

being about to leave home on a trading expedition and knowing that
 should at some time we will have to use I have thought fit for to make some arrangements
 (will) preparatory to that event being some what I have known that because
 of my situation it would be impossible for my wife to pay my debts out of
 my personal estate. It is therefore my wish that my executor should in
 case of my death sell at private sale or public sale may think most to
 the interest of my family either my house and lot in New Albany or the
 lands where on I now live or both if necessary for the payment of my
 debts but if by the collection of what is due me from my brother, Samuel
 and some small debts with the lot above named and my crop and other
 things that can be spared from my family the debts can be paid un-
 der the land on which I live. it is my wish it should be done but still
 should the father of my wife remove from where he now lives and my
 wife should wish to remove to the same part or should her father
 think it best to sell the tract and purchase some other for her Swedish
 him to do so which land shall be the property of her and my children
 in the same manner that the land New Can is sold hereby empower my
 executor to make any settlement with the most smart who owns a part of the
 tract on which I live that he thinks advisable either personally or by
 arbitration I think it unnecessary to be particular about my personal
 estate having full confidence in my executor that he will reserve
 said things so far necessary for the use and conveniences of my
 family but as negro uamah called Lydia given to my wife by her
 father I never wish her to be disposed of on any pretext whatever
 I commit the care of my infants to their dear mother and grand
 father not doubting their tendency. Lastly I do a solemn my
 father, in law and N. Richardson executor of this my last
 will in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
 this 15th day of July 1826

Teste
 Saml. S. Richardson
 Charles Hall
 N. Richardson
 Charles Hall being low in health & knowing the uncertainty of life
 and all human events and being at a distance from home he made
 this instrument of writing to be made a codicil to my will which I
 the order made provisions to my departure from home which will I do now, ratify
 and confirm as my last will and testament. It is my will that I desire
 said on that my brother Samuel Hall be released from a debt of three hundred
 dollars which he owes me and that my executor Nathaniel Richardson
 be exonerated from all accountability for said debt in testimony whereof
 I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 6th September 1826
 atteste
 Ben Helm
 Allen Houghton
 Charles Hall
 Franklin County November Court 1826
 A Writing to be the last will and testament of Charles Hall

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 Herein and with a codicil thereto may be produced in court and will
 was proven by Nathaniel Richardson and N. Richardson two
 subscribing witnesses thereto which is ordered to be recorded
 Teste A. H. Henrich cllk

Parent In the name of God amen I Tho^s Parrent being weak
 wick of body but sound in mind and knowing the uncertainty of this life
 and the certainty of death do make this my last will and testament as
 as follows to wit first that all my just debts be paid out of the
 money that is owing to me if enough can be collected and if it cannot
 be collected then the balance to be made up by sale of some of my
 personal estate and the remainder of my real and personal estate
 I will to my beloved wife Margaret Parrent, to raise and educate
 my children upon and remain in her possession during her natural
 life or widow hood and it is my wish that my wife be my
 executrix and James Hunter and John Houghale be my executors
 and if they should think proper to sell the Land which I now
 live and Rent the proceeds in other Lands for the benefit of my
 wife and children it is my wish and desire that it should be done
 and having the fullest confidence in my executrix and executors
 It is my wish that no security should be required of them by
 the Court, In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
 and seal this sixteenth day of December One thousand eight
 hundred and twenty six
 Tho^s Parrent
 W. Hall
 Tho^s Parrent
 John Houghale

Franklin County January Court 1827
 The last will and testament of Thomas Parrent, dec^d was produced
 to court, and proven by the oath of W. Hall and Tho^s Parrent two
 of the subscribing witnesses thereto which is ordered to be recorded
 Teste A. H. Henrich cllk

Smoker In the name of God amen I Elizabeth Smither being weak
 wick in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory considering the
 uncertainty of this mortal life do make and publish this my
 last will and testament in manner and form as follows
 I give and bequeath to Sarah Ann Webster the whole of my
 estate real and personal In testimony whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand and seal
 Elizabeth Smither
 Teste
 Francis Graham
 Sarah Ann Webster
 Franklin County May Court 1827
 A Writing preparatory to last will and testament

of Francis Graham and Andrew Webster to be her last will and testament which is ordered to be recorded
 Teste A. H. Kinnick, Clerk

In the name of God amen I Rich^d Apperson of Franklin
 Will County do make and declare this to be my last will and
 testament revoking all former wills
 after my Debts and Funerary expenses are paid my will is
 that my Estate shall be divided in manner following
 Whereas by my Marriage with Lucy & Rebecca widow & Heir of
 William Mearns I became possessed of certain Slaves which
 it is my intention to bestow on my children or their representatives
 who are as follows Viz Richard He Mearns William
 Mearns James Mearns now dead who left a Daughter who has
 since intermarried with Sally Mearns
 wife of Nathaniel Crump Francis Mearns who married
 Harris who left an only son called William M.
 Mearns and Lucy Mearns who married Granville Waddell
 or their legal heirs and I also give to them the value of
 such Slaves as I have disposed of as per account hereto
 annexed For which I now do make fifty shares of
 Capital & Joint Stock of the State Bank of Kentucky having
 vested the amount of my said accounts in Bank Stock being
 the amount of the negroes as sold my reason for now
 representing fifty shares is that I do wish to be paid in cash
 and I wish it to be paid as the full amount of the negroes that
 I have sold and the balance of my Estate not to be bound to
 make up any farther depreciation in said Bank Stock which
 Stock I wish to be taken as part of my this my will I therefore
 bequeath to the said Richard He Mearns Wm Mearns James
 Mearns now deceased who left a Daughter who has since
 intermarried with Sally Mearns wife of
 Nathl Crump Francis Mearns who married Harris
 who left an only son called Wm Mearns and Lucy Mearns
 who married Granville Waddell and if either of them be dead
 to their legal representatives an sixth part of the above mentioned
 Bank Stock and one sixth part of the negroes now on hand
 which are to be sold as I shall here after direct I direct that
 the negroes that are in my possession at my death be sold
 and not to be sold to any person residing out of the County
 Franklin It is my further my will and desire that Nancy &
 her children be sold together as I do not wish them to be
 separated and further my will and desire is that the above
 said Legatees have an equal part of the said Bank
 Stock and the amount of sales of the negroes that

18 I do also nominate and appoint my friends Robert Walker
 and Granville Waddell both of Christian County my Executors
 to this part of my will Thomas Church
 A. Duane Rich Apperson
 Benj. B. Johnson

Secondly I Give and bequeath the Residue of my Estate viz all
 my lands and personal Estate and also the Residue of Bank Stock
 in the State Bank of Kentucky and the Bank of Independent
 Bank and all my debts that may be due me at my decease
 to be equally divided between my brothers & sisters children
 which may be living at my death and I do appoint my
 friends Longston Bacon and John Morris Executors to this
 my last part of my will this being my last will & testament
 and revoking all former wills In Witness whereof I have here
 set my hand and seal this 29th day of April in the year 1826
 Sealed & signed in the presence of
 Thomas Church
 A. Duane
 Benj. B. Johnson

The following memorandum is the amount of the Slaves I have
 disposed of which I have vested in the Bank of Kentucky for
 which I have assigned fifty shares in the said Bank in lieu
 of the amount of the account belows will more fully appear
 in the body of the will

Jack & J. Miller	\$600.00
John	150.00
Squire	300.00
Sam in Jan of 1809 sold in Virginia	500.00
China & Child	1133.33 3/4
Jenny	100.00
Billy	300.00
Julius	450.00
Billy	500.00
	\$3983.33 3/4

In Franklins County Ky
 February Court 1826
 The last will and testament of Richard Apperson deceased
 was produced to Court and proven by the oaths of Roger
 Collins and Benjamin B. Johnson two subscribing witnesses
 thereto which is ordered to be recorded
 Teste A. H. Kinnick Clerk

Eleanor I Eleanor Johnson of Franklin County & State of Kentucky being
 the only surviving child and next of kin of the said Richard Apperson
 deceased do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy
 of the said will and testament in the presence and full view of
 the Court and that the same is a true and correct copy of the original