

J. A. Smith
W. J. J.

BOOK C PAGE 234
Know all persons that J. Thomas A. Smith of Henderson County State of Kentucky do on this 6th day of September Eight hundred and Sixty Six dictate and request to be recorded this my last Will & Testament in regard to my family and property which Almighty God has blessed me with 2nd I desire request and will that my property all be kept together for the benefit of my ever cherished wife Margaret E. Smith and our children during the natural life or widowhood of said wife and moreover I desire our youngest child becomes of age whose name is Harry and I do hereby appoint said wife and our oldest son William A. Smith my Executive Executor and also as Guardians for our children to act without security and after the children now under age (see in number) have each been supported and educated or educated as those now of age and Harry or the youngest then living because of age then I will that what should or may be left be equally divided between our children after 10 years that are taken out being now of age and I further declare that the above has ever been my desire & will as the Testator whose name is here subscribed we say Well the above, Praying all persons to let it thus be, I have signed with my name & seal praying the Testator to do the same Amen.

Thomas A. Smith
Mark

Witnesseth
Benja. F. Lister
John Matthews
Marshall Smith

State of Kentucky
Henderson County } 1st October County Court 1866
The last Will and Testament of Thomas A. Smith do was produced in Court and proved in open Court by the oaths of Benja. F. Lister and John Matthews subscribing Witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded which with this Certificate is truly done.

J. P. Breckinridge C. K. C. C.

J. A. Hatfield
W. J. J.

Bradley County Ark. March 30-1863
I have seen the 12th January Sixty five times the illnesses of my body makes it probable I shall never see it again. I therefore make these lines for the instruction of my family I give to my youngest daughter Cornelia two hundred acres of land lying in the County of Bradley State of Ark. conveyed to me by J. B. Lister the deed for same rec'd in the Clerk's Office of said County, of Bradley also a negro girl named Eliza & a boy named Caesar. One horse saddle & saddle. One feather bed & bedding. To my wife Cornelia I leave the tract of land on which I now live & all the negroes not heretofore given away during her life. all other property I give to her to do with it as she pleases with what money I may have on hand at the time of my death subject to the payment of my debt at her death my son Edwin or his heirs shall inherit the land and the negroes shall be equally divided among my five youngest children, namely Eliza Collins, M. Kirby, Virginia Lister, Edwin Hatfield & Cornelia. I appoint James B. Lister my executor and knowing his probity, his honesty, request the Court

to let him undertake the duties of executor without giving security. ^{W. J. J.}
I desire that the destiny of nations reside in the affairs of the South until the independence of the Southern Confederacy be established on a basis that may endure forever & peace & prosperity take the place of War & devastation which now reigns. May He guide my family unto all truth & admit us all into his everlasting kingdom

J. A. Hatfield

State of Kentucky

Henderson County } 25 September County Court 1866

The last Will and Testament of J. A. Hatfield do. was produced in Court and proved in open Court by the oaths of John A. Hart and Paul A. Blackwell who testified that said Will was wholly & entirely in the hand writing of said J. A. Hatfield which being deemed sufficiently proved is ordered to be recorded which with this Certificate is truly done
(Page 49)

J. P. Breckinridge C. K. C. C.

J. Williams
Will

I Alfred Williams of Henderson County in the State of Kentucky being somewhat advanced in years in good health and of sound mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills by me heretofore made 1st It is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid and my funeral expenses defrayed out of my personal and personal estate 2^d I give, devise, and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary H. Williams One third part of my estate both real, personal and mixed that I may have and own at the time of my death for and during the term of her natural life I except from this bequest my Chick Store House on mill Creek which I desire to be rented out from year to year during the life of my said wife and One half the rent paid to her 3^d It is my will and desire after my beloved wife shall have received for third part and the rent above provided; all the rest and residue of my estate including the balance of the rent, above stipulated shall be equally divided among my children and Grand children. In making said division my daughter Kelly Ann Green wife of Peter R. Green must be charged with Fifteen hundred Dollars advanced to her in lands and cash many years ago. And my son William D. Williams must be charged with Five hundred Dollars cash heretofore advanced him. 4th After all the rest of my children have been made equal to my daughter Kelly Ann Green, the balance of the two thirds exclusive of the Chick Store House is to be divided as follows: One portion to my daughter Kelly Ann Green for her separate use and maintenance, and subject to her use and Control and not to be, in any event, liable for the debts and Antients of her husband and at her death to be equally divided amongst her children One portion to the children of my daughter Elizabeth D. Williams to them their heirs or assigns forever. One portion to the children of my son John A. Williams to them their heirs or assigns forever. One portion to my son Stephen J. Williams to him or assigns forever if he be living, if he be dead then to his children their heirs or assigns forever. One portion I give and bequeath to my son William D. Williams on trust for the use and benefit of his wife and children he shall at all times have the possession and Control of the same, and shall receive the rents, issues and profits thereof as such trustee in Common with his wife and children so long as they live together if any of his children marry or otherwise quit the paternal residence then he is still to retain the possession and Control of said property during his life and at his death the same shall be equally divided between his lawful descendants, and is never to be liable for his debts. One portion to my daughter Sarah A. Williams during her natural life free from the Control of any husband she may have at her death to be equally divided between her children, or their descendants. Lastly it is my will and desire after the death of my beloved wife all that part of my estate heretofore bequeathed her including the Chick Store House and whatever money may be on hand unexpended after the payment of all her reasonable and just debts