

On the twenty fourth of November in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred twenty four, that I Samuel Summerson being through the Mercies of God in perfect soundness of mind and knowing that it is appointed for all men to die and the time very uncertain and knowing it to be an incumbent duty to prepare for that event, I have thought proper, for to dispose of my worldly estate in the following manner, to prevent disputes & discord, after I am gone, hence, and here, now, remains, and in the first place my soul I recommend to God who gives it and my body to be decently Entertained in the Earth, there to rest till the great rising day In the second place I bequeath unto my beloved Wife Sarah Summerson for her Widow Care of me, all the property she had in possession when she became my Wife (Wife) her share and saddle, her Cattle with the increase her sheep and increase likewise all her bedding and all her bedding furniture and all her clothing her chest her bedsteads, her spinning wheels, her Clock Rush, her Tables and her chairs to the number of six, all her Cupboard furniture her Table furniture knives & forks dishes plates both Pewter & silver, likewise the Kitchen furniture Pots & Kettles, racks and daggers furniture such as milking vessels, and stands with every other article that is new to the fore, and that was in her possession on the eighth day of October 1823 her books and bonds and notes, given in her name and all her open accounts and to have, at her Command, during her life, and to dispose of it at her death as she shall think proper, and likewise to have freeable possession on the place we now live on untill our lease is out, and to enjoy all the benefits of the provisions made within and without for her support, and I further bequeath to my Wife Sarah Summerson my Buffalo, my Will and desire is, that my son Samuel Summerson, should have all my farming utensils, and my Carpenter tools to be equally divided between my sons Samuel & James, and likewise that my son Samuel Summerson be exonerated from a note which he gave at my side and likewise my son James, be exonerated from a note given from him to me for loaned money. And further my Will and desire, that all my bonds notes and accounts, be collected and all my other property be sold, and all of which money after all my just bills are paid be divided as follows, To wit, I leave and bequeath to my two grand Children Elizabeth and Lewis Grayham \$100 to be appropriated for schooling I leave and bequeath to my daughter Mary Roads, ten dollars the balance of said money, to be divided as follows, To wit, my Wife Sarah Summerson my sons James & Samuel Summerson my daughter Lida Summerson my daughter Mary Mc Coy, all to have an equal part. I consider William Summerson Peggy Grayham & Susan a Barner, as having received their full share I appoint Edward Gill Executor of this my last Will & Testament

Samuel Summerson Senior

Attest Samuel Anderson

Attest William P. Rejo Juror
Barren County Court, December County Court 1824. The within and foregoing Writing purporting to be the last Will & Testament of Samuel Summerson Senior was produced in Court, and proved by the Oaths of Samuel Anderson & Wm. Rejo two of the subscribing Witnesses thereof, whereupon the said writing was ordered to be Recorded as the true last Will & Testament of the said Samuel Summerson deceased which hath been duly entered of Record accordingly, attest

397 In the name of God Amen— I James Gilleland Superior of the County of Barren, and State of Kentucky being low in health, but in sound mind and memory Calling unto mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do ordain this my last Will and Testament, first of all I recommend my soul to the Almighty God who gave it and my body to Earth from whence it came— Secondly for all my just bills to be levied out of my Estate. Thirdly I Will and bequeath to Mary Gilleland my dear and beloved Wife, all my lands, and tenements, by her proxy to be enjoyed together with all my Cattle Horses Cattle and Hogs, till God shall think fit to take her to himself. — and after my Wife Mary Gillelands departure from this world, the said to be sold equally divided between my six youngest children, mentioning their names are Rachel, Thomas, Wilson, Samuel, Joseph and Mary and Gilleland, and likewise after the decease of my Wife for all the youngest of my children beginning at Rachel Gilleland unto the youngest child to have an equal share with those that are married, and gone and what is remaining to be divided amongst all my children equally. I do appoint my beloved son John Gilleland as my Executor, to this my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof, I have unto set my hand and seal this 15th Nov. 1816

James Gilleland (Seal)

Signed published & pronounced this my last Will and Testament, in Witness whereof we have hereunto subscribed, our names

Wm. Gless

John Gilleland

John Berhame Barren County Court, January County Court 1817

The within and foregoing writing, purporting to be the last Will & Testament of James Gilleland deceased was produced in Court, and proved by the Oaths of Wm. Gless one of the subscribing Witnesses, and again at a Court, held for said County of Barren on the 3rd Monday in January, 1816, the aforesaid writing was proved, by the Oaths of John Gilleland, an other of the subscribing Witnesses whereupon the said Writing was ordered to be Recorded, as the true last Will and Testament, of the said James Gilleland deceased which hath been duly entered of Record accordingly, attest

398 In the name of God Amen, I Edmund Payne, of the County of Barren and State of Kentucky being low in health, and weak in body, but in my right mind for which I thank God, do hereby make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (Wife) I desire that all the parish all part of my estate, be left on my plantation, under the Care of my Wife Mary Payne and Children, if any of my children should marry, or choose to leave the premises after coming of age I wish my Executors, here after named to let them have such necessities as they judge can be made without despoiling the family & c. If my Wife Mary Payne should marry, I wish there to be a sale as soon as is convenient of all my estate, and her to have a Childs part, during her natural life, and after her decease to return back to my children, to be equally divided among them, & excepting any of my children should choose to take their share in land I would wish them, to have the privilege if they will take it near.