State of Kentucky
Boyle County Court } Sct: April Term 1848

I. Thomas B. Nichols, clerk of the County Court for the county aforesaid do certify, that this Instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of S. W. Wade Decd. was produced to said Court at its April Term 1848 and proved to be the true last will and Testament of the said S W Wade Decd. by the oaths of John Parr & R. H. Caldwell subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered thereupon to be recorded.

Whereupon the said last will and testament together with this Certificate hath been duly admitted to record in my Office - Given under Hand this 17th day of April 1848

attest. Th. B. Nichols clk

King. Jno. W. Will

I John. W. King of the county of Boyle and state of Kentucky do make this my last Will and Testament in the manner and form following to wit — I give to my beloved Wife Caroline the one-third of my Estate of all and every kind whatsoever during her natural life or Widowhood and in the event that she may marry the one-half of that third to revert to my sister Jane Clarke. I also give to my Wife the sum of Two Hundred and Eighty-Six Dollars and Sixty ~~sixty~~ cents the amount of money recieved for her Interest of Land sold to Benjamin F. Mills and James Thrailkill both of the County of Fleming and State of Kentucky, that money to be to her own proper use and behoof. I give to my Sister Jane Clarke the remaining two-thirds of all my Estate to her and her heirs forever. It is my desire that Charles Clarke act as my Executor to this my last Will and Testament, revoking any and all other wills made by me or in my name

Witnes:
W. Winn
Jas. Burnett
Joseph Smith

In Testimony whereunto I here set my Hand and Seal this 15th day of April in the year of our Lord 1849
the words (natural life or) interlined before signed
John W. King (seal)

State of Kentucky
County Court of Boyle County } Sct:

I. Thomas B. Nichols, clerk of the County Court for the County aforesaid do certify That this last Will and Testament of John W. King Decd was this day produced in open Court to the said Court at its May Term 1849 and proven by the oaths of James Burnett and Joseph Smith subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded which has been duly done in my office. Given under my Hand this 21st day of May 1849

att. Th. B. Nichols Clk

Harlan Mary Will

I. Mary Harlan — of Boyle County & State of Kentucky being weak and feble in body but of strong disposing mind & memory do make this my last Will & Testament. First. My will is that enough of my Stock and grain be sold to pay all of my just debts. Second — I devise to my Executors hereinafter named in trust all my Negroes (except Grace) untill they arrive at the age of Twenty-five years, at which age each of my Negroes shall be free forever. Third. My will is that all the money or profits which may accrue from the hire of my Negroes from the time of my decease untill they are twenty-one — and one half of the profits or money from the time they twenty one untill they are twenty-five years old (except a reasonable Compensation to the Trustee who I will hereinafter appoint for my Husband) shall be for the sole support & benefit of my beloved Husband, Silas Harlan, and for the support of such of my young Negroes as are not able to earn a support for themselves. Fourth — my will is that the other half of the money or profits which may arise from the hire of the Negroes from the time they are twenty one untill they are Twenty five years old shall be paid to a Trustee or Trustees whom my Executors shall appoint, for the sole use and support of Betsey Ann Villard (the Wife of Barnet Villard) to Patsey Pancake the Wife of Argalles Pancake, and to John Neff (who was raised by Mr. Harlan & myself) untill the Trustee or Trustees for each of them recieves Three Hundred dollars the above Legacies to be paid annually or as fast as my as my Executors may collect the money for the hire of the Negroes, paying to each one of the Legatees at each payment the same amount. However if my Executors shall think it best he shall pay the legacy I have devised to John Neff directly into the hands of John Neff and not to a Trustee — The above legacies for the use & support of Betsey Ann Villard and Patsey Pancake may remain in money or be laid out for Land or Negroes at the option of Betsey Ann Villard and Patsey Pancake. Fifth. My will is, should there be more money arising from that half of the Hire of my Negroes from the time they are twenty-one until they are twenty five years old than will pay off the above named Legacies for the benefit of ~~the above~~ Betsey Ann Villard, Patsey Pancake and John Neff. that it shall be equally divided among my Negroes or laid out in Land for my Negroes as my Executor may think best. Sixth. I also will to my Executors hereinafter named in trust all my House-hold & Kitchen furniture and such stock as may not be sold to pay my debts, also my farming Utensils for the support and use of my Husband Silas Harlan. Should the death of my Husband take place before all my Negroes arrive at the age of twenty-five years, in that event whatever money may accrue from the hire of my Negroes after my Husbands Death and was intended for the support of him shall be equally divided among my Negroes, first however applied to the support of such of my Negroes as cannot support themselves Should there be any of that class — Seventh. My will is that all the Negro Children born of my Negroes after my decease shall free forever. I also will that my Negro Woman "Grace" shall be free forever at my decease, and should she be unable to support herself, she shall come under the class of my young Negroes who are not able to support themselves and be supported out

of my Estate. Eight – I hereby appoint & ordain my friend A. G. Kyle Executor of this my last will – I also appoint the said A.G. Kyle, Trustee for my Husband Silas Harlan – and for his services as Trustee he shall receive a reasonable compensation out of my Estate as above named – Ninth – Should it turn out so that it does not suit the said A.G. Kyle to act as Trustee for my Husband, he shall be released from the office at any time he may think proper; and I desire that the said Kyle shall appoint another who shall act as Trustee for my Husband – In testimony whereof I have this 18th day of August 1848 set my Hand –

Mary Harlan

Witnes
A.G. Kyle
R. N. Bowling
H. Frost

For Deed of Trust referred to in the foregoing Wills – See Page 97 of this Book –

State of Kentucky
County Court of Boyle County } Sct

I, Thomas B. Nichols, clerk of the County Court for the County aforesaid do certify, that this last will and Testament of Mary Harlan Decd was this day produced in open Court to said Court at its January (15) Term 1849 and proven by the Oaths of A.G. Kyle and R. N. Bolling two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded which has been truly done in my Office – Given under my hand this the 15th day of January A.D. 1849 –

att – Thos B. Nichols Clk

Bottoms for Wife

In the name of God, Amen! I, John Bottom of the County of Boyle and State of Kentucky being sick and weak in body but of sound mind and disposing memory (for which I thank God) and calling to mind the uncertainty of Human-life and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with, I give and bequath in the following manner, that is to say – I give in this my last will and testament to my Wife Elizabeth Bottom all my property both real and personal to have and to use her lifetime, which consists of Land, Horses, Hogs and every thing appertaining thereto necessary to a comfortable living in this world. I wish my Daughter Nancy to have of the above named property about Forty dollars which will make her equal with the balance of my Heirs, and at the death of my Wife, Elizabeth Bottom the remainder of my worldly estate to be divided equally among my Heirs. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and affixed my seal this 28th day of May 1848

Signed and sealed & published & declared as and for the last Will & Testament of the above named John Bottom in presence of us } John Bottom (Seal) { Joseph Frost, Eliner Frost

State of Kentucky
County – Court of Boyle County } Sct: October Term 1848 –

I, Thomas B. Nichols, clerk of the County – Court for the County aforesaid do certify that this last will and Testament of John Bottom Decd was this day produced in open Court to said Court at its October Term 1848 aforesaid & proven by the Oaths of Joseph Frost and Eliner Frost – subscribing witnesses thereto – and ordered to be recorded – which has been done accordingly – Given under my hand this 16th day of October A.D. 1848 –

Attest. Thos B. Nichols Clk

Collins Thos Will

I, Thomas Collins of Boyle County and State of Kentucky being of sound mind and memory but of feeble Health do make this my last will and Testament hereby revoking any and every will by me heretofore made – And first I wish and direct my Executrix herein after named to pay all my just debts, and in order to this end I hereby authorize and empower her to sell and convey my Shop and Shop-lot on third or Main-Cross street in Danville at private or public sale together with my tools of trade and all my other personal property – and Secondly I give and bequath to my Wife Harriet Collins the whole residue of my Estate, real and personal, during her natural, with absolute right to one half of it to be disposed of by her at her death as she may desire. and Thirdly the remaining half of my estate at her death I will and devise to my brothers George W. Collins, Wm Collins, George W. & John C. Hewey and Mrs Anna Alder; the said George W. & John C. Hewey to take one equal part with the others it being one-fourth of the same between them And to my sister Rachael Caldwell I give and devise my undivided interest in and to the estate descended to me in the State of Pennsylvania from my deceased Mother and which is not included in the provision for and devise to my Wife. and Fourthly it is my will and I authorize my Wife to sell and convey any portion of the estate, herein devised to her for life or absolutely, if she desires it, and retain one half of the money arising from such sale as her own and the remaining half to be held and used by her during her natural life and to be paid at her death to those to whom the remainder in my said estate is herein devised; My Wife however is to secure the payment of same to those to whom it is devised at her death unless she arranges and adjust the same with them by paying over to them at time of sale an equitable portion of the money arising from said sale

And lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my Wife Harriet Collins sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament; and will and desire that she be not required to execute Bond as such by the County Court, but that she qualify without executing Bond – In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this the 10th day of October 1848

Thos Collins (Seal)

In presence of –
J. T. Boyle
Wm Pawling

Codicil to Will of Mary Harlan Dec'd

I Mary Harlan of Boyle County & State of Kentucky do make this codicill to be added to my last will & testament in the following manner to wit. Whereas I give to Patsey Pancake in my last will three hundred dollars which three hundred dollars was to go into the hands of a trustee for the sole use of said Patsey Pancake, I now alter that part of my will which relates to said Patsey Pancake, My will is that the said Patsey Pancake shall have no part of my estate and the three hundred dollars which I willed in my last will & testament to a trustee for the use of Patsey Pancake I now will to Nancy Caswell May Eliza J May & Lucinda May the daughter of William May of Boyle County to be equally divided between them & to be paid to them by my Executor, as I have directed a legacy in my last will to be paid to John Neff & Betsey Ann Lillard, and to be paid out of the hire of my negroes in the same way & same payments which the legacies are to be paid to said John Neff & Betsey Ann Lillard paying to each one the same amount at the same time, My will is that the legacies which I gave to said Mays shall not go into the hands of a trustee but be paid to them or their representatives

Lastly, My will is that this codicill shall be added to my last will & testament. In testimony whereof I have set my hand this 18 day of Oct 1848

Witness A G Byle
F Frost
Hutching Williams

Mary Harlan

State of Kentucky
Boyle County } Set

I Thomas B Nichols Clerk of the County Court for the County aforesaid do certify that the foregoing codicill to the last will & testament of Mary Harlan Dec'd was produced in open Court at the February Term 1851, and proven by the oath of Andrew G Byle one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and Silas Harlan was also sworn who proved that F Frost & Hutching Williams the other two subscribing witnesses to said codicill in his presence witnessed the same in the presence and at the instance of said Mary Harlan Whereupon it was ordered to be recorded which is done accordingly

Given under my hand this 17th day of February 1851

Thos B Nichols clk

I Peter Belles of the County of Boyle, and State of Kentucky, being of feeble health, but of sound disposing mind and memory, and knowing the uncertainty of life, do make ordain and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking any and all wills heretofore made by me.

First. I wish my just debts to be paid as soon as practicable after my decease.

Second. I give to my beloved wife Sarah One thousand dollars, to be paid in a reasonable and convenient time after my death, to be hers absolutely.

Third. I give and devise to my Daughter Elizabeth Floyd, wife of Christopher Floyd, One thousand Dollars, forever to be paid in a reasonable and convenient time after my death.

Fourth. I leave to my wife, during her natural life, my land all of my slaves, and stock and personalty, and at her death, I will and direct, all of the said property, both real and personal, to be sold and one part to my daughter Elizabeth Floyd, and the other part to the heirs of my deceased daughter Polly Irvine.

Fifth, the money on hand or due me at my death over and above paying the legacy of One Thousand Dollars to my wife, and One thousand Dollars to Elizabeth Floyd, I will and direct to be loaned out and the interest paid to my wife annually during her life, and at her death, I devise one half of it to my daughter Elizabeth Floyd, and the other half to the heirs of my deceased daughter Polly Irvine.

Sixth. I nominate and appoint my wife Sarah Belles and my son-in-law Christopher Floyd, executrix and executor of this my last will and testament, and either of them qualifying is hereby authorised to carry out and execute this will

In testimony whereof I Peter Belles hereunto set my hand and seal this 29th day of July A.D. 1850.

Peter Belles (Seal)

Acknowledged before - by
Peter Belles as his act and deed
J T Boyle
James H. Davis
Benjamine W. Davis

State of Kentucky
Boyle County } Set

I John B. Akin Clerk of the County Court for the County aforesaid do certify that the foregoing instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Peter Belles, was this day produced in Court and proven by the oaths of James H. Davis and Benjamine W Davis, subscribing witnesses thereto, to be the true and last will and testament of Peter Belles. ~~and~~ Whereupon it was ordered to be recorded, which is ~~done~~ done accordingly. Given under my hand this 16th day of June 1851

W B Akin clk