

Boone County Court

March Term 1824.

This last of the last of Peter H. de^d was
this day returned into Court examined and
found to be recorded, whereupon the same is recorded
all

J. G. Harrison, Clerk
At Grand, 18th Feb.

Finding my health very bad, and my time
here very uncertain, I think it my duty to make
a statement of my will respecting the little prop-
erty I possess least any contention should hereafter
arise concerning it through such defect. —
Be it known therefore to all whom it may concern
that I wish to dispose of it as follows, ^{And} as
as my loving wife Nancy has through life since
our Union borne the heaviest ^{part} of the burden by
faithful and industrious toils, I think it just
and proper that she shall inherit all our Estate
both real and personal, nothing doubting her sincere
attachment and regard to her daughter Nancy
Finnell and her son Thomas Finnell. And should
the said Nancy and the said Finnell or either of
them or any other children the said Nancy Finnell
may have, Out live my said wife Nancy, it is
my desire they or either of them should inherit
what may be left after the death of my said wife
Nancy. Bequeathing at the same time two dollars
to William Mason as a token of my esteem for his
friendship. The amount of property nearly as follow-
to wit, One hundred and fifty acres of land, One
horse, two mares and One Colt, sixteen head of
cattle, Hogs, two Beds & bedding with other
furniture and farming utensils. At the same
time it shall be at the option of my said wife to
dispose of the above named property either by
public or private sale as she may find most con-
venient at any time hereafter without interference
real or tractable from any person or persons whatever
And she also appoints the said Davis Carneal Esq.
my Executor in all matters relating to this Will and
the intended distribution thereof that is to say
that my wife shall have the benefit of the plan-
tation & stock &c, uninterruptedly during her life.

Thos. M. Clays
Will.

times and at his decease to go to Nancy Finnell
and her children under the care and direction of
Thos. Dones Barner in whom I have the greatest
confidence that he will act with justice and dis-
tribute equally and to the best advantage what may
be put into his hands for the benefit of my family.
Given under my hand and seal this 20th day of
June in the Year of Our Lord One thousand eight
hundred and twenty four

Signed sealed &
Witnessed in presence of
Davis Christy
William M. Christy
Patt. Wallace

Boone County Court

June Term 1824.

This last will and testament of Thos. M. Clays de^d
was produced in Court — Examined and proved
by the Oaths of Patt. Wallace, Davis Christy and
William Christy three subscribing witnesses &
Ordinary to be recorded, and thereupon the same is
recorded.

Att. Willis Francis Clk.

The noncompetitive will of James Dugden deceased as
proven by Thomas Finnell and Peter Hall as fillers
to wit, That he said James Dugden On the 22nd day of
February 1824 at his own house of residence in the County
of Boone in his last sickness and of which he departed this
life On the 22nd of February 1824, made and published in
testament the following words as his last will and testa-
ment (to wit,) that he first gave a small negro Girl
Dorcas to his daughter Sophia for her services which she
had rendered him for eighteen years past.
2nd That it was his will that his son Joel Forest Dugden
should have his young son's money 2 years old past and
that it was his will that when his son Daniel arrived
to the age of twenty One years he should have a horse
of about was one belonging to his Estate to spare or loose
property enough to buy one without going upon his
negro. And that it was his will that all his Just

Rich^d Dugden
Will