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E. Oldham
Will

In the name of God amen I Elizabeth Oldham of
the County of Tarrant and State of Kentucky bringing to
mind the uncertainty of this mortal life and the certainty
of death & having at present some slight affliction in
body but of sound perfect mind and memory thanks
be to almighty God give sound to make and publish
this my last will and testament in manner and
form following. Whereas I have no bodily heir I give
and bequeath all my worldly estate namely one negro
man Griffin one bed and furniture one side saddle
and all my wearing apparel I am cred among all the
next of brother Vagay Oldham now all survivors with one
exception namely Elizabeth Oldham late Elizabeth Shockley
the Oldham late Sarah E. Pledge deceased William Oldham
Susanah E. Oldham late Susanna Page Rebecca E.
Oldham late Rebecca E. Carter Bernard Oldham Bishop
Oldham James T. Oldham late Oldham Mary Ann
Oldham Lewis T. Oldham all the above named property
to said and equally divided among the above named
children, where the late Sarah E. Pledge has departed
this wife the next of her body George E. Pledge Charles
T. Pledge William T. Pledge Elizabeth T. Pledge Mary
E. Pledge shall have her proportionable part when the
above named property are sold and divided which shall
be done at my decease so soon as the nature of the case
will admit - I am appoint Charles Oldham & William
my sole executors to carry my last will and testament

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and affixed my seal this tenth day of December in the
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty
three

Elizabeth E. Oldham

Signed sealed published and
declared by the above named
Elizabeth Oldham to be her last
will and testament who at her
request in her presence have hereunto
subscribed and sworn as witnesses to the same

Henry George
Thomas Wall
Joseph Read

As a supplement to the foregoing will and testament

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I desire that my negro man Griffin shall not be exposed
to public sale so as to subject him to be sold to any person
contrary to his will. In testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and seal this 20th day of September one
thousand eight hundred and thirty five

Thomas Ball

John Ball

Barren County, Ky

The foregoing writing purporting to be the last will
and testament of Elizabeth E. Oldham dec'd was produced
in Court at the January Term thereof 1836 and proved by
the oath of Thomas Ball and Joseph Read subscribing
witnesses thereto to be the true last will and testament of
said Elizabeth Oldham dec'd & ordered to be recorded and
at the same term the Codicil to said will was proved by
the oath of Thomas Ball one of the subscribing witnesses thereto
and at the January Term 1837 said Codicil was fully
proved by the oath of John Ball another subscribing witness
thereto and ordered to be recorded

J. H. Allen Clerk

W. Beckman
Will

In the name of God amen I William Beckman being
of the County of Tarrant and State of Kentucky being of
sound mind and memory & in good health but viewing
the shortness and uncertainty of life and wishing to make
a proper disposition of my property and estate among my
children as in the last will and testament I have last will and
testament hereby revoking all others - After all my
just debts are paid to which I am indebted my executor hereunto
named to strictly attend I am to the last my intention
of the last will and testament I have last will and testament
bequeath to my son John Beckman one half of all the
real and personal estate in which I am interested as he may
elect - I am I give to my son John Beckman fully
discharge in money or reason of any debt owing at this
time a better provision for him as that he is not capable
of bright intellect and not capable of managing
property - but should my condition ever arrive at
my right mind and be thought capable and able
of managing for himself then and in that case in

addition to be given heretofore given them I desire I will that be received from the said received five legacies the sum of fifty dollars from each and that they pay over to him these respective amounts of fifty dollars each. I further will and desire that the fifty dollars now received is my son John be retained in the hands of my executors in trust for being to be applied and appropriated to the use and benefit of my said son as his wants and necessities may require. I give and desire to my grand son James Lewis Dickinson my tract of land in Christian County containing six survey acres with the appurtenances to have and to hold the said tract of land with the appurtenances to him the said James Lewis Dickinson & his heirs forever. I give and desire to my son Melvin Dickinson and his heirs forever the tract of land on which I live in Christian County estimated to contain 77 acres with the appurtenances. I give and desire to my friend Henry Rutledge & my son William Dickinson & the survivors & the heirs of the survivor two negro girls one named Lina & the other Eliza and their future increase in trust in and to hold it as they shall see that the said Henry Rutledge & William Dickinson and the survivor and the heirs of the survivor do have and hold the said negro girl Lina and her increase for the sole and separate use and benefit of my daughter Sally Savage and her heirs and that they do have and hold the other negro girl Eliza and her increase for the sole & separate use and benefit of my daughter Elizabeth Sadler and her heirs. I desire it to be understood in my wills will that the husband of my said daughter Sally and Elizabeth respectively shall no control over or power to dispose in any way of the negroes hereby bequeathed in trust for the use and benefit of them wives respectively as a chattel. And it is my will that said sons James Lewis Dickinson and Melvin Dickinson or the survivor or the heirs of the survivor should at the said sons were formerly one daughter in and to be paid down seven hundred dollars are now divided so that any money in the hands of said trustees be paid out and distributed only as directed of the said trustees in such manner as they in their discretion may think fit to the use and benefit of my said daughters respectively. I desire it is my will and desire that all my estate other than that

given to my sons John Dickinson and John Dickinson be equally divided among my surviving sons & children and grandsons that is to say Sally Martin Sally George Elizabeth Sadler William Dickinson and James Lewis Dickinson and with a view to make the said equal division it is my will that all my property of what nature so ever other than that herein specifically disposed of be sold and the equal share of my daughter Sally Martin be paid to her in money and it is further my will and desire that the property herein divided and bequeathed to my children Sally Elizabeth & James and my grandsons James be valued by one or more disinterested persons or persons to be selected by the trustees before named & my executors herein after mentioned and of the property of any one more of them that as such valuation amount to a greater sum than in or over to their equal share as aforesaid that he she or they pay the surplus so as to make the said divisions equal. To prevent all misconstruction or doubt it is copiously declared that the property to be equally divided as aforesaid is with the exception as is required to John Dickinson and John Dickinson the whole of my estate including the lands and negroes specifically devised aforesaid. I desire it is my will and desire that my grand son James Lewis Dickinson should die without issue of his body that then and in that case the whole of the property herein devised to him shall be equally divided among my children Sally Sally Elizabeth and William and their heirs and the same to the said James Lewis Dickinson as to be understood with this limitation and restriction. I desire that my wife and desire that my wife Sally Dickinson do have use and occupy the whole of my property real and personal so and during her natural life except except the tract of land and farm on which I now live and of that farm it is my will and desire that she have use occupy and enjoy during her natural life the house yard garden & orchard of the residence of the said son and her heirs and I desire that my son William be when he is deceased to take the same immediately on my death. Provided that my wife may at any time and may have let with the assent of my executors give to any or all of my legal heirs aforesaid possession and full enjoyment of their respective legacies and property devised to them. I desire if the negroes devised to the trustees aforesaid for the use and benefit

