

June 20. 1851

Knowing all men here to die, and knowing that I have frequent spells, I now propose to make my last will and testimony, giving to my daughter Sarah C. Sherman Clay fifty acres of land, and a negro girl Fran and sundry other things, valuing them at three thousand dollars, I now propose to give and bequeath to my lawful and wedded wife Lucy C. Bedford five negro kids more or less, Tom, Tom, Lueky and her two children, Bronson and Caroline which she can see give or make any disposition which she may choose. I also give all my household furniture of every kind, I also bequeath especially four thousand dollars, which she can see I have above devised, do as she pleases with it, in any way, whether she shall see fit should be invested before my death in land, or in any way, whether she shall see fit the night when said property sold and the four thousand dollars paid to her.

I have given to my son William Smith, or from him and others which shall have his receipt and charged on account which I shall continue to charge as long as I may give I shall have if I meet with no objection two hundred dollars more than I have given to my wife which I give to her and also negro woman old Mully, if I should live to give apart or the whole of said amount, I shall in case or make an account of all that I give.

A. C. Bedford

Abound my will having purchased land here, the same was made to give to my wife L. C. Bedford my land negro boy & parcel of property there, to as she wishes with after my death pay to my son William two thousand five hundred dollars which she can give or withhold or much of it to my son William can have the benefit of it I want said money to spend them in such manner to cover what I consider a fraudulent debt. J. F. Bedford notes against him of Boston county - Thomas my hand and seal this 12th month 1851

Wm Ware
A. C. Bedford
State of Kentucky

Franklin County, north July (17th) 1851

Abounding proof being to the last will and testament of Lucy C. Bedford deceased was proved by the oath of Wm Ware, John W. Ware, Robert Hunt and the said Wm Ware and Hillary M. Bedford provided that the body of the said will and signatures of said Lucy C. Bedford were wholly in the hand writing of said Lucy C. Bedford thereupon it is ordered that the will be read to be received, in the same in fully received my special

A. H. Connors J. C.

In the name of God Amen I William George of the county of Franklin State of Kentucky being of sound and sane mind do make this my last will and testament

In the first place it is my will that my wife Emily Leane do as she pleases during her widowhood to hold in marriage, the same for her own use of the things I may bequeath to each of my children arrive at the age of twenty one years, it is my will that they be enabled to receive from my estate the sum of one thousand dollars from the conclusion of the estate at Savannah and admit of it

as my daughter Virginia Bibb Wilson has already received one negro girl out of my estate, it is my will that; that give be considered as her one share and as an equivalent to the portion which she has for my other children

In the event of the future marriage of my wife or my death that she receive in that property as her portion but if she never marries then at her death it is to be equally divided among all my children. It is my will that my wife Emily Leane and her son be appointed my executor and executor and that my son William A. Leane as soon as he arrives at the age of twenty one years be also appointed one of my executors

Witness my hand this 25th day of June 1851
Wm G. Harris
Thos. H. Key
H. C. Mitchell
W. C. Price
State of Kentucky

William to Leane man

Franklin County, north July (20th) 1851

Abounding proof being to the last will and testament of William George deceased was proved in court and was proved by the oath of W. C. Mitchell, W. C. Price and the said Wm G. Harris and the same to be received which is done according to the laws of the State of Kentucky

A. H. Connors J. C.

In the name of God, I make and ordain this my last will and testament. I give to my wife Elizabeth C. all the land, my property and the amount of my stock in the Farmers Bank of Kentucky, Kentucky. I give to my son George A. Jell his part of my land lying on the North Side of the Versailles and Berea road, and the very three he has in possession or in solution. I give the remainder of my property, my being children and the children of my daughter Louisa T. Squire, they to have one equal share the same that their mother would have had if she had lived.

If any of my children die leaving no child or children the property they have received of mine to return to the living children and the children of my daughter Louisa they are to have one share as above named. I appoint my son George A. Jell my executor to carry into effect this my last will. For to be sure for his services the sum of five hundred dollars and no more. If he fails to qualify either or both of my other sons may qualify and have the same for their services

May 25th 1851
Thomas Jell

In a celler County, north July (18th) 1851

Abounding proof being to the last will and testament of Thomas Jell deceased was this day produced in court and there being no subscribing Witnesses present, Henry H. Hunt, Alexander W. Madison being sworn, testified that the said writing with the signature there to is wholly in the hand writing of the deceased and thereupon the same is received to be received as the last will and testament of said deceased and the same is fully received my special

A. H. Connors J. C.

Wm Lewis of Langeson in Franklin County Kentucky do make this my last will and testament hereby revoking all others by me heretofore made. I appoint as my executor all my just debts shall be paid, among them a debt due to my son on account of Legacy from his Aunt Greenmore for her own use and fifty dollars of Legacy appointed for their purchase which is a portion to be made according to the laws of the State of Kentucky