

In the name of God, Amen, I, Sterling Sledge, being of sound mind do make this my last Will and Testament.

Item 1st; It is my desire that all my just debts be paid.

Item 2^d; It is my will that my whole Estate be kept together as it now is, as long as my wife shall remain a widow, and that she shall receive a support from the proceeds of the whole farm.

Item 3^d; I give to my son Coker, and his heirs forever, the following portion of the tract of Land upon which my family now lives, viz; all the land north of the public road leading from Beltsfield to Jerusalem to a Burn Run on the field west of them & straight down to a ditch, then down the ditch across the marsh to a breast to the line of the Lewis Thorp Land, The corner tree is an Overcup Oak close to the run, the whole tract given him contains between four and five hundred acres, and including all the buildings. I also give him the Black Horse, the Sire and all the running stock my son wife, I give him the substance, which is to be first choice.

Item 4th; I leave to my daughters Alice and Aphelia during their natural lives all the Land west of the Land given to Coker. If either one of them should die leaving no issue living, it is my will that the Survivor should have the whole of the Land during her natural life, and at her death it is to descend to her issue. It is my will that whichever one of these two shall marry first, shall live at the place upon which Miss Estaline Thorp lives at present, but I do not will nor should either of these two marry, that she shall live upon the said place, until five years after the present year.

Item 5th; I leave to my daughter Mollie, the tract of Land known as Pumpkins, during her natural life and at her death to her issue in fee - But if she should die without leaving issue, or under twenty one, I desire the said tract of Land to my son Coker in fee simple.

Item 6th; After the Land that I bought formerly belonging to E. B. Thorp is paid for, it is my will that my Estate shall pay to Jimmy Sledge, the wife of J. A. Sledge, the sum of Fifty dollars annually for ten years; I also give her the interest & use in the Inner Land of Thomas Williams's Estate.

Item 7th; It is my will & desire that Rev. Mr. Hughes shall live at the place he is now living in & cultivate the Lands devised to Alice & Aphelia for five years after the present year, for the same rent he is now paying, which is one fifth of all the Crops he makes.

Item 8th; It is my will that N. S. Harriss, shall live upon the place he is now living upon, until my daughter Mollie attains the age of twenty one & marry, and that he shall pay the same rent he is now paying viz; I find the Horse and feed him, he finds the hands and feeds them, and I take half of the gross proceeds - One fifth of Cows that he now has can remain on the place, if he stays there, and the half of what they can have half of the apple Crops and the Garden Crops.

Item 9th; The year that my wife dies, it is my will that each one of the Children should have the Crops grown on the Land given them after paying the expenses of making the Crops - But if my wife should die before the Land I bought formerly belonging to E. B. Thorp is paid for, then I will that the proceeds of the farms shall be applied to that debt first, and after that debt is paid, then each one is to have what remains out of their portions. At the death or marriage of