

Last Will and Testament of Aaron Powers

This last Will and Testament of Aaron Power of Warren County and State of Illinois. I, Aaron Powers being of sound mind do make and publish this my last Will and Testament, in manner as follows.

First It is my will that my son in law, A. G. Pearce be the Executor of this my will.

Second It is my will that all sums of money that I have paid to any or either of my children heretofore as I may hereafter make a fair and true statement of the amount and to whom paid or of all sums that I may after the date of this will pay to any of my children as may be shown by receipts, the sum shall be reckoned as a part of each recipients share as money then on hand, so that there may be an equalizing in the final division of my property.

I Aaron Powers have paid to my son Joseph C. Powers (\$750.00) Seven Hundred and fifty Dollars, and I have paid to my son John F. \$284 Two Hundred and Eighty four Dollars, and I have paid to Benjamin A. \$735 Seven Hundred and Thirty five Dollars, and have paid to Daniel D. \$565 Five Hundred and Sixty five Dollars, to my Daughter Eliza \$93 Ninety three Dollars, I have paid to my son Colby deceased \$144, One Hundred and forty four Dollars and to be a part of my Grand son James Shaw. I have paid to my son Aaron deceased \$300 Three Hundred Dollars, and to be a part of his childrens shares - I have paid to Selen deceased \$100 One Hundred Dollars and to be a part of his two childrens shares. I have

paid to ~~the~~ ~~my~~ ~~daughter~~ ~~deceased~~ \$135 One Hundred
and Twenty five Dollars, and to be ^{added} in the account of her
Daughter Eliza James portion. Third


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It is my will that my Executor sell at publick sale so soon as
may be after my decease a all my Estate real and personal
of which I shall be possessed and on such terms of payment
as may be most advisable and my Executor shall dispose
of the proceeds of said Sale when collected to paying expense
debts and legacies hereinafter named.

It is my will that one third the money arising from the sale
of my property be put at interest during the life time of my
wife and she to receive the annual interest after meeting the
expense of its supervision and after her death the said one
third to be divided among my children and grand children
as the other two thirds shall hereafter be directed to be divided

It is my will that the remaining two thirds of my Estate
be divided among my children and grand children as follow
I give unto my son Joseph C. John M. Benjamin A. Daniel
S. Powers my four sons and Eliza Pearce and Mary G. Sta
my two daughters equal shares of my estate and to their heirs
and assigns; And to my Daughter Rheba I give or order to be
put at interest for her support during her life a sum equal to
three times that given to either of my six children first named
and at her death to be divided as my other property. And to the
Children of my son Aaron dec'd, and to the children of my son

• Solon deceased, and to the child of my son Colby deceased, and to the child of my daughter Martha Jane deceased, I give each child (being my grand children) a sum equal to one sixth ($\frac{1}{6}$) of either or any one of my six children first named; making the portion of each of these my grand children equal to one sixth of Joseph C. Powers.

In witness I have hereunto set my hand and seal this seventh day of August in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty seven
Aaron Powers 

The above instrument consisting of one sheet was here subscribed to by Aaron Powers testator in the presence of each of us and was at the same time declared by him to be his last Will and Testament and we at his request sign our names hereto as attesting witnesses,

Attest

R. A. Saunders
George Snapp.