

Will of Martin Conner Contributed by Sue Barnes

Will of Martin Conner signed July 8, 1825, proven + recorded in Cooper County MO Probate court on November 12, 1825.

"In the name of God Amen. I Martin Conner of the state of Missouri County of Cooper being sick and weak in imperfect health of body, but in perfect mind and memory thanks be to God, calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men to die, do make and ordain this my last will and testament that is to say Principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hand of Almighty God that gave it, my body to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executors, nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the might power of God. And as touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless one with in this world, I give demiss and dispense of the same in the following manner and form.

I give and bequeath to Marthy my dearly beloved wife whom likewise I constitute make and ordain the sole executor of this my last well and Testament, all and singular my estate and possessions by her freely to be possessed and enjoyed during her life or widowhood. Should the widow marry I wish the estate to be equally divided amongst my children + her after Dennis, Sally, Martha + Mary, my children have received forty Dollars each out of the estate. If she marry not, then at her death, an equal division of the estate with my children with the above provision. And I do hereby utterly disavow revoke and disannul all and every other will + Testament legacus bequests and executions by me in anywise before named willed and bequeathed, ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament, in witness whereof I have here unto set my hand seal this eight day of July one thousand eight hundred and twenty five. Signed sealed published pronounced and delivered by the said Martin Conner as his last Will and Testament in his presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names. Martin Conner, his mark M.

Test: Isaac Allen, William Travis, Francis Travis."

[Source: Cooper County MO Will Book A page 25]

In a series of deeds recorded on August 21, 1837 in Cooper County MO Deed Book F pages 15-20, the heirs of Martin Conner sold their interest in his land as follows:

On December 28, 1835, Marthy Conner, widow of Martin Conner; Plesant Conner and his wife Elizabeth; Allen Conner and his wife Elizabeth; John Conner and his wife Sarah; Dennis Conner and his wife Susanna; Starling Conner and his wife Polly; William McDaniel and his wife Mary M.; Wilson Conner and his wife Delilah; and Marthy Conner, Junior, sold to Richard Goodman for \$240.00, their interest in 80 acres of land in Cooper County, MO described as W1/2SW Section 36 Twp 48N Range 16, with the exception of the interest belonging to David Cooper and David Wadley and their wives.

On August 21, 1837, David Wadley and his wife Jane, sold their right and title and interest as heirs of Martin Conner, deceased, in parcel of land described as W1/2SW Section 36 Twp 48 Range 16 containing about 75 acres to Richard Goodman of Cooper County for \$27.50.

On August 19, 1837 Richard Goodman and his wife Sarah, of Cooper County, sold to James Parsons of Cooper County for \$527.53 the following land with the exception of David Cooper's interest in the first mentioned 75 acres:

W1/2SW Section 36, Twp 48N Range 16 containing 75 acres [This is the Conner land Richard Goodman just bought] and
SENE Section 36 Twp 48N Range 16 containing about 39 acres [This was Richard Goodman's original land patent]

Please note: I am not a descendant of this Conner family and have no other information about any Conners. I am researching the above Richard GOODMAN who's wife Sarah was probably the Sarah (Sally) Conner named in Martin Conner's will.

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