

May 26 1849-

S Bates  
will

I Simeon Bates of the County of Mublenberg and State of Kentucky  
 being of perfectly sound mind do make this my last will and  
 Testament as follows - It is my will and wish that my wife Betsy  
 - Bates shall have all of my property both personal and real during  
 her life and at her death it is my will that my Estate to be equally  
 divided between her three children that is Richard M. Bates Henry  
 - J. Bates and Milton Young Bates the issue of my Body by Betsy Bates  
 It is my will that my Son William Bates shall have the sum of five  
 dollars of my Estate It is my will that my son Jesse Bates have  
 the sum of five dollars of my Estate and it is my will that my daughter  
 Elizabeth Bates shall have five dollars of my Estate the above named  
 Sums of five dollars to each of the three last named children is all that  
 I ever intend they shall have of my Estate - I also here in appoint  
 John A. Tenny as my Executor of my Estate - witness my hand and  
 seal this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May one thousand eight hundred and forty nine  
 witness

Joseph L. Bards  
 James Prather

Simeon <sup>his</sup> + Bates  
 mark

Ceremonial of Kentucky  
 Mublenberg County set

July County Court 1849

The foregoing writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament  
 of Simeon Bates deceased was exhibited into court and proved to be  
 the act & deed of the said Simeon Bates by the oath of Joseph  
 L. Bards and James Prather the subscribing witnesses thereto  
 which thereupon admitted to & truly recorded

J. H. King