

Ten Dollars each by my said Executors the first instalment of Ten Dollars to be paid to her in six months after my decease and the remaining instalments to be paid ten dollars on the first day of January in each and every year after the first payment untill the said sum of one hundred dollars shall be so paid as aforesaid Item after the death of my said wife I give and devise to my son William Morris my said Homsted Farm (so given to my said wife for and during her natural life) to him my said son William his heirs and assigns forever

Item after the death of my said wife I do hereby order and direct that my Executors sell either at public or private sale all my household goods and furniture of every kind and description (so bequeathed to my said wife during her natural life) and divide the proceeds arising from said sale among my children viz;

Thomas Morris Richard Morris Hannah Smallwood Sarah Ingersoll Eliza Rose and William Morris share and share alike


Item all the rest and residue of my estate Real and personal I give and devise to my children Thomas Morris Richard Morris Hannah Smallwood Sarah Ingersoll Eliza Rose and William Morris to be equally divided between them share and share alike

Lastly I hereby appoint my son in law Samuel Smallwood and my trusty friend George A. Walker Executors of this my last will and testament

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty sixth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty three (1853)

Signed Sealed published and declared as his last will and testament by the said William Morris the testator in our presence who at his request and in his presence have hereto set our hands as witnesses, the word "Item" in the thirtieth line from top on first page being interlined before will was executed

Joseph E. Potts
John Ackley
Christopher N. Rafe

William Morris 
his mark

Atlantic County ss: John Ackley one of the witnesses to the within will being duly sworn on his oath saith that he saw William Morris the testator therein named sign and seal the same and heard him publish pronounce and declare the within writing to be his last will and testament and at the doing thereof the said testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory as far as this deponent knows and as he verily believes and that Joseph E. Potts and Christopher N. Rafe the other subscribing witnesses

were present at the same time and signed their names as witnesses to the said will together with deponent in the presence of the testator

Sworn & Subscribed at }
Mays Landing Sept. }
15th. A.D. 1858 before me }
S. R. Devinney Surgt. }

John Ackley

Atlantic County ss: Samuel Smallwood one of the Executors therein named (the other having renounced said executor ship) being duly sworn on his oath saith that the within instrument contains the true last will and testament of William Morris the testator within named so far as he knows & as he verily believes that he will well and truly perform the same by paying first the debts of the said deceased & then the legacies in said testament specified so far as the goods chattels & credits of said deceased can thereunto extend and that he will make & exhibit into the prerogative office at Trenton a true & perfect Inventory of all and singular the goods chattels & credits of the said deceased that have or shall come to his knowledge or possession or to the possession of any other person or persons for his use & render a just & true account when thereunto lawfully required

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Samuel Smallwood

I Solomon R. Devinney Surrogate of the County of Atlantic do certify the foregoing record to be a true copy of the last will and testament of William Morris late of the County of Atlantic deceased and of the probate thereof and that Samuel Smallwood the Executor therein named proved the same before me and is duly authorized to administer the same agreeably to said will. Witness my hand and seal of office this fifteenth day of September in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and fifty eight.

S. R. Devinney
Surrogate