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William Tennant

Probate granted

to John and James Tennant

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Office of the Surrogate Clerk.

In the Goods of William Tennant  
deceased, named in a certain Notice of Application for a grant of  
Probate dated the Twenty Eighth day of February  
A. D. 1860 as late of the Township of Blenheim in  
the County of Oxford, Yeoman.

I, Charles Fitzgibbon the Surrogate Clerk,  
do hereby certify, that no Notice of Application in respect to the Goods  
of the said deceased has been received by me from any of the Registrars  
of the Surrogate Courts in Upper Canada, save the above from the  
Surrogate Court for the County of Oxford, for a grant  
of Probate of the will bearing date the first day  
of October 1859.

And I further certify, that no Caveat or copy of Caveat  
against the grant of Probate or Administration on the Goods of the  
said deceased has been lodged with or received by me.

Dated the Second day of March A. D. 1860

Charles Fitzgibbon

Surrogate Clerk.

To

The Registrar of the Surrogate Court,  
County of Oxford  
Woodstock  
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OATH OF EXECUTOR.

In the Surrogate Court of the \_\_\_\_\_ County of  
 of Orford  
 In the Goods of William Tennant deceased  
 I James Tennant of the Township  
 of South Orange in the County of Orant  
 make oath and say, that I believe the paper writing — hereto prefixed, to con-  
 tain the true and original last Will and Testament \_\_\_\_\_ of  
William Tennant late of the Township of  
Blenheim in the County of Orford That I am one of the  
 execut ors therein named

and that I will faithfully administer the personal estate  
 and effects of the said Testator by paying his just debts and the legacies contained  
 in his will \_\_\_\_\_ so far as the same will thereunto extend,  
 and the law bind me, and that I will exhibit a true and perfect inventory of all and  
 singular the personal estate and effects, rights and credits of the Testator, and  
 render a just and full account of my Executorship, whenever required by  
 law so to do.

Sworn at the Township of Blenheim  
 in the County of Orford  
 the 24<sup>th</sup> day of February  
 A.D., 1860 Before me,

James Tennant

Jannish. Cowan  
 a commissioner in Orford  
 County of Orford

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OATH OF EXECUTOR.

In the Surrogate Court of the \_\_\_\_\_ County  
of Orford  
In the Goods of William Tennant deceased  
I John Tennant of the Township  
of Brantford in the County of Brant  
make oath and say, that I believe the paper writing hereto prefixed, to contain the true and original last Will and Testament \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

William Tennant late of the Township of  
Melrose, in the County of Orford That I am one of the  
executors therein named

and that I will faithfully administer the personal estate and effects of the said Testator by paying his just debts and the legacies contained in his will \_\_\_\_\_ so far as the same will thereunto extend, and the law bind me, and that I will exhibit a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the personal estate and effects, rights and credits of the Testator, and render a just and full account of my Executorship, whenever required by law so to do.

Sworn at the Township of Melrose

in the County of Orford

the 22 day of February

A.D., 1860 Before me,

John Tennant

Jennich Cowan  
a Commissioner in Bankruptcy  
County of Orford



In the Surrogate Court, County of

of *Onford*

In the goods of *William Tennant late of the Township of Blenheim Yoman* deceased.

I, *John Tennant* of the Township of *Brantford* in the County of *Brant Yoman* make oath and say:

That I am *one of* the Executors named in the last Will and Testament of the said *William Tennant* deceased.

That said deceased died on or about the *fourth* day of *October* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *fifty nine* at the said *Township of Blenheim* and that the said deceased at the time of his death had fixed place of abode at *The said Township of Blenheim* in the said County of *Onford*

Sworn at *the Township of Blenheim* in the County of *Onford* the *22* day of *May* A.D., 18*60* before me.

*John Tennant*

*Jimmie Cowan*  
a Commissioner of the  
County of *Onford*



In the Surrogate Court, \_\_\_\_\_ County of

of *Orford*

In the goods of *William Tennant* of the Township of *Blenheim* in the County of *Orford*, deceased.

I *John Tennant* of the Township of *Bratford* in the County of *Blankenham* make oath and say that I am one of the Execut<sup>ors</sup> named in the last last Will and Testament of the said *William Tennant* deceased.

That the personal estate and effects of the said deceased, which *he* in any way died possessed of or entitled to, and for and in respect to which Probate of the said Will is \_\_\_\_\_ to be granted, are of or about the value of *Five hundred and twenty seven* dollars. *Twenty five cents*

Sworn at *the Township of Blenheim* in the County of *Orford* the *22<sup>d</sup>* day of *February* A. D., *1860* before me,

*John Tennant*

*Jimmie Lacey*  
a Commissioner of the  
County of *Orford*



Affidavit of Execution of Will.

In the Surrogate Court, of the \_\_\_\_\_ County of  
of *Onford*

In the goods of *William Tennant*  
deceased.

I *John Gillespie* of the Township  
of *Blenheim* in the County of *Onford* Minister  
of the Gospel  
make oath and say:

That I knew *William Tennant*  
late of *The Township of Blenheim* deceased.

That on or about the *Fourth* day of *October* in  
the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *99* I was present  
and did see the said *William Tennant* sign and declare the  
paper writing hereunto annexed, as and for the last Will and Testament of the  
said *William Tennant*

That I, deponent and *John Tennant of the Township of Brantford*  
and *James Tennant of South Carolina County of Brant*  
did subscribe our names as witnesses to the execution of the said Will at the  
request of the said Testator and in presence of each other; and lastly, that the  
several names subscribed as witness to the execution of the said Will are of the  
proper handwriting of this deponent and the said *John Tennant and James*  
*Tennant* respectively.

And I this deponent further say that I verily believe that the said Testator at  
the time of the execution of the said last Will and Testament was of sound and  
perfect mind, memory, and understanding.

Sworn before me at *the Town of Blenheim*  
in the County of *Onford*  
this *22* day of *February*  
A.D., 18*60*

*John Gillespie*

*James Tennant*  
*John Tennant*  
County of *Onford*



Wants the Surrogate Court of the County of Oxford

The Petition of John Tennant of the Township  
of Brautford in the County of Braut Yoman  
and James Tennant of the said Township  
of South Dumfries in the said County Yoman  
Humbly Sheweth

That William Tennant late of the Township  
of Blenheim in the County of Oxford Yoman  
deceased died on or about the fourth day  
October AD 1839 at the Township of Blenheim  
aforesaid and that the said deceased at  
the time of his death had his fixed place of  
abode at the said Township of Blenheim  
That the said deceased in his lifetime duly  
made and published his last will  
and testament bearing date the first day  
of October AD 1839 that your petitioners are  
the Executors named in the said will

That the value of the personal Estate and  
Effects of the said deceased which he in  
any way did possessed of or entitled  
to and for and in respect to which a  
probate of the said will is to be granted  
are of or about the value of five hundred and  
ninty seven and  $\frac{25}{100}$  dollars to the  
best of your petitioners knowledge or  
belief.

Wherefore your petitioners pray that  
Probate of the said will of the said  
deceased may be to them granted by  
this honorable Court

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day February AD 1840

John Tennant  
James Tennant



This instrument witness, that I William Tennant of the Township of Belknap and Province of Canada, German being of sound and disposing mind, memory and judgment, do make this my Last will and Testament in the manner following, hereby Revoking and Making void all former Last wills and Testaments and directions in the nature of Last wills and Testaments by me heretofore made.

My will is that my Executors hereinafter named shall pay all my just debts, General Charges and all expenses connected with the Execution of this my will and the administration of my estate.

The Residue of my estate which shall not be required for the aforesaid objects I give and bequeath in manner following. That is to say

First. That the proceeds of my estate or so much of them as may be necessary for the purpose shall be applied by my Executors hereinafter named for the Maintenance of my wife and Family and for the Education of such of them as may require it, for a period of Eight Years after my decease. And further that any portion of said proceeds which shall not be required for the above purpose, shall be applied or invested by my Executors for the benefit of my two eldest Sons James and John to be divided between them in such proportions as my Executors shall conceive to be just and equitable.

Second. That at the expiration of the period above mentioned my estate shall be equally divided between my two eldest Sons James and John hereinafter mentioned subject however to the following Charges. That is to say

(1) That should my wife Maria remain unmarried and not choose to live with one or either of them that they shall, in addition to her Right of Dower provide a comfortable Home for her in some other place, subject to the approval of my Executors hereinafter named and also keep and maintain the same for her use.

But should my said wife Maria contract a second Marriage at any time after my decease, then it is my will that she shall from and after the date of her Marriage, cease to have any claim upon my property or estate for further Maintenance or Support.

Surrogate Clerk.

To

The Registrar of the Surrogate Court,  
County of Bedford  
Woodstock  
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2.<sup>nd</sup> That they shall pay ~~each~~ Each of my Daughters. Isabella Janet. Anne and Mary the sum of Three thousand Dollars. and to my son Walter the sum of Four hundred Dollars upon their attaining to the age of Eighteen years, respectively. And in case any of my Daughters above mentioned or my son Walter should die before attaining to the age of Eighteen years. then and in that case. that the portion of any one or more of my Children so dying. shall be divided equally among the survivors of them. And further, that should either of my two oldest sons die before attaining to the age of Twenty one years. that in that case. his share of my estate shall go to his surviving brother. provided. that he shall pay to each of my Daughters the further sum of one thousand and fifty Dollars. and to my son Walter the further sum of Three thousand Dollars. in Four annual instalments commencing at the date when my youngest Daughter Mary. shall have attained to the age of Eighteen years. And further. that should my two oldest Sons both die before attaining to the age of Twenty one years. then that my estate shall go to my youngest son Walter. subject to the charges above mentioned of Three thousand and fifty Dollars to each of my Daughters. to be paid as already provided for.

And I do hereby nominate and appoint my two Brothers. John Tennant of the Township of Brantford. and James Tennant of the Township of Dempsey to be the executors of this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have signed my name and affixed my Seal this First day of October One thousand Eight hundred and fifty nine years.

William Tennant

Signed. sealed and declared as and for his last will and Testament upon this First day of October One thousand Eight hundred and fifty nine years. in the presence of us. who at his request. in his his presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

John Tennant  
James Tennant  
Ed. Cillestie