

This within Writing, purporting to be the last will & Testament of John
 Thurston &c. is an exhibition in Court & duly proved by sworn witnesses
 William A. Johnson & John S. Johnson being witnesses thereto to have been duly
 published by the said John Thurston &c. to be his last will & Testament
 & that he was of sound mind & disposing memory at the time of making
 the same & ordered by the Court to be recorded

at Court Levee in the Court

I John Pierce Son of Buckneridge County & State of Kentucky
 knowing it is appointed over for a term to do as much this my last
 will & Testament in manner and form following to wit: First, It is
 my will and desire that my beloved wife Mary Pierce shall have part
 such part of my estate as she should be entitled to have I &c. in estate
 to life and third part of my land during her life and on third of my
 personal property. This I finally hope will be amply sufficient for her
 support. I give & bequeath to my daughter Sarah & John S. Pierce
 daughter to be made out of my estate & paid over to her by my Executors
 one half the net and income of my Estate both land & personal of every
 description and all that part of the land which may be claimed
 by wife during her life. I give and bequeath to my Son John Pierce
 Junior to him & his heirs forever. I appoint my Son John Pierce Junior
 Executor of this my last will and Testament and I do hereby revoke
 all former wills by me heretofore made In Testimony Whereof
 I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 25th day of January 1831.

Signed Sealed and

delivered in presence of

Jo Allen

S. M. Morrison

Samuel McCallister

John McCallister

Philip Lightfoot

Whereas I John Pierce Junior have acquired title to 20 acres of land
 adjoining my homestead since making the within will, I think best of 10
 acres I do hereby devise to my Son John Pierce Jr. & his heirs forever.

Witness my hand & seal this 16th day of August 1839

Witnesses

Jo Allen

S. M. Morrison

R. G. Morrison

John Pierce Junior (Seal)

Kentucky Buckneridge County to wit

County Court Monday December 18th 1843

James Nelson & Wife

Against

John Pierce

Plffs vs. Defs. This writing, being
 the true last will and Testament
 of John Pierce Junior deceased.

This day came the parties you said by their attorneys and this writing
 was presented in Court and was duly sworn to by John McCallister,
 Philip Lightfoot and Jo Allen Subscribing witnesses thereto
 and the record thereto entered was given to in and sworn by

Robert G. Morrison and the other witnesses that on a certain day the witness Mrs. Susan and the respondent of Counsel heard it in the opinion of the Court that the said Writing was a Contract for some debt or promise and is the last Will and Testament of John Pined. Their depositions are so clear that the Court is satisfied as to the facts.

At L. After the Reading of the Writing to

J. William Hall of Counsel advised and discharging money and the said my last Will and Testament I. J. Hall my body to the ground & my soul to God. It is my wish that my executor or executors hereafter named should first pay all my debts of Tobacco, all my stock of horses except one good horse & both all my stock of sheep, cattle & other stock property except so much as my wife should wish to reserve for her own use, then should the Court not be sufficient to pay all my just debts it is my desire that so much of the tract of land on which I have lived, shall be sold by my Executor or executors off the side so as not to injure the House as little as possible to pay the remainder of my debts. 3^d After my debts are paid it is my Will & desire that my wife hold the balance of my estate for the use & benefit of herself & children & at her death, then the property to come to my present children, I hereby bequeath. And my friend James Henry my executor to carry this my last Will & Testament into effect. Given under my hand the 25th day of November 1843.

Witness H. Markington

William Woodaway

Edmund Wells

William Hall (Seal)

Kentucky Buckenidge County Court.

County Court January Term 1844

The within Writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of William Hall, do. was read to the Court and duly proved by William Woodaway, Edmund Wells & Henry Markington, witnesses thereto & have been duly published by the said William Hall as his last Will & Testament & that he was of sound mind & disposing memory at the time of making the same & was sane & in sound mind & free of any legal disability. And the Court there in Room & advised by the Court to be recorded.

At

J. Allen Clerk Buckenidge County Court

J. Thomas P. Davis of Buckenidge County and State of Kentucky do make and publish this my last Will and Testament and first that my body be decently buried & secondly all my debts paid as soon after my death as is convenient and thirdly I give Will and the goods to my dear beloved wife Lucinda Davis all the lands including tenements &c. all the live stock and on the whole all the goods, chattels and implements of my disposition that I am now possessed of having given my dear son William Wood and hundred and fifty dollars, and when my dear beloved Son and his mother shall have let my other four daughters on a good wife their sister my wife shall then be bound to carry to each of these four daughters their share of land lately bought of J. Jennings.

Kentucky Buckenidge County Court

County Court February Term 1844