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THE STATE OF TEXAS, ::

COUNTY OF ORANGE ::



IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN:

I, Frances A. Lucher, of Orange County, Texas, being in good health and of sound and disposing mind and memory, but calling to mind the frailty and uncertainty of human life and desirous of settling my worldly affairs and directing how the estate with which it has pleased God to bless me shall be disposed of after my decease while I have strength and capacity so to do, do hereby make and publish this my last will and testament hereby expressly and in all things revoking all other wills heretofore made by me.

FIRST.

I direct that my just debts and funeral expenses shall by my executor hereinafter named be paid out of my estate as soon after my death as to him shall be found convenient.

SECOND.

I direct that as soon after my death as possible my executor shall take possession of my entire properties left by me at the time of my death and shall dispose of such as he may see proper at such times as he may see proper and for such price and upon such terms as he may see proper and shall pay to the parties entitled thereto in the order named the special bequests hereinafter made to them.

THIRD.

As soon after my death as is convenient I direct that my executor shall deliver to the persons to whom the same are hereinafter given all properties mentioned and bequeathed, delivering the same in person to the persons entitled thereto hereunder.

FOURTH.

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I hereby give and bequeath to my beloved daughter, Miriam Stark, wife of W.H. Stark of Orange County, Texas, my personal property with

diamonds; my purple sapphire set with diamonds; my cameo set; one Twentieth Century diamond ring; one amethyst and diamond LaValliere; one chain with nine diamonds; one diamond ring with two diamonds; being the one I bought from Julia Moss; one black watch with diamonds, and diamond black chain; one cameo pin; one blue Japanese coat; one gold and silver vase; with jewels; my old diamond ear rings, and one string of amethyst; the portraits of my father and mother now in my residence at Orange; one string of amethyst beads; one opal pin and string of opal beads; one gold band bracelet, one black purse set with pearls; one muff and one stole of chinchilla; one platinum diamond bracelet; one large cameo pin, "Aurora Borealis"; one small opal ring; one single pearl ring; all presents of every kind of personal or household character heretofore given to me by my said daughter, Miriam Stark.

FIFTH.

I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter, Carrie Brown, widow of E. W. Brown, of Orange County, Texas, one Twentieth Century diamond ring; one diamond crescent containing father's diamond stud; <sup>50-150</sup> one gold bracelet with three diamonds; one mourning bracelet; one black locket with pearls and chain, one bar pin of pearls and diamonds; onyx locket with Grandpa's picture; my black opal pin; my three mourning pins; all pictures of myself and Babette together except picture in the parlor; <sup>1250-3500</sup> ring and pin containing three stones given me by Mr. Lucher except the two end stones which were in the earrings and go to Miriam M. Stark; and all oil paintings painted by her, the said Carrie Brown, and given by her to me; and all presents of every kind of a personal or household character at any time heretofore given by my said daughter, Carrie Brown, to me.

SIXTH:

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I give and bequeath to my grandson, H.J.Lucher Stark, one black diamond; one ruby, being the one now in a ring with two pear-

shaped diamonds; the big prayer rug; his grandfather's portrait; one Satsuma vase; with monkey; one piece of ivory called "Japanese Girl"; my gold locket set with single diamond; my original watch.

SEVENTH:

I give and bequeath to my granddaughter Nita Stark, wife of Lucher Stark, of Orange, Texas, my diamond necklace; one wreath of daimonds; one jade LaValliere; one jade bracelet; one jade ring; one gold bracelet with pictures; one LaValliere with pear-shaped diamond and pin; one amethyst bracelet; one amethyst pin; one little finger ring containing one dark pearl and two pearls set with diamonds; one bracelet set with garnets; very old; my suit trimmed with chinchilla; one diamond LaValliere with three discs; one black diamond brooch; filigree work with diamonds; my set of ermine furs; one long watch chain with ten diamonds; my string of pearls and my gold watch set with diamonds; and enamelled green.

EIGHTH:

I give and bequeath to my grandson, Lucher Brown, of Orange, Texas, one pear-shaped diamond, being one now set in a ring of one ruby and two pear-shaped diamonds. ✓

NINTH:

I give and bequeath to my grandson, Edwar W. Brown, Jr., of Orange, Texas, one pear-shaped diamond being one now set in a ring with one ruby and two pear-shaped diamonds. ✓

TENTH:

I give and bequeath to my great-granddaughter, Brownie Babette Moore, daughter of Fannie Moore and R. A. Moore, of Orange, Texas, to be delivered by my executor to her on her sixteenth birthday, should she then be living, one ring with three pink pearls with diamonds; ✓ and on her seventh birthday, if she is then living, one ring with two diamonds, one yellow and one white; ✓ and on her eighteenth birthday,

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if she is then living, my gold bracelet, set with emeral\_ and diamonds; one diamond ring with three diamonds; her minature set with pearls; the portrait of myself and Babette; my rose point dress; and point lace fan; one chatalaine, and one box of trinkets.

In the event my said great- granddaughter, Brownie Babette, should die before coming into possession of any of the things given to her by this will and hereinbefore enumerated then upon her death the minature of Babette set with pearls and the portrait of myself and Babette mentioned above shall be immediately given by my executor to her grandmother, Carrie L. Brown, who shall thereafter own the same: and the remaining things herein willed Babbette shall be given by me executor to my oldest living great-granddaughter, if I should then have one, to be her inheritance from me; but if I should at that time not have a living great-granddaughter, then all of said things shall cease to be a special bequest and shall become a part of my general property and pass under the other provisions of this will.

ELEVENTH:

I give and bequeath to Mrs. Helen Fowler, formerly Helen Achenbach, one ring with three topaz and one bracelet with three diamonds.

TWELFTH:

I give and bequeath to my friend, Mrs. Ida Achenbach, of Orange, Texas, my set of garnets and the sum of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars per month so long as she lives and remains unmarried, which said sum of money shall be paid to her regularly each month by my executor.

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**THIRTEENTH:**

I give and bequeath to Mrs. Weichoff of Williamsport, Pennsylvania, One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars per month so long as she may live and direct that my executor pay this sum of money to her regularly each month during her lifetime.

**FOURTEENTH:**

I direct that my executor pay regularly each month out of my estate to Liffie Eslinger, daughter of Mary Eslinger, of Williamsport, Pennsylvania, the sum of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars, per month so long as she remains single.

**FIFTEENTH:**

I give and bequeath to Mrs. Louisa Wilber, of Williamsport, Pennsylvania, One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars per month until her death and direct that my executor pay said sum to her regularly each month so long as she may live.

**SIXTEENTH:**

I give and bequeath to Mrs. Albert Lucher, of Williamsport, Pennsylvania, the wife of my deceased husband's brother, the sum of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars per month so long as she may live, and direct that my executor pay said sum to her regularly each month during her life time.

**SEVENTEENTH:**

I give and bequeath to my beloved cousin, Mrs. Charlotte Hansberry of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the sum of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars per month, until her death and direct that my executor pay said sum of money to her regularly each month during her lifetime.

**EIGHTEENTH:**

I give and bequeath to my grandson, Edgar W. Brown, Jr., the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars, to be paid to him

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as soon after my death by my executor as he can find convenient.

**NINETEENTH;**

I give and bequeath to my grandson, Lucher Brown, the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars to be paid to him as soon after my death as convenient by my executor.

**TWENTIETH:**

I give and bequeath to my servant, Rosa Hamilton, if she is in my service at the time of my decease, the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars, to be paid to her by my executor, but if the said Rosa Hamilton is not living at said time or is not at the time of my death in my employ then this bequest shall be null and void.

**TWENTY-FIRST:**

I give and bequeath to my servant, Fannie Williams, if she is in my service at the time of my decease, the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars, to be paid to her by my executor; but if the said Fannie Williams should not then be living or should not be in my employ at the time of my death then this bequest shall be null and void.

**TWENTY-SECOND:**

I give and bequeath to Mr. Clough, my watchman, if he is still in my service at the time of my death, the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars, to be paid to him by my executor; but in the event he is not/<sup>then</sup>living, or is not in my employ at the time of my death, then this bequest shall be null and void.

**TWENTY-THIRD:**

I give and bequeath to my florist, Joseph Kastizenski, if he should be in my employ at the time of my death the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars to be paid to him by my executor, but in the event he is not then living or is not in my employ at the time of my death, then this bequest shall be null and void.

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TWENTY-FOURTH:

I give and bequeath to my chauffeur, Herbert Fielder, if he is in my employ at the time of my death, the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars to be paid to him by my executor; but if he is not then living or if he should not be in my employ at the time of my death, then this bequest shall be null and void.

TWENTY-FIFTH:

I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter, Miriam Stark, wife of W.H.Stark, of Orange, Texas, the sum of One Million (\$1,000,000.00) Dollars, to be paid to her by my executor as soon after my death as can be conveniently done.

TWENTY-SIXTH:

I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter, Carrie Brown, the sum of One Million (\$1,000,000.00) Dollars, to be paid to her by my executor as soon after my death as can be conveniently done.

TWENTY-SEVENTH:

I give and bequeath to my grandson, H.J.Lutcher Stark, all of the residue and remaining portion of my estate after the payment of the bequests and delivery of the gifts mentioned and enumerated herein, where ever the same may be situated, whatever the character thereof may be, real, personal, or mixed, including stocks, notes, bonds, houses, personal property of all kinds, including my ranch and everything connected therewith in Colorado; my home in Orange, Texas, and everything therein and appurtenant thereto, of every character and to include everything of every character of which I may die possessed, whether the same be real, personal, or mixed, or wherever the same may be situated, or whatever its value or nature may be, not intending to exclude anything of any character by reason of anything said herein but intending to pass to him the entire residue of my estate after the payment of the special bequests hereinbefore mentioned and

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made; the same to be his after the payment of said special bequests fully, finally and in fee simple.

TWENTY-EIGHTH:

I hereby nominate and appoint my grandson, H.J. Litcher Stark of Orange, Texas, to be the sole executor of this my last will and testament and I direct that he serve as such without pay and that no bond or security of any character be required of him as such executor and I specially authorize my said executor to sell and dispose of any portion of my estate or all of same as he may see proper at public or private sale and in the manner, for the price, and upon the terms, that to him may seem best and proper, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions and all of the provisions of this will.

TWENTY-NINTH:

All bequests made by me in this will are expressly made upon the following provisions, to-wit: That should any person to whom a bequest is made herein contest this will or engage in any character of contest or attack thereon, or institute any litigation over my estate in contradiction of the terms of this will, such bequest to such person or persons shall immediately become null and void and the property or properties bequeathed to them shall become a part of the corpus of my estate as though no such bequest had ever been made.

THIRTIETH:

It is my direction that no other acti\_n be had in the courts in the administration of my estate other than the probate of this will and the return of an inventory, appraisement and list of claims.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand this 17th day of February, A. D. 1919, in the presence of Joe Lucas, and **C026475**  
A. G. Pearce lawful witnesses, who attest the same as witnesses  
at my request and in my presence and in the presence of each



other.

F. A. Lutcher

The above instrument is now here subscribed by Mrs. Frances A. Lutcher, the testator, in our presence as witnesses and we as witnesses thereto in her presence and at her request and in the presence of each other subscribe our names hereto as attesting witnesses to such instrument.

Joe Lucas.

A. G. Pearce.

Filed: Oct. 31, 1924

A. H. Coale, Clerk Co. Court,  
Orange County, Texas.

The following words on the original will, on second page, first and second lines thereof, were erased with pencil, to-wit: "My old diamond finger ring and breast pin."

A. H. Coale

County Clerk.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS    |

COUNTY OF ORANGE       |

I, W. A. Gunning, Clerk, County Court, in and for Orange County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Will, In Re: Estate of Frances A. Lutchter, Deceased, Cause No. 685, filed October 31, 1924, as the same appears of record in my office in Vol. "J", Pages 295-299, Probate Minutes, Orange County, Texas.

Given under my Hand and Seal of Office, This the 2nd day of March, A. D. 1939.

W. A. Gunning, Clerk  
County Court, Orange  
County, Texas.

By Sadie Stephens Deputy

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