possess adjoining thereto, or anywhere in Baltimore County by what soever name or names the same may be called, to him his Heirs or assigns forever in fee Simple.
Item: All my household furniture of every description and my negroes, called William Dick, Emanuel, Cato Beck, Harriet, Eliza Hetty and Reaney.
Item: I give and devise and bequeath unto my Son John Selby Johns the sum of Three thousand dollars current money and no more.
Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Polly H. Love wife of Horace R. Love one thousand dollars and no more.
Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sally H. Hodges wife of Thomas H. Hodges five ____ dollars current money and no more.
Item: All the rest and residue of my Estate whether real personal or mixed not hereinbefore devised, I give and bequeath to my aforesaid Son Richard Johns in fee Simple and I will and direct that my Executs shall be responsible or as security for the payment of all the aforesaid legacies.
And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my Son Richard Johns to be sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament revoking and annulling all former Wills by me heretofore made ratifying and confirming this and none other to be my last Will and Testament.
In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this twenty Eighth day of December in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and forty two.

Richard Johns (Seal)

Signed Sealed published and declared by Richard Johns the above named Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who at his request in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto, Note the word forty two was blotted before this Will was executed.

William J. Barber
Samuel Shaffer
Amos Richards

Baltimore County Ss. On the 17th day of February 1863. came Samuel Shaffer and Amos Richards two of the subscribing witnesses to the aforegoing last Will and Testament of Richard Johns late of said County deceased and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God that they did see the Testator sign and seal this Will, that they heard him publish, pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament, that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding, and that they together with William J. Barber the other subscribing Witness thereto subscribed their names as witnesses to this Will in his presence at his request, and in the presence of each other.

Sworn to in Open Court.
Test D. M. Paine Register of Wills for Baltimore County.

In Testimony that the aforegoing is a true Copy taken from Will Liber D. M. P. No 21 Folio 367 &c being one of the records in the office of the Register of Wills for Baltimore City.

Seal's Place

I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of my Office this thirteenth day of January in the year of our Lord Eighteen

hundred and sixty Eight.

Jas. Grace P. Cook. Register of Wills for Baltimore City.

John J. Johns
vs.
Rev. Henry D. D. Johns
& Montgomery Johns.

In the Circuit Court for Baltimore City.

By virtue of the annexed commission issued out of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City in the cause above entitled to us Francis D. Janney and Frederick Swinney the Stated Commissioners of said Court directed we hereby certify that we met at the office of Francis D. Janney No. 25 Lexington Street in the City of Baltimore State of Maryland on Wednesday the third day of February in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and sixty Eight at the hour of 12 o'clock M. and by request of the Solicitor for the Complainant assigned Saturday the Sixth day of the same month in the same year and the same place at the hour of Eleven in the forenoon as being and place for the execution of the said Commission. At which last mentioned time and place pursuant to notice the Commission and the Witness not being in attendance the Commission adjourned and met again by consent of parties on Thursday the ninth day of the same month in the same year and the same place at the hour of Ten o'clock in the forenoon, and we three and there in the presence of the Solicitor of the respective parties proceeded to take the following Depositions, that is to say:

Amos Richards, a witness of lawful age produced sworn and examined on the part of the Complainant deposes and says to the interrogatories propounded to him as follows, that is to say:

1st Interrogatory – Do you know the parties to this suit or either of them and how long have you known them?

Answering Says – that he has known John J. Johns for many years, has some slight knowledge of Rev. H. Johns and also his Son.

2d Interrogatory. State what is your age and business?

Answering Says I am engaged in various kinds of business, as a farmer, as a surveyor, and as a minister or Preacher in the Methodist Protestant Church. My age is a little over Seventy years.

3d Interrogatory. Did you know John Johns and Richard Johns late of Baltimore County, and Henry Johns late of Baltimore City deceased and Benjamin Johns of Ohio.

Answering Says. I knew them all my recollection of them goes back, I believe upwards of forty years, My farm was from five miles distant from the residence of Mr Johns in Baltimore County.

4th Interrogatory. Were you ever called on by John, Kensey or Richard Johns, and under what circumstances;

Answering Says I was, an appointment was made for me to meet them for the purpose of making their Wills, on the 28th day of December 1842. I think at Mr. Johns dwelling – Mr. Richard Johns asked me to come down to John Johns, and I went there for that purpose and met all three of them there.

5th Interrogatory. Was there or was there not any understanding or agreement between John Kensey and Richard Johns in reference to the disposal of their property by will made and declared at that time, and if there was any such agreement, State the same fully and particularly.