

Thomas Ervins Will (Transcribed from Will Book A, Jackson County, Ohio)

Be it remembered that heretofore to wit on the 24th day of October 1836 was filed in the Clerk's office of the court of Common Pleas for the county of Jackson and State of Ohio the last will and testament of Thomas Ervin, deceased, which will is in the words and figures following to wit.

I, Thomas Ervin, being very feeble in body and considering life very uncertain but of sound mind and memory and understanding – In the name of God Amen! I do make this my last will and testament.

1st I commit my soul into the hands of the living God the disposer of all things and my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my friends and that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid out of my estate as soon as convenient after my decease.

2nd I will to my children Elizabeth, Samuel, Nancy, Andrew, Lucinda, Elias and James each ten dollars.

3rd I will and devise all the remainder of my estate, personal and real to my beloved wife Sally during her natural lifetime and at her decease to be equally divided among my above named children.

4th I do hereby constitute my wife Sally my Executor of this my last will and testament. In testimony where I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this fourth day of February 1836.

Signed in presence of George Zirr. Clarinda Zirr. McCroy.