

# WILL OF ELIAS WHITLOCK, 1848

In the name of the Benevolent father of all I Elias Whitlock of the township of Orange County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio do make and publish this my last will and testament

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I give and devise to my beloved wife Mary Whitlock the use of one third of all my Real estate and land during her natural life which said land is situated in the township of Orange aforesaid and I also give and bequeath to my beloved wife all of the household furniture to use or dispose of as she sees proper and I also give and bequeath unto her the use of the house in which we now reside and the use of any other house which may be erected on the premises for the term of one year from this date and I also give and bequeath unto her sufficient provisions and clothing to make her and the family comfortable for one year from date

Item 2d I give and bequeath to my son Christopher Whitlock the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, and I give and bequeath to my sons John Whitlock and Christopher Whitlock all of my real and landed property and all of my personal property not disposed of above to my wife and to my son Christopher on the Condition that they shall perform the conditions hereafter mentioned for them to perform in items as follows

Item 1<sup>st</sup> They shall provide suitable food and raiment and see that my Children Fanny Whitlock, Samuel Whitlock, Richard Whitlock & Grace Whitlock shall have reasonable support and maintenance and each receive a good English education.

Item 2d They shall pay to my daughter Ann Lewis the sum of one hundred dollars on the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and fifty two which said sum of one hundred dollars I hereby give and bequeath to my daughter Ann Lewis

Item 3d They shall pay to my daughter Mary Whitlock the sum of one hundred dollars on the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and fifty three which said sum of one hundred dollars I hereby give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Whitlock

Item 4 They shall pay to my daughter Fanny Whitlock the sum of one hundred dollars on the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and fifty four which said sum of one hundred dollars I hereby give and bequeath to my daughter Fanny Whitlock

Item 5<sup>th</sup> They (meaning always Christopher Whitlock & John Whitlock ) shall pay to Samuel Whitlock the sum of one hundred and sixty dollars on the day the said Samuel Whitlock shall arrive at the age of twenty one years which said sum I hereby give and bequeath to my said son Samuel Whitlock.

Item 6<sup>th</sup> They shall pay to my son Richard Whitlock the sum of one hundred and sixty dollars on the day the said Richard Whitlock shall arrive at the age of twenty one years which said sum of one hundred and sixty dollars I hereby give and bequeath to my said son Richard Whitlock.

Item 7<sup>th</sup> They shall pay to my daughter Grace the sum of one hundred dollars on the day she shall arrive at the age of eighteen years which said sum of one hundred dollars I hereby give and bequeath to my daughter Grace Whitlock.

Item 7 They shall pay to my wife Mary Whitlock the sum of one hundred dollars and interest from date to be paid on the first day of January one thousand and eight hundred and fifty five which said sum of one hundred dollars and interest in addition to what I have before given and bequeathed to my wife I hereby give and bequeath to my wife Mary Whitlock and Christopher Whitlock & John Whitlock shall pay all debts which I may owe and pay all expenses attending my death and burial

Item 3d I do hereby nominate and appoint my beloved wife and my esteemed friend John Stoneman Guardians of my minor children

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I do here by nominate and appoint Henry Abell and Justus H. Vincent executors of this my last will and testament hereby authorising and empowering them to compromise and adjust release and discharge in such manner as they may deem proper the debts and claims due me. I do also authorise and empower them if it shall become necessary in order to pay my debts to sell by private sale or in such manner upon such terms of credit or otherwise as they my think proper all or any part of my real estate

and deeds to purchasers to execute acknowledge and deliver in fee simple - In testimony where of I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fifth day of September in the year 1847

Signed & acknowledged by said Elias Whitlock as Elias Whitlock  
his last will and testament in our presence and  
signed by us in his presence of

George Rippin  
Elbridge G. Morse  
Joseph Stoneman

The above Elias Whitlock has been in our records since the 1960's but we are just now beginning to hear from descendants. Both Judy Woods and Thomas Frees have contacted us recently regarding their descent from this part of the family.

Elias Whitlock was baptized at Langtree, Devon in Apr.25,1793 and married there Oct.31,1821 to Mary Stoneman. Elias was the son of John & Thomazine (Hutchings) Whitlock. Elias was also one of three Whitlock brothers who married three Stoneman sisters. The will of Philip Stoneman (1829) shows he had three Whitlock sons-in-law, Samuel Whitlock who married his daughter Joanna Stoneman, Richard Whitlock who married his daughter Sally Stoneman and Elias Whitlock who married his daughter Mary Stoneman.

I assume the Joseph Stoneman who witnessed the above will is likely the Joseph Stoneman who in 1854 marries Mary the daughter of Richard & Sally (Stoneman) Whitlock. A lot of Whitlock/Stoneman connections in this part of the family!!

I look forward to adding new descendants to this family and our thanks to Chuck Rockett for the copy of the Elias Whitlock will.

Sources: R76; R2066