

Bernette H. Williams.

I Bernette H. Williams, of Mendon, Worcester County, Massachusetts, being of sound mind make this my last Will and Testament.

To my eldest daughter, Myrtie Williams I give the old family Bible which was my father's also all my clothing and a dozen silver tea-spoons brought by my mother just before her death and marked "Bernette".

To my oldest son Bill Williams I give an article of furniture known as the "old red desk" which my father always used and which my grandfather had made, also a pair of silver bowed spectacles with some other little articles all of which were my father's and which are contained in a little drawer in said desk.

I wish my second son Benton Williams to have my gold watch and chain the watch having been bought me by my father when I first went away to school.

I leave my third son Wendell Williams the gold bowed spectacles which were my mother's.

To my fourth son Eben Williams I give two dessert spoons and one silver tea-spoon, the former marked with the name Elizabeth Peck, the latter marked E.P.

To my second daughter Lora Williams I give all my jewelry save that already disposed of and my finger rings which I leave to my youngest child Ethel Williams.

To my fifth son Paul Williams I bequeath a tract of land situated in the town of Blackstone on Waterbury Hill so called, said piece of land was formerly a part of the estate of my grandfather Daniel Hill and I hope that my son will choose not to part with it during his life and that it will remain in the family after his death.

To my husband Gustavus B. Williams I give all articles of personal property belonging to me on or about the premises where we now live except those hereinbefore disposed of to be his absolutely notes, bonds and other claims against other persons excepted.

I also give to my said husband all the property real and personal, not hereinbefore disposed of, of which I may die seized and possessed, to be held by him separate from his own in trust and he is hereby fully authorized to sell at public or private sale and good conveyance of the same or any part thereof and reinvest the sum, managing the whole as if it were his own and issue

the income and such of the principal as may be needed in the raising and educating our six younger children and when the youngest shall come of age dividing what remains among our children as in his judgement their several necessities require.

The special trust in favor of our six younger children is created because the two older are already provided for by the will of my late father Dan Hill.

I nominate and appoint my husband Gustavus B. Williams sole executor of this will and request that he be not required to give any security or sureties on his official bond or bonds as executor or trustee under this will.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this twenty fourth day of March A.D. 1879.

Bernette H. Williams.

Signed and published as her last will by the said Bernette H. Williams in the presence of us, who in her presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses.

John B. Metcalf
Julia M. Thompson
Abigail Metcalf

Attest records. Attest

John B. Metcalf
John B. Metcalf
Register

Seth J. Astell.

Know all men by these presents that I Seth J. Astell of the town of Grafton State of Massachusetts do hereby make my last Will and Testament:

I give and bequeath to my faithful and beloved wife Lucy B. Astell all of my kind and sort of my personal property notes, money, accounts household furniture, farming tools and live stock. Also I give and bequeath to her Lucy B. Astell one third of all my real estate consisting of house, barn and about eighty acres of land.

I give and bequeath to my obedient and loving children Joseph B. Astell, Sarah W. Astell, Jane C. Astell the wife of Samuel G. Koenig, Seth J. Astell Jr. and Lydia P. Astell each of them one fifth of two thirds of all my my real estate.

I ordering debts against me at my disease with funeral expences to be paid by the legatees as above each one paying in proportion to the amount of their legacy.

Signed & sealed this fourth day of October in the year of our