The Will of Margaret Humphrey

Will Book 2-Q, Page 150 Loudoun County Clerk of the Circuit Court Leesburg, Virginia

I, Margaret Humphrey of the County of Loudoun and State of Virginia do make this my last will and treatment as follows.

I give to my niece Margaret Clagett, my large walnut dining table and case of drawers.

I give to my niece Margaret Hesser my pewter plates and her choice of my bed quilts.

I give to my niece Sara Ann Hesser my large pewter dish and the next choice of my bed quilts.

I give to my niece Rebecca Scott her next choice of my bed quilts.

I give to my sister Mary Peugh one hundred dollars.

I give to my two slaves James and Presley their freedom one hundred dollars each and also to each one the years wages for which he may be hired at the time of my death.

The residue of my estate (excepting my slave Lewis) real and personal shall be sold by the executor, and I give to him one fifth part thereof and my slave Lewis, also certain property bought by me at the sale of the property of John Hesser and now in his possession. In trust nevertheless for the sole and separate use of my sister Sylvia Hesser during her life, to be held by him for the purposes of this trust free from the control and debts of her husband John Hesser

At the death of my sister Sylvia Hesser I give the share (excepting Lewis) devised to her use, to my niece Martha Ellen Hesser and if my said niece shall be then dead it shall be equally divided among the surviving children of my said sister Sylvia, and the death of my aforesaid sister my slave Lewis is hereby given to her surviving children and if any of them shall be then dead their issue [children] if any shall have such share as the parent would be entitled to if living.

I give to the children of my deceased Sister Elizabeth Warford one fifth part and if any of them shall be then dead their issue such share as the parent would be entitled to if living. The residue of my estate I give in equal shares to my three brothers Mason, Abel and Watts.

My brother Samuel having already in his possession certain moneys due me shall be held accountable for the same, which is my reason for giving him nothing more.

I hereby appoint Mahlon Thomas Executor to this my last will and testament.

Signed sealed and acknowledged in presence of

M Chamblin Margaret X
Humphrey
James Heaton (her mark)

At a Court held for Loudoun County August 16, 1865

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Margaret Humphrey deceased was presented to the Court partly proved by the oath of Mason Chamblin one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and continued for further proof.

And at another day to wit: At a Court held for said County on the 9th day of October 1865.

The will of Margaret Humphrey deceased having been heretofore presented to the Court and partly proved was again presented to the Court fully proved by the oath of James Heaton one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of Mahlon Thomas who made oath thereto and together with John J. Dillon his surety entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty [amount] of Two Thousand Dollars conditioned as the law directs certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate thereof in one form and the said bond is ordered to be recorded.

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