State of Kentucky
County Court of Boyle County } set
January (15) Term 1847

I, Thomas B. Nichols, clerk of the County Court for the County aforesaid, do certify that the foregoing Deed of Trust from John Grant to Thomas N. Ivy, Trustee of Mary Harlan was this day produced in open Court to said Court at its January (15) Term 1847 and examined —

Whereupon it was ordered to be recorded, which has been truly done in my Office — Given under my hand this 15th day of January A.D. 1847 —

Att. Thos B. Nichols clk

Mc Cann Wm Will

I, William McCann, of Boyle County & State of Kentucky being feeble in body but of strong disposing mind and memory do make this my last will and Testament — "First, my will is that all my just debts shall be paid — "Second. — I will and bequeath to my youngest Daughter Catherine five dollars & no more. "Third. My will is and I give & bequeath to my three oldest Daughters Mary-Elizabeth — Lucy-Ann and Mildred all the rest and residue of my property of every description both real and personal, to be theirs for ever & equally divided among them at my death — Third I hereby appoint and ordain my friend A. G. Kyle, Executor of this my last will & Testament —

In testimony whereof, I have this 25th day of July 1848. set my hand

William McCann

Witnes
A. G. Kyle
W. R. Boice
Addison Mitchell

Commonwealth of Kentucky
County Court of Boyle County } set
December (17) Term 1849 —

I, Thomas B. Nichols, clerk of the County Court of the County aforesaid, do certify that this Instrument of writing purporting to be the Last will and Testament of Wm McCann Decd was produced in open Court to said Court at its December (17) Term 1849 — and proven by the oaths of Wm Boice and Addison Mitchell to be the true last will and Testament of said McCann Decd, and was ordered to be recorded which has been truly done in my office — — — —

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 17th day of December Ad 1849

attest. Th. B. Nichols clk

I, Jesse Smith, of Mercer County and State of Kentucky, make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following —

First — I will and direct that all my just debts be paid —

Secondly. — I give to my gran-son, Zachariah, child of my son Zachariah Decd, Sixteen-Hundred Dollars, to be paid to him when he becomes twenty one years of age with Interest thereon, from and after two years from my death But should my said Gran-son die before he becomes of full age, and without heirs of his Body, then in that case, this devise to be considered as elapsed and return to my Estate and descend accordingly — — — — — — — — —

Thirdly — I give to my two Gran-daughters, twin children of my Son Barbee Decd Sixteen-Hundred Dollars, to be equally divided between them, and paid to them when they become of full age of twenty one years, or marries; the money to remain in the hands of my Executor, or placed in some other safe hands, and the interest thereon to be paid to them annually for their benefit and support; the payment of Interest to commence one year from and after my decease. If either of my said Gran-Children should die before they become of age, and without heirs of their body then in that case, her part or proportion to go to Survivor. If both should die before they become of full age and without heirs of their body, then in that case this devise to be considered as elapsed and go to my Estate and descend accordingly.

Fourthly — I will and direct that from and after Six-months after my death, my Negro-man "Harry, be free, and enjoy all rights and priviledges of a free man-of-colour — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Fifthly — I will and direct that one year from and after my death, my negro woman Caroline be free and to enjoy the rights and priviledges of a free person of Couler forever thereafter — — — — — —

Sixly I give to my four children now living (to-wit) Nancy, Fanny, Robert, and Joseph all the residue and remaining part of my Estate both real and personal to them and their heirs forever, to be equally divided between them in such manner and way as they may think best so as to do equal justice to all and each of them — but it is to be understood, that in the distribution reguard is to be had to those who have recieved in advance; the amount given in advance to each one can be seen by referring to my acct Book to be deducted from their respective portions of the remaining part of Estate

As the devise made in the second and third article depend on Contingencies and the money may return to my Estate, in that case it is my intention and meaning that it go to, and be divided among my four last children named — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Seventhly — I will and direct that one-eight or twenty square poles of ground to include the graves of my decd wife and eldest son in the center be reserved, and forever kept sacred — I also reserve the same quantity of ground to include ~~to include~~ the graves of my black or Negro family in the centre, to be kept sacred forever — — — — — — —

I would guard my Executors against any old State debts or claims against my Estate as I have been in the habit of paying

survivor of them, and after their death, I do bequeath and devise the same to the children of my said Daughter forever — The title of such tract of land when purchased to be made to and vested in said Trustee for the use and benefit of my said Son-in-law and Daughter and their children as aforesaid — And I do hereby constitute and appoint James S. Hopkins ley of Boyle County Executor of this my last Will and Testament and my desire is that he be permitted to qualify as Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and act as Trustee as aforesaid without giving Security in either Capacity. And I hereby vest in him a legal Title of all the Estate real, personal and Mixed above devised to my said Daughter, as her Trustee for the uses and purposes aforesaid; and at any time the said James S. Hopkins shall decline or refuse to act as Trustee for my said Daughter that the Boyle Circuit Court shall appoint a Trustee for my said Daughter in the stead of said James S. Hopkins. It is my desire and I do hereby declare and wish it understood by my said Son-in-law and all others that the above provision made for my said Daughter and her children and vesting the property in said Trustee for their use and benefit is not the result of a want of Confidence in the integrity, and Capacity or affection of my said Son-in-law. Eigth — My farther Will and desire is that there shall be no public sale of my property by my Executor, but he is hereby authorized empowered and directed to sell so much of my personal property and Slaves by private sale or contract as may be necessary for the payment of my just debts and funeral expenses and a reasonable Compensation to my Executor and Trustee: the compensation to him as Executor to be paid equally out of the part devised to my said Son and Daughter — and the Compensation to him as Trustee to be paid out of the part devised to my said Daughter — In trust as aforesaid

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this sixteenth day of February — Anno Domini — One thousand, Eight Hundred and forty nine

Sarah. W. Witherspoon (Seal)

Signed, sealed, and acknowleged by the said Testatrix in our presence, who in her presence and the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses the day and year above-written

John. S. Bridges
Benj. D. Bridges
Ann P. Bridges

State of Kentucky
County Court of Boyle County } Set:
August Term 1849

I. Thomas. B. Nichols, clerk of the County-Court for the County aforesaid do certify that this last Will and Testament of Sarah. W. Witherspoon, Decd was produced in open Court to the Boyle County Court (at its August Term 1849) and proved by the Oaths of John. S. Bridges & Ann. P. Bridges — subscribing

witnesses thereto — whereupon the said last Will and Testament was ordered to be recorded — which has been done accordingly

Given under my Hand this 27th day of August 1849

Thos B. Nichols clk

Grant to Do & Deed of Trust Harlan Trustee

This Indenture made this 30th day of December A.D. 1829 between John Grant of the first part and Thomas. W. Dry, Trustee of Mrs Mary Harlan wife of Silas Harlan, all of the County of Mercer & State of Kentucky, Witnesseth that whereas the said John Grant has this day purchased of Basil Prather the following Negro-Slaves, to-wit. One Negro woman named "Grace, about Twenty-six years old and her two female Children "Matilda, about four years old and "Mary, about One Year old, for and in Consideration of the sum of Two Hundred and Sixty Dollars paid by said John Grant to said Basil Prather; and the said Mary Harlan being the Sister of the late wife of said John Grant and he wishing to make some provision for the seperate support and Maintenance of the said Mary Harlan — Now in Consideration of the premises, and One Dollar to the said John Grant in hand paid by said Thomas. W. Dry, the reciept whereof is hereby acknowledged, he said Grant hereby Transfers and Conveys unto the said Thomas. W. Dry in trust for the uses and purposes hereinafter mentioned, to wit: That the said Thomas. W. Dry will permit the said Slaves and their increase to labour for the seperate use, benefit and convenience of the sd Mary Harlan and her heirs forever, free from the Control, management, direction, claim, or demand of the said Silas Harlan; and not subject to any debt, claim or demand which now or hereafter shall be brought or exhibited against said Silas Harlan — Now the clear intent and understanding of this Conveyance, is that the aforesaid Slaves are conveyed to the said Thomas. W. Dry in trust for the seperate use and benefit of the said Mary Harlan free from any control or direction of the sd Silas Harlan — In Witness whereof the said John Grant has hereunto set his hand & affixed his seal the day and year above

Executed in presence of
Basil Prather
John Neff

John Grant (Seal)

Mercer County } set — Jany 16th 1830

The within Indenture was this day produced to me in my Office and proved to be the act and deed of John Grant thereto by the Oaths of Basil Prather and John Neff two subscribing witnesses thereto — Whereupon I have made the same of record

attest Tho. Allin clk

The foregoing is a true Copy from the records in my Office. this 8th Jany 1849

Tho Allin clk Mercer County Court