

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

City and County of Philadelphia, ss

Letters Testamentary

By the tenor of these presents, I, Walter E. Reff, Register for the Probate of Wills and Granting Letters of Administration in and for the City and County of Philadelphia, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,

Do make known to all men, that on the Fourth day of May A.D. 1885, at Philadelphia, before me, was proved and approved the last will and testament of Thomas J. Beckett deceased, (a true copy whereof is to these presents annexed) having, whilst he lived and at the time of his death, divers Goods, Chattels, Rights and Credits within the said Commonwealth, by reason whereof the approbation and insinuation of said last Will and Testament, and the committing administration of all and singular the Goods, Chattels, Rights, and Credits which were of the said deceased, and also the auditing the accounts, calculations and reckonings of the said administration and absolute care of the same, to me are manifestly known to belong, and that administration of all and singular the Goods, Chattels, Rights and Credits of said deceased, any way concerning his last Will and Testament, is committed to William Zeiss and M. A. Beckett Executors in the said Testament named, they having first been duly sworn well and truly to administer the Goods, Chattels, Rights and Credits of the deceased, and make a true and perfect inventory thereof and exhibit the same into the Register's Office of Philadelphia on or before the 4th day of June next, and to render a just and true account, calculation and reckoning of the said administration, on or before the 4th day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighty six or when thereunto legally required; and also to diligently and faithfully regard and well and truly comply with the provisions of the Act relating to collateral inheritance.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal of Office, at Philadelphia this 4th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty five.

Fee for Letters Testamentary

" Filing Renunciation

" Certificate

Wm. E. Shields

Deputy Register

Be it Remembered that I Thomas J. Beckett, of the City of Philadelphia Superintendent being of sound disposing mind memory and understanding do make and publish this my last will and Testament in writing in manner and form following that is to say

Imprimis I order and direct my Executors hereinafter named to pay all my just debts and funeral expenses as soon as conveniently may be after my decease. Item I give and bequeath unto the Musical fund society of Philadelphia (who have been my friends and support for half a century) the sum of three thousand dollars (\$3,000)

Item I give and bequeath to Josiah A. Kelby Henry V. B. Coulter and Rachel E. Lancaster (my faithful employees) the sum of One hundred dollars each (\$100 each)

Item I give and bequeath my gold watch to my brother Joseph J. Beckett also I give and bequeath to my brother Samuel J. Beckett of California the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) and also to Thomas L. Morse (son of Job and Julia Morse) the sum of one hundred dollars

Item All the rest residue and remainder of my Estate real personal or mixed whatsoever and wheresoever I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Ann Beckett her heirs and assigns absolutely forever. And lastly I nominate and appoint my said wife Mary Ann Beckett and my friend William Zeiss to be the Executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and making void and of no effect all other wills or Wills at any time heretofore made by me and declaring these presents only to be and contain my last will and Testament

In Witness whereof, I the said Thomas J. Beckett the Testator above named have hereunto set and affixed my hand and seal this Fourth day of April Anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and eighty five (1885)

Thomas J. Beckett
Signed, sealed published and declared by Thomas J. Beckett the Testator above named as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who in his presence at his request and in presence of each other have hereunto set our hands, as witnessed

James S. Phillips
Ellwood Borsell
M. A. Garretson

City and County of Philadelphia, ss

Register's Office May 4 - 1885

Then personally appeared James S. Phillips, Ellwood Borsell & M. A. Garretson the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing last Will and Testament of Thomas J. Beckett deceased, and on their solemn oath and affirm did say that they were present and did see and hear Thomas J. Beckett deceased, the Testator therein named, sign, seal, publish and declare the