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Will of David Lee

In the name of God Amen. I David Lee of the Town of Absecon County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey being in delicate health But of sound and disposing mind and memory calling to mind the frailty and uncertainty of human life, and being desirous of settling my worldly affairs and directing how the estates which it has pleased God to bless me, shall be disposed of after my decease while I have strength and capacity so to do, do make and publish this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and making null and void, all other Last wills and Testaments by me heretofore made And first I command my immortal being to him who gave it, and my body to the earth.

And as to my worldly estate and all the property real personal or mixed of which I shall die seized and possessed, or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease, I devise bequeath and dispose thereof in the manner following, to wit. My will is that all my just debts and funeral charges shall by my executors hereinafter named be paid out of my estate as soon after my decease as shall by them be found convenient.

Item I give devise and Bequeath unto my Beloved Wife Jemima Lee my House and homestead where I now live with all the appurtenances and improvements thereon situated lying and being in the Town of Absecon County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey and Bounded as follows Beginning at a corner standing on the Southwest side of the Road on Street leading from Absecon Bridge in a northwesterly course. Through the town of Absecon past the Presbyterian Church and cemetery one hundred feet from a corner of Peter Grambus' deceased Land Standing in the Line of Said Road and running thence in a South Easterly course following in the line of Said Road to a corner of Daniel Champion and then in Said Champion's line in a south westerly direction to a corner in the line of Camden and Atlantic Rail Road thence in a North westerly direction in the line of Said Rail Road to a corner one hundred feet from the corner of the division Line between Peter Grambus' deceased and my self therein in a line running parallel with the division line of Peter Grambus' deceased Land and my own to the corner standing in Said Road one hundred feet from the said Peter Grambus' deceased corner or place of Beginning to have and to hold to her and her assigns for and during the term of her natural life and all profits income and advantages that may result therefrom and from and immediately after the decease of my wife Jemima Lee I give and devise the same unto

My Daughter Caroline F. Smith wife of Capt Wesley Smith to her her heirs
and assigns for ever

Item I give and bequeath to my Niece Alice B Lee daughter of Elisha Lee
My House and Lot in Absecon Town situated on the north west side
of the lot of Land on which my Homestead Dwelling House stands it being
a part of and sit-off from said Homestead Lot and Bounded as follows.
Beginning at a corner standing in the line of the Road leading from
Absecon Bridge and running in a north westerly direction through
the Town of Absecon past the Presbyterian church and Cemetery said
corner standing in the division line of land Belonging to Peter Frambe
rue and myself and running thence in a south easterly course in
the line of Said Road one hundred feet to the Beginning corner of my
Homestead grounds or lot thence in a south west course parallell to
the division line between Peter Frambe and my own Land to the
line of the Camden and Atlantic Rail Road thence in the line of said
Rail Road in a North westerly course to a corner standing in the division
line of Peter Frambe's and myself and running thence in said line
to place of beginning to her her heirs and assigns for ever. In case
my niece Alice Lee should die without lawful issue then Said House
and lot with the improvements thereon shall Revert back to my son
James W Lee and my Daughters Caroline F. Smith Taletha Alexander
and Elizabeth S. Lee share and share a little to them their heirs and
assigns for ever

Item I give devise and Bequeath to my wife Jemima Lee my Dwelling House
to her the use improvement and income Standing on the north westerly
side of my Homestead Dwelling House where I now resid and bounded
by the same Boundary with my Said Homestead dwelling during the
~~the~~ term of her natural life and immediately after the deceas of my
Beloved wife Jemima Lee I give the same to my Daughter Caroline
F. Smith wife of Capt Wesley Smith to her her heirs and assigns forever
And it is my will and I do order that the Land which I own and
is situated in the Town of Absecon on the south west side of Charlotte
Street on Road leading from my Steam Mill in a north westerly direc
tion to Abraham Doughty Mill be equally divided Between my Son
James W Lee and my Daughter Taletha Alexander wife of John Alexander
to them equally share and share alike as follows Beginning at a corner
standing on the line of said Road and running thence from said cor
ner parallell to the division line Between John Cordry Esq land and
my self to a corner standing at the Edg of Absecon Creek said line
being the division line of Said Land equally The one half on the
western side of Said division line to my Son James W Lee to him

his heirs and assigns for ever and the one half on the eastern side
of said division line to my Daughter Jalitha Alexander wife of John
Alexander with all the improvements thereto to her his heirs and
assigns for ever

Item I give devise and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Lee wife
of Capt John Lee a certain Lot of Land in Atlantic City described
as follows Beginning one hundred feet from the corner of New-
York avenue and Baltic on New York avenue and running thence
seventy two 72 feet parallel with Baltic Avenue to a corner thence
seventy five 75 feet parallel with New York Avenue to Mrs Elizabeth
S Lee corner thence in her line back to New York Avenue seventy
two 72 feet thence along New York Avenue in a westerly course
seventy five 75 feet to the place of Beginning contained within the
bounds of said Lot those Dwelling Houses to have and to hold
the same to her her heirs and assigns for ever

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son James W Lee a certain lot or piece of land
situated in Atlantic City Atlantic County and State of New Jersey and
described as follows Beginning at a corner in the north line of the Cam-
den and Atlantic Rail Road Companies Land and running thence
first northwesterly along the land of the said party of the Second
part eighty five 85 feet to a corner thence second southwesterly
and parallel with Baltic Avenue seventy two 72 feet to a corner
in the easterly line of an alley thence third parallel with said
party of the Second parties line southeasterly to the north line of
the Camden and Atlantic Rail Road thence fourth in the same
to place of Beginning being the same lot of land I purchased
of Samuel Peterson and all the improvements and profits thereof
to have and to hold the same to have his heirs and assigns for ever

Item I give and Bequeath to my wife Jemima Lee all my Household
Furniture my Kitchen Furniture and my Library also my Brads
Beading Bradstads Tables chairs Brunos looking glasses Stoves
and every article of Household goods that I possess at my decease
to have and to hold the same to her her heirs executors administrators
and assigns for ever

Item I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Jalitha Alexander a certain
piece of Land which I in Company with Capt Enoch Scull pur-
chased of Julia Gordy wife of Capt William Gordy it being a piece
of Land belonging to the heirs of Mark Adams son deceased and is sit-
uated on the Southerly side of Absecon creek and on the east side
of Irelands Bald Dock near the Marshal Pond it being land Mark
Adams son deceased purchased of Randolph Marshal and others to have

and to hold the same to her during her natural life Then to her surviving heirs Share and Share alike to them their heirs and assigns for ever in case my Daughter Isabella Alexander should die without lawful issue then the above described Land shall revert Back to her Brother and Sisters equally Share and Share alike to them their heirs and assigns for ever

I do order and it is my will that my Barn carriage House and all the Buildings attach'd therunto Said Barn being situated in the Town of Absecon and Standing on the same Lot of ground on which my House stands that I give to my Niece Alice Lee Daughter of Elisha Lee shall be under the Controle and for the sole use and Benefit of my wife Jemima Lee during her natural life and that she shall have a free and unobstructed access too and from Said Barn without her deviance or molestation and Immediately after the deceas of wife Jemima Lee Said Barn with all attachments therunto Belonging shall revert back to my niece Alice Lee to have and to hold the same to her and to her heirs

Item I give devise and Bequeath to my Daughter Caroline F. Smith two certain Lots of Land as numbered on a certain map as Lot number Three 3 and four 4 and situated in the Town of Absecon County of Atlantic and on the North side of Charlotte Street and Beginning at a corner of Capt Mosley C Smiths Standing in the line of Charlotte Street and running thence in the line of said Street in a north westerly direction one hundred 100 feet to the corner of Lot No 2 owned at one time by Jacob Hartman now by Capt Mosley C Smith thence in a north easterly direction in the line of No 2 to the corner Standing in the line of Camden and Atlantic Rail Road thence in the line of said Rail Road in a south easterly course 200 ft to the corner of said Mosley C Smiths Lot thence in said Smiths line to a corner in Charlotte street bring the corner or place of Beginning to have and to hold the same to her heirs and assigns for ever

Item I give and Bequeath to my wife Jemima Lee my best Horse and carriage and my best single Harness and my double Harness If I have any also my best Milch Cows my Hogs and Farming ~~other~~ implements Farm Wagon and working Harness Hay feed wood and Cole that I possess or have at my deceas to have and to hold to her heirs executors administrators and assigns for ever

Item I give and Bequeath to my Son James W Lee a certain Tract of Land that I bought of Enoch Cordry and James Rion Executors of Absalom Cordry deceased Situated within the Town of Absecon and County of Atlantic and Located on the eastern side of the Road leading fro

Abscon to Port Republic Known as the Hunt Town Road Beginning at a
square stone marked E D on one side and B on the other side and bounded
by Lands of Absalom Gordy Absalom Doughty and others for further informa-
tion reference to Deed recorded in the clerks Office at Mays Landing At-
lantic county in Book No 84 of Deeds folio 11420 L A Downs clerk to have
and to hold to him his heirs and assigns for ever

Item I give devise and Bequeath to My Son James W Lee a certain lot or piece
of land situated in Atlantic City Atlantic County and described as follows
Beginning at a point in the North Easterly corner of New York and Arctic
avenue thence westwardly along the North line of Arctic avenue Seventy Seven
77 feet more or less to the Camden and Atlantic Rail Road Companies line
thence Southwesterly along said Rail Road Companies line eighty
80 feet more or less to Daniel Collins line thence Northwardly along said
Collins line Three Hundred and Seventy five 375 feet more or less to
Baltic avenue thence Eastwardly along the South line of Baltic avenue
one hundred feet thence Southwardly parallel with New York ave-
nue one hundred 100 feet thence Eastwardly parallel with Baltic
avenue forty four 44 feet more or less to the west line of New York
avenue thence Southwardly along said west line of New York ave-
nue Three Hundred and Seventy five 375 feet to place of Beginning
and see the improvements thereon it being the Land I purchased
of the heir of Judith Hackett to have and to hold the same to him his
heirs and assigns for ever - Out of the above lot or piece of land
I except out certain lots which I have sold to other parties, des-
cribed as follows Beginning one hundred and fifty 150 feet
from Arctic avenue in New York avenue at a corner of my wife's
Jemima Lee and James W Lee and runs thence Seventy two 72 feet
parallel with Arctic Avenue to a corner of Jemima Lee thence Two Hundred
and twenty five 225 feet parallel with New York Avenue to a corner
thence Seventy two 72 feet parallel with Arctic Avenue to a corner
in New York Avenue thence in New York Avenue Two Hundred
and twenty five 225 feet to place of Beginning For a better explana-
tion reference can be made to the Deed from Richard Hackett and others
Recorded in the Clerks Office at Mays Landing Atlantic County N J
in Lib 75 of Deeds folio 340 L A Downs clerk

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth S Lee wife of
Capt John Lee a certain lot or tract of Cedar Swamp situated
in Galloway Township Atlantic County N J of it Being a tract of land
I purchased of Mary A Johnson Adolphus S Johnson and Naomie
his wife containing Fourteen 14 Acres more or less and all the rights
and ways income and profits thereof to have and to hold the same

to her Elizabeth S Lee her heirs and assigns for ever for further information reference to my Deed recorded in the Clerks Office at Mays Landing Atlantic County N.J can be had

Item I give and Bequeath to My Daughter Elizabeth S Lee a free and unencumbered choice of a one Thirty second part of any vessel that I may own or have in my possession at the time of my decease And all the profits revenue and income received from the one thirty second $\frac{1}{32}$ part of said vessel to be paid to my Daughter Elizabeth S Lee to her heirs executors administrators and assigns forever

Item I give and Bequeath my Daughter Caroline F Smiths wife of Capt. T. Mosley Smith the following described piece of land situated in the Township of Egg Harbor County of Atlantic and is Bounded as follows Beginning at a corner in the out bounds of the survey and corner to no 9 sold to Julian Gordry thence South Eighty four degrees and thirty four minutes west Seven chain and ten links to a corner thence South Seventy four degrees thirty four minutes west eight chains and ninety links to a corner over the first Road thence South forty eight degrees west Seven chains and four links to a corner of the Cramber my tract thence along the said North Sixty seven degrees East fifteen chain to a corner of same thence still by same North twenty two degrees fifteen minutes west from chain and ten links to the middle of the Bridge in the dam thence down ingusols the same course to a stable corner to lot no 9 sold to Gordry thence by the same South Thirteen chains Ninety four links to Beginning containing eighteen and $\frac{40}{100}$ acres or the same more or less and is a part of the same land Mark Adams purchased of Randolph Marshal by Deed dated Sep 20 1852 Recorded at Mays Landing in Book D. page 313 with all the profits income and advantages to have and to hold to her heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and Bequeath to My Niece Alice B. Lee Daughter of Elisha Lee the sum of Five Hundred Dollars to be paid to her by my Executors herein after mentioned in two years from the time of my decease as follows two hundred and fifty Dollars to be paid to her at the expiration of the first year after my decease and Two hundred and fifty Dollars at the expiration of the second year from the time of my decease to her and her heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath to my wife Jemima Lee the sum of one thousand dollars in money to be paid to her by my executors hereafter mentioned during her natural life as follows in quarterly instalments That is to say Two hundred and fifty Dollars in three months and Two hundred and fifty Dollars in six months Two hundred and fifty Dollars in nine months and Two hundred and fifty Dollars in

Twelve months said payments to date immediately after the ~~date~~
 of my deceas and to continue from year to year during her
 natural Life to be for the sole use of herself ^{her} heirs' executors ad-
 ministrators and assigns forever and I do order said yearly income
 or dower to be paid out of the income earnen and profits arising out of and
 from the vessels that I own or have in my possession at the time of my
 deceas and In case my executors fail to pay to my wife Anna Lee the
 amount set forth as her yearly income or dower as ordered by this my last
 will and Testament then my wife Anna Lee shall have the right and
 power her or her assigns of controlling retaining and collecting the income
 of my said vessels to the amount she is intitled to yearly and every year
 And I do further order that all of the obligations which I hold
 against sundry persons at my deceas shall be collected by
 my executors and the proceeds thereof appropriated to the payment
 of my just debts But if the amount therefrom shoued be insuffi-
 cient to pay said debts then enough of the Earning of my vessels
 shall be used to satisfy the payment of the Balance of said demand

Item I give and Bequeath to each and every Legitimate Grand Child
 living at my deceas the sum of one Hundred Dollars to be paid
 to them out of the money collected from the obligation I hold against
 various persons to them by my executors within two years from the
 time of my deceas or as soon after as convenient to them their heirs
 and assigns forever But if then shoued not be a sufficient amount
 from said obligations to pay my said Grand Children after paying
 my just debts and demands then the amount to pay said Grand
 Children shall be taken from other income and profits of my estate

Item I give and Bequeath to my Niece Alice B. Lee the organ which
 belongs to me with all the attachments therunto Belonging to her
 her heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and Bequeath to my Grand Son Arthur David Lee son of
 James W Lee my gold watch and chain to him his heirs and assign-
 gers forever

And I do order and it is my will that the profits earning and
 income of my vessel property that I have not disposed of after
 paying all necessary expenses and keeping said vessels in shund
 at or about the same rate or percentag that my executors find
 them at my deceas shall be retained in the possession of my ex-
 cutors as a reserve fund or revenues from which shoues be paid
 to my wife Anna Lee her yearly dower which I have ordered
 paid to her by my executors hereinafter mentioned yearly and
 every year during her natural Life and if after paying said dower

there should remain a surplus in the hands of my executors from the earnings profits and revenue from said vessels property and also the addition of the Insurance collected from said vessels by loss of any or part or all of said vessels then my executors shall dispose of said surplus or revenue at lawful interest in such a way as shall appear to them to be safe and secure during the natural life of my wife Jemima Lee and immediately after the deceas of my wife Jemima Lee I do order said surplus or revenue with all the profits arising therefrom to be equally divided between my four children respectively share and share alike to James W Lee Elizabeth S Lee Galitha Alexander and Caroline F Smith to have and to hold to them their heirs and assigns for ever.

And I do further order that all the vessel property remaining in the charge of my executors and belonging to my estate at the decease of my wife Jemima Lee shall be equally divided Between my four children as follow To James W Lee Galitha Alexander Caroline F Smith and Elizabeth S Lee share and share alike to them their heirs executors administrators and assigns for ever.

In Case my Daughter Galitha Alexander wife of John Alexander should die without Lawful issue then the Real estate with the improvements thereon which I have given and devised to her shall revert Back to my three surviving heirs respectively to James W Lee Caroline F Smith wife of Capt Wesley Smith and Elizabeth S Lee wife of Capt John Lee share and share alike to have and to hold to them their heirs and assigns for ever

And I do further order if my Niece Alice B Lee should die without Lawful issue then the desired dowary which I give and Bequeath to her in this my last will and Testament shall revert Back to my three heirs and the heirs of Galitha Alexander as follows To my son James W Lee To Elizabeth S Lee To Caroline F Smith To each one quarter and one quarter to the heirs of Galitha Alexander But in case Galitha Alexander should not have Lawful issue at the decease of my Niece Alice B Lee then said dowary to be equally divided Between my three heirs as follows James W Lee Caroline F Smith and Elizabeth S Lee share and share alike to them their heirs and assigns for ever

And it is my Will and I do order that my executors do erect a monument at the head and foot of my place of Burial to be paid for out of the proceeds of my personal property

I do Nominate and Appoint my Beloved Son James W Lee and my much esteemed Son Wesley Lee Smith to be the executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking

Item

all former wills by me made

I give devise and Bequeath to my daughter Galitha Alexander my Lots of Land Marked No One Eleven Twelve and Thirteen as laid out on a certain Map of Lots Situated in the Town of Absecon Atlantic County and Bounded as follows Beginning at a Corner of a Lot of ground Belonging to Galitha Alexander wife of John Alexander situated on Charlotte Street and running in said street in a South-easterly direction to a corner of William Alexanders land thence in said William Alexander's line to the line of Camden and Atlantic Rail Road two hundred and forty three 243 feet to the same more or less to a corner of Galitha Alexander's lot thence in said Galitha Alexander's line to place of Beginning All of Said Lots of land with the improvements thereon to her and her heirs

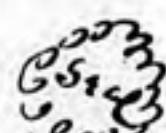
And I do order the Sailing wright of my vessel the Schooner David Lee to be and remain under the Controle of my son James W Lee under the customary Rule of said Sailing wright which is one half of the income and profits of said vessel

Item

I give and Bequeath to my wife Jemima Lee all the wright and privilege that I have to take all the wood she is disposed to cut cart and take away off any Timber Land or wood land that belongs to me or that I may have in my possession to use for Fuel or any other purpose for her benefit and comfort during her natural life without hindrance or in any way prohibited by any persons or persons

I witness wherof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the six day of November in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight-hundred and eighty five

David Lee



The above instrument was nowhere subscribed by Capt David Lee the Testator in the presence of each of us and was at the same time declared by him to be his last will and Testament and we at his request sign our names hereunto as attesting witnesses

Capt Clayton L Higbee of Absecon N.J. }
Jemimah Hand of Absecon } Witnesses

Atlantic County 3.S.

Jemimah Hand one of the witnesses to the above within will being duly sworn deposes and says that he saw the testator therein named sign and seal the same and heard him publish ~~pronounce~~ and and

declare it to be his last will and testament; and that at the doing thereof the said Testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory, as far as this deponent knows and as he verily believes; And that Clayton Le Higbee the other subscribing witness was present at the same time and signed his name as witness to the said will together together with deponent in the presence of the testator

. Sworn and Subscribed

before me at Mays Landing
this 3rd day of July A.D. 1886

J. S. Risley Surrogate

Jeremiah Hand

Atlantic County S.S.

James W. Lee and Wesley C. Smith
executors in the within testament named being duly sworn did depose and say that the annexed instrument contains the true last will and testament of David Lee the testator therein named so far as they know and as they verily believe that they will well and truly perform the same, by paying first the debts of the said deceased and then legacies in the said testament specified, so far as the goods chattels and credits of the said deceased can therunto extend; And that they will make and exhibit into the Surrogates Office of the County of Atlantic a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods chattels and credits of the said deceased that have or shall come to their knowledge or possession, or to the possession of any other person or persons, for their use and render a just and true account when therunto lawfully required.

Sworn and Subscribed to this 3rd day of July A.D. 1886

J. S. Risley
Surrogate

James W. Lee
Wesley C. Smith

State of New Jersey } s.s.
County of Atlantic }

I John S. Risley Surrogate of the County of Atlantic do certify we annexed to be a true copy of the last will and testament of David Lee late of the County of Atlantic deceased and that James W. Lee and Wesley C. Smith the executors herein named proved the same before me and am duly authorized to take upon themselves the administration of

the estate of the testator agreeably to the said will
 witness my hand and seal of office
 the <sup>13th day of July in the year
 our Lord one thousand eight-hundred
 and eighty six</sup>

J. S. Risley
 Surrogate



Proven and Recorded
 July 3rd A.D. 1886
 J. S. Risley Surrogate

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 Will of Anna E. MacNeal

In the Name of God. Amen.

I Anna E. MacNeal now of Atlantic City in the County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, being of sound and disposing mind and memory make and publish this my last will and testament as follows:

First: I direct all my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid as soon as may be reasonable after my decease.

Second: I give bequeath, and devise unto Catherine L. Edwards, my grand-daughter to her and her heirs and assigns forever all that frame messuage or tenement and lot or piece of land situate on the North Side of Clarkson Street in the City and County of Burlington in the State of New Jersey, particularly described in a certain deed bearing date June 17th 1850, between Edmund Morris of the City and County of Burlington and State of New Jersey, and Mary P. his wife, parties of the first part and Joseph J. Clinton of the City of Philadelphia in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, party of the second part, which said deed is recorded in the Clerks office of the County of Burlington at Mt. Holly in Book 3.4 of deeds, page 600 &c; in which said deed I am mentioned by the name of Anna E. Kenton wife of Augustus Kenton, that being my name by a former husband.

Third: I do give bequeath and devise all the residue of my estate, real, personal, and mixed, wheresoever situated to