

## Last Will and Testament of Magdalena Bichsel (17:1)

I, Magdalena Bichsel of the Town of Milton, in the County of Dodge and State of Minnesota, being of full age and of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, and realizing the uncertainty of this life, do make, publish and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say:

First: - I direct that all my just debts and expenses of my funeral be first paid out of my personal estate as soon after my death as sufficient money can be realized therefrom with which to pay the same, provided, that if my personal estate shall not be sufficient to pay all my just debts, expenses of my last sickness and expenses of my funeral, then that sufficient be taken from the bequests hereinafter made to my grand children to pay and satisfy my just debts, expenses of my last sickness and expenses of my funeral.

Second: - I give and devise unto my daughter, Katie Stucky, my farm consisting of one hundred and twenty acres, situate in the Town of Milton, Dodge County, Minnesota, and particularly described as the West half( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the Northeast quarter( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) and the Southeast quarter( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of the Northeast quarter( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of Section number Four (4) in Township number One Hundred and Eight (108) north, of Range number Sixteen(16) west, for and during the full period of her natural life; after the death of said daughter I give and devise the said farm to her children, Bertha Bergman, William Stucky, Godfred Stucky and Walter Stucky, and to their heirs and assigns, forever, share and share alike, this item is subject however to the payment of the legacies hereinafter made to my grand children, and I direct that my said daughter and her said children shall have the full period of five years from and after my death in which to pay and satisfy said legacies.

Third: - I give and bequeath unto my grandchildren, Emma Durst, the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00), Lorice Hasford, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00), Katie Ferrin, the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00), Elizabeth Woods, the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00), Mary Smith, the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00), John Smith the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00), David Smith, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00) and Fred Durst, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00), provided, that all of said bequests to my said grand children in this item shall be subject proportionately to the payment of my debts, expenses of my last sickness, and expenses of my

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funeral, should my personal property not be sufficient to pay the same as hereinbefore provided.

Fourth: - All the rest, residue and remainder of my property, I give, devise and bequeath unto my daughter, Katie Stucky, for and during the full term of her natural life, upon her death, I give, devise and bequeath the same unto her children, Bertha Bergmann, William Stucky, Godfred Stucky and Walter Stucky, and to their heirs and assigns, forever, share and share alike.

Fifth: - I hereby nominate and appoint my friend Leonard Spreiter of Concord, Minnesota, sole executor of this my last will and testament, and I do hereby revoke and annul any and all former wills at any time heretofore made by me.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, at Mantorville, in the County of Dodge and State of Minnesota, this ninth day of June, A.D. 1903.

Magdalena Bickel (Seal)

The foregoing typewritten instrument, contained on two sheets pages of this paper, was on the day of the date thereof, to wit; on the 9th day of June A.D. 1903, signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Magdalena Bickel as and for her last will and testament, in our presence, and we at her request and in her presence and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names as attesting witnesses to the execution thereof.

Henry Naegeli, residing at Mantorville, Minn.

George Norton, residing at Mantorville, Minn.