

The Will of Alexander Martin Rainwater, 1820-1890, Bedford Co., OR
Benton Co., Oregon, File #0598

I A. Martin Rainwater of the County of Benton, State of Oregon, being of sound mind and memory, do make, publish and declare to following to be my last will and testament:

First: I direct that all of my just debts be paid in full

Second: I give and bequeath to my sons, John R. Rainwater, Daniel W. Rainwater, James W. Rainwater, and Aaron E. Rainwater each the sum of five dollars, I having heretofore advanced to each of them sufficient property to make the portion received by them out of my property equal to the bequests hereafter made to my other children.

Third: I direct that my lands which I now own bring a portion bring a portion of my donation land claim not 697 and claims 61 & 39 in th 11 S R 5 & 4 in Benton County Oregon be divided into five equal parts, in size, division to be made by lines running parallel with the west lines of my donation land claims and that I bequeath the same as follows:

1st, I give and bequeath to my son Martin Coleman Rainwater the first tract so far partitioned on the west side thereof.

2d, I give and bequeath unto my daughter, Ida B. Reece, the second tract so far partitioned from the west side of said donation claim.

3d, I give and bequeath unto my daughter, Bessie Rainwater, the third tract so far partitioned from the west side of my said donation land claim, subject herein to the life estate of my wife, S. C. Rainwater, as hereinafter provided and bequeathed.

4th, I give and bequeath unto my daughter, Annie M. Stahl, the fourth tract of land so partitioned from the west side of my said donation land claim.

5th, I give and bequeath unto my daughter, Emma J. Morrison, the fifth tract of land so partitioned from the west side of my donation land claim.

Fourth: I give and bequeath unto my wife, S. C. Rainwater, the third tract of land herein above mentioned as bequeathed to (Bessie) Rainwater to have and to hold during her natural life, the same to her in lieu of diverse interest in and to my estate.

Fifth: I bequeath all of the remains of my property both personal and real wherever situated to all of my children, share and share alike.

Sixth: I hereby nominate and appoint my sons-in-law, Fred Stahl and John Reece to be the executors of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 24th day of December 1889.

A. M. Rainwater {seal}

The foregoing instrument was signed by A. M. Rainwater in our presence and at the same time declared the same to be his last will and testament and we at this request and in his presence and in the presence of each other, subscribed our names as witnesses hereunto - that the said A. M. Rainwater at the time he executed said instrument was of sound and disposing mind and memory and under no restraint whatever. Witness our hands to this the 24th day of December 1889.

C. M. Langdon, Albany, Oregon

J. K. Weatherford

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