

Will of Robert Harvey Galbreath

Pleas held before the hon. Elijah Larkin, John Beatty + Thomas Sheldon, Associate judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Clermont County, State of Ohio, at the term of July, A.D. 1847

The last will and testament of Robert Galbreath, late of this county, was brought before the court and was proved by the oaths of Elijah Larkin, John Armstrong and Azariah Jarman [?] and also the codicil thereto proven by the oaths of Elijah Larkin and John McClain the witnesses thereto, whose examinations were reduced to writing and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court, that the said **Robert Galbreath** at the times of executing said will and codicil was of sound mind and memory, free from all restraint and over twenty-one years of age, the court order that said Will and Codicil, and the proof so reduced to writing be recorded.

I, Robert Galbreath of Clermont, State of Ohio, do make and publish this my last will and testament.

First: It is my will and desire that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be fully paid.

Second: I give, devise and bequeath to my son **Samuel Galbreath**, 5 acres of land adjoining lands which I heretofore deeded to him in Daniel Morgan's survey on the Ohio River in said county, the same to be laid off by a parallel line with the upper line of the said lot heretofore deeded to the said **Samuel Galbreath**.

Third: I give, devise and bequeath to my son **Harvey Galbreath** a certain lot or piece of land adjoining the above-named five acres [?] up to the Ohio River to a stone planted on the bank of the river, and thence with a parallel line out to the back line, containing about 60 acres be the same more or less, with this condition, that my beloved wife **Catherine Galbreath** shall have the free use and control of the new building lately erected on said lot during her natural life, and after her decease my daughter **Jane Galbreath** to have the free use and entire control of 1/2 said building during her natural life.

Fourth: I give, devise and bequeath to my son **John Galbreath** the like number of acres immediately adjoining the last-named lot running up the river to a stone, and thence by a

parallel line back to the back line, containing sixty acres, be the same more or less.

Fifth: I give, devise and bequeath to my son **Andrew Galbreath** the balance of my land, running from the lot given to **John Galbreath** up the river to the upper corner on the river containing about 75 acres be the same more or less. It being my intention to make as practicable an equal division of my estate among my children, I fix a value on the above lands as follows: the lot assigned to **Harvey Galbreath** at \$2100, or \$35 per acre; to **John Galbreath** the Same; the lot assigned to **Andrew Galbreath** \$1500 or \$20 per acre; the lot of five acres assigned to Samuel **Galbreath** at \$175 or \$35 per acre.

I give to my beloved wife in lieu of her dower \$1000 to be paid to her by my executor hereinafter named.

I give and bequeath to my son **Andrew Galbreath** the further sum of \$700. Also to my son **John Galbreath** I give and bequeath the sum of \$700. To my son **Harvey Galbreath** I give and bequeath the sum of \$500. To my daughter **Jane Galbreath** I give and bequeath the sum of \$400. After the whole of the above-named legacies and bequests are paid, what may yet remain of my estate undisposed of I will and desire should be equally divided among my six sons and one daughter, namely **Samuel Galbreath, James Galbreath, Archibald Galbreath, John Galbreath, Andrew Galbreath, Harvey Galbreath and Jane Galbreath**. In order that it may be well understood by those who survive me, the reason for the apparent unequal division I herein state that those of my children who seem to be the best provided for have served me a length of time since their minority for which I consider myself in duty bound to make them an allowance.

Lastly: I hereby constitute and appoint my son **Harvey Galbreath** to be executor of this [blurred] all former wills by me made, ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have [?] to set my hand and seal this 22nd day of April, A.D. 1847

Robert Galbreath

witnesses:

Elijah Larkin

John Armstrong

Azariah Jarman

Codicil - to wit: Whereas I, Robert Galbreath of Clermont County and state of Ohio having made and duly executed my last will and testament in writing, being date the 22nd day of April 1847. Now I do hereby declare this present writing to be as a codicil to my said will and testament, not having explicitly provided for my personal property such as household furniture, stock, farming utensils &c - it is my will and desire that all my household furniture, stock on the farm, farming utensils &c shall be given to my beloved wife **Catherine Galbreath** for her own use and benefit forever, leaving her at perfect liberty to dispose of the same for her own use or divide the same amongst my above-named children as she make think proper, having full confidence that she will use and dispose of the same prudently. As witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 28th day of April, 1847.

Robert Galbreath

Harvey Galbreath, administrator of Catherine Galbreath - final discharge