

James Porter's will

In the name of God Amen.

I James Porter sen. of Orange County and State of Indiana being of advanced age but of sound mind and retentive memory taking into consideration the uncertainty of life, and the certainty of death, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in the following manner and form 1<sup>st</sup>. I give and bequeath to my two eldest sons Thomas B. Porter and James S. Porter to be held equal between them the following tracts or parcels of land 1<sup>st</sup>. The north west quarter of section thirty (30) Town two (2) north of Range one (1) west. Also the north east quarter of the north east quarter of section twenty five (25) town two, north of range two, west in Orange County.

2<sup>nd</sup> It is my will that all my personal property be sold and in the first place all my debts and expenses be paid. 3<sup>rd</sup> It is my will that my daughter <sup>now</sup> Mary Therie receive five dollars \$5.00 as her part of the moneys arising from my estate. 4<sup>th</sup> It is my will that my youngest son David H Porter receive five hundred and twenty five dollars (\$525) out of the moneys arising from my estate. 5<sup>th</sup> It is my will that the residue of money that may be left arising from all goods moneys and effects be equally divided between my three sons Thomas B. Porter, James S. Porter & David H Porter.

I do hereby appoint James P. Campbell my executor him taking the aid of council if necessary. In testimony of this being my last will and testament I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 6<sup>th</sup> day of February 1847.

James P. Porter <sup>his</sup> ~~mark~~ Seal

We the undersigned do testify that the above will was made and signed and sealed in the presence of and by the express direction of the testator in testimony whereof we do hereunto set our names this the 6<sup>th</sup> day of February 1847.

Attest James P. Campbell James Porter Pinnick

The State of Indiana }  
Orange County }

Be it remembered that on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of February 1848 personally appeared in court James P. Campbell, and being duly sworn upon oath saith that he saw James Porter the signer of the above writing execute the same and declare it to be his voluntary act and deed and declare the same as his last will and testament. And that he signed the same as witness thereto at his



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request in the presence of said Porter, and in the presence  
of said Porter and in the presence of James Pinnick and  
that he the said Porter was of sound mind and memory  
and not under coercion or restraint, and of full age  
to devise his property, James P. Campbell,

Subscribed and sworn to in open court 28<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1848

Attest, Jeremiah Wilson clerk of said court  
and the seal thereof the day & year last  
aforesaid.

Jr. Wilson clk

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