

Will of Thomas B Markham

In the name of God amen. To all whom it may concern I Thomas Bernard Markham of Platte County, State of Missouri being in feeble Health of body though of sound mind and knowing the uncertainty of all things earthly, and of human life especially, do hereby make and declare this to be my last will and Testament and

First – It is my will and I hereby decree that my wife Sarah Markham shall have, hold and possess after my decease all of my personal and real estate including all lands and tenements, horses, cattle and stock of all kinds together with all moneys, notes or accounts, household and kitchen furniture . . . To have and to hold the same in her own right and for her own use and benefit during her natural life and

Secondly It is my will and I do hereby appoint the said Sarah Markham my wife my sole administrator and executor and she is hereby authorized to settle all my unsettled business, to collect all dues and pay all legal demands against my estate She being responsible In all cases for all my contracts and engagements, and

Thirdly at her demise the same property of whatever kind that may be left by her shall be divided equally between or among her children. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 14th day of November AD 1852,
Thomas Bernard Markham (seal)

Signed published and declared by the above named Thomas Bernard Markham as and for this last will and testament In presence of who at his request have signed as witnesses to the same this 25th day of October 1853.

George W Smoot
LR Robbens

[source] Missouri, Wills and Probate Records, 1766-1988 (database); probate for Thomas B Markham, dated 25 October 1853, Platte County Missouri; transcribed by Pamela Hutchison Garrett, January 2017.

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