

as above named Joseph L and Saml M James and Sally
Valentine to have the places they have settled and not to pay for
any improvements they have put on there and I most request at
the death of my wife all the personal property left shall be sold
and the proceeds equally divided as above named. Signed and
delivered in the presence of

Samuel James

me 28th 1863
W. S. Hodges
Harrison Fener

State of Kentucky
Ohio County Court Set:

January Term 1863

I R S Mosseley Clerk of the County Court for said County
and State Certify that this last will of Samuel James last was
at this Term of the Court filed and duly proven by the oath of
W S Hodges and Harrison Fener subscribing Witnesses to same
as the law prescribes and the same being approved by the Court
is ordered to be admitted to Record. Whereupon the same together
with this certificate was this day duly and truly Recorded in my
said Office. Given under my hand this 5th day of January A D
1863

R S Mosseley

In the name of God Amen. I George Austin being
Sensible that I am weak in body but sound in mind do make
this my last will and Testament I desire my body to be decently
interred and my debts first paid off. And the remainder of my
property consisting of three negroes namely Frank Jackson and
Milly two tracts of land one containing one hundred acres and
the other containing sixty acres (originally all one tract) and
all my debts and demands and every disposition of my personal
property I will to my beloved wife Amanda Austin during her
widowhood. And in the event she should marry my will and desire
is that she should receive only so much of my Estate as the law would
allow if no will was made and the remainder to be equally divided
amongst my children. Sons and share alike. I have a large family and
my wife could not support them with any ease if simply left
her thirds hence I desire that she should have the property as above
mentioned and appoint William Bender as my executor
to carry this will into effect. Given under my hand this 27th
day of December 1862

George Austin

Richard Coleman
Robert Brown
C. E. Dyer

State of Kentucky

This County Court Set

January Term 1863

I R S Mosseley Clerk of the County Court for said County and State
Certify that this last will of George W Austin last was at this Term of
the Court filed and duly proven by the oath of James L Davis and
Richard Coleman 2 of the subscribing witnesses to the same as required
by law and the same being approved by the Court is ordered to be
Recorded. And ~~thereupon~~ the same together with this certificate hath this
day been duly and truly admitted to record in my said Office.
Witness my hand this 5th day of January A D 1863

R S Mosseley

4th March 1859.

I know all men by these presents that
I James Fitzhugh a resident of Ohio County and State of Kentucky
have made constituted and established and by these presents do make
constitute and Establish this my only, first and last Will and
Testament to take effect at my Death. First I appoint my wife
America Fitzhugh (my Son Smith Fitzhugh and my Son
in Law James Amos Smith (now of California) my Executors with
Burial Rights to either hereby empowering them or either of them to
execute Conveyances for any Land or lands for which I have
executed Bonds. When the payment of the purchase money and it
is my particular desire and request that they enter into no bond
And that County Court of Ohio County require of them no bond
with Surety for the performance of trust hereby reposed in them
It is my desire that all my debts be first paid and that to effe
ct this I direct my wife America dispose and sell any money
after that she receives of which I may die possessed and which
she may think best to dispose of and as soon after my death
as convenient I have borrowed of my Son in Law James Amos
Smith One hundred and fifty dollars which is to be paid to him
with interest hereon from the first day of January 1858 (Interest
property may be left after the payment of my debts both Real and
personal I give and bequeath to my wife America Fitzhugh during
her widowhood for the purpose of raising and educating our child
born and breeding for our Mother Nancy Edwards during her
life. In case my wife America Fitzhugh after my decease should
deem it prudent to marry and should do so then her Executorig
ship to cease and in addition to the one third of my Estate which
she is entitled under the law of Kentucky. she further sum of
two hundred dollars be paid her by my Executors Smith
and James Amos Smith if the Estate then be worth
that I desire that my remains be disposed of plainly
and agreeable to the ordinary custom of the neighborhood
for the performance of any religious ob