

me heretofore. One thousand dollars over & above what  
the rest of my children have received it is my desire that  
that amount shall be taken from his share before a  
final distribution shall be made; then that my estate  
shall be equally divided among my children Benjamin  
F. Duvall excepting the one thousand dollars before  
mentioned, Cornelius H. Duvall, Joseph P. Duvall,  
William H. Duvall, Martha A. Went and Susan M.  
Duvall

Fourth - It is my desire that the farm shall not be  
sold or disposed of until after my daughter Susan M. Duvall  
shall have attained the age of twenty one years.

In witness whereof I herewith subscribe my name  
affix my seal this the 23<sup>d</sup> day of October 1866

Made & subscribed  
in presence of  
R. B. M<sup>c</sup> Kee  
W. J. Steele Jr  
A. S. Ireland

Benjamin P. Duvall  
By R. B. M<sup>c</sup> Kee

Codicil. I appoint Edward C. Went and  
my son Joseph P. Duvall the Executors of this my  
last will & testament - Benjamin P. Duvall

By R. B. M<sup>c</sup> Kee

Made & subscribed  
in our presence this 23<sup>d</sup> day of October 1866

R. B. M<sup>c</sup> Kee  
W. J. Steele Jr  
A. S. Ireland

State of Kentucky

Franklin County Court Nov 3<sup>d</sup> 1866

A writing purporting to be the last will & testament of  
Benjamin B. Duvall dec<sup>d</sup> with a codicil thereto attached  
was produced in court & proved by the oaths of R. B. M<sup>c</sup> Kee  
W. J. Steele Jr & A. S. Ireland the subscribing witnesses  
thereto and ordered to be recorded which is truly done

A. H. Remnick cfc

Blackburn Frankfort Ky Nov 9<sup>th</sup> 1866

The undersigned witnesseth this writing to be my  
last will & testament Witnesseth

1<sup>st</sup> That I give to my wife Hannah M. Blackburn the  
residence in which we are now living together with all the  
appurtenances attached. Also all the furniture, household  
kitchen furniture including bedding &c &c.

2<sup>d</sup> She shall have One thousand dollars in cash - I give  
the above named property to her as absolute, she assigns

all claims to any property that may be left or that may come from  
the estate of my father. After all my just debts are paid the  
balance of my property I wish divided equally between my  
three children

R. W. Blackburn

I hereby appoint my Edmund Botts as my executor  
he agreeing to act as such

R. W. Blackburn

State of Kentucky  
Franklin County Court December Term 8<sup>th</sup> 1866

A writing purporting to be the last will & testament of  
Robert W. Blackburn dec<sup>d</sup> was this day produced to court &  
there being no subscribing witnesses thereto, James Tate and  
Edmund Botts being sworn testified said writing with the  
signature thereto is wholly in the handwriting of the  
deceased and thereupon same is ordered to be recorded as  
the last will & testament of said deceased, Whereupon  
the said will is truly recorded in my office

A. H. Remnick cfc

I Theophilus Brauner of Franklin County Kentucky being  
weak of body but of sound mind and memory and being  
desirous of making disposition of my little personal estate do  
do declare the following to be my wishes in regard thereto  
After the payment of my funeral expenses and any just debt  
I may owe I give the whole of my property of every description  
to my wife Rachel Brauner to be used and disposed of by  
her as she may see proper - In witness whereof I have  
herewith set my hand this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May 1866.

Witness  
Wesley Wade  
John J. Snow

his  
Theophilus x Brauner  
mark

Franklin County Court

January Term 1867

A Writing purporting to be the last will & testament of  
Theophilus Brauner dec<sup>d</sup> was produced to court and was  
proved by the oaths of Wesley Wade & John J. Snow subscri-  
bing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded which is  
truly done.

A. H. Remnick cfc

I Mason Brown of the city of Frankfort and State of Kentucky  
do hereby make this my last will & testament and do hereby revoke  
all other wills by me heretofore made:

I have paid my son Benjamin Grady Brown the legacy he  
is entitled to by my father and have given him

personal estate his full share of my property  
2. I devise to my wife Mary Y Brown all my estate real  
personal or mixed which I now have or may have at the time  
of my death to be held & enjoyed by her during her natural  
life or widowhood and after her death or marriage (should  
she again think proper to marry) the same is to pass equal  
to my sons John Mason Brown, Yoder Brown, Knox Brown  
and my daughters Margaretta M Brown, Mary Y Brown  
Elega Brown and any other children that I may have by  
my present wife

3. I make my beloved wife sole executrix of my will  
and request that no security be required of her as such  
But should she marry again her power as executrix &  
her interest in my estate as above given is instantly to cease  
and she is to be remitted to her widows third of my personal  
estate and her dower in my real estate & slaves; and in  
such event she is to be held responsible to my children for  
the manner in which she has managed my estate, &  
otherwise her acts are not to be called in question by my  
children

4. I authorize my executrix to sell any of my real  
estate or slaves she may think proper.

5. My executrix may advance to my children  
portions of their share of my estate as they respectively come  
of age or marry, or not at her election. But I earnestly  
advise her never to make any advances inconsistent with  
her independence and always to retain in her own hands  
a full & ample support for her station in life

6. The charges of the education of my children after my  
death must be equalized between them and those who may  
be then educated in the joint division of my property;  
should my wife die before they are all educated

Witness my hand this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 1865

Witness  
P Sargent  
J L Phythian

State of Kentucky Do

At a county Court held for the county of Franklin  
on Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup> day of February A D 1867

A writing purporting to be the last will & testament of  
Mason Brown deceased was this day produced in Court and proved to  
the oaths of P Sargent & J L Phythian the subscribing witnesses  
thence and ordered to be recorded - Whereupon the same was  
truly recorded

Attest  
A N Remick, Clerk

Last Will and Testament of Wm Hunt dec<sup>d</sup>  
I Wm Hunt now in good health and of sound & disposing mind &  
memory deem it prudent to make & ordain this as my last will &  
testament hereby revoking all other wills by me made  
Item 1<sup>st</sup> I do hereby appoint my beloved wife and my two sons  
George B Hunt and William C Hunt my sole executors and  
request that no security shall be required of them and hereby vest  
them with the legal title of all my estate of every description  
with full power to sell & convey any portion thereof which they  
in their discretion may think advisable and in case of the  
death of any of them the same power is hereby vested in the  
survivor or survivors to hold said estate in trust for the  
following purposes. Viz

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> To pay all my just debts  
Item 3<sup>rd</sup> To allot to my beloved wife her dower according to  
law, or if she should prefer it, to give to her an equal child  
part in fee simple

Item 4<sup>th</sup> To carry on all my plantations either by hiring  
laborers, renting them or working them on the shares, and  
for this purpose they are authorized to make any contracts  
they may deem advisable

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I require that my family shall be kept together  
and supported out of the proceeds of the estate and the minor  
children educated without any separate charge against  
either of them and without any separate charge against  
any of the children while they live together or manage the  
property jointly

Item 6<sup>th</sup> To divide the estate equally between my wife if she  
should select it in lieu of dower, and all my children,  
share & share alike whenever my youngest child comes of age  
or marries, but my executors may divide & deliver to my wife  
her part whenever she desires it, and to each of the children  
who are of age or as they become of age their respective shares  
according to the value of the estate at that time and retain  
the residue in common for the purposes before mentioned &  
upon such division the legal title shall vest in the persons so  
receiving it

Item 7<sup>th</sup> I will and desire that all the provisions of  
this will shall apply to whatever estate I may own at my  
death whether heretofore or hereafter acquired

Item 8<sup>th</sup> I do hereby make my son George guardian  
for my infant children

In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name  
affixed as forw<sup>d</sup> as my seal this first day of February  
William Hunt

Witnessed in the presence of the testator who