

THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF JOHN BACON

Being appointed by Providence for man once to die, I, John Bacon being weak in body, but of sound mind, do make ordain and constitute this my last will and testament in manner and form as followeth, to wit

== I lend unto my wife Elizabeth Bacon during her natural life the tract of land whereon I now reside or so much thereof as lies in the following boundaries, (?) on the road to the East, leading to Cedar creek, on the North by my North East boundary line of Dandridge and Dunlap, on the westwardly by the spring branch of the plantation now occupied by Martin Sheetz and the south by the division line between me and Capt. Weiseger containing by survey Four hundred forty nine & a half acres, -- all my household and Kitchen furniture, all my stock of Horses, except Royalist and a horse I purchased of (?)unison, one cart with two yoke of oxen; Twelve choice of my cows & calves. Forty sheep, all my stock of hogs, also the looms and wheels with all my farming utentials together with the following negroes, slaves. Jack. Troy. Billy. Harry. Robinson. Abraham, old Fan, lame Fanny, Peggy with her youngest child William, Clarissa with her youngest child Sarah Ann - after her death all the property included in this clause to be equally divided amongst all my children.

== I give unto Charles P Bacon one Thousand Dolars which sum he has previously received of me for which I have his receipt, to him and his heirs forever.

== I give unto my daughter Anne A Bacon a negro man know & called by the name of Tom Crump a negro girl Zedelina to her and her heirs forever.

== I give unto my daughter Sally W Bacon a negro man known & called by the name of little Tom, a negro girl named Amy and a negro girl Lucy to her and her heirs forever.

== I give unto my son Williamson W Bacon a negro man Jim, a negro girl named aggy & a negro girl named Fanny to him and his heirs forever.

== I give unto my son James W Bacon, Ten Shares in the Kentucky Bank to him and his heirs forever.

== I give unto my son Richard A Bacon, Ten Shares in the Kentucky Bank to him and his heirs forever.

== I give unto my son John (M) Bacon Ten Shares in the Kentucky Bank to him and his heirs forever.

== I give unto my daughter Elisabeth P Bacon Ten Shares in the Kentucky Bank to her and her heirs forever.

== I give unto my son Albert G Bacon Ten Shares in the Kentucky Bank to him and his heirs forever.

The farm on the East side of the road to cedar creek adjoining M Noel (?) containing one hundred forty seven & a half acres by survey, also my farm now occupied by Martin Sheetz containing by survey, Two hundred thirty four and three quarters acres each of them to be rented and the profits arising therefrom to be equally divided amongst all my children, and at a final division that is at the death of my wife or when my youngest child becomes of age the af.sd. farms to be equally divided amongst all my children my tract of land in Brown's Hollow containing one hundred & seventy acres, also seventy five acres part of Shelton & Parker survey, adjoining Lyddall Bacon and Larkin Samuel to be sold as soon as opportunity serves and the money arising therefrom to be equally divided amongst all my children.

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== The balance of my negroes not willed I wish to be equally divided between all my children with all monies arising from Bonds, sales &c my entire interest in lands purchased by myself and Capt. Weiseger entered in the name of Henry Banks to be sold and the money arising therefrom to be equally divided among all my children and my Executors to join said Weiseger in making such deeds to those holding bonds from us as they call for and lastly I appoint my wife Elizabeth Bacon Executrix, Charles P Bacon, Charles Mills (?) and Willis Blanton Executors to this my last will and Testament as witness my hand & seal this 23 day of March 1817.

Signed in the presence of
James Mead, (?)
John C. Bacon
Sam'l Ware

John Bacon

The original of this will is in the Clerk's office, Franklin Co. KY
A photocopy of the original is in "The Bacon Family in the South".
This transcription was done by J.T. Priskey, February 1990, with strict attention to spelling, punctuation, capitalization (and the lack thereof!).