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Know all men by these presents that I, Joshua Ray of the County of DeKalb in the State of Missouri, do make ordain and publish this my Last Will and Testament:

First: I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife, Mary E. Ray, for support and maintenance of herself and our children, all my property and estate of every kind to have hold use and enjoy the same during her natural life with full power to sell and convey any or all of said property at any time when she thinks it expedient for the interest of herself and children so to do: and use the proceeds of such sale for their and her support and maintenance or in vest the same in more convenient or profitable manner.

Second: after the death of my said wife I will and require that my then remaining estate be equally divided between my children Grace E. Ray, Maud L. Ray, and Ernest L. Ray, and such equal shares thereof I hereby give and bequeath to each of them severally.

Third: I hereby appoint my said beloved wife Mary E. Ray, Executrix without bond of this Will.

In witness whereof I have hereto signed my name at Maysville, Mo, on this the 4th day of August A.D. 1890. in presence of H. J. Ray and A. C. Putnam, who at my request attest my execution hereof.

Joshua Ray.

State of Missouri } ss
County of DeKalb }

On this 4th day of August 1890, in our presence Joshua Ray signed his name to the foregoing instrument of writing and declared the same to be his last will and testament.

H. J. Ray (
 A. C. Putnam } Witnesses -

Proof of Will:

State of Missouri } ss
County of DeKalb } In the Probate Court
Be it remembered that on this 16th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety before me, W. H. Rogers Clerk of the Probate Court, held in and for the County of DeKalb and State of Missouri, personally appeared A. C. Putnam, of the County of DeKalb

aforesaid who, being duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and says that he was present, and saw Joshua Ray sign the foregoing instrument, purporting to be the last will and testament of him the said Joshua Ray. We heard him hush and declare the same to be his last will and testament, and that at the time of signing the same, the said Joshua Ray was of sound and disposing mind, and more than twenty one years of age that this deponent and H. J. Ray the other attesting witness subscribed their names thereto as witnesses to the same, in the presence of the testator, and of each other, and at the request of the said testator.

Subscribed and subscribed before me
 Seal of Court }
 W. H. Rogers Judge of Probate
 of the Probate Court, the day and year first aforesaid } A. E. Putnam.

State of Missouri }
 County of DeKalb }³⁵ In the Probate Court of DeKalb County Mo.
 J. W. H. Rogers Judge of the Probate Court of DeKalb County Missouri, having examined the foregoing instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of Joshua Ray deceased, and signed by said Joshua Ray deceased late of DeKalb County Missouri, and having heard the testimony of A. E. Putnam one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, in relation to the execution of the same, do declare and adjudge said instrument to be the last will and testament of said Joshua Ray deceased, and the same is therefore admitted to Probate.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court at office this 16th day of August 1890.

W. H. Rogers.
 Judge of Probate.