

Last Will and Testament

of Nathan Corder (s/o Elisha Corder and Tacey Cowgill)

In the name of God Amen, I Nathan Corder of the County of Fauquier in the State of Virginia, do make and publish this my last will and testament in the following form and manner.

First. That my burial and funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid by my executor hereinafter named out of my estate as soon as may be convenient.

Second. I hereby give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth Corder, one third of my estate, both real and personal during her natural life to have and to hold for her own special use and at her demise, the said third interest shall be equally divided between my three children, John, William and Charles H. but in the division John & William shall have the buildings, however in case of any disagreement between John, William and my wife, they, John & William shall have control and management of all the out buildings.

Third. I give and bequeath to my three sons John, William & Charles H. Corder, y entire estate, both real and personal after fulfilling the second clause.

Fourth. This is to certify that I have not overlooked my daughter Elvira Corder, who died in the State of Maryland and to whom & her issue, should she had left any, I give and grant them one Co__ as their sole interest in my estate.

Fifth. I now make this provise, in reference to the clause second of this will, that should my wife Elizabeth so decide to take unto herself after my decease, another husband, then the said second clause shall be null and void, and my two sons John & William shall have full possession and control of all buildings including the mansion house and pay her one hundred dollars per annum in lieu of such interest as bequeathed to her in the said 2nd clause.

Sixth. I also request that should my son John die without issue, this said interest in my estate I her ___ devise to him shall go direct to his brother William in total.

Seventh. I further desire and request at the decease of my wife, that John & William, my two sons, shall have possession of all buildings and Charles H. shall have his portion _____
(the last line is cut off)

And lastly, I nominate and appoint my two sons John and William to be the executors of this my last will and testament and request they advise with Chas. H. Corder after he becomes of age.

In testimony where of I Nathan Corder have to this my last will and testament subscribed my name and affixed my seal this 11th day of October 1890.

Nathan Corder

The above instrument was at the date there of declared to us by the testator Nathan Corder to be his last will and testament and he then acknowledged to each of us that he had subscribed to the same and we at his request sign our names here as attending witnesses.

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R. C. Buck M.D.

R. S. Moore

Fauquier County Court February 22 1892

A paper writing dated 11 Oct 1890 informing to be the last will and testament of Nathan Corder decd' was produced to the court for probate, and fully proved by the oath of R.C. Buck and R.S. Moore the attending witnesses there to and same is ordered to be recorded as for the treut last will and testament of Nathan Corder decd'.

John Corder one of the Executors named in the last will and testament of Nathan Corder decd' declined to qualify Wm. G. Corder named Executor there in therefore made oath there to and qualified as such, and together with John M. Corder his surety justifying as the sufficiency in ___ into and acknowledged bound in the penalty of \$2000.00 payable and conditioned according to law, and certificate is granted him in due form.

Testaor A.R. Bastenstein - Clerk