

Will

To all whom it may concern, I Burroughs Holmes of the Town of Mexico, County of Oswego, State of N. York, being of sound mind, & in the usual possession & exercise of my mental faculties and being impressed with the uncertainty of life do now with my own hand pen this instrument as my last Will and Testament, viz, as follows.

I bequeath to my wife, Eliza the entire and control of all of my real estate and personal property during her natural life, excepting two hundred dollars which sum is to be used by the administrators of my estate to improve the Cemetery lot owned jointly by myself and some other, in erecting a family monument to her name. At her death the residue is to be divided equally between our children viz Charles Holmes, Othaniel Holmes, Mary C. Holmes, Rofester & John Holmes.

I hereby appoint Othaniel Holmes & John Holmes Executors of this my last Will and Testament, Witnessed January 21st and in the year of our Lord 1878 Burroughs Holmes

Signed & executed in our presence by the said Burroughs Holmes & acknowledged by him to be his last will and testament & at his request we have in his presence & in presence of each other subscribed our names as witnesses thereto
 W. Skinner, Witness
 M. Bradbury, " " "

SURROGATE'S COURT.

In the Matter of Proving the Last Will and Testament

William Schneck DECEASED.

Oswego County, ss:
 Francis E. Bacon, of the County of Sullivan, and William Townsend of the same place being first duly sworn, in open Court, upon their several oaths, each for himself, doth depose and say, that they are subscribing witnesses to the last Will and Testament of the late of the town of Granby in the County of Oswego, and State of New York, deceased.

And these deponents do further say that the said William Schneck deceased, did, in the presence of each of these deponents, subscribe his name at the end of the instrument in writing, which is now here shown to these deponents, and which purports to be the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, and which bears date on the 24 day of August one thousand eight hundred and twenty seven. That the said deceased did at the time of subscribing his name to the said instrument as aforesaid, declare the same to be his last Will and Testament; and these deponents did thereupon subscribe their own respective names at the end of said instrument, as attesting witnesses to the execution thereof, such at the request of the said deceased, and in the presence and in the presence of each other: That the said deceased, at the time of so subscribing his name to said instrument as aforesaid, and publishing said instrument as aforesaid, was upwards of twenty-one years of age, and a citizen of the United States; that he appeared to be, and deponents believe he was, of sound mind, memory and understanding, and not under any restraint, and as deponents verily believe, in all respects competent to devise real estate; that each of these deponents saw the other sign his name to said instrument in the presence of the said deceased.

Francis E. Bacon
W. J. Townsend

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 31st day of January, A. D. 1878
 J. W. Skinner, SURROGATE.

Oswego County, ss.
 It appearing upon the proofs duly taken in respect to the Last Will and Testament of William Schneck late of the town of Granby in the County of Oswego, and State of New York, deceased, that the said Will was duly executed, and that the said William Schneck at the time he executed the same, was in all respects competent to devise real estate, and not under restraint, the said last Will and Testament and the proofs and examinations are hereby recorded, signed and certified by me pursuant to the provisions of the Revised Statutes, this 31st day of January, 1878
 J. W. Skinner, Surrogate.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF William Schneck DECEASED.

Be it Remembered, That heretofore, to wit, on the 31 day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty eight Schuyler & Schneck Executors named in the LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of William Schneck late of the town of Granby in the County of Oswego deceased, appeared in open Court, before the Surrogate of the County of Oswego and made application to have the said LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT which relates to both real and Personal Estate proved; and on such application, the said Surrogate did ascertain by satisfactory evidence who were the heirs at law and next of kin of the said testator, and their respective residences, all parties appearing in open Court on said 31st day of January, 1878.

and said Surrogate did thereupon issue a Citation in due form of law, directed to the heirs at law, and next of kin by their respective names, stating their respective places of residence requiring them to appear before said Surrogate at the village of _____ in said county, on the _____ day of _____ A. D. 18 _____ to attend the Probate of said Will.

And afterwards, to wit, on the _____ day of _____ A. D. 18 _____ satisfactory evidence by affidavit was produced and presented to said Surrogate, of the due service of said Citation in the mode prescribed by law, and on that day no one appearing to oppose the Probate of said Will such proceedings was thereupon had in said Court afterwards, that the said Surrogate took the proofs of said Will hereinafter set forth, upon this 31st day of January A. D. 1878 and he thereupon adjudged the said Will to be a valid Will of Real and Personal Estate, and the proofs thereof to be sufficient, which said Last Will and Testament and proofs are as follows, that is to say:

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