

In the name of God Amen! I William Vinson of Montgomery County in the State of Maryland being weak in body but of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following Viz:

First and principally I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God, and my body to the earth, to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter named. And after my debts and funeral expenses are paid I devise and bequeath as follows:

Item - I give and bequeath unto Charles Vinson, my oldest Son, a tract of Land called "Thomas's Discovery forfeited" lying and being in the County and State aforesaid containing one hundred and fifty seven Acres more or less, to him the said Charles, his heirs and assigns for ever in fee simple.

Item - I also give and devise unto my said Son Charles, all that part or portion of a tract of land called, "Part of Thomas's Discovery," whereon I now live and reside, containing two hundred Acres, more or less, to him the said Charles his heirs and assigns for ever in fee simple.

Item - I also give and devise unto my said Son Charles, all moneys now due by him to me, either upon bond, note or otherwise, or which may here after be paid, loaned or advanced by reason of any undertaking or responsibility on my part, now existing; meaning thereby to leave the real and personal estate of him the said Charles free, and from every charge heretofore made or which may be so made under the afore said undertaking or responsibility - Except the amount of a Note now due and owing to the Farmers and Mechanics Bank of George Town, which he the said Charles is to pay.

Item - I give and devise unto William Vinson my second Son a tract of land lying and being in the County and State aforesaid and upon which he now resides called "Partnership," containing three hundred and fifty four Acres more or less, to him the said William his heirs and assigns for ever in fee simple.

Item - I also give and devise unto my said Son William all moneys heretofore loaned, paid or advanced by me on his account, meaning thereby to free his real and personal estate from all monies so paid or advanced by me as aforesaid.

Item - I give and devise unto my Daughter Ann that part or portion of a tract of land called "Thomas's Discovery" lying and being on the West Side of Big Seneca Creek in the County and State aforesaid and purchased of Thomas and Sarah Robertson, the contents of which is not precisely known but must be ascertained by actual survey, to her the said Ann her heirs and assigns for ever in fee simple, with the following reservations nevertheless - That all Coal, Mineral, Limestone and Stone quarries which have been and hereafter found on the said tract of land shall be held and ~~owned~~ owned, in equal shares, between the aforesaid Charles, William & Ann and their heirs for ever.

Item - I also give and devise to my said Daughter Ann fifteen Acres and a half of land, more or less, being so much of a certain piece or parcel of Land conveyed to me on or about the thirtieth day of July eighteen hundred and twenty five

and lying adjoining to the land devised to the said Ann in the previous item.

Item - I give and devise unto the children of my deceased Daughter Sarah Hickman, namely, Ann, Mary, Sarah, Adelaide, Agnes and Frances all that tract of land called "bonewid", lying and being in the County and State of aforesaid, containing two hundred and eighteen acres more or less, to be equally divided between them, their heirs and assigns for ever in fee simple: provided nevertheless, that if the above named children all die without lawful issue then and in that case the said land is to be equally divided among my children Charles, William, Ann and Mary or their heirs in fee simple for ever.

Item - I also give and devise unto the above named children of my Daughter Sarah Hickman all the monies due to me by their Father, Thomas Hickman, either upon bond, note or otherwise, to be equally divided between them.

Item - I also give and devise unto the above named children of my deceased Daughter the sum of one hundred dollars each, to be paid to them by Charles, William and Ann in equal proportion on the event and upon the discovery and successful working of such Coal Banks as may be found on the premises mentioned as aforesaid.

Item - I also give and devise to the said children of my deceased Daughter of aforesaid, as follows, To Ann Hickman I give and devise negro Rachel, the daughter of ~~negro Samely~~ ^{negro Samely} - to Sarah Hickman I give and devise negro ~~Samely~~ ^{Samely} - to Mary Hickman I give and devise negro Race the son of Setty - to Adelaide Hickman I give and devise negro Harriet, the daughter of Setty - to Agnes Hickman I give and devise negro Henrietta, daughter of Setty - and to Frances Hickman I give and devise negro Rachel, the daughter of Setty.

Item - I give and devise unto my Daughter Mary one hundred and twenty dollars as an annual income during her life, to be paid to her annually from the day of my death, that is to say, sixty dollars to be paid to her by her Brother Charles and sixty dollars to be paid to her by her Brother William, yearly and every year - And to secure the punctual payment of the said annuity the Lands, as before devised to the said Charles and William, shall be and remain bound during the period of her natural life.

Item - I will and devise that all the rest and residue of my real estate, not disposed of in manner aforesaid, and wherever found, may be sold ^{by} my Executors at such time, in such manner and on such credits as in their judgment may seem best, and the money arising therefrom to be equally divided between my said children Charles, William, Ann and Mary.

Item - All my personal estate consisting of Slaves and not disposed of as aforesaid, I will and devise shall be appraised by three competent, impartial and disinterested persons, and the said Slaves to be equally divided between my said children, Charles, William and Ann according to said valuation deducting from the share of Charles two negroes heretofore given to him, namely, Helen and Eliza, and from the share of William five negroes heretofore also given to him, namely, Sandy, George, Clem, Henry

Now, I give and convey to Ruthy and Jane Mulliken daughters
of Thomas Mulliken Negroes Mary Ellen and Emma the
children of Toby to them and their heirs, and my desire is
that if the said Negro children shall be treated with kindness
and proper care. In testimony hereof I have affixed my
hand and seal this tenth day of February Eighteen hundred

and thirty six.
Signed sealed and published
by William Denson the testator
as and for a Codicil to his last
will and Testament, in presence

William Denson

of us, who in his presence and in
the presence of each other at his
request subscribed our names
as witnesses thereto

Wm Darnie
Elisha W. Williams
James Hawkins Jr

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Register

Received 11 June 1840 and
proved by Wm Darnie James
Hawkins Jr 23 June 1840

William Denson

Montgomery County to wit: On the 23rd day of June 1840 came
William Darnie and James Hawkins Junior two of the subscribing witnesses to
the last will and testament of William Denson late of said County deceased and
made oath on the Holy Evangelists of almighty God that they did see the testator
therein named sign and seal this will and that they heard him publish pronounced
and declare the same to be his last will and testament, that at the time of his
so doing he was to the best of their apprehension of sound and disposing mind
memory and understanding and that they subscribed their names as witnesses
to this will in the presence and at the request of the testator and in the
presence of each other, also in the presence of Elisha W. Williams, the
other subscribing witness thereto

Certified by

John W. Anderson
Register

18 sides, 82 words.

Montgomery County to wit: On the 1st day of September
1840 came James Hawkins Junior one of the subscribing
witnesses to this Codicil to the last will and testament of
William Vinson late of said County deceased and made
oath on the Holy Evangelij of Almighty God that he did see
the testator therein named sign and seal this Codicil and
that he heard him publish, pronounce and declare the
same to be a codicil to his last will and testament, that at
the time of his so doing he was to the best of his apprehension
of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding
and that he subscribed his name to this Codicil as a witness
in the presence and at the request of the testator, also in
the presence of William Darne and Elisha W. Williams
the other subscribing witnesses thereto

certified by

J. W. Ancerton
Register

William Benson

Will

Received 11.th June 1840

Approved 23.rd June 1840.

by Wm. Doane & James

Hawkins Esq. codicil proved
by Jas. Hawkins Esq. on 1.st Sept 1860.

J. W. Auer
Regt.

Recorded in Liber W.
folios 523. 524. 525.
526. & 527.

J. W. Auer
Register