

Be it Remembered, That on the Twelfth day of February, March A. D. 1885 the same being one of the days of the February Term, A. D. 1885 of said Probate Court, certain proceedings were had and entered of record in said Court, and which is in the words and figures following, to-wit:

In the Matter of the Estate of }
William Reddick Deceased. } PROBATE OF WILL.

On this day come George W. Armstrong

and presents to the Court an instrument in writing, purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of

William Reddick late of the County of La Salle, and State of Illinois,

deceased, for probate, and to be recorded. And it being duly proven, to the satisfaction of the Court, that said

William Reddick departed this life at his place of residence, in the Town of Ottawa in said County, on or about the 8th day of March, A. D. 1885.

And it appearing to the Court, from the testimony of Ed. C. Allen Elias C. Matheway

William Reddick whose names are subscribed to said Will,

testifying witnesses to the execution thereof, that they were present and saw the said

William Reddick sign said Will in their presence, and that they believed the said testator to be of sound mind and memory, of lawful age, and under no constraint when he signed said Will.

And it satisfactorily appearing to the Court that said Will was in all respects executed and attested according to law,

and that the said William Reddick deceased, was, at the time of the attestation of the same, of sound mind and memory, of lawful age, and under no constraint. It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the Court that the said Will be deemed and taken as duly proven and admitted to probate.

And it is further ordered that the same, together with the testimony of the witnesses above named, be recorded.

In Witness Whereof, the subscriber, Clerk of said Court, has hereunto set his hand and affixed the seal of said Court at Ottawa, in said County, this

17th day of March, A. D. 1885

A. J. Bartels Clerk.

I William Reddick of the
City of Ottawa, County of LaSalle
and State of Illinois, being of sound
and disposing mind and memory
and having a firm belief
in the Divine Providence, do hereby
publish, ordain, and declare,
this my last will and testament,
in manner and form follow-
ing;

First.

That all of my just
debts be fully paid and satisfi-
ed including the expenses of my
last sickness and burial.

Second.

X I give and bequeath
One Hundred (100) shares in the stock
of the Chicago Rock Island and
Pacific Rail Road Company,
said shares being a part of the
stock I now own in said com-
pany. To Elizabeth Burrier ~~Trunk~~
Reddick, whom I greatly esteem
and who has recently, at my re-
quest changed her name from
that of Elizabeth Burrier Trunk to
that of Elizabeth Burrier Trunk Red-
dick.

I also give to the said Elizabeth

as much as I can. I give all of the
house-hold furniture, books works
of art, plate, silver ware, the piano
& organ, all of my mirrors and look-
ing glasses, all dishes and cooking
ware, the house keeping provisions
and other consumable stores, which
~~shall at my decease be found in~~
and about my dwelling, except
a good set of bed and bedding
which I here give to Mary O. Donnell

I also give and bequeath to
said Elizabeth Burrier Frank Reddick
all of my horses, all of my cattle and
all of my hogs, my best double en-
riage two buggies to be selected
by her and harness for said
~~double~~ carriage and harness
for each of said buggies

I also give and devise to said
Elizabeth Burrier Frank Reddick, lots
one (1), and two (2) and the north
fifty (50) feet of lot six (6) in
Block number fifty six (56) in States
Division to the City of Ottawa

To have and to hold the afore-
said real and personal property
unto the said Elizabeth Burrier Frank
Reddick her heirs and assigns forever,

And it is my desire that the said
Mary O. Donnell shall reside as long as
she remains unmarried with said
Elizabeth Burrier Frank Reddick.

Let us have
him back
Tasaco in
here

Third.

I give and bequeath to Mary O'Donnell, who has been a faithful employee in my household for many years, the sum of three hundred and fifty Dollars (\$350) in currency, as long as she shall live, as an annuity, and said annuity to be paid from the income and dividends of a sufficient number of shares of stock in the Chicago Rock Island and Pacific Rail Road Company, not otherwise disposed of, as above, said money to be paid to said Ediga both Purvis Frank Reddick, and by her paid to said Mary O'Donnell

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Fourth.

son of Partner in Reddick & Gillen

I give and bequeath to William Reddick Gillen, son of Hugh Gillen, One thousand Dollars (\$1000) on his arrival at the age of twenty one (21) years.

But if he shall not live to attain that age then said legacy shall lapse.

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Fifth.

I give and devise unto the County of Wasatch in the State of Illinois, the West one hundred (100) acres of land, owned by

me, south of the 2477000s and
Michigan Canal in Section Six-
teen (16) Town thirty three (33) north,
Range three (3) East of the third
P.M. for the purpose of enlarging
the County Poor Farm.

And this I do because I am
sincerely grateful to the people of
said County for their uniform
support upon all occasions when
I most needed assistance, but
I desire my estate to retain the
possession and enjoy the rents
and profits of said land dur-
ing the first two years next af-
ter my death.

Family
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Sixth.

To the children of my de-
ceased brother James Reddick, I
give and bequeath the sum of
three hundred Dollars each.

Seventh.

To the daughters of
my deceased brother Joseph Reddick
I give and bequeath the sum of
three hundred Dollars each.

Eighth.

I give and bequeath
to the daughters of my brother
David Reddick the sum of

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three hundred Dollars (\$300) each.

Ninth

I give and bequeath to Andrew J. Reddick, son of my brother David Reddick, the sum of five hundred (\$500) Dollars, as a satisfaction of the principal sum of money he now owes me upon his promissory note for that amount, I also give him the interest that may have accrued due me from him upon said note at my death.

Tenth

I give and bequeath to my father David Reddick the sum of five hundred Dollars (\$500) per annum, as long as he shall live, as an annuity, And if the now wife of the said David Reddick shall survive him, then I give the said sum of five hundred Dollars (\$500) per annum to her, as long as she shall live as an annuity, to begin at the death of said David.

Eleventh

I give and bequeath to the Sons and Daughters of Mrs. Sarah Rhoades deceased, the said Sarah Rhoades being a sister to

in the case Mrs William Reddick, my deceased wife, the sum of one hundred and fifty Dollars (\$150) each,

Twelfth.

I give and bequeath to the daughters of John Collins deceased, the said John Collins being a brother to the said Mrs William Reddick deceased, the sum of two hundred Dollars (\$200) each

Thirteenth.

I give and bequeath to Mrs Nancy Field, Sister to my late beloved wife, the sum of three hundred Dollars (\$300).

Charity

Fourteenth.

I give and bequeath to the "Sisters of Mercy" of the Roman Catholic Church of the City of Ottawa, the sum of one thousand Dollars (\$1000) in trust, to be by them invested in food and clothing, and the said food and clothing to be distributed among the poor and needy of the City of Ottawa, of all classes, without discrimination on account of the religious belief, church, sect, or denomination of the said poor and needy of said City, said money to be paid by my executor without delay.

Fifteenth.

I further direct and it is my will that, if any of the legatees herein named shall not at my death have attained his or her majority, the legacy herein bequeathed to such legatee shall not vest in interest in such legatee until said legatee shall attain his or her majority, and that in case such legatee shall not live to attain that age, the legacy intended for such a one, shall lapse, anything herein before expressed to the contrary notwithstanding.

Sixteenth.

I direct my executor to construct over the grave of my dearly beloved wife and of myself a suitable monument, which monument shall not exceed in cost the sum of eighteen hundred (\$1800) Dollars, and that my said executor shall securely invest or put at interest, a sum of money sufficient to forever keep our grave and the enclosure thereof in good condition, the expense of so caring for said grave to be paid from the income or interest of the money so invested.

Warrant

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I am desirous that a good Public Library and Reading-Room shall be established and maintained in the City of Ottawa, which said Library and Reading-Room shall, under proper rules and regulations, ever be open to the public.

I therefore give and devise unto my executor herein named, the following described real estate.

Home area

viz: The South ten feet of Lot Six (6), and all of lots Seven (7), ten (10), eleven (11), and twelve (12), all in Block number fifty six (56) in State's Addition to the City of Ottawa, and the appurtenances thereto belonging.

Reserving however unto the said Elizabeth Bursin Trust Rodolick and unto the said Mary O'Donnell the use and occupation of said premises for the space of one year next succeeding my death.

I have bind to hold the said premises unto my said Executor, In Trust nevertheless to be by him conveyed as hereinafter directed.

And I direct my said Executor, as soon as the City Council of the City of Ottawa, shall first organize and establish

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a Public Library and Reading-Room, and appoint a board of Directors in accordance with the provisions of the Statute, and of an act of the general assembly of the State of Illinois. Approved March 7th 1873. Entitled, "An Act to authorize cities, incorporated towns, and townships, to establish and maintain free public libraries and reading-rooms," to execute and deliver a proper deed conveying the said real estate last described to the said board of directors, to be by said board used for a public library and reading room, ~~and~~ public library and reading room to be in my dwelling house at said premises, and be known and called by the name of "Reddick's Library."

And I hereby request the City Council of the City of Ottawa, as soon as possible after my death, to establish a public library and reading room, and to create a board of directors under the provisions of said act.

X Eighteenth,
All the rest residue and remainder of my estate of whatever name and nature

however known and described, and wherever situated. I hereby give devise and bequeath unto my executor, hereinafter named, in trust to be by him converted into money, and when converted into money said money to be paid over to the Board of Directors, to be established and created by the City Council of the City of Ottawa, under the Act of the general assembly in relation to "Libraries" heretofore mentioned, as soon as said board shall be duly appointed and created according to law.

Nineteenth

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For the purpose of enabling my executor hereinafter named, to carry out the provisions of this will, I hereby authorize and empower him to sell all of my realty not herein specifically devised, at public or private sale, and upon such terms as shall seem to him for the best interests of my estate. and upon such sale being made, to execute all necessary contracts and conveyances of the property sold.

I also authorize him to execute deeds of conveyance of real estate wherever necessary to carry

out any contract for the sale of any land made by me and for which I have not yet executed a deed, upon the purchase complying with the terms of such contract for sale.

Twentieth.

I hereby direct my executor to retain a sufficient number of the shares of the stock in the Chicago Rock Island and Pacific Rail Road Company, from the income of which to pay the annuities herein, and as fast as the annuities herein shall due. I direct my executor to convert the stock herein set apart for the payment of such annuities into money, and to pay over said money to the board of directors aforesaid for the purposes of the said Public Library aforesaid.

Twenty first.

My executor shall have power to ~~cancel~~ ~~ground~~ ~~any~~ ~~doubtful~~ or ~~disputed~~ claims due my estate, as to him shall seem best for my estate, without leave of court therefor. And I direct that my executor shall occupy as much time as

settling my estate, and in selling my real and personal property; as he shall deem for the best interests of my estate; and that he shall not be required to pay any of the legacies or bequests herein until two years after my death unless he deems it best to pay the same sooner.

Twenty Second.

and

I desire and direct that Marshall K. Armstrong shall be employed as attorney whenever the service of any attorney or counsel is required in the settlement of my said estate or in the handling of said trust.

Twenty third.

And lastly, having been intimately acquainted with George Washington Armstrong of said County for nearly fifty (50) years, and having the most implicit confidence in his integrity and ability.

I do therefore appoint him the sole executor of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made, and I direct that

13. He my said executor shall not be required to enter into, or execute any bond in any case, as such executor, nor as trustee, nor otherwise.

But if the said George Washington Armstrong shall die before completing his trust and duties herein, then I direct that his successor or successors shall comply with the law strictly in giving said bonds.

In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal this 21st day of June A.D. 1884

Wm. Reddick {SEAL}

The foregoing instrument consisting of 13 pages, was at the date thereof signed, sealed, published, and declared by the said William Reddick, as and for his last will and testament, in our presence, and we, at his request, and in his presence, and in the presence of each other have signed our names as witnesses thereto.

this 21st day of June A.D. 1884

E. Allen
J. R. Belligan
Thos. Stearns
Elias. G. Hatheway

This instrument drawn by Marshall N. Armstrong and in his handwriting.