

Thos Watson
Will

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I Thomas Watson of the County of Henderson & State of Kentucky do hereby make & ordain this my last will & testament on this the 1st day of June 1853, in the following manner & form to-wit: I will bequeath to my wife, Lucy Frances my brown horse, Rick my buggy also all the property which I got by her. I also will her Five thousand dollars in money to be paid her out of the first income of the estate after supporting & schooling my children: the said money & property I give her to do as she thinks with. In regard to the rest of my estate the law makes a just a division as I care, and I wish it divided accordingly: and should my wife be as I believe she is pregnant & give birth to a child, then I wish that child to share equally with my other children. It is my wish that my land shall be sold when it can be done for thirty five or forty dollars per acre, and I hereby give my executor authority to sell for that price. I also leave it discretionary with my executor to keep the negroes on the farm for two or three years if they cannot be sold or to hire or rent out in the usual manner. I will direct that all of my just debt be paid. I hereby nominate & appoint Larkin White & Jackson H. Blanton of same & Nathaniel executor of this my last will & testament and wish them to keep the estate for two hands & as each child becomes of age, or is entitled to it by law to have its share allotted to it. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this day & date first above written.

L. White
J. H. Blanton

State of Kentucky
Henderson County, ss. June County Court 1853.

This last will and testament of Thomas Watson, deceased, was produced and proved in open court according to law by the oaths of L. White and J. H. Blanton subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded, and thereupon the same was truly recorded in my Office the 23rd day of June 1853.

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Wm. H. D. Allison exec

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Wm Stewart
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In the name of God, amen! I William Stewart of the Town of Henderson County of Henderson and State of Kentucky being in a low state of health, but of sound mind and disposing memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner & form following to-wit:

1st It is my will and desire that all my just debt be paid by my executor hereinafter named. I give bequeath to my son Charles my gold watch when he becomes of age to be kept by my wife until said Charles arrives at the age of twenty one year & is delivered to him. I give and bequeath to my son William my silver love watch. I give to my daughter Elizabeth a portrait of myself, and to my son James seven or eight of his mother. I own a town lot in New Albany, State of Indiana, which is under a mortgage to Richard R. Mott - to secure a debt due from me to him. It is my will & desire that said lot be sold and the mortgage debt paid out of the proceeds, and the balance go into the hands of my executor as a gift, and I do hereby direct, authorize and empower my executor, with the advice & consent of my friends Richard R. Mott or either of them to sell said town lot on such terms as may to them appear most advantageous and convey the same absolutely to the purchaser by deed with sufficient covenants of warranty, and when my executor is directed to pay the said mortgage debt, the said Richard R. Mott out of the sale money of said town lot should any balance thereof as a gift belonging to my estate -

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It is my will and desire that my executor as soon as can be conveniently done, cause all debt & accounts due coming to me, and out of the same or any money in his hands pay all just debt that I may be owing. It is my will and desire that my beloved wife Sarah be allowed her own and retain all such interest of my property as by law is reserved to widow exempt from debt and dower, and that all the rest of my effects, goods & personal property be sold upon such terms and such manner as my executor may think best for the interest of my estate and parties concerned. It is my will and desire that after the settlement of my affairs the payment of all my just debt, my said wife shall have absolutely one third of all the money property or effects that on any be left after the payment of the legacies aforesaid, my just debt; and the other two thirds to be equally divided among my five children James Lewis Elizabeth Williams Charles and John Stewart and such other children as I have hereafter; those of my children who are of age to receive their share immediately after a settlement is made, and the others to receive their portions as they severally arrive at the age of twenty one years. The portions of those under a year to be put out at interest, and the interest to be used in aid of their education, support & maintenance, and to receive the principal of their share each on arriving at 21 years of age; and lastly I do hereby nominate & appoint my said wife Sarah to be executor of this my last will & testament. I do hereby revoke all former wills by me heretofore made, and declare this to be my last will & testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name & affixed my seal this seventh day of July, A.D. 1853.

Robert Evans
Wm. D. Allison

State of Kentucky
Henderson County, ss. July County Court 1853.

This last will and testament of William Stewart deceased was produced and proved in open court according to law by the oaths of W. D. Thompson, Robert Evans & Wm. D. Allison subscribing witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded, and thereupon the same was truly recorded in my Office the 25th day of July 1853.

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Wm. H. D. Allison exec

James Albee
Will

Being fully convinced of the uncertainty of life, and the wisdom of performing while in the enjoyment of good health and an unimpaired mind, that which it is desirable should be accomplished before death, do now while in the possession of these blessings which will neither be increased or diminished by such accomplishments declare the following as my will and desire to be carried into effect whenever it shall please the all-wise disposer of events to call me hence, to-wit: In the event that my beloved wife Maria Albee survives that period I give to her during her natural life, or so long as she may continue single after my death sole and absolute possession of all my property of every description both real and personal after the payment of my just debt, out of which property her own provision must be made for the education and maintenance of my children. Should my said wife Maria again marry or when she departs this life, it is my desire that the executor of this my will hereinafter named, then persons or equitable division of the estate among my heirs, and act as guardians for the same or such as may be minor, until they become of age. Should any of the children be less than a year before the intermarriage or death of my said wife Maria, she may then or previously, at her option advance to such any portion of the estate, not exceeding what would be her equitable proportion at her death, having regard to any advances that have or may be made by me to such, as it is my desire that the estate be equally divided

amongst all the children, and not being satisfied in the justice of the present law, which vests the personal property of females after marriage, in the husband, and places the same beyond the control or interference of the original owner, I deem that whatever negroes of my estate may go to either of my daughters may be held by each of them as real estate, and not to be disposed of, or descend to any other person than their heirs, without the consent and approbation of such original owner. I name and constitute my wife Anna Alves executrix, and my brothers William and Robert M. Alves as co-my sons as they become of age, executors of this my will, and particularly desire that they or the survivors of them, may act in all things, in such manner as he, she or they may think best for the interest of the estate and benefit of the children; either in the purchase or sale of real or personal property, hereby exempting them or either of them from the observance of any law to the contrary, on this subject. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal, this 10th day of August A.D. 1836.

The words "as they become of age"

being interlined above that line from the bottom of first page before signed.

Acknowledged, published and declared to by James Alves to be his last will and testament in the presence of us.

Will D. Allison

Henry M. Allison

State of Kentucky, 3rd Oct. August County Court 1836.
Henderson County

This last will and Testament of James Alves deceased, was produced and proved in open Court according to law by the oaths of Will D. Allison a subscribing witness thereto, who also testified that Henry M. Allison the other subscribing witness is dead, and that he subscribed the said will as a witness in the presence of said Will D. Allison and of the testator; and it was adjudged by the Court that said will is sufficiently proved, and ordered to be recorded, and thereupon the same was truly recorded, in my Office the 20th day of August 1836. (F)

Attest: Will D. Allison clerk

Henderson Ky Aug 30th 1849.

Geo. Robinson's Will. This to be my last will and Testament. I therefore will that my spirit be dedicated to God who gave it, & my body to the earth from whence it came, I first that all my just debts be paid, & secondly that my loving & affectionate wife Martha Robinson have all of my estate Real as well as personal estate to have & to hold during her life to dispose of, sell, any part or all of it if she thinks proper, & she be not required to give any security for the management of my estate whatever, at or after her death the estate to be equally divided amongst my children as follows. Eliza F. Price one equal part or third. To G. P. Robinson one third part, the other third part to be between my three Grand sons, Thomas Price Robinson to have one half of this third part the other half of the part to be equally divided between Thomas P. Robinson two sons John P. Robinson & George Robinson. No demand or disturbance to take place until the death of my wife unless she charge herself, but if my estate is more than will be equal to the 200 acres of land given to J. P. Robinson, when divided amongst the three as above, making all three shares equal to J. P. Robinson's 200 acres of land, then in that case let J. P. Robinson

is to have his equal part of the residue, making all four parts equal. J. P. Robinson's land at \$1400. I think a fair value. Witness my hand & seal.

Geo. Robinson

State of Kentucky, 3rd Oct. October County Court 1853.
Henderson County

This last Will and Testament of George Robinson dec^d was this day produced in Court, and proved in open Court by the oaths of J. P. Higgins and William D. Allison who testified that the said Will is wholly and entirely in the hand writing of the Testator, and the same was adjudged to be sufficiently proved, and ordered to be recorded, & the same is truly recorded. (F 134)

Attest

Will D. Allison c. nec

Eliza Rouse's Will

In the name of God Amen. I Elizabeth Rouse of the County and Town of Henderson in the State of Kentucky, being for advanced in life, and knowing at the furthest, death can't be far, make this my last Will and Testament and hope my children after my death will so far respect my memory as not to be dissatisfied, or try to interfere with the way in which I have been disposed of what little I may leave. Item 1st I give to each of my children (except Mary Miller) One dollar, and that is all they are to have of my estate. I give to my daughter Mary Miller all the real and residue of my estate of every sort & description. This is done not because I love her more than I do the rest of my children, but that she is a widow and a weakly woman, and the rest of my children are all healthier & better provided for than she is, this is the only reason I have for making my will in this way. I hereby appoint my said daughter Mary Miller Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and request the Court not to require her to give any security signed, sealed & acknowledged before me. Witness Elizabeth Rouse her mark X.

Jacob H. Fulwiler
William F. Smith

State of Kentucky, 3rd Oct. October County Court 1853.
Henderson County

This last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Rouse dec^d was produced & proved in open Court according to law, by the oaths of William F. Smith and Jacob H. Fulwiler subscribing witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded, and the same was thereupon truly recorded, this 26th Oct. 1853. (F 139)

Attest

Will D. Allison c. nec

Mary Owen's Will

In the name of God Amen. I Mary Owen of the County of Henderson State of Kentucky, being in feeble health, but of sound mind, do make and constitute this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all and any other Will or Testaments which I may heretofore have made. Item 1st I give and bequeath to my niece Sarah Ellen Birmingham daughter of Fountain Birmingham all my chattel property, which I may have in the County of Henderson at my death except my wearing apparel, which I leave and bequeath to my son.