

Know all Men by these presents That we Fanny Johnson and Thomas Preston are held and firmly bound unto Robert Young Esquire Judge of the Orphans Court for the County of Alexandria in the District of Columbia and his successors in office in the sum of One hundred Dollars lawful money of the United States to the payment whereof well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our Heirs Executors and Administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this 27 day of August 1816.

The Condition of the above obligation is such. That if the above bounden Fanny Johnson as Guardian of Thomas Cole shall faithfully account with the Orphans Court of Alexandria County as directed by law, for the management of the Property and Estate of the Orphan under her care; and shall also deliver up the said property equally to the order of the said Court, or the directions of law, and shall in all respects perform the duty of Guardian to the said Thomas Cole, according to law, then the above obligation shall cease; it shall otherwise remain in full force and virtue in law.

Sealed & Delivered

in presence of  
A. Moore

Reg. Mills

Fanny <sup>per</sup> Johnson

Thos. <sup>per</sup> Preston

Seal

Seal

### The last Will and Testament of Benjamin Brown

I Benjamin Brown of Alexandria, knowing that it is appointed unto all Men to die, do make this my last Will and Testament, revoking all former Wills by me made. That is to say, I will and desire that my body be decently buried in a plain manner.

That all my personal or moveable Estate (including debts due to me) shall belong to my dear wife and Son John, jointly and equally: they paying out of my moveable estate all just debts in the first place, and then that they pay out of said moveable estate a legacy of Three Hundred and forty Dollars unto each of my six daughters, and that in twelve months after my decease.

I desire also, that my dear Wife and Son John be my Executors and Guardians to my Inlame daughter Mary Brown, taking good care to support and maintain her comfortably long as she lives with her proportion of my estate, which I desire to be equal

with the rest of my daughters, her life time, and then to belong to my dear wife and Son John for ever.

5<sup>th</sup> All my real Estate to be divided as the law directs. As Witness my hand and Seal this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July 1816.

Benjamin Brown

Witnesses present

Mahlon Scholfield

Andrew Scholfield

Joseph Weston

N. B. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Section was erased before signed by the Testator.

Mahlon Scholfield

Be it remembered that on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July 1816, before me Alexander Moore Register of Wills for Alexandria County in the District of Columbia, came Mahlon Scholfield, Andrew Scholfield and Joseph Weston the Witnesses to this last Will and Testament of Benjamin Brown deceased - and proved the same in due form of law.

And on the sixteenth day of September in the same year, Sellers Testamentary were granted the Executive and Executor named in the said Will, they having given bond and security approved by the Orphans Court of said County.

A. Moore Reg.

Know all Men by these presents, that we John Murdock, John Lind and John Neagh of George Town are held and firmly bound unto Robert Young Esquire Judge of the Orphans Court for the County of Alexandria in the District of Columbia and his successors in office in the sum of Five thousand Dollars lawful money of the United States to the payment whereof well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves our Heirs, Executors and Administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June 1816.

The Condition of the above obligation is such. That if the above bounden John Murdock shall well and truly perform the office of Administrator of Richard Cummings