

I charge my Body to the Almighty God that gave me existence,  
I hope through his Mercy to have an entrance in Christ my Redeemer who  
died and suffered on the cross for sinners. I desire the following Legacy  
to my Polly Brinsford one dollar, my daughter, also to my daughter  
Peggy Gethens one dollar also my daughter, Abigail Oliver one dollar  
and the residue of my Estate to my wife Lucy Miller after paying my  
Funeral Expenses and paying my just debts I wish my wife to give Liberty  
to school and raise my Daughter Nancy and my two sons William  
and Thomas Miller, It is my wish for her to dispose of my Estate as she  
thinks proper. She has been to me an affectionate Companion - It is  
my wish that my wife Lucy Miller with be my Executor of my  
Last Will and Testament to carry the same into Execution, Signed this  
Nineteenth day of April 1822.

Witness  
William Porter Senr  
Stephen Lovingson  
Charles D. Porter  
Pronkley Morris

John Miller his mark  
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In the name of God amen, I Dennis Bowley of the  
County of Franklin & State of Kentucky being of sound mind  
but of an advanced age do make and constitute this my last Will  
& Testament in manner following to wit:  
My primary object in making this will is to secure after my  
death, emancipation to my Slaves at such times, and in such man-  
ner as I shall hereinafter ordain & specify.  
First as a reward for the industry & fidelity of my man Jerome Joe,  
and my Woman servant Sarah, for whose it is my will and desire  
that they together with their increase hereafter born be liberated  
immediately after my death & for their support and maintenance  
my Executors (hereinafter to be named) are requested to lay off from  
the farm whereon I now reside fifty acres of land which is to be  
divided to them & their heirs forever. I further desire, for the same  
purpose and above mentioned, that they have given to them out of my  
last two cows, six hogs one three plough and gear  
Secondly, my last remaining male slave Charles and female

do to be liberated, after the death of my wife Susanna  
Bowley, until such time I desire they be held in house by my  
Executors for the use and benefit of her so long as she remain  
widow. This trust in my executors is entered with a view to prevent  
the most treatment of these Slaves, or being taken up or sold as is  
the usual intention of emancipating them.  
Thirdly, my female Slave Clara is also to be held in house by my  
executors for the same reasons as Charles and Aaron, for the benefit of my  
wife during her life or widowhood and at the termination of either to be  
liberated together with her increase.  
Fourthly, It is my desire that my wife retain during her life or  
widowhood my farm on which we now reside consisting the fifty acres to be  
used before divorce at my death to Joe and Sarah and also all the  
household furniture & farming utensils in my possession at the  
time of my death, not however otherwise disposed of.  
Fifthly, After the death of my wife it is my desire that my executors  
do divide my farm into three equal parts taking into the  
computation the fifty acres before divorce to be divided to Joe & Sarah  
one part to be divided as before mentioned to Joe & Sarah, one part to Charles  
and the other part to Aaron, to them and their heirs forever.  
Sixthly, In consideration of the long friendship existing between myself  
& the late William Brickman I desire my executors to give him out  
of my estate twenty pounds should he be alive at my death, also  
and worthy friend James McQuire the sum of one hundred dollars  
should he be alive at my death.  
Seventhly, after the death of my wife I desire that  
my stock, furniture & be sold and the proceeds disposed of at  
the discretion of my executors to the poor and away.  
Eighthly, To my old friend Henry Miller, I desire to be given for the  
use of his Children or those of them who my executors in conscience shall  
think may think most worthy the sum of one hundred dollars.  
Ninthly, I do hereby appoint and constitute as my executors to the  
my last will, Thomas Long of the town of Frankfort, Henry S. Thomas  
& James D. Miles & William Porter.  
Lastly, Hoping the most entire confidence in the probity and  
fidelity of my executors I do require and desire of their part  
that they will after the foregoing be done, pay to me or my  
just debts, and paying the same have