

herunto set my hand and seal this 29th day of April 1817
 signed, sealed and acknowledged in presence of
 William H. Young 3 Edward Martin (S)
 Lawrence Gillock

Barren County Set May 1817
 The foregoing writing purporting to be the last will of Edward
 Martin doct was returned to Court and proved in due form of law
 by the oath of William H. Young and Lawrence Gillock witnesses
 thereto. Whereupon the same was ordered to be recorded as the
 true last will of said Edward Martin doct

all this I solemnly swear

B. Smith I Barnet Smith of Barren County Kentucky, do make, and declare
 Will this to be my last will and testament: in manner and form following
 That is to say - 1st I give to my wife Mary Smith, during her life
 the tract of land at live out, being 242 acres. Also fifty acres that I
 purchased of George Wilhelm, adjoining the 242 acres, also about
 one hundred and two acres, that I purchased of Robert S. Williams
 adjoining 242 acres tract, also four negro men - my son about
 thirty years old, Frank about the same age Dick about twenty
 one year old - and Harry who is about the same age, one negro
 woman Susan about thirty three years old, and a girl Amanda
 who is about fifteen years old. all of my household and kitchen
 furniture, except beds and furniture hereinafter devised. My will
 is that my said wife shall take as many of my live stock,
 consisting of horses, cattle, sheep and hogs, as she may wish to keep
 (except such as are hereinafter devised) and provisions and provisions
 sufficient to support her & family through the year, and the coming
 in of another crop - 2nd I have heretofore given to my son Thomas
 Smith nine hundred dollars in money and property. And I give to
 my daughter Lou Wood, in her life time one hundred dollars in
 property. I now direct that when her children Mary, William, Sarah
 Joseph, Martha and Elizabeth, Wood, shall arrive at full age or marry
 that each of them shall have two hundred dollars. 3rd I have
 heretofore given to my son Benjamin H. Smith, one hundred dollars in
 property. 4th I have also given to my son William S. Smith heretofore
 six hundred and forty dollars - 5th I have heretofore given to my
 daughter Martha Ella two hundred dollars in money and property.
 6th I have heretofore given to my daughter Salina three hundred
 dollars - 7th I will and direct that my daughter Francis have two
 negro girls, one horse, bridle, and saddle, one bedstead bed and furniture
 when she is of age or shall marry, the negroes and property to be valued.

8th I have heretofore given to my son James B. Smith, one hundred
 dollars in property. I direct that when he arrives of full age, he may
 if he chooses, take my negro boy Alexander at his value -
 9th I give to my son John Smith the young black mare that he
 rides. I direct that he shall have a bridle and bridle - also I do not
 wish John to have any thing to do with a stud horse, and as I
 wish the stud colt I am raising to be sold and half of him belong
 to John, therefore I will and direct that John shall have fifty
 dollars, in lieu of his interest in the colt. I also direct that John
 shall have a good new cloth suit and not to be calculated in his
 portion of my estate. 10th I will and direct that my daughter Margaret
 shall have two negro girls, one horse, bridle and saddle, one bedstead
 bed and furniture, at their value when she shall arrive of age
 or shall marry. 11th I will and direct that the remainder of my
 estate, real & personal, shall be sold by my executors and the
 proceeds to be applied, first to the payment of my debts, and next
 to be divided amongst my children, who have not received their
 hundred dollars, until Harrison and the rest of them shall be
 made equal to. Thomas, Martha and Salina, who have each
 received nine hundred dollars. I direct my Executors to sell my
 lands on a credit of one and two years and when the purchase
 money shall be paid that my executors, or any one or more of them who may
 be qualified and may enter upon the execution of this my will,
 shall convey the land by deed which shall fully and completely pay
 the debt - I direct that other property shall be sold on a credit
 of twelve months - with this exception, that my two old servants
 Robin, and his wife Vina, shall not be sold, but shall be permitted
 to live with their mistress, or any of my children, that Robin and Vina
 may choose to live with - 12th I will and direct, that at the death
 of my wife, she land, slaves and property, given to her during her life
 shall be equally divided amongst my children - And lastly, I do
 hereby constitute and appoint my friend Ben H. Camp, my son
 James S. Smith and my son-in-law Cyrus Shobe, Executors of this my
 last will and testament, and if by any means any of them shall fail
 to act as such, then the one or two who does act, to carry out my
 will in as full and ample a manner as if all of them were equally &
 act. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this
 29th day of May A.D. 1817.
 signed, sealed and acknowledged in the presence of:
 Jas. H. Hardy
 M. D. Souders
 Rod. M. Bagby

3 Barnet Smith (S)

Barren County, 1st May Term 1817

The foregoing writing purporting to be the last will of Barnett Smith had been produced in Court and proved in due form of law by the oath of James Eldridge and William O. Shurden witnesses thereto. Whereupon the same was ordered to be recorded as the true last will of said Barnett Smith dead.

Attest Tho. S. Helm Clerk

John Owen
Will

I, John Owen of the County of Barren and State of Kentucky, do make, ordain and establish this instrument to be my last will and testament. In the first place I ~~desire~~ and desire my Executor hereinafter appointed, to sell all ^{my} estate real and personal and out of the proceeds thereof to pay all my just debts and funeral expenses. In the next place I will mention that at the October Term 1816 of the Barren County Court I emancipated the following negroes, to wit, Christopher Kinney, and her nine children Fanny, Eliza, Edwin, Andrew Jackson, Charles, America, Mary Ann, Martha and James and Sarah, the daughter of Fanny; Now should said negroes desire, after my death, to remove to a free State, it is my will and desire that my executor hereinafter appointed shall make all necessary provisions for their comfortable removal, and aid and assist them in their removal, and pay the whole expense of ~~the~~ said removal, out of the proceeds of the sale of my estate. In the third place, attempts have already been made to prevent and defeat the emancipation of said negroes, and it has been threatened, as I have learned, that efforts will be made, after my death, to defeat my emancipation of said negroes; Now should any attempt be made after my death to set aside my said emancipation of said negroes or in any way to enslave them, it is my will and desire that my said Executor shall defend them against any such attempt, and pay all the expense attending such defense, out of the proceeds of the sale of my estate. I have already spoken to B. Mills Crenshaw as an attorney to defend said negroes against any such attempt and have given him twenty dollars as a retainer fee for that purpose and should such attempt be made I desire my said Executor to pay him upon that subject and request his services as an Attorney, and pay him whatever fee may be reasonable. In the fourth place, I desire that my said executor shall return out of the proceeds of the sale of my estate a reasonable compensation for his services. In the fifth place, after all the expenses attending the execution of this my will, I desire that all the remainder of the proceeds of the sale of my estate shall be equally divided among my children that may be alive and my grandchildren of either

may be dead; such grandchildren receiving the portion their parents would have been entitled to if alive. In the last place I constitute and appoint Peter Owen of Barren County executor of this my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 15th day of December 1816.

Teste Geo. Middleton

John Owen

Walter Owen

Barren County 1st May Term 1817

The foregoing writing purporting to be the last will of John Owen and having been filed at the last January Term for proof and being continued until the present Term was taken up and proven in due form of law by the oath of George Middleton and Walter Owen witnesses thereto. Whereupon the same was ordered to be recorded as the true last will of said John Owen dead.

Attest Tho. S. Helm Clerk

I Jonathan Bybee of Barren County Kentucky, being in bed & by bed weak but in my perfect mind do constitute and make this my last will and testament in the following manner -

Will

1st I desire that all lawful debts be paid after my death. 2nd It is my will that after my death that my dear wife Mary Bybee shall inherit all my estate both real and personal during her life or widowhood. And after the death of my wife Mary Bybee my will is that the remainder of my estate be equally divided between John Hyman Bybee and Julia Bybee, son and daughter of Richard Bybee, and Mary Susan Button daughter of Jordan Button. 3rd It is my will that my bonds, ~~removable~~ ^{movable} executor manage my estate both real and personal to best advantage for the benefit of my wife and the three children above named. 4th It is my will, and desire that Jordan Button execute this my last will and testament, April 18 19 1817.

Test James Wade

Jonathan Bybee

Jordan Button

Barren County 1st July Term 1817

The foregoing writing purporting to be the last will of Jonathan Bybee and having been produced in Court at the last May Term and partially proven by the oath of Jordan Button and at this Term was fully proven by the oath of James Wade both witnesses thereto. Whereupon the same was ordered to be recorded as the true last will of said Jonathan Bybee dead.

Attest Tho. S. Helm Clerk