

## Joseph Barnes Will

the lands and tenements for the maintenance of her and my dear children during her widowhood and of the third Mary she is then to pay to my son then one third of the estate & after her death the my children is to have all the estate what remains after my debts is discharged and my debt is to be paid out of what is due to me the movable property is likewise to be left for the maintenance of the family and when the children is of age they are to divide equal and Joseph Barnes executor and Mary Barnes executrix I hereby declare this to be my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the twenty third day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ten signed sealed published pronounced & declared by the said Joseph Barnes as his last will & testament in the presence of us who in his presence & in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names

John White  
Jacob Holt

Joseph Barnes (Seal)  
mk

The foregoing will was proven in court by the oaths of John White & Jacob Holt the subscribing witnesses thereto at February Sessions 1811 & ordered to be recorded Joseph Barnes & Mary Barnes qualified as executor & executrix to the foregoing will

## Christian White Will

In the name of God Amen

Whereas it being apprehended for all men to die & at this time being weak in body but of sound mind & memory I have some worldly property which I do dispose of in the following manner concerning of which I do make & declare this to be my last will & testament In the first place I do bequeath and name especially and absolutely appoint my true and loving wife Elizabeth to be my sole executrix and I do give & bequeath to her all & my whole all my worldly property to be disposed of among my heirs at her discretion and at any time she may think proper before or at her death In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my hand & seal the twenty fourth day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred & ten

William Sanders  
Christian Felly

Christian White (Seal)  
mk

The foregoing will was proven in court by the oaths of William Sanders and Christian Felly the subscribing witnesses thereto at February Sessions 1811 & ordered to be recorded Elizabeth White qualified as executrix of the foregoing will

## John Copson Will

In the name of God Amen

I John Copson of the county of Westington and State of Tennessee being sick & weak in body but of sound mind and disposing memory hereby be unto the Almighty for all his mercies and calling to mind the mortality of my body and it is appointed for all men to die do make and constitute this instrument of writing as my last will & testament in manner and manner following (to wit) First & principally I bequeath my immortal soul unto Almighty God who gave it. My body to the earth from whence it was taken to be interred in a decent Christian manner at the discretion of my executors hereafter named And for such worldly goods or property with which it has pleased God in his goodness to bless me I give & dispose of the same in manner following I appoint my will & require that all my last debts and funeral charges be charged or paid out of my personal estate as soon as possible after my decease. Then I give and bequeath unto my two sons John E. Copson and Isaac V. Copson all the plantation known as now live containing three hundred & twenty four acres to be equally divided with respect to quantity between them subject nevertheless to the rents <sup>profits</sup> <sup>occupations</sup> hereafter bequeathed unto my beloved wife Margaret Copson unto them my said sons John E. Copson & Isaac V. Copson their heirs and assigns for ever and my will is that my son John E. Copson have the south end of my said plantation it being the same whereon I now live & bequeath unto my daughter Eliza Johnson one dollar then I do & bequeath unto my daughter Mathilda Johnson one dollar both the above mentioned sums to be discharged with trade in the course of twelve months after my decease I will & bequeath unto my remaining daughter Nancy White Copson Elizabeth Copson Sarah Ann Copson & Mary Copson Maria Copson & Mary Copson one dollar each to be discharged with trade in the course of twelve months after my decease or as soon as they respectively arrive at majority then I will & bequeath unto my beloved wife Margaret for all the profits arising or accruing from my plantation during her natural life & after her death my will is that the same be divided between my two sons John E. Copson & Isaac V. Copson as above directed. I further will & bequeath unto my beloved wife Margaret Copson all and singular my personal estates to be entirely at her disposal during her full discretion and convenience in her discretion & ~~disposal~~ and that she will dispose the same in such a manner as will be most conducive to her own advantage and the benefit of our children not otherwise provided for be it nevertheless understood as my will that my two sons above mentioned have the privilege of improving each on the part the plantation allotted to them and be entitled to the profits of such improvements from date hereof And lastly I do hereby nominate declare & constitute my beloved wife Margaret Copson executrix and my two sons namely John E. Copson & Isaac V. Copson joint executors to this my last will & testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the twenty fourth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & ten 1810

And sealed published and pronounced  
the testator to be his last will & testament

John Copson (Seal)

Witness of us

Testified

John E. Copson  
Isaac V. Copson  
This twentieth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & ten 1810

## John Ligon Will

Mentioned being through the Mary of God of bond & perfect Mind & Memory do hereby testify & confirm the within instrument of writing as my last will & testament subject nevertheless to the restrictions and reservations in this Codicil hereafter mentioned. Namely whereas a conveyance has been made of a Mine & Mineral on the land or plantation wherein I now dwell and which by the within testament I have bequeathed unto my two sons John E. Ligon and Isaac Ligon and which conveyance has been made subsequent to the date of the within will & testament my will therefore is that if in case the production of said Mine should prove to be of advantage or profits that then the profits or benefits arising or accruing therefrom be equally divided among the whole of my family namely my beloved wife Margaret Ligon my two sons John E. Ligon and Isaac Ligon and my daughters Eliza Solomon Mathias Helen Litch Ligon Abner Ligon Sarah Ligon Cynthia Ligon Maria Ligon and Mary Ligon they and each of them having an equal share of the expense in bringing the work to a favourable issue provided that sufficient encouragement be found for prosecuting the same. In token whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the seveneenth day of August 1811 as above written.

Signed sealed &amp; acknowledged

John Ligon (Seal)

in presence of us

John Helms

Saml Davis

Henry French

The foregoing will with is Codicil that was proven in Court by the Oaths of Samuel Davis &amp; Henry French two of the Subscribing witnesses thereto at November Sessions 1811 &amp; ordered to be recorded. John E. Ligon &amp; Isaac Ligon qualified as executors of the foregoing will

## Susannah Woodrow Will

In the name of God Amen

I Susannah Woodrow a widow in the town of Lumborough in the county of Washington & State of Virginia being weak of body but of sound Mind and Memory do Make constitute and publish this as my last will & testament. I give the first place I give devise & bequeath (subject to this fragment of my last will) my whole fortune of Money lands good chattels debts funds securities together with fore and personal estate of what nature or kind becometh unto my daughter Elizabeth Jackson to be divided of according to her will & pleasure and I give & devise all my land and houses and real estate lying & being in the City of Philadelphia and one tract of land adjoining Driggs town in the State of New Jersey or else where unto David Deadricks of the town of Lumborough in the County of Washington Henry Jackson my grand son of the County of Davidson and James Jackson of the town of Lumborough in the County of Washington all of the State of Virginia and at them or either of them or their executors or assigns upon trust that they my said trust the executors or assigns have as soon as they conveniently can after my demise take into their care & possession the said land and houses and real estate and sell the same and the proceeds thereof and the

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the said houses land and real estate according to the best interests of their said daughters and shall yearly & every year during the life of my said daughter Elizabeth Jackson wife of Samuel Jackson pay or cause to be paid all the rents dividends profits and produce thereof into the proper hands of her the said Elizabeth wife of Samuel Jackson which is to go and come to the use & benefit of the said Elizabeth as also to the use execution and benefit of the following named children of the said Samuel & Elizabeth Jackson (trust) Eliza Jackson Caroline Jackson Harriet Jackson & Alfred E. Jackson which said rents & profits shall be paid to the said Elizabeth or to such person or persons as the writing signed with her proper hand shall from time to time (notwithstanding her present or future coverture) direct and appoint and it is my will that her personal husband shall not enter meddle therewith neither shall the same be liable or subject to his contracts debts or engagements. And I hereby declare my will to be that the said trustees or any two of them with the assent and agreement of my said daughter Elizabeth that they have proven and by this my will are authorized to see and dispose of the said real property before mentioned and my will is that the proceeds of said sale be paid and that the proceeds of said sale go to the use and benefit of my daughter and children of said sale and further it is my will at the desire of my said daughter that all my aforesaid property be sold by my said trustees or their assigns and the proceeds benefits & advantages thereof be equally distributed among my aforesaid grand children to them alive and I hereby appoint my daughter Elizabeth my sole executrix of this my last will. ~~Ben. Smith~~ Scotch and Mike Todd all and every other will or wills by me here to fore made and I hereby ratify & confirm and establish this my last will & testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this fifth day of May in the year anno Domini one thousand eight hundred and two

dashed executed and

published in the presence of

William C. Headman

John Adams

John Brown

Hugh Brown

Susannah Woodrow (Seal)

The foregoing will was proven in Court by the Oaths of William C. Headman Joseph Brown & Hugh Brown three of the Subscribing witnesses thereto at February Sessions 1812 & ordered to be recorded Elizabeth Jackson qualified as executrix of the foregoing will

## James Cox Will

In the name of God Amen

I James Cox of the State Virginia Washington County residing all other wills do appoint this my last will and testament in the following manner. 1<sup>st</sup> I give & bequeath to my son George Cox one feather bed and one rug called a rug and one hundred dollars in ready money to be paid to them when my two youngest daughters be more of age or marriage. 2<sup>nd</sup> I give to my son Mayberry Cox my grey mare here called Flycatcher got by given farmer my saddle bridle and saddle bag Bantley dictionary and fishes arithmetic. 3<sup>rd</sup> I give to my daughter Susannah the plantation and improvements thereon when I now live when my youngest daughter be more of age or marriage by my will that they all live together until then I also give to my daughter Susannah one feather bed and furniture and all my kitchen and my cooking glass. 4<sup>th</sup> I give to my daughter Eliza my two negroes called Hannah & Tom and