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KING COUNTY SURROGATE'S COURT

In Matter of the Petition of

*Alfred C. Bedford*  
as

Executor of the Last Will and Testament of

*Josh. Tamm Bedford*  
of the County of Kings, deceased.

Petition, Citation, Original Will,  
Proofs of Will, Orders, Etc.

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## Kings County Surrogate's Court

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In the Matter of the Petition of ALFRED COTTON BEDFORD and HENRY EDWARD BEDFORD, Jr.

to prove the Last Will and Testament of SARAH JANE BEDFORD,

Affidavit under the Law in Relation to Taxable Transfers.

late of the County of Kings, Deceased

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF ~~KINGS~~ NEW YORK

RECORDS OF MANHATTAN

being duly sworn, says that he is a

petitioner herein. That the above named decedent was at the time of her death a resident of Hotel Mohawk, 379 Washington Ave., Brooklyn, New York and died on the seventh - - - day of AUGUST - - - - - 1919

That the estimated value of the real property in this State of which said decedent died seized is over five thousand - - - - - Dollars.

That the value of personal property, wherever situate, of which said decedent died possessed ~~does not~~ exceed Ten thousand - - - - - Dollars.

That said decedent did not, - - - - during her - - - lifetime make any transfer of property by deed, grant, bargain, sale or gift, in contemplation of her - - - death, or intended to take effect in possession or enjoyment at or after her - - - death.

That the following is a statement of the names and places of residences of all persons entitled to any portion of the estate of said decedent, and the relationship of such persons to said decedent.

NAME	Amount of Legacy	RESIDENCE	RELATIONSHIP
Henry Edward Bedford	Unknown	475 Washington Ave. Brooklyn, N.Y.	Son
Alfred Cotton Bedford	Unknown	Glen Cove, Nassau County, N.Y.	Son
Henry Edward Bedford Jr.	Unknown	117 Gates Ave. Brooklyn, N.Y.	Grandson
Henrietta Dean	\$ 2000 00	567 <del>Montreal</del> <sup>Montreal</sup> , Canada.	Sister
Alice Milne Bedford	Unknown	475 Washington Ave. Brooklyn, N.Y.	Daughter-in-law
Frances Alice Bedford (Chapin)	"	2411 N. Charles Street Baltimore, Md.	Granddaughter

Sworn to before me, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September - - 1919

*[Signature]*

*[Signature]*  
Henry Edward Bedford Jr.

# Kings County Surrogate's Court

In the Matter of the Petition of

ALFRED COTTON BEDFORD and HENRY EDWARD BEDFORD, Jr.

to Prove the Last Will and Testament of

SARAH JANE BEDFORD,

late of the County of Kings, deceased.

TO THE SURROGATE'S COURT OF THE COUNTY OF KINGS:

THE PETITION OF ALFRED COTTON BEDFORD, who resides at Glen Cove, Nassau County, New York, and Henry Edward Bedford, Jr. who reside at No. 117 Gates Avenue, in the Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York, alleges

That they are two of the Executors named in the last Will and Testament of SARAH JANE BEDFORD - - - - - late of the County of Kings, deceased.

That the said deceased resided at the time of her death at Hotel Mohawk, No. 379 Washington Ave. Brooklyn, N.Y. and died at Hotel Mohawk, No. 379 Washington Ave. Brooklyn, N.Y. on the 7th - - day of August, 1919 ~~XX~~

That said last Will and Testament was made at the City of New York - - - - - and relates to both Real and Personal Property, and bears date the thirteenth day of November - - - - - 1911, and was signed by Charles M. Burtis, John C. Maddock and Charles C. D. Gott - - - - - as witnesses.

That the petitioners do not know of any other Will or of any Codicil to said Will, or of any instrument purporting to be such, nor is there any to petitioner's best information and belief.

That said deceased left her surviving ~~XX~~ no husband.  
(Insert Widow or Husband)

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

That all the heirs at law and all the next of kin of said deceased are as follows, to wit:

Henry Edward Bedford, - - - - - a son - - - - - of deceased who resides at 475 Washington Avenue in the Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York; and

Alfred Cotton Bedford, - - - - - a son - - - - - of deceased who resides at Glen Cove, Nassau County, New York, one of your petitioners

who resides at \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ of deceased

who resides at \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ of deceased



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That the names and post-office addresses of the legatees, devisees, executors, trustees and testamentary guardians named or described in the said will or any other will filed in the Surrogate's Office, Kings County, other than the persons named above and who are not heirs at law or next of kin of said deceased, are as follows:

- ✓ Henrietta Dean - - - - - who resides  
 - at No. 567 Roslyn Avenue, West Mount, - - - - - who resides  
 in the City of Montreal, Province of Quebec, Dominion of  
 Canada;
- ✓ Henry Edward Bedford Jr. - - - - - who resides at  
 No. 117 Gates Avenue, Brooklyn, New York;
- ✓ Frances Alice Chapin (formerly Frances Alice Bedford) whose address  
 is No. 2411 North Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland,
- ✓ Alice Milne Bedford - - - - - who resides at  
 475 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn-New York;
- ✓ Adeline Brown and Margaret McGoldrick, legatees named ~~to take~~  
 in the will, predeceased testator, and by reason of  
 which fact their legacies have lapsed.

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That all the persons above named are of full age and of sound mind.

That no petition for the probate of the said will or for letters of administration on the estate of the said deceased has been heretofore filed in this or any other Surrogate's Court of the State of New York, and that no other will of the said deceased has been filed in the Surrogate's Office of Kings County, except as hereinbefore mentioned and described.

That the value of the real property in the State of New York of which the said deceased died seized is **over five thousand** - - - - - dollars and that the value of the personal property of which the said deceased died possessed is **over ten thousand** - - - - - dollars.

That there are no persons interested in this application or proceeding other than those hereinbefore mentioned.

YOUR PETITIONER S THEREFORE PRAY :

That a decree be made admitting the said last will and Testament to probate as a will of real and personal property and that Letters Testamentary may be issued to the Executors who may qualify thereunder.

That a citation issue herein to the persons entitled thereto, citing them to show cause why such decree should not be made.

Dated the 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 1919.

*Alfred C. Bedford*  
Petitioner.  
*Henry Edward Bedford Jr.*  
Petitioner.

New York :  
COUNTY OF ~~KINGS~~ ss.: :  
Borough of Manhattan : ss: ALFRED COTTON BEDFORD and HENRY  
City of New York :

EDWARD BEDFORD Jr. - - - - - the above named  
petitioner being duly sworn, say, each for himself I have read the foregoing petition and the same is true to my own knowledge, except as to the matters therein stated to be alleged on information and belief, and as to those matters I believe it to be true.

Sworn to before me this 15<sup>th</sup>  
day of September 1919 }

*Frank King*  
Commissioner of Public Safety, New York  
Residing in the Borough of Queens  
New York County Register No. 19075  
New York County Clerk No. 129  
Kings County Register No. 9053  
Kings County Clerk No. 172A,  
Queens County Clerk No. 3474  
My Commission Expires October 2, 1919.

*Alfred C. Bedford*  
Petitioner.  
*Henry Edward Bedford Jr.*  
Petitioner.

# Kings County Surrogate's Court

In the Matter of the Petition of  
ALFRED COTTON BEDFORD and HENRY EDWARD  
BEDFORD, Jr.

to Prove the Last Will and Testament of

Waiver and Consent.

SARAH JANE BEDFORD  
Late of the County of Kings, Deceased.

I, HENRY EDWARD BEDFORD - - - - -

the undersigned, being of full age, and an - - - - - heir at law and next  
of kin of Sarah Jane Bedford, late of the County of Kings, deceased  
named in the petition herein, do hereby appear in person and waive the issuance and  
Service of a citation in the above entitled matter, and consent that the Last Will and  
Testament of Sarah Jane Bedford, late of the County of Kings, deceased,  
bearing date the thirteenth day of November, in the year One thousand  
nine hundred and eleven - - - - - be admitted to probate forthwith.

*Sign by Henry Edward Bedford*

STATE OF ~~MAINE~~ <sup>Maine</sup> )  
COUNTY OF ~~MAINE~~ <sup>Franklin</sup> ) ss.:

On this *fifteenth* day of September in  
the year 1919, before me personally came HENRY EDWARD BEDFORD

known to me to be the person - - - - - described in and who executed the foregoing  
waiver and consent, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

*William J. Patterson*

Notary Public.

OUTSIDE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, and where a certificate of a County Clerk or other official is required to be subjoined to the certificate of proof of acknowledgment, such first named certificate must show among other requirements of the statute that the officer taking the proof of acknowledgment was duly authorized by the laws of the State or dominion to TAKE THE PROOF OR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DEEDS TO BE RECORDED THEREIN.

STATE OF MAINE :  
:ss:  
COUNTY OF Lincoln:

✓ Lincoln I. W.F. Merrill Clerk, of the  
✓ County of \_\_\_\_\_ in the State of Maine, and also Clerk of the  
Supreme Judicial Court, the same being a  
✓ Court of Record of the aforesaid County, having by law  
a seal, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that William D. Patterson,  
✓ by whom the foregoing Waiver and Consent was taken and whose  
name is subscribed thereto, was, at the time of taking the  
same, a Notary Public  
residing in said County, duly commissioned and sworn,  
and authorized by the laws of said State to take the proof  
or acknowledgment of deeds and other instruments in writ-  
ing to be recorded in said State and to administer oaths  
or affirmations in said county; and that I am well acquaint-  
ed with his handwriting and verily believe that the signa-  
ture to the foregoing certificate is genuine.

✓ IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto  
set my hand and affixed my official seal, which is the  
seal of said Court, this fifteenth day of September,  
1919.

I. W. F. Merrill

Clerk.

Seal

# Kings County Surrogate's Court

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ALFRED COTTON BEDFORD and HENRY  
EDWARD BEDFORD, Jr.

To Prove the Last Will and Testament of

SARAH JANE BEDFORD,

late of the County of Kings, deceased.

**Affidavit of  
Service of  
Notice of  
Probate.**

§ 2616

City and State of New York, :  
COUNTY OF KINGS, :SS:  
Borough of Brooklyn :

F R A N K S. K I N G

of 8630 114th Street, Richmond Hill, N.Y. - - - - - being duly  
sworn, says that on the *19<sup>th</sup>* day of September, 1919 he deposited in the  
post office, at the County of Kings, a copy of the within notice of probate, contained in a securely closed  
post-paid wrapper, directed to each of the following named persons respectively at the place

hereinafter set forth, as follows:

Mrs. Henrietta Dean, 867 Roslyn Avenue, West Mount, Montreal,  
Canada.

Mrs. Frances Alice Chapin, 2411 North Charles Street,  
Baltimore, Md.

Mrs. Alice Milne Bedford, 475 Washington Avenue  
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Sworn to before me this  
*19<sup>th</sup>* day of September, 1919

*Julius J. Schwartz*

*Frank S. King*

Commissioner of Deeds for the City of New York, residing in Kings County

Certificates filed in the office of the Clerk and Register of Kings County, N.Y.

*My term Expires Jan. 14 1921.*



# Kings County Surrogate's Court

In the Matter of the Petition of  
**ALFRED COTTON BEDFORD and HENRY  
 EDWARD BEDFORD, Jr.**

To Prove the Last Will and Testament of

**SARAH JANE BEDFORD**

late of the County of Kings, deceased.

### NOTICE OF PROBATE

§ 2616

§ 2618

TAKE NOTICE that the Last Will and Testament of Sarah Jane Bedford, late of the County of Kings - - - - - deceased, has been offered for probate, and that the names and post office addresses of the proponent and of the legatees, devisees and other beneficiaries, as set forth in the petition herein, who have not been cited or have not appeared or waived citation, are as follows:

the proponent **Alfred Cotton Bedford** - - - - -

whose post office address is Glen Cove, Nassau County, New York; - - - - -

the proponent **Henry Edward Bedford, Jr.** - - - - -

whose post office address is 117 Gates Avenue, Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York;  
**Henrietta Dean, a sister,** - - - - -

whose post office address is 567 Roslyn Avenue, West Mount, Montreal, Canada;

**Frances Alice Chapin, granddaughter,** - - - - -

whose post office address is 2411 North Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland;

**Alice Milne Bedford, daughter-in-law,** - - - - -

whose post office address is 475 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn, New York;

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## Kings County Surrogate's Court.

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ALFRED COTTON BEDFORD and HENRY EDWARD  
BEDFORD Jr.,

to Prove the Last Will and Testament of

SARAH JANE BEDFORD,

Late of the County of Kings, deceased.

*Designation  
under C. C. P. §2565*

~~X~~ We, ALFRED COTTON BEDFORD residing at ~~117 Gates Avenue, Brooklyn, New York,~~ ~~and HENRY EDWARD BEDFORD, Jr., residing at 117 Gates Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y.~~ about to be appointed the executors in this proceeding do hereby designate the Clerk of the Surrogate's Court of the County of Kings, and his successor in office as a person on whom service of any process issuing from said Court in this proceeding or in any other proceeding which shall affect the estate of the said Sarah Jane Bedford, - - - - - deceased, may be made in like manner and with like effect as if it were served personally upon me, whenever I cannot be found and served within the State of New York after due diligence used.

*Alfred C. Bedford  
Henry Edward Bedford, Jr.*

New York :  
COUNTY OF ~~KINGS, N.Y.~~ New York :ss:  
Borough of Manhattan \*

On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1919, before me personally came Alfred Cotton Bedford and Henry Edward Bedford, Jr. to me known and known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and they duly - - - - - acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

*Frank Lewis*

Commissioner of Deeds, City of New York  
Residing in the Borough of Queens  
New York County Register No. 19045  
New York County Clerk No. 179  
Kings County Register No. 9055  
Kings County Clerk No. 1784  
Queens County Clerk No. 3474  
My Commission Expires October 2, 1919.

*Notary Public - Kings County*

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ALFRED COTTON BEDFORD and HENRY EDWARD BEDFORD, Jr.

to prove the Last Will and Testament of

SARAH JANE BEDFORD,

late of the County of Kings, deceased.

Deposition of Subscribing  
Witness

STATE OF NEW YORK )  
COUNTY OF KINGS )

of *Douglaston, Long Island, New York*

CHARLES M. BURTIS, ---

being duly sworn

and examined before a Surrogate's Court of the County of Kings, deposes and says:

I was acquainted with *Sarah Jane Bedford*, late of the County of Kings, now deceased.

That the subscription of the name of said decedent, at the end of the instrument now shown to me, and offered for probate as *-----* the last Will and Testament of the said *Sarah Jane Bedford* *-----* deceased, and bearing date the *thirteenth* day of *November* *-----* in the year one thousand nine *---* hundred and eleven, was made by the said decedent at the *County of Kings* in the presence of myself and the other subscribing witnesses, *John C. Maddock and Charles C. D. Gott.*

That at the time of making such subscription the said decedent declared the said instrument so subscribed by *her* to be *her* last Will and Testament, and I thereupon signed my name as a witness, at the end of said instrument, at the request of said decedent and in *her* presence. I also saw said *John C. Maddock and Charles C. D. Gott, ---*

the other subscribing witnesses, sign their names as a witness at the end of said Will, and know that they did so at the request and in the presence of said decedent.

That the said decedent, at the time of executing the said instrument, was over the age of twenty-one years, of sound mind and memory, and not under any restraint, and competent in every respect to make a will.

Subscribed and sworn to this  
of September, *19* day } *Charles M. Burtis*  
*-----* 1919

*George B. Keenan*  
Assistant Probate Clerk, Surrogate's Court,  
Kings County, N. Y.

# Kings County Surrogate's Court



In the Matter of the Petition of  
ALFRED COTTON BEDFORD and HENRY EDWARD BEDFORD,  
Jr.

to prove the Last Will and Testament of  
SARAH JANE BEDFORD,

late of the County of Kings, deceased.

Deposition of Subscribing  
Witness

STATE OF NEW YORK }  
COUNTY OF KINGS } ss.:

of *White Plains, Westchester County, N. Y.* CHARLES C. D. GOTT being duly sworn  
and examined before a Surrogate's Court of the County of Kings, deposes and says:

I was acquainted with Sarah Jane Bedford, late of the County of Kings,  
now deceased.

That the subscription of the name of said decedent, at the end of the instrument now shown to me,  
and offered for probate as - - - - - the last Will and Testament of the said  
Sarah Jane Bedford, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ deceased, and bearing date the thirteenth  
day of November - - in the year one thousand nine --- hundred and eleven  
was made by the said decedent at the County of Kings, - - - - -  
in the presence of myself and the other subscribing witnesses, Charles M. Burtis and  
John C. Maddock - - - - -

That at the time of making such subscription the said decedent declared the said instrument so  
subscribed by her to be her - - - - - last Will and Testament, and I  
thereupon signed my name as a witness, at the end of said instrument, at the request of said decedent and  
in her presence. I also saw said Charles M. Burtis and John C. Maddock, --

the other subscribing witnesses, sign their names as a witness at the end of said - - -  
Will, and know that they did so at the request and in the presence of said decedent.

That the said decedent, at the time of executing the said instrument, was over the age of twenty-  
one years, of sound mind and memory, and not under any restraint, and competent in every respect to make  
a will.

Subscribed and sworn to this *19<sup>th</sup>* day }  
of September - - - - - 1919 }

*George B. Keenan*  
Assistant Probate Clerk, Surrogate's Court,  
Kings County, N. Y.

*Chas. C. D. Gott*

At a Surrogate's Court held in and for the County of Kings,  
on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September 1919,

Present, Hon. ~~GEORGE ALBERT WINGATE~~ HERBERT T. KETCHAM, Surrogate.

In the Matter of the Petition of  
Alfred Cotton Bedford and  
Henry Edward Bedford Jr.

to prove the Last Will and Testament of

Sarah Jane Bedford.

late of the County of Kings, deceased.

Decree Granting Probate.

SATISFACTORY PROOF having been made that jurisdiction has been obtained of all persons entitled to notice of this proceeding,

And the witnesses to said Last Will and Testament \_\_\_\_\_ having been sworn and examined, their examination having been reduced to writing and filed, and it appearing that said Will was \_\_\_\_\_ duly executed, and that the Testatrix, at the time of executing it, was in all respects competent to make a Will, and not under restraint; and this Court being satisfied of the genuineness of the Will \_\_\_\_\_, and the validity of its execution; and the Probate thereof not having been contested.

IT IS DECREED, that the instrument offered for probate herein be, and the same hereby is admitted to probate as the Last Will and Testament of the said \_\_\_\_\_ deceased, valid to pass Real and Personal property, that the said Will \_\_\_\_\_ and this Decree be recorded, and that Letters Testamentary be issued to the Executors who may qualify thereunder.

George Albert Wingate  
Surrogate.

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## Kings County Surrogate's Court.

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BEDFORD, Jr.

to Prove the Last Will and Testament of

SARAH JANE BEDFORD,

late of the County of Kings, deceased.

Oath of Executor ✓

CITY AND  
State of New York, }  
NEW YORK ss.:  
County of ~~KINGS~~ }

I, ALFRED COTTON BEDFORD, one of the - - - - - Execut ors  
named in the Last Will and Testament of Sarah Jane Bedford  
late of the County of Kings, deceased, being duly sworn, do depose and say:

That I reside at ~~Brooklyn~~ Glen Cove, Nassau County, - - - - -  
in the State of New York - - - - - , that I am  
over twenty-one years of age, and that I will well, faithfully and honestly discharge the duties of  
Execut or of said Last Will and Testament of Sarah Jane Bedford.

Subscribed and sworn to, this <sup>15<sup>th</sup></sup> day  
of September, - - - - - 1919

Alfred C. Bedford

Frank King

Commissioner of Deeds, City of New York  
Residing in the Borough of Queens  
New York City, Register No. 19073  
New York County Clerk No. 179  
Kings County Register No. 9053  
Kings County Clerk No. 178A.  
Queens County Clerk No. 3474  
My Commission Expires October 2, 1919.

Printed and signed by Frank King, Kings County, N. Y.



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Fol. 1. KINGS COUNTY SURROGATE'S COURT.

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 IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF  
 ALFRED COTTON BEDFORD and HENRY EDWARD  
 BEDFORD, Jr.  
 to Prove the last Will and Testament of  
 SARAH JANE BEDFORD,  
 late of the County of Kings, deceased.  
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I, HENRY EDWARD BEDFORD, of the  
 Borough of Brooklyn, City of New York, one of the executors  
 named and appointed in and by the Last Will and Testament  
 of SARAH JANE BEDFORD, late of the County of Kings, de-  
 ceased, do hereby R E N O U N C E the said appointment  
 and all right and claim to Letters Testamentary under the  
 said Last Will and Testament, or to act as executor thereof.

Dated, September 15, 1919.

Henry Edward Bedford

STATE OF MAINE,  
 COUNTY OF Lincoln:

On this fifteenth day of September, One  
 thousand nine hundred nineteen, before me personally came  
 HENRY EDWARD BEDFORD, to me known and known to me to be  
 the individual described in and who executed the foregoing  
 renunciation, and he thereupon duly acknowledged to me  
 that he had executed the same.

William D. Dutton  
 Notary Public



STATE OF MAINE

COUNTY OF Lincoln

} ss:

I, W. F. Merrill,

Clerk of the County of Lincoln

in the State of Maine, and also Clerk of the Supreme  
Judicial Court, the same being a Court of Record

of the aforesaid County, having by law a seal, DO HEREBY

CERTIFY that William D. Patterson,

by whom the foregoing Renunciation was taken and whose  
name is subscribed thereto, was, at the time of taking the  
same, a Notary Public

residing in said County, duly commissioned and sworn, and  
authorized by the laws of said State to take the proof or  
acknowledgment of deeds and other instruments in writing  
to be recorded in said State and to administer oaths or  
affirmations in said county; and that I am well acquainted  
with his handwriting and verily believe that the signature  
to the foregoing certificate is genuine.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have here-  
unto set my hand and affixed my official seal, which is the  
seal of said Court, this fifteenth day of September,  
1919.

W. F. Merrill

Clerk.

Seal

## Kings County Surrogate's Court

In the Matter of the Petition of

*Alfred C. Bedford and  
Henry E. Bedford Jr.*  
to Prove the Last Will and Testament of

*Sarah Jane Bedford*  
late of the County of Kings, deceased.

Certificate of Probate.

STATE OF NEW YORK, }  
COUNTY OF KINGS, } ss.:

**BE IT REMEMBERED,** That in pursuance of Section 2621 of the Code of Civil Procedure, I hereby certify that on the day of the date hereof, the last Will and Testament of *Sarah Jane Bedford* deceased, being the annexed written instrument, ~~was~~ upon due proof duly admitted to probate by the Surrogate's Court of the County of Kings and by the Surrogate of said County, as and for the last Will and Testament of said deceased, and as a Will valid to pass Real and Personal Property.

Said last Will and Testament is recorded in the office of said Surrogate, in Liber *511* of Wills, page *76*.

**In Testimony Whereof,** I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the Seal of Office of the Surrogate of said County, this *19<sup>th</sup>* day of *September* one thousand nine hundred and *nineteen*.

L. S.

*John W. McHenry*  
Clerk of the Surrogate's Court.