

Noah Deacon's Last Will and Testament

January 1st 1875

I Noah Deacon of the County of Knox of the state of Missouri do make this my last will and testament.

1st I give and bequeath to my daughter Permelia C. Deacon all of my household and kitchen furniture, beds and bedding also my dun colored mare, about 13 years old last spring.

2nd I do also give and bequeath unto my eldest daughter Sarah E. Thompson the sum of one dollar.

3rd I do also give and bequeath to my daughter Lucy A. Mills the sum of one dollar.

4th I do also give and bequeath to my daughter Edmonia C. Long the sum of one dollar.

5th I do also give and bequeath to my grandson James W. Long the some of two dollars *which said several legacies or sum, I will and order to be paid in six months after my decease.*

I further give and devise to my son William Thomas Deacon, and my daughter Permelia C. Deacon, their heir and assign all of my real estate situated in the County of Knox in the state of Missouri.

The numbers are as follows.

West half of the South East quarter section seventy two and also the South half of the South West quarter section seventy two all in the township sixty, in range thirteen east containing one hundred sixty acres more or less.

I further will and order that the above named William Thomas Deacon and Permelia C. Deacon my son and my daughter are to provide and take care of my granddaughter Sarah R. Long during her minority.

I further will and order that the above named William Thomas Deacon and Permelia C Deacon to pay to my granddaughter the sum of one hundred dollars, when she arrives at the age of eighteen years as her part in the estate, and lastly at to all the *rest residual* and remainder of my personal estate what so ever after payment of all *my ???* debts

I give and bequeath to my said son William Thomas Deacon, Where I here by appoint sole executer of my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have *hereunto* set my hand this the 1st day of January 1875

Signed Noah Deacon



Signed and declared by the above hand, Noah Deacon, to be his last will and testament In the presence of us, who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as witness thereof.

Samuel Sailor
Howell D. Cupp

Please note.

The document is very old and faded. Some of the words could not be read.

The way some of the sentences were written does not make since.

Those words or phrases are typed in italic.

Most of his children are mentioned in the will except for his eldest son James.

Noah Deacon Born 10/9/1809 in Spencer County Kentucky.

Died 6/2/1877 Knox County Missouri.

Hand Written January 1st, 1875

The document was not written in Noah's handwriting,

But his signature matches other probate documents that I have seen.

Probate documents were signed by

William Clancy, Judge of probate.

February 18th, 1878