

Will of Wilhelmina Back **Contributed by William Scroggin**

I, Wilhelmina Back, being of sound and disposing mind, do make and publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me at any time made.

FIRST: I consign my body to the earth from whence it came, and my spirit to the God who gave it.

SECOND: I will and direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid out of my estate as soon after my decease as the law permits.

THIRD: I, will, devise, and bequeath to my son Philip Back, of Whiterock, Oklahoma Territory, the sum of one hundred dollars.

FOURTH: I will, devise, and bequeath to the widow and heirs of my deceased son Emil Back, share and share alike, the sum of two hundred dollars.

FIFTH: I will, devise, and bequeath to my son Joseph Back, of Whiterock, Oklahoma Territory, the sum of two hundred dollars.

SIXTH: I will, devise, and bequeath to my daughter Mary Barnard, wife of Dominick Barnard, the sum of one hundred dollars.

SEVENTH: I, will, devise, and bequeath to my son Willie Back, the sum of one hundred dollars.

EIGHTH: I declare that the foregoing bequests are made in addition to the advancements heretofore given and for the purpose of giving to each and every one of my children the same share in my estate. I have heretofore made advancements to all my children and the amounts herein given make all equal.

NINTH: I will, direct, and request that my executor hereinafter named proceed to sell all my real estate whatsoever and wherever situate, as soon after my decease as he may be able to obtain the reasonable market value therefore. And I further will, devise, and direct that all monies arising from such sale or sales together with all monies that may be left of my personal estate after paying all just debts and funeral expenses, expenses of administration and legacies, be divided among my children; Philip Back, Joseph Back, Mary Barnard, Willie Back, Anthony Back, and Louisa Potter, wife of John Potter, and the widow and children of my deceased son, Emil Back, each of my said children to receive share and share alike, and the widow and children of my said son Emil to receive a share equal to the share of each of my other children and which share shall be divided among them equally.

TENTH: I nominate and appoint as executor of my last will and testament, W. W. Trigg.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal.

Done at Boonville, Cooper County, Missouri, this 29th day of April, A.D. 1899.

Signed Wilhelmina Back (seal)

We, the undersigned, declare that we saw Wilhelmina Back sign the foregoing instrument and heard her declare and publish the same to be her last will and testament, and we further declare that at that the time of signing and publishing the same, she, the said Wilhelmina Back, was of sound and disposing mind, and that we, at her request and in her presence and in the presence of each other, have hereto signed our names as witnesses.

Signed
R. Fladelich
Frank Mittameier
John F. Dilthey