publish and declare that all financial assistance furnished to James H. Burns or his wife has been fully compensated by them in their kind and affectionate care they have rendered me in my old age and afflictions, and I have no claim against them for any money furnished them, or paid out for them.

It is my Will and desire that I have a decent funeral after my death, suitable to my condition in life and having already contracted for a monument and fence around my grave my Executor need not erect any.

It is my Will and desire that my funeral expense and expense of last sickness be paid by my Executor as soon after my death as possible.

I give and bequeath to the Trustees of Trinity Springs Cemetery Ten Dollars to aid in repairing the grounds and erecting a fence.

I hereby declare that my entire estate consists of Three thousand Dollars in notes now the McBride Bros. that payment of them has been extended one year.

Last Will and Testament of William Shoemaker Deceased.

Three-hundred and ten Dollars in note and mortgage  
on H. Steele Ewing, and Three-hundred Dollars in  
Cash on hands, and a few articles of little or no  
value.

I nominate and appoint George M. Bride executors  
of this my last Will and Testament and Hiram  
McGormick as Attorney of my estate, and it is  
my will and desire that my executors defend  
this Will against any assault that is made  
on it and defend the persons in any of the  
gifts made in this Will, or any gifts heretofore  
made out of any money he has after the pay-  
ment of my last sickness and funeral ex-  
pense.

The remainder of my estate after paying  
the foregoing expense and expense of settling  
my estate I give and bequeath as follows  
1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath to James H. Burns Four  
hundred Dollars.

2<sup>d</sup> I give and bequeath to Oliver Ewing Four  
hundred Dollars.

3<sup>e</sup> I give and bequeath to Ralph Ewing Four  
hundred Dollars,

4<sup>t</sup> All the remainder of my estate I give  
and bequeath to Margaret L. Burns.

Attest Hiram McGormick William Shoemaker  
*mark*

Be it Remembered that on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of  
January, 1897, the above and foregoing instrument  
was read over to William Shoemaker in his pres-  
ence, and hearing and after the same was  
read to him, he signed the same as his last  
Will and Testament in our presence, and we  
in his presence, and at his request, and in  
the presence of each other signed the same as  
attesting witnesses.

William M. Bride  
Emmet Davis

## Last Will and Testament of William Shoemaker Deceased.

The State of Indiana, Martin County, &c:

Be It Remembered, That on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1897, William McBride one of the subscribing witnesses to the within and foregoing last Will and Testament of William Shoemaker late of said County, deceased, personally appeared before Geo. W. Gates Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin County, in the State of Indiana, and being duly sworn by the Clerk of said Court upon his oath, declared and testified as follows: that is to say; That on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1897, he saw the said William Shoemaker sign his name to said instrument in writing as and for his last Will and Testament, and that this deponent, at the same time, heard the said William Shoemaker declare the said instrument in writing to be his last Will and Testament, and that the said instrument in writing was at the same time at the request of the said William Shoemaker, and with his consent attested and subscribed by the said William McBride and Connet Davis in the presence of said testator, and in the presence of each other as subscribing witnesses thereto, and that the said William Shoemaker was at the time of signing and subscribing of said instrument in writing, as aforesaid, of full age, (that is more than twenty-one years of age) and of sound and disposing mind and memory, and not under any coercion or restraint, as the said deponent verily believes, and further deponent says not.

William McBride,

Sworn to and subscribed by the said William McBride before me Geo. W. Gates Clerk of said Court, at West Shoals the 5<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1897.

Geo. W. Gates Clerk

 In attestation whereof, I have hereunto subscribed and affixed the seal of said Court.

Geo. W. Gates Clerk

## Last Will and Testament of William Shoemaker Deceased.

State of Indiana, Martin County, I. S.;  
I Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of  
Martin County, Indiana, do hereby certify that  
the within named Will and Testament of  
William Shoemaker has been duly admitted  
to probate, and duly proved by the testimony  
of William McBride one of the subscribing wit-  
nesses thereto that a complete record of  
said Will, and of the testimony of William  
McBride in proof thereof, has been by me  
duly made and recorded in Book "B"  
at pages 30, 31, 32 & 33, of the record of Wills  
of said County.

In attestation whereof, I have here-  
unto subscribed my name and  
affixed the seal of said court, at  
West Shoaler, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of July 1897.

GEO. W. GATES

Clerk Circuit Court Martin County

Last Will and Testament of Alexander Maryfield Deceased.

I know all men by these presents that I, Alexander Maryfield, in the County of Martin, in the State of Indiana, being in good health, and of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills by one heretofore made,

And as to worldly estate, all of the personal property of which I shall die seized and possessed, or to which I shall be entitled, at the time of my decease,

First; My Will is, that all of my just debts and funeral expenses shall by my executor hereinafter named be paid out of my estate as soon after my decease as shall by him be found convenient of the remainder of my personal Estate I give and devise and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth Maryfield to have and to hold, and to use the same during her natural life, at the decease of my beloved wife Elizabeth Maryfield all of my personal property that shall then remain, shall revert to my son John Maryfield.

And lastly, I do appoint my son John Maryfield to be the executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In testimony whereof, the said Alexander Maryfield has to this my last Will and Testament, have subscribed my name, and affixed my seal this Thirteenth day of September day of September in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and eighty-six.

Alexander Maryfield  
his mark

Last Will and Testament of Alexander Maryfield Deceased.

Signed <sup>and</sup> sealed and published and declared  
by the said Alexander Maryfield as and  
for his last Will and Testament, in the  
presence of us who at his request, and  
in his presence, and in the presence  
of each other have subscribed our names  
as witnesses thereto,

William Marshall,  
Lorenzo Reimer  
Thomas J. Gore

The State of Indiana, Martin County, &c,

Be it Remembered; That on the 28<sup>th</sup> day  
of October, 1897, Thomas J. Gore, one of the sub-  
scribing witnesses to the within and foregoing  
going last Will and Testament of Alexander  
Maryfield late of said County, deceased,  
personally appeared before Geo. W. Gates  
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin County,  
in the State of Indiana, and being duly  
sworn by the Clerk of said Court, upon his  
oath declared and testified as follows;

That is to say: That on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of Sep-  
tember, 1886, he saw the said Alexander  
Maryfield sign his name to said instru-  
ment in writing as, and for his last  
Will and Testament; and that this and  
that this deponent, at the same time,  
heard the said Alexander Maryfield, de-  
clare the said instrument in writing  
to be his last Will and Testament, and  
that the said instrument in writing  
was, at the same time, at the request of  
the said Alexander Maryfield, and with his  
consent attested and subscribed by the  
said Thomas J. Gore, Lorenzo Reimer and William  
Marshall in the presence of said testator,  
and in the presence of each other, as afo-

Last Will and Testament of Alexander Maryfield Deceased.

scribing witnesses thereto, and that the said Alexander Maryfield was, at the time of the signing and subscribing of said instrument in writing, as aforesaid, of full age (that is, more than twenty-one years of age), and of sound and disposing mind and memory, and not under any coercion or restraint, as the said deponent verily believes, and further deponent says not.

Thomas J. Gore.

Deponent and subscribed by the said Thomas J. Gore, before me Geo. W. Gates  
Clerk of Said Court, at West Shoals the 28<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1897.

Geo. W. Gates Clerk

In attestation whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed the seal of said Court.

*(Seal)* Geo. W. Gates Clerk  
State of Indiana, Martin County, D.S.  
I, Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court  
of Martin County, Indiana, do hereby certi-  
fy that the within annexed Will and  
Testament of Alexander Maryfield, has been  
duly admitted to probate, and duly  
proved by the testimony of Thomas J. Gore  
one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, that a  
complete record of said Will, and of the tes-  
timony of the said Thomas J. Gore, in proof  
thereof, has been by me duly made and recor-  
ded in Book "C" at Pages 34, 35, 36 & 37, of  
the Record of Wills of Said County.

In attestation whereof, I have hereunto  
*(Seal)* subscribed my name, and affixed the  
seal of said Court, at West Shoals, this 28<sup>th</sup> day  
of October, 1897.

Geo. W. Gates Clerk Circuit  
Court Martin County

Last Will and Testament of Nancy J. Guthridge Deceased.

I Nancy J. Guthridge of Martin County in the State of Indiana, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do hereby make and publish this my last Will and Testament, and I do hereby revoke any and all Wills by me heretofore made.

Item 1: Having heretofore conveyed to my daughter Mary Sanders, now deceased, certain Real Estate in Martin County, Indiana, with house thereon containing One-half Acre, more or less and to my son James Guthridge a house and lots in the Town of Shools in Martin County, Indiana, and have given to my said son for the improvement of the said Real Estate, and which has been expended therow, the sum of Four-hundred Dollars, it is my will and desire that the heirs of my daughter Mary take nothing further of my estate.

It is also my will and desire that the Real Estate and money so conveyed and given to my said son James Guthridge stand as his share of my estate, and that no charge be made against him for any amount of money I have heretofore given him for any purpose which gift I hereby ratify and confirm.

Item 2: I give devise and bequeath unto my grand-children Clifford Woods, and Blyde Woods, the following described Real Estate, situate in Martin County, in the State of Indiana to-wit:

Lots numbered Twelve (12) and Fifteen (15) in Borsey's Addition to the Town of Shool (formerly Memphis): And it is desired that

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that the rents of said property be applied to the education and support of said children, if sufficient, and if not that the Guardians of said children who are minors, sell the same as provided by law for that purpose, and that the funds derived from the proceeds of such sale, be paid to them as by them needed, for their education and support.

Item 3: If at my decease, I have any other estate not disposed of it is my will that just debts and expenses of Administration be paid therefrom, and should there be anything remaining after paying my debts, funeral expenses, and expenses of Administration, it is my will that the same be given to my grand children Clifford and Clyde Woods, and I do hereby give and bequeath the same to them to be used for their education and support.

Item 4: I hereby nominate and appoint my son James Guthridge Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and request that he accept the trust and carry out the provisions of this Will.

In Witness Whereof, I have unto set my hand and seal this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1897,

Nancy J. Guthridge (Seal)

Signed by the said Nancy J. Guthridge and acknowledged by her to be her last Will and Testament, in our presence; and signed by us as witnesses in her

Last Will and Testament of Nancy J. Guthridge Deceased.

presence, and in the presence of each other.

Hilary G. Houghton, witness,  
James B. Marshall

The State of Indiana, Martin County, Ind:  
 Be It Remembered: That on the 26<sup>th</sup> day  
 of January, 1898, Hilary G. Houghton one  
 of the subscribing witnesses to the within  
 and foregoing last Will and Testament of  
 Nancy J. Guthridge late of said County  
 deceased, personally appeared before  
 George D. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of  
 Martin County, in the State of Indiana,  
 and being duly sworn by the Clerk of said  
 Court, upon his oath, declared and  
 testified as follows, that is to say:

That on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1897,  
 he saw the said Nancy J. Guthridge, sign  
 her name to said instrument in writing  
 in writing as and for her last Will and  
 Testament; and that this defendant, at  
 the same time heard the said Nancy J. Guthridge  
 declare the said instrument in writing  
 to be her last Will and Testament, and  
 that the said instrument in writing  
 was, at the same time, at the request  
 of the said Nancy J. Guthridge and with  
 her consent attested and subscribed  
 by the said Hilary G. Houghton and James B.  
 Marshall in the presence of said testator  
 and in the presence of each other, as  
 subscribing witnesses thereto, and that the  
 said Nancy J. Guthridge was, at the time of  
 the signing and subscribing of said instru-  
 ment in writing, as aforesaid, of full age  
 (that is, more than twenty-one years of age,) and of  
 sound and disposing mind and memory,

Last Will and Testament of Nancy J. Guthridge Deceased.

and not under any coercion or restraint, as the said defendant says not.

Hilary J. Houghton.

Swear to and subscribed by the said Hilary J. Houghton, before me George W. Gates Clerk of said Court, at West Shoals the 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1898.

Geo. W. Gates Clerk.

In attestation whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed the seal of said Court.

Seal

Geo. W. Gates Clerk

State of Indiana, Martin County, I. B:

I, George W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin County, Indiana, do hereby certify that the within named Will and Testament of Nancy J. Guthridge has been admitted to probate, and duly proved by the testimony of Hilary J. Houghton, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, that a complete record of said Will, and of the testimony of the said Hilary J. Houghton, in proof thereof, has been duly made and recorded in Book C at pages 37, 38, 39 & 40 of the Record of Wills of said County.

In attestation whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed the seal of said Court, at West Shoals, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1898.

Seal

Geo. W. Gates

Clerk Circuit Court Martin County.

Last Will and Testament of Henry Sellers Deceased.

March the 1<sup>st</sup> 1897,

I know all men by these Presents, that I, Henry Sellers, of the County of Martin and State of Indiana, make this my last Will and Testament, as follows, to wit,

That after my decease, and all my legal debts are paid,

I grant and bequeath to my wife, Sarah Sellers, all of my Property both Real and Personal, except the lands herein described to wit:

The North West quarter of the North West quarter of Section Fourteen, Town 4 North, of Range 3 West, in the County of Martin, in the State of Indiana, the lands here described, I give and bequeath to my son William Sellers.

I further desire and deereed that after the death of my wife, Sarah Sellers, that all my Property, both Real and Personal, held by her at that time, shall be equally distributed to all my children.

Witnesses

Jesse Stroud

A. D. Hastings

Henry Sellers  
mark

The State of Indiana, Martin County, I do;

Be it Remembered, That on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 1898, Jesse Stroud, One of the subscribing witnesses, to the within and foregoing last Will and Testament, of Henry Sellers, late of said County, deceased, personally appeared before Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin County, in the State of Indiana, and being duly sworn by the Clerk of said Court, upon his oath, declared and testified as follows, that is to say:

That on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 1897 he saw the said Henry Sellers, sign his name to said instrument.

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Henry Sellers Deceased

in writing by mark, as and for his last Will & Testament; and that this Depoent, at the same time, heard the said Henry Sellers declare the said instrument in writing to be his last Will and Testament, and the said instrument in writing was, at the same time, at the request of the said Henry Sellers, and with his consent, attested and subscribed by the said Jesse Stroud and A.D. Hastings, in the presence of said Testator, and in the presence of each other, as subscribing witnesses thereto, and that the said Henry Sellers was, at the time of the signing and subscribing of said instrument in writing, as aforesaid, of full age, (that is more than Twenty-one years of age,) and of sound and disposing mind and memory, and not under any coercion or restraint, as the said Depoent verily believes, and further Depoent says not.

Jesse Stroud,

Swear to and subscribed by the said Jesse Stroud before me Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of said Court, at West Shoal, the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 1898.

Geo. W. Gates Clerk

In attestation Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed the seal of said Court.

Geo. W. Gates Clerk

State of Indiana, Marion County, I. S.: I, Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion County, Indiana, do hereby certify, that the within annexed Will and Testament of Henry Sellers has been duly admitted to probate, and duly proved by the testimony of Jesse Stroud. One of the subscribing witnesses thereto, that a complete record of said Will, and of the testimony of the said Jesse Stroud in proof thereof,

Last Will and Testament of Henry Bellors Deceased.

has been by me duly made and recorded in  
Book "B" at page 43, in the Record of Wills  
of said County,

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto  
subscribed my name, and affixed the  
seal of said Court, at West Shale, this  
13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1898.

Seal

Mr. W. Gates  
Clerk Master Circuit Court.

Last Will and Testament of Stephen Westhafer Deceased.  
Made this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 1898.

I, Stephen Westhafer, of the County of Marion  
State of Indiana, being etc., my self etc.,  
make this as my last Will, and testament.

I leave to my son Stephen Westhafer all  
my Property.

executed in my favor by Wesley Porter,  
Sept. 2-1896, for \$68.75, which is to be used in meet-  
ing debts, & also bills or funeral expenses.

The balance of my debts to be paid out  
of my estate, in the same by my heirs.

I leave said Stephen Westhafer the farm  
now owned by me as a lease, for the  
period from the date of my death to his daughter  
for his care and support, to me until the  
death of any wife Rebecca Westhafer, and for what  
he may yet do for me, he to pay the taxes and  
the land until an equal distribution can  
be made among my children, namely Mr.  
Westhafer, Mrs. R. Westhafer, Eli B. Westhafer, Elmer  
B. Westhafer, Martha P. Cray, and Stephenly Westhafer.

Since there is now a mortgage of \$400<sup>00</sup> on the  
farm due in two years from Jan'y 1<sup>st</sup> 1897, inter-  
est at 7% payable annually on Jan'y 1<sup>st</sup>, each  
of the above mentioned heirs to pay subsequent  
shares of interest after deducting the interest  
on \$90<sup>00</sup> due from him self Westhafer, \$30<sup>00</sup>  
due from Mrs. R. Westhafer, & \$30<sup>00</sup> due from Stephen  
B. Westhafer, due on estate each of these sons  
to pay the additional interest due from the above  
the estate.

When this mortgage is paid in full from the  
estate or by equal payments from each  
heir above mentioned, then there is to be an  
equal distribution of the estate among them  
after the expiration of the above mentioned  
lease to Stephen Westhafer.

This will I have left in care of Lewis A. Killand.

Last Will and Testament of Stephen Westhafer, Deceased.

Spouse, after my decease,

Stephen Westhafer

Lived in our presence, this April 12, 1898,

W. T. Craig

L. A. Skillion, Milwaukee

R. N. Walton

The State of Indiana, Martin County, ~~do~~.

I do remember, that on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1898, Levi A. Skillion, one of the subscribing witnesses to the will and foregoing last Will & Testament of Stephen Westhafer, late of said County, deceased, personally appeared before Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court, of Martin County, in the State of Indiana, and being duly sworn by the Clerk of said Court, upon his oath, declared and testified as follows:

That, on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1898, he saw the

said Stephen Westhafer sign his name to said instrument in writing as and for his last Will & Testament; and that this deponent, at the same time, heard the said Stephen Westhafer declare the said instrument in writing to be his last Will & Testament, and that the said instrument in writing was, at the same time, at the request of the said Stephen Westhafer, and with his consent attested and subscribed by the said Levi A. Skillion, W. T. Craig, R. N. Walton, in the presence of said Walton, and in the presence of said attorney, as subscribing witnesses thereto, and that the said Stephen Westhafer was, at the time of the signing and subscribing of said instrument in writing, as a man of full age (that is more than twenty-one years of age), and of sound disposing mind, memory, and not under any coercion or restraint as the said defendant verily

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believed, and further Deposent says that  
 I, Lewis A. Killion  
 Sworn to and subscribed by the said Lewis A.  
 Killion, before me Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of said  
 Court, at West Shoals, the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 1898.  
 In Attestation Whereof, I have hereunto  
 subscribed my name, and affixed  
 the seal of said Court,  
Geo. W. Gates Clerk

State of Indiana, Martin County, ~~St.~~:  
 I, Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court, of Martin  
 County, Indiana, do hereby certify that the within  
 named Will & Testament of Stephen Westhafer  
 has been duly admitted to probate, and duly  
 proved by the testimony of Lewis A. Killion, one  
 of the subscribing witnesses thereto, that a  
 complete record of said Will, and of the testi-  
 mony of the said Lewis A. Killion in proof  
 thereof has been by me duly made and record-  
 ed in Book 'C' at Pages 44, 45, 46 & 47, of the Rec-  
 ord of Wills of said County.  
 In Attestation Whereof, I have hereunto  
 subscribed my name, and affixed  
 the seal of said Court, at West Shoals, this  
 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 1898.

Geo. W. Gates

Clerk Circuit Court Martin County

Written Agreement.

June 4-1898,

The within named Stephen Westhafer  
 having deceased June 1-1898, there was this day a  
 meeting of the witnesses of the within Will, M. J.  
 Crane, L. A. Killion, and R. M. Watson, with S. M. Westhafer,  
 J. B. Westhafer, Elmer D. Westhafer, Martha R. Crane and Stephen  
 H. Westhafer, at the late house of Stephen Westhafer Eli  
 B. Westhafer not being present.

The within Will was opened and read, and the consent

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of such heir given, that Levi A. Gilliom should have it recorded, and act as Executor in carrying out its provisions, relating to settling debts, Doctor bill, funeral expenses, all except that of the mortgage on the land. Also to collect anything due the estate & apply it on said debts.

J. M. Westhafer

J. B. Westhafer

E.S. Westhafer

M.R. Gray

Stephen Westhafer

Certified Copy of the  
Last Will and Testament of Lewis R. Williams Deceased.

I, Lewis R. Williams, of Mount Oliver Martin  
County Indiana, do make and execute this my last  
Will and Testament.

Test. It is my will that all my just debts and all  
expenses of my last sickness, be paid, buried with the last  
and expenses of administering all my estate be fully paid

Test. Having executed debt in remainder for certain  
of my real estate to my son George Williams and my  
Daughters Lucy Thompson and Mary A. Stapleton  
returning to myself and my wife Sarah E. Williams  
a life estate that is to say the remainder not to  
exceed the death of both of us, it is my will that  
said real estate shall vest in said wife George L. Williams  
So George Williams during his Natural life  
and at his death to the heirs of his body the remaining  
real estate viz The South East quarter of the North  
East quarter and the North East quarter of the South  
East quarter of Section twelve and Township four (4)  
North Range three West. Also the North half of the  
South East quarter of the Southeast quarter, Township four  
Town and Range also the North half of the South West  
quarter of the South West quarter of same Township  
and Range. Also the South West quarter of the South West  
quarter of the South East quarter Section Town and Range  
Also the South East quarter of the South West quarter of  
same section Town and Range. Also the North half of the  
North West quarter of Section Thirteen Township four  
North Range three West. Also the North West quarter of the  
North West quarter of Section Thirteen same Town and Range  
All of said real estate being in Martin County Indiana.

To Mary A. Stapleton I will devise subsequently  
the following real estate in Martin County Indiana  
during her Natural life and at her death to the  
heirs of her body returning to my wife Sarah E.  
Williams should she outlive me a life estate from  
said Part of Section Thirteen Town four North  
Range three West bounded as follows, commencing

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of the South East corner of said Section Thirteen 1/3 thereof North in the range line to a point on said range line  
thirty rods - South of the quarter section corner on the  
East side of said section, thence South 57<sup>o</sup> degrees West  
forty and fifty seven hundredths chains, thence South 76.  
degrees West, thirty seven hundredths chains, thence North  
seventy degrees West eleven chains, thence North seventeen  
degrees West 27 chains, thence North eighty degrees West  
4 chains to the County road, thence forty eight rods  
to the North line of the south half of the North West quarter  
of North East quarter of Section Thirteen, thence West on  
said line to the West line of said tract of land, thence 120  
chains South to the South corner of the South West quarter  
of the North East quarter of said Section Thirteen, thence  
East to the South East corner of said tract of land, thence  
South to the section line, thence East to the place of  
beginning. It is that part of the North East quarter of  
the North East quarter of Section Twenty-four, Town-  
ship four North Range three West, North West of White  
Pine containing in all 177 acres more or less.

To Lucy Thompson I will devise and bequeath  
the following real estate in Marion County  
Idaho during her natural life and at her death  
to the heirs of her body according to my wife Sarah E. C.  
Williams Should she survive me, the life estate should  
towit, commencing at the quarter section corner on  
the East side of Section Thirteen, Township 4 North Range  
three West, thence South on the range line thirty rods  
to a stone, thence South fifty seven and one half degrees  
West 27 chains, thence South seventy six degrees West  
thirty seven hundredths chains (3.76), thence North seventy  
degrees West eleven chains, thence North seventeen degrees  
West twenty seven chains, thence North eighty degrees  
West four chains to County road, thence along said road  
to the North line of the south half of the North West quarter  
of the North West quarter of Section Thirteen, thence West on  
said line to the center of the North West quarter of the

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North East quarter of Section Thirteen, thence South to the center of the South West quarter of the South East quarter of Section Fourteen, Township four North, Range three West, thence East to the said line, thence South to the place of beginning, continuing in all One hundred and fourteenth (114) acres more or less. Also the following real estate in Lawrence County Indiana to wit All that part of the West half of the South West quarter of Section 18, eighteen Township four North Range two West containing forty eight acres more or less.

I give & I will of my devise of real estate to my sons Absalom Williams and Lazarus Williams & their heirs to come and by deed to each of them such real estate in the simplest as I desire them to receive from my estate.

I give and bequeath to Lucy Bowden and Ellen Bowden, heirs of Benjamin West, thirty five dollars each.

If my wife Sarah E Williams should die during me I will and bequeath a life estate in all the lands above described and I also will devise and bequeath to her all my personal property to be used and enjoyed by her during her natural life and at her death whatsoever may be divided equally between my sons Absalom, <sup>and</sup> Lazarus Williams, George Williams and my daughters Lucy Thompson and Mary Chapman. If either of the foregoing heirs legatees or devisees at any time before the final settlement of my estate becomes dissatisfied with this my last Will or take any step or do any act toward contesting this Will or its probate thereof, then and in that event said heir, legatee or devisee causing said contest shall forfeit his or her legacy or devise, and his or her interest in my estate under this Will and his or her interest as bequeathed herein shall be divided equally among my other heirs.

I hereby revoke all former Wills by me

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Whereas and direct that the distribution of my personal estate under this Will, that the same shall be done independently of and without reference to any advancements or payments of money to my said heirs as evidenced by receipts now held by me for the same.

I trust & I hereby name and appoint as my executors of this Will, Absalom Williams, and Lazarus Williams and direct that they serve as such without bond.

In witness whereof I have signed, sealed and published and declared this instrument as my last Will at Bedford Indiana this June 15<sup>th</sup> 1898.

Louis R. Williams P.P.

The above named Louis R. Williams at said Bedford Indiana on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 1898 in our presence signed and sealed this instrument of publication and declared the same us and for his last Will and Testament, and we at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto written our names as subscribing witnesses,

Patrick H. Coady  
James A. Farney

The State of Indiana  
Wayne County B.B.

B. H. Reeser, Notary Public,  
on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September Patrick H. Coady  
and James A. Farney, the subscribing witnesses  
to this writing, do, for going last Will and Testament  
of Louis R. Williams late of said County deceased  
personally appeared before me, Wm. Martin, Judge of the  
Circuit Court of Wayne County in the State of Indiana  
and being duly sworn by the Clerk, of said Court  
upon his oath declared and testified as follows:  
that is to say, that on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 1898 he  
saw the said Louis R. Williams sign his name to  
the said instrument in writing and for his last  
Will and Testament and that he was at the time  
heard the said Louis R. Williams declare the said

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instrument to be his last Will and Testament and that  
 the said instrument so writing was, at the same  
 time, at the request of the said Louis R Williams and  
 with his consent admitted and subscribed by the said  
 Patrick H Cooley and James A Farney in the presence  
 of said testator and in the presence of each other as  
 subscribing witnesses thereto and that the said Louis  
 Williams was, at the time of this signing of said instrument  
 of said instrument in writing, as aforesaid, of full age  
 that is, more than twenty one years of age and of  
 sound and disposing mind and memory without  
 any impairment or restraint, as the said instrument  
 only witness, and further dispensing says nothing.

Patrick H Cooley  
James A Farney

Seal to aforesigned by the said Patrick H  
 Cooley and James A Farney before me Isaac  
 H Cline Clerk of said Court at Bedford Indiana  
 the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 1898.

In Attestation Whereof I have hereunto subscribed my  
 name and affixed the seal of said Court.

Isaac H Cline Clerk

The State of Indiana  
 Lawrence County, A.D.

I Isaac H Cline Clerk of the Common  
 Court of Lawrence County, Indiana, do hereby certify  
 that the within named Will and Testament of  
 Louis R Williams has been duly admitted to probate  
 and duly proved by the testimony of Patrick H Cooley  
 and James A Farney one of the subscribing witnesses  
 thereto, that a copy of record of said Will, and of  
 the testimony of the said Patrick H Cooley and James  
 A Farney, the proof whereof has been by me duly made  
 and recorded in Book B at pages 602, 603, 604, 605  
 of the record of Wills of said County.

In Attestation Whereof I have hereunto subscribed my  
 name and affixed the seal of said Court

Last Will and Testament of *Lewis R Williams* Deceased.

at Bedford Indiana this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 1898  
*8633*  
 Isaac H. Gates Clerk  
 Circuit Court LaGrange County.

(State of Indiana) ss.  
 LaGrange County

I Isaac H. Gates Clerk of the Circuit Court within and for said County and State aforesaid do hereby certify that the foregoing and foregoing is a full true and complete copy of the last Will and Testament of Lewis R Williams deceased which said last Will and Testament is on file and also record in the office of the Clerk of the LaGrange Circuit Court.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the LaGrange Circuit at the City of Bedford this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September A.D. 1898.

Isaac H. Gates Clerk  
 of the LaGrange Circuit Court.

Recorded in Clerks Office of the Marion Circuit Court on the  
 9<sup>th</sup> day of November 1898.

*Jno H. Gates Clerk.*

Last Will and Testament of Charity Abils Deceased.

In the name of the omnipotent Father. I Charity Abils  
being of sound and disposing mind, and memory  
dablate, publish and declare this my last Will and  
Testament.

I nominate and direct the Clerk to appoint my  
brother Frank Neal executor of this my last Will.

It is my will and desire that all my property be  
sold after my decease by my executor at public sale,  
for one third cash, one third in six, and one third  
in twelve months, and that said executor give three  
weeks notice of said sale, and sell the same on the  
premises.

Item It is my will and desire that all my just  
debts and funeral expenses be paid out of my  
estate.

2<sup>d</sup> After the payment of debts and expenses,  
I give and bequeath as the remainder of my  
estate to my beloved grand son Frank Blewett

The witness whereof I have signed and my  
hand and seal this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 1898 in the  
presence of attesting witnesses,

Nicau McCormick

Charity Abils

Fernard Shemly

Be it Remembred That on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of  
November 1898, Charity Abils will & doth confess  
she did in our presence, after the foregoing instrument  
was read over to her, signed the same as her last  
Will and Testament, and we, in her presence, and in  
the presence of each other, and at her request signed  
our names, as attesting witnesses.

Nicau McCormick

Fernard Shemly

The State of Indiana

Martin County, S.S.

Be it Remembred That on  
the 28<sup>th</sup> day of November 1898 Nicau McCormick,  
one of the subscribing witnesses to the within, and

Last Will and Testament of Charity Abbs) Deceased.

My foregoing last Will and Testament of Charity Abbs,  
 State of said County deceased, is now fully appraised  
 before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Martin County  
 in the State of Indiana, and being duly sworn by  
 the Clerk of said Court upon his oath, do declare  
 and testify as follows, that is to say, That on the  
 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 1898, he saw the said Charity  
 Abbs sign her name to said instrument in  
 writing as and for her last Will and Testament,  
 this instrument at the same time, found the said  
 Charity Abbs decline signing instrument in  
 writing to her last Will and Testament and that  
 this instrument in writing was at the same  
 time, at the request of the said Charity Abbs  
 and with her assent attested and subscribed by  
 the said Benjamin McCannick and Leonard Simml  
 in the presence of said testator and in the  
 presence of each other as subscribing witnesses.  
 Wherefore that said Charity Abbs was, at the  
 time of the signing and subscribing of said  
 instrument in writing, as aforesaid of full  
 age (that is more than twenty one years of age)  
 and of sound and disposing mind ~~and memory~~  
 and not under any coercion or restraint, as the  
 said deponent truly believes, and further deponent  
 says not.

Benjamin McCannick

Swear to and subscribed by the said Benjamin  
 McCannick, before me Geo W Gates Clerk of said  
 Court, at New Shoals, the 28<sup>th</sup> day of November 1898.

Geo W Gates Clerk

By David Gary, Asst.

Attestation whereof I have hereunto subscribed  
 my name, and affixed the seal of said Court.

Geo W Gates Clerk

By David Gary, Asst.

State of Indiana, Martin County, D. S.

Last Will and Testament of Parity Ailes Deceased.

I Geo H Gates Clerk of the Circuit Court  
of Martin County, Indiana, do hereby certify that  
the within named Will and Testament of Parity  
Ailes has been duly admitted to probate, and duly  
proved by the testimony of Thomas M Connick one of  
the subscribing witnesses thereto, that a completest record  
of said Will, died of the testimony of the said Thomas  
M Connick, is a copy thereof has been duly made  
and recorded in Book C at pages 33, & 34 of the Record  
of Wills of said County.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed  
my name, and affixed the seal of said Court at West  
Point, this 28 day of November 1898.

Geo H Gates Clerk  
Circuit Court Martin County  
By David Barry Dept

Last Will and Testament of *Christiana Fritt*

Deceased.

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Shows Indiana November 26 1898.  
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost Amen. I Christiana Fritt of Marion County State of Indiana being in full possession of all my faculties of sound mind and disposing disposition do make and publish and declare this my last Will and Testament to wit:

1<sup>st</sup> It is my will and desire that to each of my children Anna, Matilda, Elizabeth, Agnes, John Charles and Fidelis an equal share in all my lands and personal property, of each <sup>and</sup> ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> kind, chosen in action, chattels of which I may be the owner at the time of my death be given. But it is my further will also desirous that this share be guaranteed to my daughter Anna shall be given her only in case she be in permanent need and want during her lifetime, said need and want to be determined by the Executor, and said share to devolve upon the children of my daughter Anna upon her death.

2<sup>d</sup> It is incumbent upon my Executor to pay off from my Estate any and all just debts which I may owe at the time of my death.

3<sup>rd</sup> I do hereby appoint my daughter Matilda to be my sole Executor, and it is my desire that no bond be required of her in that behalf.

In Marion County I set my hand <sup>and</sup> seal ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> at this twenty sixth day of November Eighteen hundred and Ninety eight.

*Christiana Fritt.*

The foregoing subscribed by the said testator in my presence declared by her to be her last Will and Testament, and at her request in her presence and in the presence of each other this 26<sup>th</sup> day of November 1898 sign the same as witnesses.

*Witnesses,**William Galvin  
Charles Allen*

The State of Indiana  
Marion County 83

Be it Recured and Proved  
on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of December 1898, William Salmon  
one of the Subscribing witnesses to the within and  
of my young last Will and Testament Christiana Stritt  
late of Baird County deceased, personally appeared  
before Geo W Gates Clerk of the Circuit Court of  
Marion County in the State of Indiana, duly  
duly sworn by the Clerk of said Court upon  
his oath declared and testified as follows: That is  
to say, that on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of November 1898 he saw  
the said Christiana Stritt sign her name to  
said instrument in writing as and for her last  
Will and Testament, and that this deponent  
at the same time heard the said Christiana Stritt  
declare the said instrument in writing to be her  
last Will and Testament, and that the said instrument  
in writing was at the same time, at the request  
of the said Christiana Stritt and with her consent  
attested and subscribed by the said William Salmon  
and Charles Allis in the presence of said testator  
and in the presence of each other, as subscribing  
witnesses thereto and that the said Christiana Stritt  
was at the time of the signing and subscribing of said  
instrument in writing of full age that is  
more than twenty one years of age and of sound  
and disposing mind and memory and not under  
any coercion or constraint, as said deponent verily  
believes, and further deponent doth not

William Salmon,

Signed and subscribed by the said William  
Salmon before me Geo W Gates Clerk of said  
Court at Westfield the 10<sup>th</sup> day of December 1898

Geo W Gates Clerk

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed  
my name and affixed the seal of said Clerk  
Geo W Gates Clerk

Last Will and Testament of Christiana Stritt Deceased.

State of Indiana vs.  
Marion County

I, Geo W. Gates, Clerk of the  
Circuit Court of Marion County, Indiana, do  
hereby certify that the within named Will and  
Testament of Christiana Stritt has been duly  
admitted to probate, and duly proved by the  
testimony of William Salter, one of the subscribing  
witnesses thereto, that a complete record of said Will  
and of the testimony of the said William Salter,  
in proof thereof, has been by me duly made and  
recorded in Book C. at page 57, 58 & 59, of the record  
of Wills of said County.

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto sub-  
scribed my name, and affixed the seal of said  
Court, at Westfield, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December 1898.

Geo W. Gates, Clerk  
Circuit Court Marion County  
By David Gerry, Asst.

February the Third A.D. 1898.

In the name of the Benevolent Father of All,  
I James Sims of Martin County, in the state  
of Indiana, do make & publish this my Last Will  
and Testament.

Item. First. I give and devise to my beloved  
wife Amanda Sims, in lieu of her interest in  
my lands all my lands; situated as follows.

The South East quarter of the South East quarter  
of section Twenty-three (23) in Township Two (5)  
North, Range Three (3) West; containing forty acres,  
more or less.

Also the following described; commencing at the  
North East corner of the North West quarter of the  
North West quarter of section Twenty-six (26) Town Five  
North, Range Three West, running due West Forty rods  
thence South Seventy-two and One-half ( $72\frac{1}{2}$ ) rods, thence  
East Forty rods, thence North to the place of beginning making  
in all Eighteen and One-eighth Acres. Also the following  
beginning at the South West corner of the North West quarter  
of the South West quarter of section Twenty-six, Town  
Five, North, Range Three West, thence East Seven and One  
half rods, thence North, Thirty-five rods and four feet,  
thence West Seven and One-half rods, thence South to place  
of beginning,

Also beginning at the South East corner of the North  
East quarter, of the South East quarter, of section Twenty  
seven, same Town and Range, thence West Eighty rods,  
thence North Twenty-nine rods and four feet, thence North  
East Eighty rods, making the fence the line, where it now  
stands, thence South Thirty-five rods and four feet to the  
place of beginning, making in all seventeen and One  
half Acres more or less.

Also the following, to wit, the South half of the North West  
quarter of section Twenty-six, in Town Five North, Range  
Three West, excepting One-half acre off of the East side of the  
little East quarter, where the school house now stands.

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Also seven & one-half rods, off the South side of the North West quarter of the North West quarter of the above described lands,

Also the North West quarter of the South West quarter of the above described lands, excepting seven & One half rods off of the West side,

Also, part of the North East quarter of the South West quarter of the above described lands, described as follows, commencing at the North West corner of said quarter and running East Forty-two rods to the Thomas White Mill Branch, thence down the center of said Branch to the North & South line on the West side of said quarter, thence North to the place of beginning, supposed to be six Acres more or less]

Also Twenty-five Acres off of the South end of the West half of the North East quarter, of section Twenty-six in same Town and Range,

Also, the West half of the North East quarter, excepting Two Acres off of the North end of said tract,

Also, Ten Acres off the North East corner, of the North East quarter, of the North West quarter, described as follows, beginning at the North East corner of said tract, thence running West Thirty rods, thence South with an elbow bend to intersect the East line of said tract Twenty rods, from place of beginning, thence North to place of beginning,

Also the North half of the South East quarter, of the North East qr. accepting all that lies on the South East side of the highway now running through said tract, the same being about One & three-quarters Acres off the North side of said tract containing in all One-hundred and Four Acres, more or less, all in section thirty-four, Lower Five North, Range One West,

Also a part of the South East quarter of the North East quarter, described as follows; All of said tract that lies on the North West side of the high

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way leading from Siloerville Highway to the Hayesville Highway & south East of a line drawn from the North East corner to the South West corner of said track containing One Acre more or less, in Section Thirty-four, Town Five North, Range Three West.

Also, a part of the South-East quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section Twenty-seven, commencing at the North-West corner of said South-East quarter of the South-East quarter of Section Twenty-seven & running in the center of Sulphur Creek, in a South-East direction as the creek now runs, until it strikes the section line on the East side of said quarter-quarter, thence North to the corner of said South-East quarter of the South-East quarter, thence West to the place of beginning, containing Eighteen Acres, more or less.

And also a part of the West side of the South-West quarter of the South-West quarter of Section Twenty-six, beginning at the North-West corner of said quarter-quarter, running South to the center of the present bed of Sulphur Creek thence East along the center of said Creek until it reaches the center of Coffeemill Branch, thence up stream North-East, in the center of said Branch as it now runs, until it reaches the North line of said South-West quarter of South-West quarter, thence West to the place of beginning containing Threec Acres more or less, All in Town Five North, Range Three West Martin County, in the State of Indiana, excepting One-half Acre but of South-West quarter, of the North-West quarter of Section Twenty-six, Town Five North, Range 3 West Martin County, State of Indiana.

To have and to hold in her possession during her natural life or widowhood, also, my money and personal property.

At the death of my dear wife, I bequeath to James Sims the following Real Estate in Martin County in the State of Indiana, the West half of the North-East quarter excepting Two Acres of the North end of said track.

All in acres off the North-East corner of the North-East

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ter of the North West quarter described as follows; beginning at the North East corner of said tract, thence running West Thirty rods, thence South with a westerly bend to intersect the East line of said tract Seventy rods from the place of beginning thence North to the place of beginning.

Also the North West half of the South East quarter of the North East quarter, excepting all that lies on the South West side of the highway now running through the same, being about One Acre,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Acre taken off the North side of said tract, containing in all One hundred  $\frac{1}{4}$  Acre or less. All in Section 34, Town 5 N, Range 3 W.

Also a part of the South East quarter of the North East quarter described as follows; all of said tract that lies on the North West side of the highway leading from the Garrisonville Highway to the Silverville Highway,  $\frac{1}{4}$  South East of a line drawn from the North East corner to the South West corner of said tract containing One Acre, more or less. All in Section Thirty four, Town Five North, Range Third West, by the said Thomas D. Sims paying to the heirs of Francis Willard Sims the amount of Two-hundred  $\frac{1}{4}$  eighty Dollars,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Forty Dollars for a monument to be erected at the grave of Francis W. Sims, the said Two-hundred  $\frac{1}{4}$  eighty Dollars to be paid to the above named heirs in Four years after the death of James Sims the Testator of this instrument  $\frac{1}{4}$  his wife Amanda M. Sims if said heirs <sup>are</sup> of age (21 yrs) if said heirs are not of age of Twenty-one years, said amount of Two-hundred  $\frac{1}{4}$  eighty Dollars to be paid said heirs as they respectively become of said age, after the expiration of Four years.

The said Two-hundred  $\frac{1}{4}$  eighty Dollars, to be divided as follows among the heirs, Carrie Sims Eighty Dollars, Letta Sims One hundred,  $\frac{1}{4}$  Elcie Sims One

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hundred Dollars,

The above mentioned Forty Dollars to be due in four years after death of the above named testator and wife.

And to my two sons William A. Sims and Charles H. Sims, I bequeath the farms over which I now reside, described as follows:

The South-East quarter of the South-East quarter of Section Twenty-three Town 5<sup>th</sup> North, Range Three West containing Forty Acres, more or less,

Also the following commencing at the North-East corner of the North-West quarter of the North-West quarter of Section Twenty-six, Town Five North, Range Three West, running due West Forty rods, thence South forty-two and one-half rods, thence East Forty rods, thence North to the place of beginning, making in all eighteen and one-eighth Acres,

Also the following described, beginning at the South-West corner of the North-West quarter of the SW. of Section Twenty-six, Town Five North, Range Three West, thence East Seventeen One-half rods; thence North Thirty-five rods and Four feet, thence West Seven and one-half rods, thence South to the place of beginning.

Also beginning at the South-East corner of the North-East quarter of the South-East quarter of Section Twenty-seven, same Town and Range, thence West Eighty rods, thence North Twenty-nine rods and Four feet, thence North-East Eighty rods making the fence, the line where it now stands, thence South Thirty-five rods and Four feet to the place of beginning, making in all seventeen and one-half Acres, more or less.

Also, the south half of the North-West quarter of Section Twenty-six in Town Five North, Range Three West, excepting One-half Acre off the East side of the South-East quarter, where the school-house now stands,

Also, Seven and one-half rods off of the South side of the North-West quarter of the North-West quarter of the above described land;

Also, the North-West quarter of the South-West quarter of the

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above described lands, excepting seven and one-half rods off the West side,

Also; a part of the North-East quarter of the South-West quarter, of the above described lands, described as follows: commencing at the North-West corner of said quarter and running East Forty-two rods, to the Thomas White Mill Branch, thence down the center of said stream, to the North and South line on the West side of said quarter, thence North to the place of beginning, supposed to be about Six Acres, more or less,

Also; a part of the South-East quarter of the South-East quarter of Section Twenty-seven, commencing at the North-West corner of the said South-East quarter, of the South-East quarter of Section Twenty-seven, and running in the center of Sulphur Creek, in a South Easterly direction, as the Creek now runs, until it strikes the Section line on the East side of said quarter, quarter, thence North to the corner of said South-East quarter, of the South-East quarter, thence West to the place of beginning containing Eighteen Acres, more or less,

And also a part of the West end of the South-West quarter, bounded West of Section Twenty-six, beginning at the North-West corner of said quarter quarter, running South to the center of the present bed of Sulphur Creek, thence East along the center of the creek until it reaches the center of Coffey-Mill Branch, thence up stream North-East in the center of said stream as it now runs, until it reaches the North line of said South-West quarter, of the South-West quarter, thence West to the place of beginning, containing Three Acres, more or less,

All in Town Line North, Range Three West, Martin County State of Indiana,

Also; Sixty-five Acres off the South end of the West

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Half of the North East quarter in Section Twenty-six  
Town 5 North, Range Three West,

I bequeath all of the above described lands  
excepting One half Acre out of the South West  
part of the South West quarter, of the North West  
quarter of Section Twenty-six, Town 5, North, Range  
Three West, said lands being my homestead.

I bequeath to Charles H. Sims all my live stock  
farming implements, means of cultivation & household  
goods, grain & hay,

If James Sims do hereby appoint my son,  
Charles H. Sims, executor of my estate, without the  
filling of a bond, and that he said Charles H. Sims shall  
not receive any pay for his time in settling my estate,  
leaving my estate, excepting his expenses while settling  
this matter.

And at the death of my wife Amanda Sims,  
bequeath to my two daughters, Mary J. Lewis and  
Susie H. Lewis, after all debts are paid, the amount  
of five hundred Dollars each, if there be enough of my  
money & notes, if not it be equally divided between  
them, and if more than said amount, it to be equally di-  
vided among the five heirs now living, namely, Thomas  
J. Sims, Mary J. Lewis, Susie H. Lewis, William A. Sims,  
and Charles H. Sims, if any of the above heirs die, leaving  
no children their part of my estate, then their share  
shall be divided among the remaining heirs including  
Francis W. Sims heirs, whose share is limited to the  
aforesaid dowery which I, James Sims consider their  
share; if all the heirs of Francis W. Sims die, then  
their dowery be divided equally among my re-  
maining heirs.

I do hereby annul all my former Wills & Testaments.  
In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & seal  
this <sup>15<sup>th</sup></sup> day of February 1893.

James Sims,  
Signed & acknowledged by said James Sims as his

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Deceased.

Last Will and Testament, in our presence, and signed by  
and in his presence,

Mitnoses { Lloyd Baker,  
Mary E. Kenady }

# In the State of Indiana, in Martin County, I.D.

Be it Remembered, that on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of January 1894, Mary E. Kenady, one of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing last Will & Testament of James Sims, late of said County, deceased, personally appeared before Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin County, in the State of Indiana, being duly sworn by the Clerk of said Court, upon her oath, declared & testified as follows, that is to say:

That on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1898, she saw the said James Sims sign his name to said instrument in writing, as for his last Will & Testament, and that this Deponent, at the same time, heard the said James Sims declare the said instrument in writing to be his last Will & Testament, and that the said instrument in writing was at the same time, at the request of the said James Sims, with his consent attested and subscribed by the said Mary E. Kenady & Lloyd Baker, in the presence of said Testator and in the presence of each other, as subscribing witnesses thereto, and that the said James Sims was, at the time of the signing and subscribing of said instrument in writing, as aforesaid, of full age, that is more than twenty-one years of age, of sound and disposing mind and memory, and not under any coercion or restraint, and the said Deponent verily believes, and further deposes and says,

Mary E. Kenady,

I, Mary E. Kenady, subscriber by the said Mary E. Kenady, before the Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of said Court, at West Shoals, the 18<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1894.

Geo. W. Gates Clerk,

Seal

In attestation whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed the seal of said Court, Geo. M. Gates, Clerk,  
State of Indiana, Martin County, SS;  
I, Geo. M. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin  
County, Indiana, do hereby certify that the within  
is annexed Will & Testament of James Sims  
has been duly admitted to probate, and duly  
proved by the testimony of Mary E. Kennedy,  
One of the subscribing witnesses thereto, that a complete  
record of said Will, and of the testimony of the said Mary  
E. Kennedy in proof thereof, has been by me duly  
made and recorded in Book "B" at pages 60, 61, 62, 63, 64,  
65, 66, 67, 68, of the Record of Wills of said County,

In attestation whereof, I have hereunto sub-  
scribed my name, and affixed the seal of  
said Court, at West Shoals, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of  
January, 1899,

Geo. M. Gates,  
Clerk Circuit Court Martin County,

Last Will and Testament of Laura E. Friedrichs Deceased.

I, Laura E. Friedrichs, of the County of Martin,<sup>and</sup>  
State, of Indiana, being of sound mind and disposing  
memory, do hereby make and declare this my last Will  
and Testament, hereby revoking and making void all former  
Wills by me at any time heretofore made.

First. - I order and direct that out of the money  
on hand and personal property my funeral expenses  
and just debts be paid as soon as practicable  
after my death.

Second. - I give and bequeath to my beloved  
mother Mary M. Campbell all and singular my  
personal property of every description remaining  
after paying my debts and funeral expenses.

Third. - I give and bequeath to my beloved mother  
Mary M. Campbell my house and lots, to-wit; lots  
numbered Twenty (20) and Thirty-eight (38) in Gray's  
Addition to the Town of Logossee, Indiana, with  
all the appurtenances theron situated and  
belonging.

Fourth. - I give and bequeath to my beloved  
mother Mary M. Campbell all and singular all  
other Real Estate of which I may die seized.

Fifth. - I hereby nominate and appoint J. B. Coe  
as Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my  
hand this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 1893.

Laura E. Friedrichs

The above and foregoing instrument, was at the  
date thereof signed, published and declared by the said  
Laura E. Friedrichs, as and for her last Will and Testa-  
ment, and as a revocation of all former Wills  
heretofore made by her, in presence of us, who, at  
her request, and in her presence, and in the presence of  
each other, have subscribed our names as witnesses.

Wm. Houghton Logossee Indiana  
Cornelius B. Wood Logossee Indiana

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Deceased.

The State of Indiana, Martin County, S. S;

Bee it Remembered, That on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of February 1892, William Boughton, One of the subscribing witnesses to the within <sup>and</sup> foregoing last Will <sup>and</sup> Testament of Laura E. Friedrichs late of Said County, deceased, personally appeared before the Judge of the Circuit Court of Martin County, in the State of Indiana, and being duly sworn by the Clerk of said Court, upon his oath, declared <sup>and</sup> testified as follows:

That is to say:

That on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 1893, he saw the said Laura E. Friedrichs sign her name to said instrument in writing <sup>and</sup> for her last Will <sup>and</sup> Testament; <sup>and</sup> that this Deponent at the same time, heard the said Laura E. Friedrichs declare the said instrument in writing to be her last Will <sup>and</sup> Testament, <sup>and</sup> that the said instrument in writing was, at the same time, at the request of the said Laura E. Friedrichs, <sup>and</sup> with her consent, attested <sup>and</sup> subscribed by the said William Boughton <sup>and</sup> Cornelius D. Wood, in the presence of said Testator, <sup>and</sup> in the presence of each other, as subscribing witnesses thereto, <sup>and</sup> the said Laura E. Friedrichs was, at the time of the signing <sup>and</sup> subscribing of said instrument in writing <sup>as</sup>, aforesaid, of full age (that is more than twenty-one years of age) <sup>and</sup> of sound and disposing mind and memory, <sup>and</sup> not under any coercion or restraint, as the said Deponent verily believes, <sup>and</sup> further says not,

William Boughton,  
Sworn to and subscribed by the said William Boughton, before me, Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of said Court at Westphalia, the 24<sup>th</sup> day of February 1893,

Geo. W. Gates Clerk

In Attestation Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, <sup>and</sup> affixed the seal of said court,

Seal

Geo. W. Gates  
Clerk

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State of Indiana, }  
Martin County, ss I, J. Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the  
Circuit Court, of Martin County, Indiana, do  
hereby certify that the within named Will  
and Testament of Laura E. Fredricks has been duly  
admitted to probate, and duly proved by the testi-  
mony of William Houghton one of the abescribing  
witnesses thereto, that a complete record of said  
Will and of the testimony of the said William Houghton  
in proof thereof has been by me duly made and  
recorded in Book 6 at pages 69, 70 & 71 of the Record of  
Wills of said County,

In Attestation Whereof, I have hereunto  
subscribed my name, and affixed the  
seal of said court at West Shoals, this 24<sup>th</sup>  
day of February 1899.

Geo. W. Gates  
Clerk Circuit Court Martin County.

## Last Will and Testament of Rev. James Strombler Deceased

St Martin's Church

Whitfield Martin Co. Indiana

The 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 1899,  
For the name of the Father <sup>of</sup> of the Son <sup>and</sup> of the  
Holy Ghost. Amen, we

In writing of my own hand, my last Will  
and Testament.

I give to Kate Gadeker, my house keeper, twelve hundred  
Dollars in Gold coins (\$1200<sup>00</sup>), my poultry, my horse  
& buggy, harness, my cow <sup>and</sup> pigs, all the feed hay,  
corn, oats, all my clothes, and provisions found in my  
possession at my death.

To Rev. Francis W. Wolf, actually the Priest <sup>and</sup> Rector of  
the Catholic Congregation of St. Al in Martin Co.,  
Indiana, Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) <sup>and</sup> all my books, for which  
he will say some Masses, according to my intention,  
leaving to his own judgement to determine the number  
thereof.

The rest of what I might own, I want to be divided in two  
equal parts, of which one must be given to the Society of the  
Propagation of the Faith, of Baltimore, Md.  
(And the other part must be given to the Association  
of the Holy Childhood, the Central Direction of which  
is at Pittsburgh (Pa.)

I do appoint Rev. Francis W. Wolf to be the executor  
of this my last Will.

Signed by me Rev. James Strombler, on the twenty-second (22)  
day of April of the year Eighteen hundred and Ninety-nine  
(1899), at Whitfield, Indiana.

Signed by Rev. James Strombler, the testator, and by him  
declared to be his Will and testament in our presence  
and at his request we hereunto sign our names as  
Witnesses in his presence, and in presence of each other  
this Twenty-second of April of the year Eighteen hundred  
Ninety-nine.

J. M. D. Dailey  
Patrick Muller

Last Will and Testament of Rev. James Stromler Deceased.

The State of Indiana, Martin County, D.D.  
 Be it Remembered, That on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 1899  
 came John Denigan and Patrick Mullen the two subscribers  
 witnesses to the foregoing last Will and Testament of Rev  
 James Stromler, late of said County, deceased, personally  
 appeared before George M. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of  
 Martin County, in the state of Indiana, and being duly  
 sworn by the Clerk of said Court, upon their oaths,  
 declared and testified as follows, that is to say:  
 That on the Twenty-second day of April, 1899, they  
 saw the said Rev. James Stromler sign the aforesaid  
 instrument in writing, as and for his last Will and  
 Testament; and that these Defendants, at the same time,  
 heard the said Rev. James Stromler declare the said  
 instrument in writing to be his last Will and Testa-  
 ment, and that the said instrument in writing was  
 at the same time, at the request of the said Rev  
 James Stromler and with his consent, attested and  
 subscribed by the said John J. Denigan and Patrick  
 Mullen in the presence of said Testator, and in the  
 presence of each other, as subscribing witnesses  
 thereto, and that the said Rev. James Stromler was, at the  
 time of the signing and subscribing of said instrument  
 in writing, as aforesaid, of full age, (that is more  
 than twenty-one years of age) and of sound and disposing  
 mind and memory, and not under any coercion  
 or restraint, all the said Defendants verily believe,  
 and further Defendants say not.

John J. Denigan  
 Patrick Mullen

Swear to be subscribed by the said John J. Denigan and  
 Patrick Mullen, before me, George M. Gates  
 Clerk of said court, at West Shoals, the 21<sup>st</sup> day of July  
 1899.

Geo. M. Gates Clerk

In Attestation Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed  
 my name and affixed the seal of said court  
 at West Shoals the 21<sup>st</sup> day of July 1899.



Hinton R.L.

## Last Will and Testament of Rev. James Stromber Deceased.

State of Indiana, Martin County, 1899,

I, George W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court  
of Martin, Indiana, do hereby certify that the annexed Will and Testament of Rev. James Stromber has  
been duly admitted to probate, and duly proved  
by the testimony of John J. Demigan and Patrick  
Mullen the subscribing witnesses thereto, that  
a complete record of said Will, and of the testimony  
of the said John J. Demigan and Patrick Muller,  
proof thereof, has been by me duly made and recorded  
in Book "C" at page 72, 73, 74, the Record of Wills  
of said County.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto sub-  
scribed my name, and affixed the seal of  
said court, at West Shore, this 21st day  
July 1899, - Geo. W. Gates  
Clerk Circuit Court Martin County.

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Last Will and Testament of Abigail Hartt Deceased.

I, Abigail Hartt, of West Street, Martin County, State of Indiana do make, publish and declare this to be my last Will & Testament, being now and making this 1<sup>st</sup> day of January, 1855, in the presence of myself.

First - I will and direct that upon my decease, that my funeral be conducted in a manner suited to my station in life, without undue expense or expense.

Second - I will that my just debts and demands against me be paid as follows:

Third - I will direct that my executor forward to Dr. George L. Clark, as rapidly as he can, all notes, claims and dues that may be owing to me, and that he also make sale of my other personal effects at public or private sale, as he may think best, not otherwise disposed of by this Will, and that he do in like manner make call of the lands owned by me at West Street, living south of the Calumet and Ohio Street, Valley Road, also the doggling house and four lots where I now live in West Street, purchased by me from Elizabeth Hartley, and in as much as the circumstances and conditions surrounding the death of my son Lawrence have left the impression on my mind that his death was the result of a violent assault by parties unknown, I do direct that of the proceeds of such sales of land, my executor set apart one hundred United States Bonds at their market value to the sum of Sixteen Hundred dollars (\$1600) to be held for at least five years, if need be, but at any time to be used by him in the prosecution of the perpetrator or perpetrators of the crime, if their identity should be discovered, or become known, but if such prosecution and conviction may be delayed for a longer time than all said \$1600, then forsooth our as it may be necessary so to expend in that behalf. My executor making this best judgment as to the propriety of spending said sum or any portion of it for such purpose, being guided by the ascertainable property of earning etc., furnished of the trial of his son, but the said amount shall be held, if not consumed, expended for the benefit of my son's widow, if she be still living.

at the end of said time, my executor shall not have denied  
it probated or found sufficient occasion to have used said  
sum for such purpose, then it is my will and I do direct that  
the same be divided betwixt my brother and my Nieces, then  
and share alike, who may be alive at that time.

Fourth To my brother George Clark I will bequeath  
during his natural life, all that part of my farm situated  
North of the Batture Aug Ohio B&W R and at the death  
of said George, the fee of said lands to go to and rest in his  
children then alive. Then and share alike, except that if  
I should survive the said George, then that part of said land  
designed by my late husband deceased Thomas Hart by deed  
from Amanda People and her husband known as Lots  
No 24 & 243 in Newkent's Addition to West Shoals.  
Together with such ground as was added to said Lots by  
reason of their vacation, be sold by my executor and the  
proceeds thereof be divided betwixt my Nieces and nephews  
then alive then and share alike.

Fifth unto Rufus Brown, Long Brown, his son, Ella McCarley,  
his daughter, Dennis Anchell and Dennis Anchell I  
will bequeath Two Thousand dollars (\$2000) each.

Sixth To my Nieces and nephews (in addition to other  
bequests herein made) Court, Emma, Passell, Lydia, Daugherty,  
Charles French, Robert French, Martin French and Louis  
French. I give One Thousand dollars each.

Seventh I will direct that such articles of wearing  
apparel as I may have possessed, that belong to Long Ben  
George, be given by executor to my brother George Clark  
if he should survive me, if not, then to his children alive.  
The watch which belonged to my son George I will  
be David Clark, my brother and my own wearing  
apparel and that of deceased Mandie of my family  
not otherwise disposed of. I direct that my executor  
together with my household goods including bed  
furniture, distribute and divide amongst my Nieces  
as he may deem fair and proper. My wall pictures  
and photographs I give to Anna's children.

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Eighthly after payment of my debts, expenses <sup>and legacies</sup> and  
expenses herein provided for my executors shall remain. I  
direct that it be paid to those who nurse me in my last  
sickness, as my executors think just.

Ninthly I hereby appoint James Powell Executor of  
this my last Will, imposing full confidence in his integrity  
and competency.

Witness my hand and this day of July 1896.

Rebecca Hobart

In our presence the Testatrix recited and subscribed the  
foregoing Will and at Turnquest in performance <sup>and in the</sup> presence  
of each other, we subscribe the same as witnesses to this  
15 July 1896.

Thomas Johnson

James D. Rogers

Codicil to the Will of Rebecca Hobart.

I Rebecca Hobart by this Codicil do alter and  
change the foregoing Will in this tract. That the devise in  
the Power to include subject to this provision tract.  
That in event the lands devised should under the provision  
thereto go to the children of the said George or any of them  
and either or any of them should die without issue he  
or their interest in said lands should vest in Eunis  
Gaddis if she be living, if dead to go to my Nieces <sup>and</sup>  
Nephews alive at that time, share and share alike.

The sum bequeathed in item five to Rufus Brown is  
hereby reduced to One hundred dollars instead of  
Two hundred.

Lewis Franklin and Eva York (formerly French) having  
died since the execution of this will I direct that the sum  
bequeathed them, goes and become a part of my  
general estate and be distributed amongst my brother  
Rufus and Nieces, then alive share and share alike.  
Also Will and direct and bequeath to Eunis Gaddis  
the sum of One hundred Dollars,  
Witness the hand <sup>and seal</sup> of said Rebecca Hobart, this 15 day  
of February 1899.

Rebecca Hobart

Last Will and Testament of *Rebecca Harbin* Deceased.

In the presence of testatrix, at this time first witness  
presenting and attesting to the subscriber names  
or attesting witness, and in consideration of aforesaid witnesses  
and dñe's that it be attested to her said will.

*Jacob J. Rogers*

*J. Henry Miller*

*J. H. Miller, subscriber  
Warren County, Ohio*

I, J. H. Miller, do make and declare this 15<sup>th</sup> day  
of October 1898, that I do now make, subscribe  
witness to the same and do give my last will and testament  
including all Ordicil of Rebecca Harbin, late of said County  
Licking, to make a Grand Litter in the said City of the  
County of Warren County, in the State of Indiana and  
beginning term by the Clerk of said Court above his  
office and shall remain his service, and it is to except that  
on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 1896 & the 18<sup>th</sup> day of February 1899 he also the  
said Rebecca Harbin sign this instrument as said instrument  
is a copy as well as the last will and testament, and that  
she, defendant, at the same time, bound to said Rebecca  
Harbin declare the said instrument to be a copy to her  
last Will and Testament, and that said instrument writing  
was at the same time, at the request of the said Rebecca  
Harbin, and with S. A. April, attorney and subscriber by  
her self, present, before James H. Miller in the presence  
of said attorney and in the presence of each other as subscribing  
witness thereto, and that the said Rebecca Harbin was at  
the time of the signing and subscribing of said instrument  
in writing as the said of year of age (that is more than twenty  
one years of age) and sound and disposing mind  
and memory, and no undue influence or restraint was  
upon said defendant, or any belies, and further defendant  
says not, that the said Johnson was with affiant in  
attesting the will proper, and Henry Miller and affiant as  
to the Ordicil,

*J. Rogers*

Signed & and subscribed by the said James Rogers

Last Will and Testament of *Rebecca Hartsh.* Deceased.

I, Geo H. Gates Clerk of the said Court at West  
Hartford this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 1890,

*J. D.*

Geo H. Gates Clerk

In the County of Hartford

In the State of Connecticut I have subscribed my name  
and affixed the seal of said County.

*G. H. G.*

Geo H. Gates Clerk  
By David Gary Esq.

State of Indiana  
Marion County 1890

I, Geo H. Gates Clerk of the Circuit  
Court of Marion County, Indiana, do hereby certify that  
the within named *Hartford Testament of Rebecca Hartsh.*  
has been duly admitted to probate, and duly proved by  
H. T. Tolman & James J. Rogers, one of the subscribers  
witnesses thereto, that a complete record of said will and  
of the testimony of the said James J. Rogers in proof  
thereof has been by me duly made and recorded  
in Book C at pages 16, 17, 18 of the Record of Wills of  
said County;

In Hartford this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 1890,

*J. D.*

Geo H. Gates Clerk

By David Gary Esq.

Last Will and Testament of Elbert G. Rainey, Deceased.

In the name of the Benevolent Father of All,

I, Elbert G. Rainey of Martin Co., until, in the State of Indiana, do make & publish this my Last Will and Testament:

Item 1, First:

It is my will that my just debts & all charges of last sickness & funeral expense be paid out of my estate.

Item 2, Second:

It is my will that Luther & Isattie Rainey be paid out of my estate a reasonable compensation for their service in taken care of me during my illness, now deceased.

Item 3, Third:

It is my will that the residue of all of my Personal Property and Real Estate I now own be divided as follows, to-wit:

Item 4, Fourth:

It is my Will, to will to my beloved brother John Rainey, One-third interest in all of my Personal Real Estate, I now own.

Item 5, Fifth:

It is my Will, to will to my beloved deceased brother George H. Rainey his wife Malinda Rainey and their heirs jointly, One-third interest in all of my Personal Property and Real Estate I now own.

Item 6, Sixth:

It is my Will, to will to my beloved deceased sister Sarah Miller her two daughters Candie Miller and Mary E. Miller, jointly, One-third interest in all of my Personal Property and Real Estate I now own.

I do hereby nominate & appoint my esteemed friend John Reeler Guardian of Mary E. Miller, until she arrives at the age of twenty-one years.

Item 7, Seventh:

I do hereby nominate & appoint John Reeler Executor of this my Last Will and Testament, hereby authorizing and empowering him to adjust, release & discharge

Last Will and Testament of Elbert G. Rainey Deceased.

in my such manner as he may deem proper, the debts and claims due me.

I do also authorize and empower him if it shall become necessary, in order to pay my debts, to sell, by private sale, or in such manner, upon such terms of credit, or otherwise, as he may think proper, all, or any part of my Personal Property.

I do also authorize and empower him, if it shall become necessary, in order to execute this my last Will & Testament, hereby authorizing and empowering him to sell by private sale, or in such manner, upon such terms of credit, or otherwise as he may think proper, all of my Real Estate and deeds to purchasers to execute, acknowledge and deliver in fee simple.

I do hereby revoke all former Wills by me made,

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June 1899,  
The signature of the testator, Elbert G. Rainey

Written by the undersigned in the presence of  
of the testator by his express direction,

Walter Gore,  
Signed and acknowledged by said Elbert G.  
Rainey as his last Will and Testament, in  
our presence, and signed by me in his  
presence.

Elmer Gore,  
John Thorpe,

The State of Indiana, Martin County, S.S;

Be It Remembered, That on the 10<sup>th</sup> January  
1900, Elmer Gore, One of the subscribing witnesses  
to the aforesaid foregoing last Will and Testament of  
Elbert G. Rainey, late of said County, deceased, personally  
appeared before Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court  
of Martin County, in the State of Indiana, and

## Last Will and Testament of Elbert H. Rainey Deceased.

being duly sworn by the Clerk of said Court, upon his oath, declared and testified as follows, that is to say, that on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1899, he saw the said Elbert H. Rainey, sign his name to said instrument in writing, as 1<sup>st</sup> of his last Will and Testament; and that the defendant, at the same time, heard the said Elbert H. Rainey, declare the said instrument in writing to be his last Will and Testament; and that the said instrument in writing was, at the same time, at the request of the said Elbert H. Rainey, and with his consent, attested and subscribed by the said Elmer Gore and John Gore, in the presence of said Testator, and in the presence of each other as subscribing Witnesses thereto, that the said Elbert H. Rainey was, at the time of the signing and subscribing of said instrument in writing as aforesaid, of full age (that is, more than twenty-one years of age) of sound mind and memory, and not under any coercion or restraint, as the said defendant merely believes, and further, defendant says not.

Elmer Gore.

I swear to and subscribe by the said Elmer Gore before me, Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of said Court, at West Shoals, the 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1900.

Geo. W. Gates Clerk

In attestation whereof, I have hereunto sub-  
 (signed) scribed my name, and affixed the seal of said  
 court.  
 State of Indiana } I, Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit  
 Martin County, S.S.; } Court of Martin County, Indiana, do hereby certify that the within  
 annexed Will and Testament of Elbert H. Rainey has been duly  
 admitted probate and duly proved by the testimony of  
 Elmer Gore, one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto, that a  
 complete record of said Will, and of the testimony of the said Elmer  
 Gore in proof thereof, has been by me duly made and recorded in Book  
 6, at page 808, of the Record of Will of said County.  
 (Signed) In a handwriting whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name, and  
 affixed the seal of said Court at West Shoals, this January 10<sup>th</sup>, 1900.  
 Geo. W. Gates  
 Clerk Circuit Court, Martin County.

Last Will and Testament of Joel H. Craig Deceased.

In the name of the benevolent Father of All,  
I, Joel H. Craig, of Martin County, State of Indiana,  
being of sound mind<sup>and</sup> memory, do make, publish  
and declare, this to be, my last Will and Testament, hereby  
by revoking<sup>and</sup> making void all former Wills by me  
hereunto made.

First. That all my just debts be paid as soon  
as practicable after my decease, out of the proceeds  
of my personal property that I may die seized of,

Second. I give<sup>and</sup> bequeath to my beloved wife  
(Armilda J.) Craig her support<sup>and</sup> maintenance  
out of the rents<sup>and</sup> profits of any Real Estate that  
I may die seized of, during her natural life.

Third. I give<sup>and</sup> devise to my daughter Sarah  
M. Zimmerman all of my Real Estate, that I  
may die seized of, her the said Sarah Zimmerman  
to provide<sup>and</sup> take care of my wife, Armilda  
J. Craig, during her natural life, and to pay to my  
son Thomas M. Craig<sup>and</sup> my daughter Mary E. Inman  
Three hundred<sup>and</sup> Thirty-three<sup>1/3</sup> One-third<sup>1/3</sup> Dollars  
each,

Fourth. That all personal property that I may die  
seized of be sold to best advantage, and after paying  
my just debts, as hereinbefore stated,

That out of the proceeds of said personal property  
that my daughter Emily H. Smith be paid Three  
hundred<sup>and</sup> Thirty-three<sup>1/3</sup> One-third Dollars less  
Forty-seven<sup>1/4</sup>/<sub>500</sub> Dollars here to fore advanced  
to her by me, and if any remainder is left  
out of the proceeds of my personal property  
the same to be divided equal share<sup>and</sup> share  
alike between my son Thomas M. Craig<sup>and</sup> my  
daughters, Mary E. Inman, Emily H. Craig<sup>and</sup>  
Sarah M. Zimmerman,

Witness my hand<sup>and</sup> seal this the 23<sup>rd</sup> day  
of January A.D. 1853

Joel H. Craig.

## Last Will and Testament of Joel H. Craig Deceased.

In our presence Joel H. Craig signed and acknowledged this to be his last Will and Testament,  
This the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 1900.

Oram N. Peck

George Waggonsen,

The State of Indiana, Martin County, &c.;  
Be It Remembered, That on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 1900  
Oram N. Peck, One of the subscribing witnesses to the  
within<sup>rd</sup> foregoing last Will and Testament of Joel  
H. Craig late of said County, deceased, personally  
appeared before the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin  
County, in the State of Indiana, and being duly  
sworn by the Clerk of said Court, upon his oath,  
declared and testified as follows; that is to say;

That on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 1900, he saw the  
said Joel H. Craig, sign his name to said instrument  
in writing as and for his last Will and Testament, and that  
this Deposent, at the same time, heard the said Joel H.  
Craig declare the said instrument in writing to be  
his last Will and Testament, and that the said instrument  
in writing was, at the same time, at the request  
of the said Joel H. Craig and with his consent, attested  
and subscribed by the said Oram N. Peck and George  
Waggonsen in the presence of said Testator, and in the  
presence of each other, as subscribing witnesses  
thereto, that the said Joel H. Craig was, at the  
time of the signing and subscribing of said instru-  
ment in writing, as aforesaid, of full age, (that  
is, more than twenty-one years of age,) and of  
sound and disposing mind and memory, and not un-  
der any coercion or restraint, as the said Depo-  
nent verily believes, and further Deposent says  
not.

Oram N. Peck.

Sworn to and subscribed by the said Oram N. Peck  
before me, Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of said Court, at West  
Point, the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 1900. Geo. W. Gates  
Clerk.

Last Will and Testament of

*Joel T. Craig*

Deceased.



In Attestation Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed  
my name & affixed the seal of said Court,  
*Geo. W. Gates Clerk*

State of Indiana }  
Martin County, Ind. } I, Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit  
Court of Martin County, Indiana, do hereby certify that  
the within, annexed Will and Testament of Joel T. Craig  
has been duly admitted to probate, and duly proved  
by the testimony of Oram D. Peck, one of the subscribers  
witnesses thereto, that a complete record of said  
Will, and of the testimony of the said Oram D. Peck  
in proof thereof, has been by me duly made  
and recorded in Book "C" at pages 83, 84 & 85 of the  
Record of Wills of said County,

In Attestation Whereof, I have hereunto sub-  
scribed my name & affixed the seal of said  
Court, at West Shoals, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March,  
1900,

*Geo. W. Gates*  
Clerk Circuit Court Martin County

## Last Will and Testament of Amstead Wildman Deceased.

In the name of the Benevolent Father of All,  
 I Amstead Wildman being of sound mind, do  
 make and publish this my last Will and Testament, hereby making void and revoking all other Wills by one heretofore made.  
 First. That all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid out of my estate.

Second. That I have heretofore given to my daughter Mariah C. Wildman, who is now dead about One-hundred Dollars, and if her daughter is alive at the time of my death, it is my desire that she have One Dollar out of my estate.

Third. That I have heretofore given to my son Emely Wildman who is now dead in Real and Personal property about One-hundred Dollars, which I think is enough under the circumstances out of my said estate.

Fourth. That I have heretofore given to my son James A. Wildman, Five-hundred Dollars, in Real and Personal property, to my daughter Ella Anderson, Five-hundred Dollars in Real and Personal property, to my son George Wildman a horse worth One-hundred Dollars, and the rest of the farm on which he now resides for the two years last past at Sixty Dollars a year, which would be One-hundred and Twenty Dollars.

That he went away from his home and out of my care when he was about Eighteen years of age, and remained away for about Three years and I consider his work would have been worth its one Two-hundred Dollars for the Three years he was away from home.

Thus making in all Four-hundred Dollars advanced to my son George.

To my daughter Frances Barker I have given Five hundred Dollars in Personal property.

To my sons Andrew J. Wildman and Lewis G. Wildman I have given each Twelve-hundred Dollars in Real Estate and Personal property.

To my daughter Lizzie Morris I have given Two-hundred

Last Will and Testament of Amstead Wildman Deceased.

One hundred and Twenty-five Dollars, in cash and Personal property  
 Fifth, That I give and bequeath to my son James A. Wildman, George Wildman, Andrew J. Wildman, Lewis H. Wildman and my daughter Ella Sanders, Frances Barker, and Lizzie Morris all my Real Estate, Personal property and Money of which I may die seized after my funeral expenses and other necessary expenses of settling up my said Estate are paid, equal share and share alike, with the advancements made to them heretofore by me being considered.

Sixth, It is my desire that my son James A. Wildman act as Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and in case my son James A. Wildman should die before my said Estate is settled, it is my desire that the Judge of the Martin Circuit Court appoint an Executor to act in his place and stead.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 1896.

Amstead Wildman.

In our presence Amstead Wildman signed and declared this his last Will and Testament, on this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 1896,

Winepark Shields } Witnesses  
 Virgil B. McDermed }

The State of Indiana  
 Martin County S.S.

Be It Remembered, That on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 1900, Virgil B. McDermed, one of the subscribing witnesses to the witness and foregoing last Will and Testament of Amstead Wildman late of said County, deceased, personally appeared before Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin County, in the State of Indiana, and being duly sworn by the Clerk of said court, upon his oath declared and testified as follows, that is to say;

## Last Will and Testament of Armstead Wildman Deceased.

That on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1896, he saw the said Armstead Wildman sign his name to said instrument in writing, as and for his last Will and Testament; and that this Deponent, at the same time heard the said Armstead Wildman declare the said instrument to be his last Will and Testament, and that the said instrument in writing was, at the same time, at the request of the said Armstead Wildman and with his consent attested and subscribed by the said Virgil B. McDermid and Minepark Fields in the presence of said testator, and in the presence of each other, as subscribing witnesses thereto, and that the said Armstead Wildman, was at the time of the signing and subscribing of said instrument, as aforesaid, of full age, (that is, more than twenty-one years of age,) and of sound and disposing mind and memory, and not under any coercion or restraint, as the said Deponent verily believes and further Deponent says not.

Virgil B. McDermid,

Sworn to and subscribed by the said Virgil B. McDermid before me, Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of said Court, at West Shoals, the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 1900.

Geo. W. Gates, Clerk

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed the seal of said Court.

Geo. W. Gates

State of Indiana }  
Marion County, 88 } I, Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of  
Marion County, Indiana, do hereby certify that the within instrument will  
angle statement of Armstead Wildman has been duly admitted to probate, and  
duly proved by the testimony of Virgil B. McDermid, one of the subscribers  
whereunto, that a complete record of said will and of the testimony of  
the said Virgil B. McDermid in proof thereof, has been by me duly made  
recorded in Book C of pages 36, 37 & 38 of the record of wills of Marion County.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the  
seal of said Court at West Shoals this 28 day of March 1900.

Geo. W. Gates, Clerk  
Circuit Court, Marion County

## Last Will and Testament of Colmer B. Yarnall

Deceased.

I know all men by these presents, I, Colmer B. Yarnall a citizen of Logoootee, Martin County, Indiana, and being of sound mind and memory, do make publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament revoking any and all former Wills.

Item 1<sup>st</sup>. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah A. Yarnall Lot No. 34 Campbell & Breen's Addition to the Town of Logoootee and Lot No. 86 in Peck's Addition to the Town of Logoootee all in Martin County Indiana, Indiana to have and to hold during her life and at her death said above named Real Estate, I give and bequeath forever to my beloved children Lora A. Yarnall and Nina B. Yarnall,

Item 2<sup>nd</sup>. I give and bequeath to my wife Sarah A. Yarnall all my Personal Estate, Notes, and Accounts money and everything of value of every description, with the condition that should my said beloved wife re-marry, that whatever part of said Personal Estate remained at date of such re-marriage shall then be divided and my beloved wife retain \$500.00 of said Personal Estate and the balance at once to go to my said children Lora A. Yarnall & Nina B. Yarnall in equal shares.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup>. My beloved wife is to pay my funeral expenses and just debts out of said Personal Estate.

Item 4<sup>th</sup>. I appoint and name my beloved wife Sarah A. Yarnall as Executrix of my estate to serve without bond.

Mitress my hand and seal this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March 1908.

Colmer B. Yarnall Seal

The foregoing instrument signed, sealed and acknowledged by said Colmer B. Yarnall as his last Will and Testament, in our presence, who at his request, in his presence and the presence

Last Will and Testament of Colmer, B. Yarnall Deceased.

of each other, and said Will was read over to him in our presence.

We have subscribed our names as witnesses  
this March 10<sup>th</sup> 1900.

Noah Moser,  
William Brighten,

The State of Indiana,

Martin County, S.D.; I Do St Remembered, That on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1900, Noah Moser, one of the subscribing witnesses to the within instrument going, last Will & Testament of Colmer, B. Yarnall late of said County, deceased, personally appeared before H. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin County, in the State of Indiana, and being duly sworn by the Clerk of said Court, upon his oath, declared and testified as follows, that is to say:

That on the 10<sup>th</sup>, day of March, 1900, he saw the said Colmer, B. Yarnall, sign his name to said instrument in writing to be his last Will & Testament; and that this deponent, at the same time, heard the said Colmer, B. Yarnall declare the said instrument in writing, as his last Will & Testament; and that the said instrument in writing was at the same time, at the request of the said Colmer, B. Yarnall and with his consent attested and subscribed by the said Noah Moser and William Brighten, in the presence of said testator, and in the presence of each other, as subscribing witnesses thereto; and that the said Colmer, B. Yarnall was at the time of the signing and subscribing of said instrument in writing, as of oversaid full age, that is more than Twenty one years of age, of sound mind disposing mind and memory, and not under any coercion or restraint, as the said deponent verily believed, and further deponent sayeth not.

Noah Moser

Sworn to and subscribed by the said Noah Moser, before me, H. W. Gates, Clerk of said Court, at West Shoals, the 20<sup>th</sup> day of

## Last Will and Testament of Colmer B. Yarnall Deceased.

April, 1900, Geo. W. Gates Clerk,

In Attestation Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed  
my name, and affixed the seal of said Court

Geo. W. Gates Clerk.

State of Indiana

Martin County ss; I, Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit of Martin County, Indiana, do hereby certify that the within named Will and Testament of Colmer B. Yarnall has been duly admitted to probate, and duly probated by the testimony of Noah Moser, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, that a complete record of said Will, and of the testimony of the said Noah Moser, in proof thereof, has been by me duly made and recorded in Book "D" at pages 89, 90, 91 of the Record of Wills of said County.

In Attestation Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed the seal of said Court at West Shoals, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1900,

Geo. W. Gates  
Clark Martin Circuit Court.

State of Indiana, Martin County,

I, Gill H. Gatz of dear Dearbornville Martin  
County, State of Indiana, make this my last will.

I give, devise and bequeath my estate both real and  
personal as follows, that is to say, toest the sum of  
One hundred Dollars U.S. with interest at six percent  
Dollars and to Philip H. Harris Fifty Dollars, likewise  
from me the sum of Fifty Dollars.  
And to Martha J. Miller One hundred Dollars, Likewise  
this sum for me in the above named Alice Marthafer,  
Mary Gandy, Phillip H. Harris and Martha J. Miller  
to have an equal division.

I give and bequeath my wife <sup>the</sup> full control of my Real  
estate consisting of eighty acres in Martin County  
State of Indiana to her full control of the same <sup>as</sup> property  
as long as she remains my widow, after which the said  
real estate shall be divided equally among Alice  
Marthafer, Mary Gandy, Phillip H. Harris and Martha  
Jane Miller.

I appoint John C. Richardson Executor of this my  
will.

In witness whereof, I have signed <sup>and</sup> sealed and  
published and declared this instrument my will at  
or near Dearbornville on this twelfth day of April 1900.

*Gill H. Gatz* *Sub*

The said Gill H. Gatz of dear Dearbornville on said  
eleventh day of April 1900, signed and sealed this  
instrument and published and declared it to be his  
last will and in the presence of each other hereunder  
unto written our names as subscribers by witnesses.

*John Armstrong*  
*John C. Richardson*  
*Lazier Frost*

The State of Indiana,  
Martin County, ss. I doth remember that on  
the 7<sup>th</sup> day of May 1900 John C. Richardson one

Last Will and Testament of *Gill Holz*

Deceased.

of the subscribing witnesses to the within and foregoing last Will and Testament of Gill Holz of said County declared personally appeared before me Geo St Gates Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin County in the State of Indiana and being duly sworn by the Clerk of said Court upon his oath declared and testified as follows witnesseth to say that on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 1900 he saw the said Gill Holz sign his name to said instrument in writing as and for his last Will and Testament, and that he is dependent at the same time hereto that the said Gill Holz declares the said instrument in writing to be his last Will and Testament and that the said instrument in writing was at the signature at the request of the said Gill Holz and with his consent attested and subscribed by the said John C. Richman, John Compton and others in the presence of said testator and in the presence of each other as subscribing witnesses thereto and that the said Gill Holz was at the time of the signing and subscribing of said instrument in writing as aforesaid of full age that is more than twenty one years of age and of sound and disposing mind and memory and not under any coercion or constraint as the said deponent verily believes. No further deponent deposes not.

*John C. Richman.*

Sworn to and subscribed by the said John C. Richman before me Geo St Gates Clerk of said Court at West Threets the 7<sup>th</sup> day of May 1900. Geo St Gates Clerk

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court.

*J. C. R.*

*Geo St Gates Clerk  
By David Gary Jr.*

State of Indiana }

Martin County } I Geo St Gates Clerk of the  
Circuit Court of Martin County Indiana do hereby certify  
that the within named Will and Testament of Gill Holz  
has been duly admitted to probate and duly recorded by  
the testimony of John C. Richman one of the subscribing  
witnesses thereto that a complete record of said Will and  
of the testimony of the said John C. Richman in proof  
thereof has been made and recorded in

Last Will and Testament of *John H. Gatz* Deceased.

At the County Court House of the County of Marion, Indiana,  
on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 1900,

I do declare and witness, I do now make and publish my last Will and Testament as follows:

*E. G. G.*

Geo. W. Gates Clerk  
 Circuit Court, Marion County  
 Indiana, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1900.

State of Indiana }  
 Martin County, D. B. }

I, Rebecca Hatz, widow of  
Hill Hatz deceased, do hereby elect to take my  
interest in the estate of my late husband,  
deceased, under the laws of the State of Indiana  
and do hereby declare, that I will not accept the terms  
and provisions of said Will, which is recorded in Will  
Record "L" on pages 92, 93<sup>rd</sup> 94, of the Record of  
Wills of Martin County Indiana.

Rebecca Hatz

Before me George W. Gates Clerk of the  
Marion Circuit Court, personally appeared Rebecca  
Hatz and acknowledged the foregoing Declaration  
this 17<sup>th</sup> day of May 1900.

Geo. W. Gates  
Clerk Marion Circuit Court.

Last Will and Testament of William P. Patterson Deceased.

I, William P. Patterson of the County of Martin, State of Indiana, being of sound mind and disposing memory, on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1900, do hereby make and publish this my last Will and Testament, revoking all and any Wills or testamentary writings by me at any time heretofore made.

1<sup>st</sup> It is my will that my just debts and all legal charges against me be paid out of my estate.

2<sup>nd</sup>, I give devise and bequeath unto my wife, Rose Patterson my farm and the buildings situated thereon, to have and to hold for her support during her lifetime and at her death to be divided equally among my children John P. Patterson, Ellen M. McBailey, John Patterson, Mary A. Beres, Charles Patterson, Elizabeth M. McBailey, Alice Morris, and Geneva Brown, and George H. Patterson.

Provided that if at any time during the life time of my said wife, Rose Patterson, oil or gas is forced upon the said farm or any part thereof that may be held under this Will by my said wife, it is my Will and I direct that my son Charles Patterson shall receive the equal one-half part of the net proceeds derived from the production of oil or gas.

3<sup>rd</sup> It is my Will that all my personal property, which horse, farming implements, and all other personal effects of any kind whatsoever that may remain after my just debts have been paid, shall remain upon the farm to aid in support of my said wife.

Provided that if my son Charles Patterson desires to sell or otherwise dispose of the horse which I now own which is now upon the said farm he can do so.

4<sup>th</sup> It is my will and I direct that any sum

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William Patterson be disinherited and that he does not receive a single part or parcel of my estate either at my death or at the death of my said wife.

5<sup>th</sup> It is my Will and I direct that my son Charles Patterson shall be and act as the Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1900,

William P. Patterson

The foregoing instrument was signed by mark sealed, published and declared by the said William P. Patterson as his last Will and Testament, in the presence of us who in his presence and in the presence of each other, and at his request, have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

W. J. Hartree

James M. Strange  
Alphonse L. Barico

The State of Indiana,  
Marion County, \$5.

B. E. St Remembred, that on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1900, Alphonse L. Barico, one of the subscribing witnesses to the within foregoing last Will and Testament of William P. Patterson late of said County, deceased personally appeared before Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion County, in the State of Indiana and being duly sworn by the Clerk of said Court, upon his oath, declared and testified as follows: that is to say;

That on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1900, he saw the said William P. Patterson sign his name to said instrument in writing as and for his last Will and Testament, and that this deponent, at the same time, heard the said William P. Patterson declare the said instrument according to be his last Will and Testament & that

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The said instrument in writing was, at the same time, at the request of the said William P. Patterson<sup>rd</sup>, with his consent attested<sup>rd</sup> and subscribed by the said W. P. Hootee, James W. Strange,  
 & Alphonse L. Barico, in the presence of said Testator, and in  
 the presence of each other, as subscribing witnesses thereto,  
 and that the said William P. Patterson<sup>rd</sup>, with his consent attested<sup>rd</sup> and subscribed by the said W. P. Hootee, James W. Strange,  
 & Alphonse L. Barico, in the presence of said Testator, and in  
 the presence of each other, as subscribing witnesses thereto,  
 and that the said William P. Patterson, was, at the time of  
 the signing and subscribing of said instrument in writing, as  
 aforesaid, of full age (that is more than twenty-one years  
 of age), of sound<sup>rd</sup> disposing mind and memory, and  
 not under any<sup>r</sup> coercion or restraint, as the  
 said Deponent verily believes, and further Deponent  
 saith not.

Alphonse L. Barico.

I, now do subscribe by the said Alphonse L.  
 L. Barico before me Geo. W. Gates Clerk of said  
 court, at West Daniel, the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June,  
 1900.

Geo. W. Gates Clerk.

In Attestation Whereof, I have hereunto sub-  
 scribed my name and affixed the seal of said court  
  
 Geo. W. Gates Clerk

State of Indiana, }  
 Martin County, S.S., } I, Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit  
 Court of Martin County, Indiana, do hereby certify  
 that the within annexed Will and Testament of  
 William P. Patterson, has been duly admitted  
 to probate and duly proved by the testimony of  
 Alphonse L. Barico, one of the Subscribing witnesses  
 thereto, that a complete record of said Will and  
 the testimony of the said Alphonse L. Barico in proof  
 thereof, has been by me duly made and recorded  
 in Book 6 at pages 95 & 96 of the Record of Wills of said County  
 for Attestation. Whereof, I, Geo. W. Gates, Clerk of the Circuit Court of  
 Martin County, Indiana, do hereby subscribe my name and affix  
 the seal of said court, at West Daniel, the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June 1900.

Geo. W. Gates

I This Indenture witnesseth that I Firam Chandler of Martin County, Indiana being of sound mind<sup>and</sup> disposing mind make this my last Will<sup>and</sup> Testament.

Item 1<sup>st</sup>. I will<sup>nd</sup> bequeath to Eva Parsons who made her home with me so long, the sum of Fifty Dollars to be paid by my Executor out of my estate after my death.

Item 2<sup>nd</sup>. I will<sup>nd</sup> bequeath to my beloved wife Ellen Chandler of Martin County, Indiana, all of the following described Real Estate or so much thereof as I may own at the time of my death;

Lot one; Twenty-eight Acres of land in Harrison County Indiana, being part of the North-West quarter of the South West quarter of Section Thirty-five (35) Town Line (2) North Range Five (5) West.

Also One hundred and Ninety-eight Acres of land in Martin County Indiana, described as follows;

Thirty-eight Acres off the South side of the South West quarter and the North half of the South-West quarter and the South West quarter of the South-East quarter and the Southeast quarter of the South-West quarters All in Section One (1) Town Line (1) North, Range Five (5) West  
Also lot numbered fifty-one (51) in Greek's Addition to the Town of Lingoctee, Martin County Indiana.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup>. I will<sup>nd</sup> bequeath to my beloved wife Ellen Chandler, all money & notes, Accounts, Bank deposits, United States Bonds, Household & Kitchen furniture & all other articles of personal property of thing of value of every kind & description which may be due me or that I may possess at time of my death except money that of it is necessary to pay the \$50.00 in Item No. 1 in this Will & all my just debts & general expenses to be paid by my Executor.

Item 4<sup>th</sup>. I do nominate and appoint my Executor to be my Executor.

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my sole<sup>te</sup> to serve without being required to give bond for said trust,

Atated this June 14<sup>th</sup> 1908,

Hiram Chandler (Signed)

The foregoing Will was read to said Hiram Chandler in our presence and signed by him in our presence, and acknowledged by him as being his last Will in our presence, on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June 1908,

Noah Moyer,

William Houghton

The State of Indiana, Martin County, D.D.

Be It Remembered, That on the 25<sup>th</sup> day January 1901 Noah Moyer, One of the subscribing witnesses to the will in foregoing last Will & Testament of Hiram Chandler late of said County, deceased, personally appeared before Geo. W. Gates Clerk of the Circuit Court of Martin County in the State of Indiana and being duly sworn by the Clerk of said court, upon his oath, declared & testified as follows, that is to say:

That on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June 1908, he saw the said Hiram Chandler sign his name to said instrument in writing by making his mark as for his last Will & Testament; that this deponent at the sometime heard the said Hiram Chandler declare the said instrument in writing to be his last Will & Testament, that the said instrument in writing was, at the same time, at the request of the said Hiram Chandler, and with his consent attested and subscribed by the said Noah Moyer and William Houghton in the presence of said Testator and in the presence of each other, as subscribing witnesses thereto, and that the said Hiram Chandler was, at the time of the signing and subscribing of said instrument in writing, as aforesaid, of full age (that is more than twenty-one years of age) and sound and disposing mind and memory and not under any coercion or restraint as the

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said Testator verily believes, and further Testator  
says not,

Noah Mozer,

sworn to and subscribed by the said Noah Mozer before  
me Geo W Gates Clerk of said Court, at West Shoals,  
the 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 1901.

Geo W Gates Clerk.

In attestation whereof, I have hereunto  
subscribed my name, and affixed the  
seal of said court,

Geo W Gates Clerk.

State of Indiana, Martin County, &c.

I Geo W Gates Clerk of the Circuit Court of  
Marion County, Indiana, do hereby certify  
that the within annexed Will of Testator  
Hiram Chandler has been duly admitted to pro-  
bate, and duly proved by the testimony of  
Noah Mozer, one of the subscribing witnesses  
thereto, that a complete record of said Will,  
and of the testimony of the said Noah Mozer in  
proof thereof, has been by me duly made and  
recorded in Book "C" at pages 98, 99, 100 of the  
Record of Wills of said County.

In attestation whereof, I have hereunto  
subscribed my name, and affixed the  
seal of said Court, at West Shoals, this  
25<sup>th</sup> day of January 1901.

Geo W Gates

Clerk Circuit Court Marion County,