

all my personal property, and that he take proper care of my five single daughters and render them all the assistance he can and that they remain on the homestead with their mother during her life and as long thereafter as they may desire, and they remain single, and I desire and will that my son W. B. to pay all my just debts by selling such of my property as may be thought by him most advantageous and to his interest, so the minerals in my land is thought to be valuable I will to each of my heirs equal share in the same. When the said mineral right is sold or otherwise put to profit my said heirs to dispose of their respective interests in said minerals as they may think most advantageous to themselves. And as I have some debts due me and unpaid I hereby appoint my son W. B. Robertson to collect the same and my desire is that he may collect shall or may be used to liquidate my indebtedness. And I hereby appoint my son W. B. Robertson my sole heir to carry this my last will into effect and my express will and desire is that there shall be no proceedings taken in the premises that will incur any litigation, wrangling or hard feeling, and that my said heir is not to be required to give bond or any way or take any legal proceedings whatever. Given under my hand this 16 day of October 1875.

Witness

M. W. Roark

M. B. Duckerson.

State of Kentucky,

Ohio County, Court, } February, Term 1876.

I, Sam. H. Cox, clerk of the Ohio County, Court, do certify that the foregoing last will and Testament of James Robertson deceased was at this term of said court duly proven by the oaths of M. W. Roark and M. B. Duckerson the subscribing witnesses thereto, and the same being examined and approved by the Court was ordered to be recorded. Whereupon said will together with this certificate has been duly recorded in my said office.

Given under my hand this 14th, February 1876.

Sam. H. Cox, Clerk

I Christian Bennett of Ohio County Kentucky do hereby make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say first it is my will and desire that so much of my personal property as may be necessary be immediately sold after my decease and the proceeds thereof applied to the payment of all my just debts and funeral Expenses. Second after the payment of my debts and funeral Expenses as above provided for I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah E. Baird during her natural life two beds and bedsteads and clothing and bureau and what money is on hand at my decease and all of my personal property and cattle, I do hereby constitute my daughter Sarah E. Baird, executress of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all others or former wills or testaments by me heretofore made. In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30<sup>th</sup> day of August 1875.

In presence of  
Richard P. Fomells  
John C. Chambers, clerks

Christian Bennett

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State of Kentucky }  
Ohio County, Court, } March Term 1876

I, J. H. Cox, clerk of the Ohio County, Court do certify that the foregoing last will and Testament of Mrs. Christian Bennett deceased was at this Term of said Court duly proved and decreed by the oaths of Richd. P. Fomells and John C. Chambers, being subscribing witnesses thereto as the last will and the same having been examined, was approved and ordered to be recorded which has been done together with this certificate in my said Office Given under my hand this 5<sup>th</sup> day of March 1876.

J. H. Cox, Clerk

I William Field of Ohio County Kentucky do hereby make & publish this to be my last will and Testament. After the payment of all my just debts I desire that my heirs be made as equal as if I made no will and to that end I charge them with advancements as follows To my daughter Elizabeth Landreth I give a Negro girl worth \$300- and a horse worth \$75- which sums I charge as advancements to her children. To my son Benjamin I give a horse worth \$60- a Negro Boy worth \$500- a Negro Girl worth \$200 cash \$150- and he is now in possession of the following land, the legal title thereof is in me. 15 1/2 acres conveyed to me by J. Howard & James Newton for which I paid \$500- & 5<sup>th</sup> acres part of a lot conveyed

to me by H. Taylor worth \$87. and 194 acres conveyed to me by Willford for which I paid \$1021- & for one half thereof I hold Benjamin's Note and in addition thereto I hold the Note of Benjamin for borrowed money for \$1547.50 exclusive of interest & I charge as advancements made to him all the above

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Mentioned sums with interest on the notes to the time of my death of course in the event any of the notes should be paid by him in my lifetime they are not to be charged and the land note is not to be charged as I have charged him with the full amount I paid for the land. The said above mentioned tracts I have given & bequeathed to the Children of my son Benjamin in fee simple till he attains & Reserving a life estate of one third thereof to Josephine wife of my son Benjamin which I have given and bequeathed to her To my daughter Omacinda Lewis I have given a lot in Hartford of the value of \$250- two Negroes of the value of \$1100- Cash \$150- & stock in the Peoples Bank of Ky. five shares of the value of \$525- all of which I charge as advancements to her Children. To my son Joshua I gave a Negro boy of the value of \$600- & a Negro woman & child of the value of \$1000- a horse worth \$60- Cash \$300- and the farm on which he lived & which has been

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Henry D. McHenry W. H. Miller

conveyed to his Children of the value of \$724 all of which I charge as advancements to his Children To my son William I gave a Negro Boy of the value of \$700- & Cash \$150- & Cash Notes of \$623- & a tract of land in Missouri of the value of \$2072.50 all of which I charge as advancements to him To my wife I give such interest in my estate as the law would give her if I had made no will & I desire that her dower in the land be laid off according to quantity & quality but to include the dwelling house on her part- I then desire that my entire estate be disposed of as follows To Benjamin one fifth to the Children of my son William hereof the named one fifth To the Children of my daughter Elizabeth Landrum one fifth To the Children of my daughter Omacinda Lewis one fifth and to the Children of my son Joshua one fifth That part of my estate both real & personal which shall be

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conveyed to my son William I give and bequeath to Re Seth Mosely to have and to hold as Trustee for him. I direct that the interest and the rents only be paid him by the Trustee & I empower the Trustee to see and remove any property real or personal that may come to him & convey to the Purchaser and in the event that the said Mosely shall die or refuse to receive the trust I direct that the Judge of the Ohio Circuit Court as Chancery shall appoint a Trustee in his place and the Trustee so appointed shall have all the power hereby given to the said Mosely.

I hereby nominate and appoint Thomas Landrum of the County of Mercer the Executor of this my last will and testament and do hereby authorize and empower him to see and dispose of as public or private sale any property belonging to me at my death and to convey

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the same by deed and to remove or other real property if it is deemed best for the interest of any of the heirs to do so In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October 1866 to this my last will and testament written on two sheets of paper & on the first sheet I have signed my name at the bottom of each page

Signed & acknowledged in the presence of  
Henry D. McHenry  
W. H. Miller

Mrs Field

I William Field of Ohio County Kentucky, do hereby make and ordain this to be a Codicil to my will which I have heretofore made & which is dated the 20<sup>th</sup> day of October 1866. In said will I desired that my estate (after charging each of my Children with certain advancements) should be divided into five equal parts but since then my son William has died without issue & the estate is now to go to those named in said will in one fourth portions instead of one fifth except as follows and for this purpose I make this Codicil my son Joshua had two Children now living one named Calcuta & a girl named Omacinda and I have bequeathed to her all that part of my estate which they both would hold under the will to which this is a Codicil and I make no provision for Clinton given under my hand & Seal this 21<sup>st</sup> of June 1871

Signed & acknowledged

in presence of  
Henry D. McHenry  
Jas A Thomas

Mrs Field

I Mrs Field do make this Codicil to my will I desire that my Grand son Calcuta Field shall have one half of the devise I made to his sister Omacinda. My object is to make them equal & share alike in the amount she would have gotten of my estate given under my hand this 24<sup>th</sup> day of Nov 24<sup>th</sup> 1875

John C. Riley  
J. W. Pinch

Mrs Field

State of Kentucky,  
Ohio County, Court 3

I John C. Riley Clerk of the Ohio County Court do certify that the foregoing last will & testament of William Field deceased

and the two Articles thereto were produced in open Court on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March 1876 and the said will continued for probate. The copials thereto were duly sworn, the first one by the oath of James R. Thomas one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and who also made oath as to the attestation of Henry D. McHenry the other subscribing witness thereto as required by law. The second Article was duly sworn by the oath of J. W. Fair for one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and who also made oath as to the attestation of John C. Riley the other subscribing witness and again on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1876 the said will was duly sworn by the oath of Henry D. McHenry one of the subscribing witnesses thereto who also made oath as to the attestation of W. H. Miller the other subscribing witness thereto as required by law. Thereupon the said will and Articles were Examined by the Court and ordered to be recorded which has been done since under my hand this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1876

John H. Cox Clerk

I John Hall of the County of Ohio State of Kentucky make this my last will hereby revoking all former wills. I give devise and bequeath my estate and property real and personal as follows that is to say 1<sup>st</sup> I devise that all the divisible part of my estate be immediately sold after my decease and out of the money arising therefrom pay and satisfy all my just debt and funeral Expenses

2<sup>nd</sup> After the payment of my just debt and funeral Expenses I give to my wife Pabitha Hall all of my estate both real and personal for and during her natural life, and after her decease I give the same to the persons hereinafter mentioned and to be enjoyed by them forever 3<sup>rd</sup> I give and devise to Pabitha Hall my wife my farm and land that we now occupy on beginning at John H. Morrison line thence with Mrs. Gaudes line and East to Paddy Huff line to include all of the North-East end of said land and all of the household and furniture. To Have and to hold and to dispose of as she may think proper

4<sup>th</sup> I give and devise to John R. Cobb and Pabitha W. Cobb and their heirs my house and one acre and 13 poles lot. said lot adjoins the lot now owned by Mrs. Gaudes &c

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and John Johnson also of 200 Two hundred dollars out of my estate said three lots and money to be equally divided between them

5<sup>th</sup> I give and devise unto Adda and Mary Cobb and their heirs children of C. & R. Cobb my 1/2 acre lot lying and being in the Town of Fordsville and known as the old blacksmith shop lot 6<sup>th</sup> I give and devise unto Henry and Mrs. Cobb and their heirs children of C. & R. Cobb 1 acre lot

adjoining the said lot devise to John and Pabitha Cobb also adjoining the lot now owned by Mrs. Gaudes &c from which Mrs. Gaudes a crib and stable built by Emory Hall to be equally divided between them

7<sup>th</sup> I give and devise all the rest of my estate both personal and real

unto Martha Marlowe C. & R. Cobb & C. Cobb. Josephus Cobb & C. Cobb Martha Bailey Fannie Taylor College both Wilsons Mammie Ann Beaton and the heirs of Thomas Haze Henderson & Nell Haze deceased wife of John Meadows. Elizabeth a deceased wife of Jacobus Matthews which I give to them their heirs Executors administrators forever and lastly I do hereby appoint my friend John D. Smith Son of the Town of Fordsville Executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former will or testament by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and signed sealed and acknowledged as and for my last will and testament this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1874

John H. H. H.

John & H. H. H. H.

The said John Hall in the County of Ohio State of Ky. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1874 signed and sealed this testament and published and declared the same as and for his last will and made in his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other - have heretofore written our names as subscribing witnesses - witnesses our hands this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1874

Charles W. Massie Jr

John D. Smith Jr

State of Kentucky }  
Ohio County Court } April Term 1876

I John H. Cox Clerk of the Ohio County Court do certify that the foregoing last will and testament of John Hall deceased was in this Term of said Court produced and duly sworn by the oaths of C. W. Massie Jr and John D. Smith Jr subscribing witnesses thereto as prescribed by law and the same being Examined by the Court was approved and ordered to be recorded which has been done together with this certificate given under my hand this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1876

John H. Cox Clerk

Ohio County Ky April the 4<sup>th</sup> 1876

In view of the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death and being in full possession of my mental faculties unimpaired I this day reduce to writing my last will and testament. In regard to the disposal or distribution of my personal property and real estate after my death having full confidence in the honesty and integrity of Thomas G. Smith I appoint him Executor of my will. It is my last will and testament that my just debts shall be paid as soon as possible after my death by those to whom I give and bequeath my real estate and make it a condition of this will to my three living children George W. Coats Fannie D. Leach and Nellie J. Fairway I