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James W. Johnson of Daviess County Kentucky
 having before me the certainty of death and being
 of sound mind and memory do make certain and
 establish this my last will and testament as follows
 (to wit) I give to my beloved wife Martha Johnson
 during her natural life ninety acres of land to be
 laid off the West end of my tract to include the
 dwelling house, orchard and stables but to exclude
 the house in which John W. Thompson now lives and
 the spring between the dwelling house and gate.
 Also the following slaves: Franky and her children
 Alexander, William, Emaline, George, Laura and
 Milla. Also Sarah and her children: Grandson, Larian &
 Cicero. These slaves above named were brought into my family
 at the time my intermarriage with my wife Martha is was
 born since and their value may amount to more than one
 third of all my slaves but I give and bequeath them with
 their increase to her and her heirs forever instead of dower in
 my slaves to dispose of as she may think proper I further
 leave her one third of my household and kitchen furniture
 during her natural life with two horses five cows and calves
 ten heads of sheep and twenty chops two plows gear and
 necessary apparatus;

To the children of my deceased daughter Nancy Clay (to wit) Packer Clay
 I give one hundred acres. To Mary Jane Clay I give my
 by allias which is now in her possession and to Lucy
 Ann Clay New Lucy Ann Haskell I give a negro girl
 Almira now in her possession. To my daughter Cleopatra
 I give my slaves Columbus, John, Sarah and Delilah one
 horse saddle and bridle one picture bed and picture three shares
 of my bank stock and my watch

To my grand children the daughters of my deceased son
 my son (to wit) Sarah Ellen Lucy Jones, Mary and Martha
 I give the following slaves (to wit) Ellen and her children
 Hannah, Houston and Nipton with their increase to be
 divided among them or the survivors of them when the
 oldest shall arrive at twenty one at the age of twenty one years
 or when if then shall have married I also give them one share
 each of my bank stock & To my daughter Sally Ann New
 Sally Ann Thomas I have given sixty acres of land and a
 negro slave Manumal I do hereby further give and bequeath
 her the following slaves (to wit) Lavinia, Phyllis and
 Jo to her and her heirs bodily forever their bequest are
 intended to extend to the children she had by her
 former husband. A William to wit Cleopatra William and
 A Ann Williams at her demise my intention being that all
 her children shall share equally in this and my other
 bequest to her & I also give her under the same injunction

three shares of my bank stock. I hereby direct my
 executor hereinafter named after the demise of my wife to
 sell my entire tract of land either privately or publicly
 to the highest bidder as may seem to them the most
 advantageous for the interest of my legatee on a credit or
 otherwise as may seem best and to dispose of the profits
 as follows to my daughter Cleopatra one share of the
 clear profits to the children of my deceased son
 My son one third of the clear profits reserving a sum
 out of this last one third above mentioned as will cover
 the principal in the debts due by my deceased son
 My son which remains unpaid after exhausting her estate
 which I desire my executor faithfully to discharge and the
 balance of one third pay to Sarah Ellen Lucy Jones
 Mary and Martha the daughters of my or deceased son
 or to the survivors of them equally to them guardian for
 their benefit. To my daughter Sally Ann Thomas
 the amount of the clear profits of thirty acres which
 will make her interest equal and the balance of
 the money arising from the sale of my land I give
 to my deceased daughter Nancy Clay's children (to wit)
 Packer, Mary Jane and Lucy Ann Clay the latter
 now Lucy Ann Haskell all now of Texas my
 intention is that in order that the said Packer Clay
 Mary Jane and Lucy Ann shall inherit this
 and the foregoing bequest that all accounts and
 unsettled matters between myself as administrator of this
 father's estate in Kentucky or elsewhere be considered finally
 settled and which will settle all my claims against them
 for boarding clothing schooling &c. I further give my
 surveying instruments to my grandson Packer Clay
 To my step daughter Martha Thomas I give one horse
 with fifty dollars one bed and pictures and one cow and
 calf all my silver plate I give to my daughter Cleopatra
 Johnson after the death of my wife
 And I hereby constitute and appoint my daughter
 Cleopatra Johnson John W. Thomas my son and
 Newton and Wm C. Morris my executors and Executors
 of this my last will and testament requesting the Court
 of Daviess County not to exact any security from them
 having full faith and confidence in their integrity
 and honesty given under my hand and seal
 every line and word hereof written with my own
 hand this 21st day of May 1850
 James W. Johnson Seal

Kentucky Daviess County Court do
 June Term 1857.
 The above and foregoing writing purporting to be the
 last will and testament of James W. Johnson deceased
 was produced in Open Court and duly proven to be
 the act and deed of the said James W. Johnson by
 the Oaths of John A. McFarland, James McKee and
 Warner Criss. Whereupon the same is ordered to
 record as and for the last will and testament of the
 said James W. Johnson deceased.
 Given under my hand this 7th day of July
 1857. Attest John Gasmanway Clerk D.C. &c
 For William B. Wall. C.K.

State of Kentucky 3 June Term 1867
 Daviess County Court
 The Book containing the foregoing will having
 been destroyed it is ordered that the same be
 re-recorded.
 Witness my hand this 10th June 1867
 J. C. Jones C.K.

145- I John B. Brand being of sound mind
 do make this my last will and testament first
 I wish my son John W. Brand to have one
 hundred acres of land bought of William Hendricks
 and fifty acres of the tract bought of Washington
 Jackson adjoining the said Nehemiah tract lying
 on the waters of South Panther in Daviess County Ky
 Secondly I wish my daughter Susan Jane Brand
 Lemahtha Carmela Brand Agnes Brand and
 Abner Brand my daughter to be made equal
 to my son John W. Brand in money or property
 as they severally marry or become twenty one
 years of age Thirdly I wish my wife Mary
 Brand to have full possession and enjoyment
 of my entire estate with the above named exception
 so long as she remains my widow and in an
 unmarried state should she remain married
 I wish her to have one third of my estate and
 my lawful heirs above named to have the other
 two thirds divided equally amongst them in testimony
 I subscribe my hand and seal this 16th day of
 June 1857.
 Attest
 David Wentzfeld
 John W. Moody

Kentucky Daviess County Court do
 July Term 1857.
 The above and foregoing writing purporting to be
 the last will and testament of John B. Brand
 deceased was produced in Open Court and duly proven
 to be the act and deed of the said John B. Brand
 by the Oaths of David Wentzfeld and John W. Moody two
 subscribing witnesses thereto. Whereupon the same is ordered
 to record as and for the last will and testament of
 the said John B. Brand deceased.
 Given under my hand this 14th day of July 1857.
 Attest John Gasmanway Clerk D.C. &c
 For William B. Wall. C.K.

State of Kentucky 3 June Term 1867
 Daviess County Court
 The Book containing the foregoing will having
 been destroyed it is ordered that the same
 be re-recorded.
 Witness my hand this 10th June 1867
 J. C. Jones