

Last Will and Testament  
of Sacher Howesmee.  
of Gay Head.

Filed in Probate Court.  
Sept. 1, 1873.

Proved and allowed in  
Probate Court, June 1, 1874.

Copied and copy delivered  
to Executor.

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In the name of God Amen I Jacob Howwassee of the  
District of Gay Head, in the County of Dukes County, being  
of a sound disposing Mind & Memory, do on this third day of  
December in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred  
and sixty three make & Publish this my last will and  
Testament, as follows;

Item First My will is that at my decease all my just debts and  
funeral charges shall be paid out of my estate by my  
executors hereinafter named.

Item Second I give and bequeath at my decease to my beloved wife  
Elizabeth Howwassee all my real and personal Estate,  
of every name and nature, (after paying as above named in  
item first) meaning my homestead and the dwelling house  
& all other buildings standing thereon, together with all other  
of my lands however situated or bounded, whether owned  
in severalty or in common with others, and every description  
of personal estate of every name, in door or out.

Item Third I nominate and appoint my wife Elizabeth Howwassee  
the sole executrix of this my last will and Testament.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and seal the  
day and year above named, to this my last will and Testament  
in presence of the subscribing witnesses. Jacob Howwassee  
The undersigned subscribed our names as witnesses with  
sight of the testator, who signed this instrument declaring it to  
be his last Will & Testament in our presence, & we sign in presence of the testator.

Witnesses

Charles Stanston  
Harriet H. Rose  
Alfred P. Rose

[Minors must be so designated, and the names of their Guardians given, if they have any. If any party is a married woman, her husband's name must be given. The heirs-at-law and next of kin may be determined by reference to Chapters 91 and 94 of the General Statutes.]

To the Honorable the Judge of the Probate Court in and for the County of Dukes County:

Respectfully represents *Elizabeth Horworne*

of *Gayhead* in the County of *Duke County* that

*Jacques Horworne* who last dwelt in

*Gayhead* in said County of Dukes County, died on the

*twenty sixth* day of *June* in the year of

our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *seventy three* possessed of goods and estate

remaining to be administered, leaving *no* widow, whose name is

*Elizabeth Horworne*

and as *his* only heirs-at-law and next of kin, the persons whose names, residence, and relation-

ship to the deceased are as follows, viz:

*unknown*

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That said deceased left a WILL and ~~CODICIL~~ herewith presented, wherein your petitioner *is* named executrix

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WHEREFORE your petitioner prays that said will and codicil may be proved and allowed, and letters testamentary

issued to *her*

Dated this *first* day of *September* A. D. 1873

*Elizabeth Horworne*

The undersigned, being all the heirs-at-law and next of kin, and the only parties interested in the foregoing Petition, request that the prayer thereof be granted without further notice.

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# Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Dukes County, ss.

PROBATE COURT.

To the Heirs-at-Law, Next of Kin, and all other Persons interested in the estate of

*Leachus Howmassee* late of *Gay Head*  
in said County, ..... deceased,

GREETING :

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament and .....  
codicil of said deceased has been presented to said Court for Probate by *Elizabeth*  
*Howmassee* ..... who prays that  
letters testamentary .....  
may be issued to her the executrix therein named, .....

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at *West Lisburn*,  
in said County of Dukes County, on the *twentieth* day of *October*  
at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same.

And said *Elizabeth Howmassee* is hereby directed to give  
public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once a week, for three successive weeks, in the  
newspaper called the *Vineyard Gazette*,  
printed at *Edgartown*, the last publication to be two days, at least,  
before said Court.

WITNESS, JOSEPH T. PEASE, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this *first*  
..... day of *September*, in the year one thousand  
eight hundred and *seventy-three*.

*Hebron Vincent*, Register.

I have served the above citation as therein ordered.

*Elizabeth Howmassee*

DUKES COUNTY, ss. *June* A. D. 1874. Then personally appeared  
the above-named *Elizabeth Howmassee* and made oath that  
the above return by her subscribed is true.

Before me,

*John W. Mayner* Justice of the Peace.

# Know all Men by these Presents,

That I. Elizabeth Howessee  
of Guy Head in the County of Dukes County as Principal  
and Thomas Jeffers <sup>of Guy Head</sup> and John W. Mayken  
of Chilmark

as sureties, and all within the Commonwealth of  
Massachusetts, are holden and stand firmly bound and obliged unto JOSEPH T. PEASE, Esquire,  
Judge of the Probate Court in and for the County of Dukes County, in the full and just sum of  
Two hundred dollars, to be paid  
to said Judge, and his successors in said office; to the true payment whereof we bind ourselves, and  
each of us, our and each of our heirs, executors, and administrators, jointly and severally, by these  
presents. Sealed with our seals.

Dated the First day of June  
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety four

The Condition of this Obligation is such, that if the above-bounden  
Elizabeth Howessee

executrix of the last will and testament  
of Lachens Howessee late of Chilmark  
in said County of Dukes County, farmer, deceased, testate, being residuary legatee in  
said will shall pay all debts and legacies of said testator and such sums as may be allowed by  
said Probate Court for necessaries to the widow or minor children of said testator, — then this  
obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Signed, sealed and delivered  
in presence of

Harriet A. Rose  
Webster Priceant

Elizabeth Howessee  
Thomas Jeffers  
John W. Mayken

DUKES COUNTY, ss. June 1 A. D. 1874. Examined and approved.

Joseph T. Pease Judge of Probate Court.

In the name of God Amen, I Zacheus Howwasswee of the District of Gay Head, in the County of Dukes County being of a sound disposing mind and memory, do on this third day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty three make and publish this my last will and testament as follows:

First, My will is that at my decease all my debts and funeral charges shall be paid out of my estate by my executrix hereinafter named.

Second, I give and bequeath at my decease to my beloved wife Elizabeth Howwasswee all my real and personal estate of every name and nature (after paying on the above named in items first). Meaning my homestead and the dwelling house and all other buildings standing thereon, together with all other of my lands however situated or bounded, whether owned in severalty or in common with others; and my holdings of personal estate of every name, in doors or out.

Third, I nominate and appoint my wife, Elizabeth Howwasswee, the sole executrix of this my last will and testament.

In testimony, whereof I have set my hand and seal this day and your above named to this my last will and testament in presence of the subscribing witnesses.

Zacheus Howwasswee

We the undersigned or subscribed, our names as witnesses with the request of the testator, who signed this instrument declaring it to be his last Will and Testament in our presence, and we sign in presence of the testator.

Witnesses Charles Marston  
Harriet A. Rose  
Alfred T. Rose