

Commonwealth of Kentucky
Boyle County Court, To-wit:

I Thomas B. Nichols Clerk of the County Court for the County aforesaid, do Certify, that this last will and testament of Leah Hurley ^{dece^d} was produced in open Court to said Court at the May Term, 1846, & proved to have been duly executed by the said Leah Hurley as & for her said last will & testament, by the oaths of John Webster & Charles Ridgeway, subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be Recorded - Whereupon the same together with the foregoing Certificate, hath been duly admitted to record in my Office - Given under my hand, this 18th day of May 1846 -

Thos B. Nichols Clk

Isabella Knox's Will

In the name of God Amen! I Isabella Knox of the County of Boyle & State of Kentucky knowing the uncertainty of life, & being of full health of body, but of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make, ordain, & publish this my last will & testament, hereby revoking all other & former wills & Codicils by me heretofore made, First, I will & direct that all my just debts be first paid. Second, I will & devise to the persons & in the manner following. Viz. to my daughter Mary Caldwell, (my servant boy, Abram, also One bed, pr blankets, pr sheets & coverlet, and all my wearing apparel, to my granddaughter Mary Jane Caldwell, One bed, pr blankets, pr sheets & coverlet, also my silver ladle, to my Grandson David H. Caldwell, eight silver tea spoons, to my Granddaughter Isabella Knox (daughter of Andrew Knox), one set of silver table spoons & to each of my Children, Wm Knox, Mary Caldwell, Andrew Knox, James Knox and B. S. Knox in equal ratio the balance of my effects, consisting of one servant man, Sam. Cash, Stock &c &c. I will that my boy Sam, be kept by some one of my children, & if any difficulty arises between the parties, as to the estimate to be placed on s^d boy, Sam, or who shall have him, he shall be valued by two or more disinterested men, and such of my Children as are willing to hold slaves shall draw for him, & whoever he may fall to, shall take him at such valuation, & should the price exceed the share of the one to whom he falls, he or she, shall pay such overplus to the other Legatees - In order to enforce & carry out the foregoing, I hereby appoint my trusty friends, Abram J. Wilson, J. P. Irvin, and A. D. Meyer, my Executors to this my last will & Testament. In testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand & seal, this 27th day August, in the year of our Lord, One thousand eight hundred & forty four signed in the presence of

Isabella x Knox
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George Lee
R. C. Williamson
Geo. S. Lee

Commonwealth of Kentucky }
Boyle County Court } Set:

I Thomas B. Nichols Clerk of the County Court for the County aforesaid, do Certify, that this last will and testament of Isabella Knox ^{dece^d} was produced in open Court to said Court at the June Term thereof 1846 & proved to have been duly executed by the said Isabella Knox as & for her said last will & testament, by the oaths of George Lee & R. C. Williamson subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be Recorded - Whereupon the same together with the foregoing Certificate, hath been duly admitted to Record in my Office - Given under my hand this 15th day of June 1846 -

Thos B. Nichols Clk

Downton Thos

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At home August the 17th in the year of our Lord 1845.
I Thomas Downton of Boyle County State of Kentucky, being of sound mind, and disposing memory, do make this my last will & testament, revoking all other wills & parts of wills by me made heretofore. As I have given to each of my four oldest children, Tom Kittigan McGrath, Richard Downton, Mrs A Downton & Isabella H. Ward, ten money and property two thousand and one hundred Dollars each. And as I hold Mr R McGrath and Mrs Downton's notes for \$2000, which will make each of them \$3100 which I intend giving them up, the said notes, if otherwise, I wish them to have each of them 1000 \$ each out of them, and to my son Richard I wish to have 1000 \$ more out of my Estate if I do not give him, before I leave this world, which if I do, it will be charged to him - And as I have accepted an order from L M Ward, who married my daughter Isabella, drawn in favor of my son Rich^d for \$1000 and other reasons I have, I desire that said L M Ward & Isabella his wife shall have no more of my Estate. I wish my daughter Sarah Downton to have the above amount of \$1000 to make her even, with the above named Kitty Ann, Richard and Mrs D to be paid by my Executor in money & property, such property as can be spared, off my place as it may suit her towards housekeeping when she marries, and that part she may be coming to live in money, I wish my Executor to have one two and three years to pay it in, unless they can pay it sooner out of the means I may leave, I hope they can, but I wish it distinctly understood, that if any of my Children should die, without lawful issue, that their part is to be equally divided among my remaining Children - I wish and desire my youngest daughter Eliza to have 3000 \$ to be paid in the manner specified, and given to Sarah I also wish my daughter Eliza to have, Negro girl Mary now 5 or 6 years of age, which girl she has claimed from her birth. It is my will and desire that my dear wife, shall have and enjoy all the property that I may leave under her control, during her life or widowhood, with the exception of so much as may be necessary to pay off the Legacies such as such negroes that can't be well controlled and the part of the land lying between L M Rice & Raughman's lines & 15 acres at the fork of the road, next Danville, (these or any other part or portion not exceeding 50 acres. It is my desire that my son Thos & my afflicted son Lincoln, should continue with their mother and help pay off the Legacies.

if it is my Will and desire, that at the death of my wife that ^{1st} Tho^s. Lincoln Davenport shall have the balance of all my land, together negro man Jo: to Tho^s & Bob to Lincoln and if Tho^s should Mary and does not wish to live with his mother. I wish him to have, One half of the land, to be taken on the south side of the Humphreys road. And I also wish Lincoln to have a good Education, Collegiate one, if his health and intellect will permit. I now hereby constitute my wife & my Son Tho^s my Executors to my last will, to be sworn in, but not bound, to give security. In Witness Whereby, Let my - and Seal the day and date above Written.

Tho^s. Davenport

A Codicil to my last Will. I wish my Son Tho^s. Lincoln each to have, One bed, bedstead, furniture and the residue of my Estate, after paying off the Legacies, Consisting of Negroes, Stock of all kinds with the household and Kitchen furniture, shall be equally divided to my Children that may be living, or their Children, which division is not to take place, until the death of my wife, or marriage of that should happen, that she may have none of my Estate.

Tho^s. Davenport

Boyle County, Ky

The foregoing instrument of Writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Thomas Davenport dec^d together with the Codicil thereto annexed, was this day produced to me in my office, and ordered (by the heirs of said decedent) to be recorded, which is truly done. Given under my hand this 21st day of December 1846.

Att. Tho^s. P. Nichols Clerk

Wade M^r

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I, William Wade of the County of Boyle and State of Kentucky, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all Wills by me heretofore made. First I will and desire that all my just debts be paid as soon as convenient, after my decease by my Executor hereinafter named. Second, I give and devise to the Cumberland Presbyterian Presbytery, One hundred dollars to be applied to the use of the Perryville Seminary, in such manner as they may think proper. Third, I give and bequeath to my Son Seneca M. Wade, One hundred acres of land, on the lower, or North Side of the tract, whereon I now live, to be laid off, by Commencing at such point in Richesters line, as will by running East therefrom Crop the same forty feet above the upper part of the frame of the Saw Mill, and to make a point in the East Side of the dam, at the end of said line, and from said point to run either North or South, as the case may require, so as by running East from said last mentioned point to my Eastern boundary line, will include the aforesaid quantity of One hundred acres, and for which he is to account for the Sum of Two thousand dollars in a final distribution of my Estate. Also four hundred acres of my Knob land, on the West Side, for which he is to account at four hundred dollars. The residue of the tract of land on which I reside, I give to my beloved wife Maria, for and during her natural life, or widowhood, except that my daughter Mary Catharine Wade, is to live with her upon said land, and enjoy equal privileges. And upon the death or marriage of my said wife, I give and bequeath to my said daughter Mary Catharine, One hundred acres of the tract of land, I now live on, to be laid off in a convenient form so as to include the house I now live in. I also give to my said daughter Mary Catharine, one hundred acres of my Knob land, to be laid off, on the East Side of said tract, adjoining the land lately conveyed to James P. Mitchell, and upon a final distribution of my Estate, she is to account for the same tract at the Price of Two thousand dollars, and the Knob tract at One hundred dollars.

I also give to my said daughter Mary Catharine Two negro Slaves, which she now claims. One a girl named Delia and the other a boy named James Thomas. Children of Mary a woman now dead. I also give to my said daughter another girl slave named Lucinda, daughter of a woman called Rhoda. I also give to my said daughter Mary Catharine five hundred dollars in money to be paid to her when she arrives at full age, but before my said daughter Catharine takes anything under this will she must convey by proper deed of Conveyance, to George Beswick his heirs or assigns, the tract of land of about One hundred and fifteen acres, which she inherited from her Mother, and which I have sold to said Beswick.

Fourth I will and desire, that as soon as convenient after the death or marriage of my wife, that the residue of the tract of land, whereon I live, shall be sold by my Executor, and the proceeds thereof divided into two Moities, One Moiety to be paid to my daughter Elizabeth Chapman if living & if she should be dead, at the time of such distribution, then my will is, that her portion, as well as what may hereafter accrue to her be paid to such other Children, as may be living, and the heirs of such as may be dead, in equal proportions. The other Moiety I will and bequeath to Paulina Muldrow, Edwin Muldrow, Susanna Muldrow, Margaret, Muldrow, Mary Muldrow, William W. Muldrow, Hugh Muldrow, Children of my deceased daughter Rhoda W. Muldrow. And if any of said Children should die before distribution, leaving heirs of their body, I will that the share of such deceased Child, shall go to such heirs. If any should die without heirs of their body, then their share to go to the brothers and sisters of the one so dying. And any other Estate hereinafter named & devised to the Children of my said daughter Rhoda, I wish to pass in like manner. Fifth As to the residue of my Slaves and personal Estate not herein disposed of, I now dispose of as follows. I wish the Slaves to be hired out from year to year by my Executor, and one third of the proceeds paid to my wife, as long as she remains my widow. But my Executor if he in his discretion thinks fit, or if my wife desires it, may keep on the farm such portion of said Slaves, as may be thought necessary or profitable for the use of the family & my said Executor, is not to be held to a strict accountability for so doing. My said Executor is hereby authorized at any time he may think proper to make sale of any number of my Slaves, by private sale, but he is not to sell any of the married Slaves so as to part them a distance from their Companions. And as I know that my said Executor will feel some delicacy in taking the responsibility in making such sale, he is at liberty to select one or more friends to aid him, with their Counsel and advice in making such sales. My Executor is also authorized to make sale of the personal Estate, or any part thereof, at any time he pleases, and pay over one third of the proceeds to my wife. And in any event upon the death or marriage of my wife, my personal Estate & Slaves are to be sold (the Slaves privately as before stated). And out of the proceeds of the sale of my Slaves & personal property and other Estate, that will be in the hands of my Executor My daughter Elizabeth Chapman, and the Children of my deceased daughter Rhoda, are to be made equal with my Son Seneca M. Wade, and my daughter Mary Catharine Wade. My daughter Mary Catharine in such equalization is not to account for the three negro Slaves, and the five hundred dollars herein before bequeathed to her. And if there is any Estate left after equalization, it is to be equally divided among my Children, according to the foregoing provisions. If my daughter Mary Catharine Wade, should die without having heirs of her body I wish the Estate herein bequeathed to her to be divided among her brothers and sisters as follows. The five hundred dollars herein mentioned being the proceeds of land she inherited from her Mother, and two of the Slaves (Tom & Delia) and James Thomas I wish to be divided among Hugh Synn, Eliza or James S. Gileson, & Elizabeth Jane Hoague, and the residue to be divided among my Son Seneca M. Wade, Elizabeth Chapman & the Children of my daughter Rhoda, Muldrow. I hereby nominate and appoint my Son Seneca M. Wade the Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament with full power to see the lands herein directed to be sold & convey titles, as well as to do