

Simeon Covell – Last Will and Testament

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The last will and testament of Simeon Covell Esquire deceased, filed at the surrogate court for the Eastern District, the twenty-eighth day of June in the year of Our Lord, one thousand, seven hundred and ninety eight.

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Samuel Sherwood, Register

In the name of God, amen. I Simeon Covell of Augusta County of Grenville in the Eastern District of the Province of Upper Canada Esquire, being of sound disposing mind, memory and understanding, but mindful of my mortality, do this first day of November, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and ninety six, make my last will and testament in a manner and form following: That is to say first I desire to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executrix herein after to be named. And as to all my worldly estate, both real and personal I give devise and bequeath the same as follows: First I give and bequeath and Devise unto my daughter Susannah Covell, all that Messuage land or Tenement, situate lying and being in Augusta aforesaid, commonly known by the name and description of lots number four and five bounded in front by the River St. Lawrence, on the west side by the lands of William Martin and on the east side by the lands of Major Edward Jessup, containing by elimination four hundred acres more or less, together with fifty acres in the second Concession of Augusta aforesaid, being the front half of Lot number four in said Concession, containing the fourth part of said lot, together with the house in which I now live, and all the buildings on said premises erected, together with every appurtenance and privilege thereunto belonging: to have and to hold the said messuage or tenement and premises to my said Daughter Susannah Covill her heirs and assigns for ever in fee simple. I likewise further give devise and bequeath unto my said daughter Susannah Covill all that farm or tenement situate in the third Concession of the Township of Elizabethtown, comprising the west half of lot number fourteen the whole of lot number fifteen and the east half of lot number sixteen containing five hundred acres more or less, with every appurtenance and privilege thereunto belonging to my said Daughter Susannah Covill her heirs and assigns to have and to hold for ever in fee simple. And I do further give devise and bequeath unto my said Daughter Susannah Covill all that Certain land, farm or tenement situate in the Township of Lansdown in the aforesaid District comprising lots number three and four in the first Concession of said Township and lot number three and half of lot number four in the second Concession of said township, containing seven hundred acres, more or less. And I do further hereby give devise and bequeath unto my said Daughter Susannah Covill all that land or farm situate in the township of Elizabethtown in the County of Leeds in said district, including lots number eight and half number seven in the first Concession of said Township, and part of lot no. eight and half number seven in the front of the second Concession of said Township containing five hundred acres more or less: to have and to hold the aforesaid premises to my said Daughter Susannah Covell her heirs and assigns forever in fee simple. And I do hereby give devise and bequeath unto my son James Covell, all that land or farm situate in Lansdown in the County of Leeds in said District known by the name of lots number one and two in the first Concession of said Township containing four hundred acres more or less, to have and to hold to the said James Covell his heirs and assigns for ever. And I do hereby Give Devise and bequeath unto my son John Covill that certain land or farm situate in the Township of Lansdown aforesaid , comprising lots number one and two in the second Concession of said Township, containing four hundred acres more or less: To have and to hold the aforesaid premises to the said John Covell his heirs and assigns for ever. And I do hereby give devise and bequeath unto John the natural son of Jane Butler and John Covell that certain farm or land situate in the Township of Yonge in the County of Leeds in said district known by the name of lot number twenty two in the fourth Concession of the said

township: to have and to hold the said land to the said John his heirs and assigns forever. And I do further give devise and bequeath unto the said John the natural son of the said Jane Butler and John Covell that certain farm or land situate in the fifth Concession of the township of Augusta aforesaid containing two hundred acres more, or less, to have and to hold to him and his heirs forever. And I do hereby give devise and bequeath further to my said Daughter Susannah Covill all that Certain Messuage land or tenement situate at Kingstown in the midland district of the said province of Upper Canada known by the name and description of Town lots number sixty three, and eighty eight adjacent thereto, with a dwelling house thereon erected, and every appurtenance and privilege thereto belonging: To have and to hold to the said Susannah Covell, her heirs and assigns for ever. And as to my personal or moveable property it is my will that the same be disposed of in the following manner to wit: after all my just debts and funeral expenses are paid, I give to my son James Covell my potash works, kettles, coolers and feeches (sic) with every thing thereonto belonging situate upon the lands of Daniel Dunham in Augusta aforesaid together with the house and the remainder of the lease on which the same are situated. I likewise further give to my said son James Covill all my farming utensils, which I am or may be possessed of, of whatever nature or description forever together with one yoke of oxen and one horse and I give all my wearing apparel to my two sons, James Covell and John Covell to be equally and fairly divided between them. And I do hereby make, ordain, nominate, constitute and appoint my Daughter Susannah Covell my sole executrix to this my last will and testament and do give devise and bequeath to her all the rest residue and remainder of all my estate real and personal whatsoever, and wheresoever not herein otherwise effectually disposed of subject nevertheless to the payment of fifty pounds currency to the aforesaid John natural son of the aforesaid John Covell and Jane Butler for his education in the most convenient school in said district, to be paid at the discretion of my said executrix in such annual sums as she shall deem necessary till the said fifty pounds is expended. In witness whereof I the said Simeon Covell the testator have to this my will contained on three sheets of paper set my hand to the bottom of the two preceding sheets and my hand and seal to this sheet the day of year aforesaid hereby revoking all former wills that I have made.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said testator Simeon Covell as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request, and in his presence and in presence of each other have hereto subscribed our names as witness.
Six words being interlined and one erased.

James Campbell
Thomas Doyle

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