

Last Will & Testament of Benjamin Freeman dec<sup>d</sup> 71


Be it remembered that I Benjamin Freeman of Orange County Indiana being weak in body but of sound and perfect mind & memory do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner & form following (that is to say) First I will and ordain that all my lawful debts to be paid out of my personal estate, secondly I give and bequeath unto my wife Polly Freeman two hundred dollars in money to be paid to her by the first day of April 1832 also my small Bay mare and her colt two of my cows, ten head of sheep 4 pieces of pot metal one chopping axe two beds and bedding half my cupboard ward, the one half of my wheat which I sowed, thirty barrels of good corn of which is now growing on my farm and 500<sup>lb</sup> of good pork and she is to occupy the house on the east side of my farm where I now live being the same which my son Benjamin Freeman built (after my death)

To my son Hillman Freeman & George Freeman & William Freeman, and my daughter Hiliary Freeman I give and bequeath each one dollar in money - and as I believe my wife Polly is now pregnant and should the child be born alive I give and bequeath to the same one dollar in money - The south east quarter of section thirty two of Township three north and Range one east of the Jeffersonville District I give and bequeath to my grand sons Benjamin Freeman and Edmund Freeman, sons of Gabriel Freeman deceased to be equally divided between them.

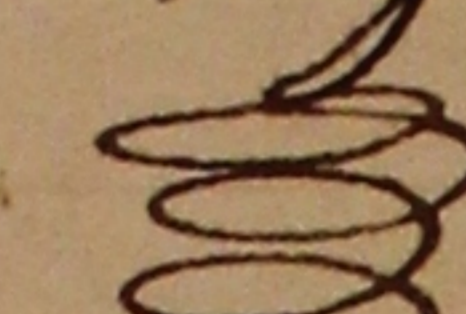
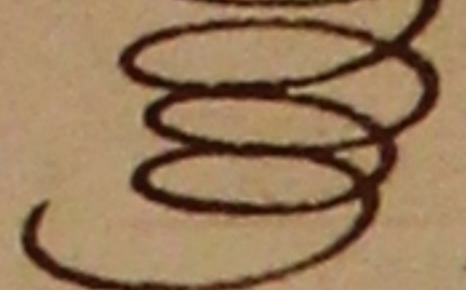
The north half of the West half of the north east quarter of section seven and Township three north & Range one east being forty acres I give and bequeath to the heirs of my daughter Sidney - The south half of the West half of the north east quarter of section seven in Township three north & Range one East being forty acres I give and bequeath to the heirs of my daughter Sally deceased first wife of Levi Johnson. The quarter section of land I now live on being the south west quarter of section four Township two north and Range one east together with forty acres of the north east quarter of section five in Township two north and Range one east being the same I purchased from Isaac Kenibley, I give and bequeath to my son John Freeman during his life time after his death my son Benjamin Freeman is to fall him to the same. After my death my son Benjamin Freeman is to occupy the house and farm where I now live and is to support my said son John Freeman in a decent and comfortable manner. All my personal estate of whatever nature which has not been here before disposed of I give and bequeath to my son John Freeman during his life time and after his death my son Benjamin Freeman & his heirs is to have all which may be left of the same. And lastly I do hereby appoint Dr W. Moyer my sole executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

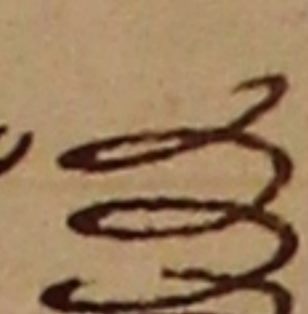
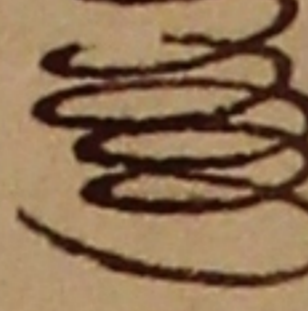
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my  
Hand

Benjamin Freeman Will

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hand and seal this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and thirty one -  
Benjamin <sup>my</sup> Freeman   
made

signed, sealed, published and declared  
by the above Benjamin Freeman  
to be his last will and testament  
in the presence of us who at his request  
and at his desire have subscribed  
our names as witnesses of the same.

Jacob Cook   
John H. Greese 

The State of Indiana   
Orange County  Be it remembered that on the second  
day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and  
thirty two personally came before me John M. Dryden of the  
county of Orange Jacob Cook and John H. Greese  
subscribing - witness - to the within will who made oath in due  
form of law that he saw and heard the said Benjamin Freeman  
the testator therein named make, declare and publish the  
same as his last will and testament when of sound mind  
and memory and that the subscribed therein as a witness  
by request of the said Benjamin and in his presence and in  
the presence of the other subscribing witness -

Witness my hand this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April  
in the year 1832

John M. Dryden