Abiah Martin
Will

Geo. T. M. & James P. Martin
Executors

Examined

In the Name & The Lord Amen I Abiah Martin of Frederick County in the State of Maryland, do make and ordain this my Last will and Testament as follows:

First I give and bequeath to my dear wife Sophia Martin during her life or widowhood all my personal Estate of every description consisting of Cattle and provender and also the home farm on which I now reside and the Meadow land and woodland thereto belonging and also the use of the Negro Woman Abby during her life or widowhood. I also give to my said wife Sophia the privilege of living in the Mansion House on the home farm during her life or widowhood.

Item Whereas I have owned by my several children at various times divers articles of Stock & Money & Chattels which I hereby make advancements as follows

Viz. to my son T. M. Martin one hundred dollars ($100) to James P. Martin one hundred dollars ($100) to John M. Fire hundred dollars ($500) to A. Barnes Three hundred dollars ($300) and to Mary M. Smallwood one hundred dollars ($100)

Item I direct that my Sons James P. and A. Barnes shall have the farm whereon I now reside with all the woodland and appurtenances belonging thereto at such time and upon such terms as may be agreed upon by all the heirs, and in case we or either of them fail to agree, I hereby direct that my Executors, hereinafter named, shall sell said farm, or either of them, at public Sale to some one of my Executors as may be practicable, and be authorized my Executors, or either of them to purchase at any Sale made necessary under this Will.

Item I hereby direct that my Executors shall sell such of the wheat and corn now stacked as shall not be required for family use, as also to dispose of all personal property, real, personal & mixed, not otherwise disposed of, at either public or private Sale, as to them may seem best.

Lastly I hereby constitute and appoint my Sons George T. M. and James P. Executors of this my Last Will and Testament, revoking and annulling all former Wills by me made, ratifying and confirming this and none other as my Last Will and Testament.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 21st day of December in the year Eighteen hundred and Eighty Six.

Abiah Martin (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the within named Abiah Martin, to be his Last Will and Testament in presence of us, who at his request and in his presence and in presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses. As also to the fact that the testator caused J. Taylor Mother to sign his name to the will.

J. Taylor Mother
George Smith
Henry Smith

Maryland, Frederick County, Sct:

On this 15th day of January 1888. came Geo. T. M. Martin and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that the within instrument of writing is the true and whole Will and Testament of Abiah Martin late of Frederick County, deceased, that he has not come to his hands and possession any estate to account the same from Sophia Martin Widow & the Testator, and that he does not know of any other & later date.

Test. James P. Perry
Register of Wills for Frederick County Md.

State of Maryland, Frederick County, Orphans Court

On this 15th day of January 1888 came J. Taylor Mother, George Smith and Henry Smith, the Subscribing Witnesses to the aforegoing Last Will and Testament of Abiah Martin late of Frederick County, deceased, and made oath on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God that they heard Abiah Martin the Testator therein named and declare the same to be his Last will and Testament, that at the time of his declaring the same he was of sound and disposing mind and capable of executing the same by reason of his infirmities, & sound and disposing mind and capable of executing a valid deed or Contract and that they respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses thereto in the presence of and at the request of the Testator and that they did also see each of the other Subscribing Witnesses sign their names as Witness to said will at the request of the Testator in his presence, and all in the presence of each other.

Test. James P. Perry
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In the Orphans Court of Frederick County:

The Court, after having carefully examined the aforegoing Last will and Testament of Abiah Martin late of Frederick County, deceased, and also the evidence as to its validity, Orders and Decrees this 15th day of January A. D. 1888. that the same be admitted to probate in this Court as the last will and testament of the said Abiah Martin deceased.

John T. Lewis
Daniel Castle
Augustus M. Nicodemus
Judges of the Orphans Court.

Samuel Haller
Will

Lewis M. Nesedorff
Executor

Examined

In the name of God Amen I Samuel Haller of Frederick County being of sound mind, memory and understanding do publish and declare this as and my Last Will and Testament.

After my just debts and funeral expenses are paid, I devise and bequeath as follows to my daughter Mary Haller all the Stock I own in the Frederick County Savings Bank

All the rest and residue of my estate real personal and mixed I bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Haller for her use during her life or widowhood to my daughter Mary M. Haller

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