

## Will of William Wright Hazelrigg

In the name of God Amen. I, William W. Hazelrigg, of the county of Bath and state of Kentucky, now in good health and of a sound and disposing mind calling to mind the uncertainty of life and certainty of death make and publish this my last will and testament.

1<sup>st</sup>—That all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid.

2<sup>nd</sup>—I will and bequeath unto Elizabeth D. Burns and her children two tracts of land in Cass County, Missouri, one of 80 acres bought of William A Brannock, the other of 20 acres bought of John W. Robinson, both of which is now in the possession of her husband Rice Burns. Should she become dissatisfied with the location or desire to sell, she is hereby empowered to do so, in case proceeds is invested in land again and the deed made to her and her children.

3<sup>rd</sup>—I will and bequeath to Margaret S. Prater one tract of land in Cass County, Missouri, of 129 acres, 3 rods 28 poles, the same being now in the possession of her husband, Isaac C. Prater. This tract I bequeath unto Margaret S. Prater and her children. Should she become dissatisfied with the location or desire to sell, she is empowered to do so, in case the proceeds is laid out in land and the deed made to her & her children.

4<sup>th</sup>—I will and bequeath unto Sanford A. Hazelrigg, a boy that I raised and is now living with me and bears that name, one thousand dollars to be laid out in land in some one of the western states at the expiration of two years after this goes to record. In case he should die leaving no children then this land or money to go to my brothers and sisters or their children.

5<sup>th</sup>—For the purpose of complying with the 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> articles of this instrument my Executrix & Executor must collect all debts owing me, sell what personal property can be spared off the farm, then if that is not sufficient sell my tract of land known as the Amos tract. But in case this land is not sold then I give it unto my son Robert H. Hazelrigg.

6<sup>th</sup>—I will and bequeath unto my affectionate wife during her natural life or widowhood, the farm on which I live, all household and kitchen furniture, what stock necessary to farm with, farming utensils, all my slaves, but in case she should marry, then so far as she is concerned as the law directs.

7<sup>th</sup>—After the above is all complied with the remainder of all my Estate including my interest and what interest I have purchased in the estate of Joshua Hazelrigg deceased, I give unto Robert H. Hazelrigg. Also all the property, Real, personal and mixed, the use of which is bequeathed unto my wife in the sixth article, after she is done with it, I will and bequeath unto my son Robert H. Hazelrigg.

8<sup>th</sup>—I appoint my wife, Angelina, and my son, Robert H. Hazelrigg, my Executrix and Executor of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills heretofore

made by me, and they shall be taken without security. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 1858.

(signed) William W. Hazelrigg (Seal)

Attest:

H. Baird

S.P. Baird

#### Codicil to the Foregoing Will

1<sup>st</sup>—In the event my son, Robert H. Hazelrigg, dies before his wife, she is not to have any Dower Right in my estate.

2<sup>nd</sup>—In addition to one thousand dollars bequeathed to Sanford A. Hazelrigg in Article 4, I desire him to have a Black Boy, Jim, aged about \_\_\_ years.

3<sup>rd</sup>—I give & bequeath to my niece, Elizabeth Thompson, nine-tenths of black girl named Maria, to have and to hold her natural life and then descend to her children & also pay her Store Accounts up to this date out of my Estate.

4<sup>th</sup>—I give & bequeath to Mary Patrick my buggy & harness.

5<sup>th</sup>—I give & bequeath to Caroline Richards fifty dollars to be paid of any monies proceeding from my estate.

6<sup>th</sup>—I give & bequeath to Mary Patrick, Margaret Prater & Elizabeth Burns, surviving sisters of my wife, the proceeds of the notes due me from Jas. C. Baird at the death of Elizabeth Whaley to be equally divided.

7<sup>th</sup>—I appoint my son, Robert H. Hazelrigg, Executor of this my last Will and Testament & that he shall qualify without security. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February 1861.

(signed) W.W. Hazelrigg (Seal)

Witness:

J.S. McAlister

Z.T. Moffitt

[Source: Bath County (KY) Will Book. Note: the codicil was prompted by the fact that William's wife, Angelina, had died the previous May, and William himself was near death. He died the following day.]