

whereof he did seal and publish in said Commonwealth, unto the before named Executor, well and faithfully to execute the said Will and to administer the Estate of the said deceased according thereto; who accepted said trust and have given bond to exhibit an Inventory, and to render an account (upon oath) of their proceedings when, thenceunto lawfully required.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of Office the day and year above written.

MATTH Paine.

A true Record Attest Joseph Wheeler Rego

Norchester January 7. 1834.

Thomas Bardens Will.

In the Name of God Amen.

I Thomas Bardens of Norwicht in the County of Worcester & Commonwealth of Massachusetts Blacksmith being of sound and disposing mind do make, ordain and declare this Instrument to be my last Will and Testament, revoking all others.

Simpliciter. All my debts are to be punctually paid, and the residue of my Real Estate, over above the amount necessary for the payment of my just debts, I give and bequeath to my Son Bradwick Bardens and my Grandson Daniel Nelson Bardens Son of the aforesaid Bradwick Bardens, in equal share.

And to the Heir of my deceased Son Daniel Bardens, and my Daughter Curin Socke & Sarah Powers, alias Sarah Crouch, I make no bequest, they and each of them having had their full part and portion out of my Estate.

And I do hereby appoint John Park of Norwicht Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this tenth day of July, in the year of our Lord, One thousand, eight hundred & thirty two.

Thomas Bardens (S.S.)

Signed, sealed and delivered, by the above named Thomas Bardens, to be his last Will and Testament, in presence of us who, in the presence of the Testator

and of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names 47.

as witnesses.

Daniel Sprague

Hennetta Park

Cynthia R. Crouch

Worcester W. To all People to whom these presents shall come, Mathew Paine Esq; Judge of the Probate of (S.S.) Wills &c in the County of Worcester, within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, sendeth Greeting.

Know ye, That on the seventh day of January Anno Domini 1834, the Instrument hereunto annexed (supposed to be the last Will and Testament of Thomas Bardens late of Norwicht in the County of Worcester, deceased) was presented for Probate by John Park the Executor therein named; Then present Daniel Sprague one of the Witnesses thereto subscribed, who made oath that he saw the said Testator sign and seal and heard him declare the said Instrument to be his last Will and Testament, and that he with Hennetta Park & Cynthia R. Crouch subscribed their names together as Witnesses to the execution thereof, in the said Testators presence, and that he was then (to the best of the Deponents judgment) of sound and disposing mind.

I do therefore prove, approve and allow of the said Instrument as the last Will & Testament of the abovesigned deceased, and commit the Administration thereof, in all matters the same concerning, and of his Estate whereof he died seized and possessed in said Commonwealth, unto the before named Executor, well & faithfully to execute the said Will, and to administer the Estate of the said deceased according thereto, who accepted said trust, and has given bond to exhibit an Inventory and to render an Account (upon oath) of his proceedings, when thenceunto lawfully required.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of Office, the day and year above written.

MATTH. Paine.

Seth Chapins Will.

In the Name of God Amen.

I Seth Chapin of Meliloton, in the County of Worcester and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, considering the uncertainty of this Mortal life, and being of sound and perfect Mind & Memory, blessed be Almighty God