

In the name of God Amen

I Charles Metzger of the town of Greenville Kentucky being in feeble health though yet blessed with the possession of all my mental faculties and reflecting upon the uncertainty of life at all times and believing it my duty to make as nearly as I can a just disposition of the estate of which I am possessed do make and ordain this as my last Will and testament revoking all others -

Item I desire that all my just debt and funeral expenses be paid this to be done out of my notes claims and accounts which may be collected by my Executor

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Eliza Metzger all the remainder of my estate both personal and real during her natural life or widowhood and at her death or marriage whichever should happen

first all of said property that may remain both personal and real shall be sold by my executor hereinafter appointed and the proceeds of this and of any other funds that may be in his hands shall be equally divided among all my children and the children ~~and the children~~ of any that may be dead to take what their parent would have taken my Executor to have full power to make deeds to the purchaser my Executor as trustee to keep the money at interest and pay over to each child as it becomes of age its part

3rd If there should be any personal property which my wife shall not need I shall direct my executor to sell he shall sell the same & the proceeds of this and my accounts now & which he may collect he shall keep at interest and pay over to her as she may need it

4th I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my friend Joseph Ricketts the Executor of this my last will and testament believing he will endeavor to carry it out as intended and that he will deal faithfully with my family ~~with~~ my family to whom I have herein distributed my small but hard earned estate. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the 10th day of April 1857.

Charles Metzger

Signed sealed and Acknowledged in the presence of us

E. W. Martin

J. H. Norton.

Wickliffburg County Court
October Term 1857

The foregoing will of Charles Metzger Esq was this day produced into court and proven to be the last will and testament of the deceased Charles Metzger by the oaths of the subscribing witnesses thereto James E. W. Martin and J. H. Norton and which was ordered to and is truly recorded in my office this the 31st day of October 1857.

J. H. Kennerly