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I, William Oglesby, of the County of Harrison and State of Virginia,  
being unable of body, but of sound mind and disposing mind and memory, do  
make, constitute and ordain my last Will and Testament, in manner  
and form following, that is to say, It is my will and desire, that my  
slaves and other personal estate, be retained on the plantation, under  
the management and superintendance of my beloved wife, Nancy  
Oglesby, and my Brother, Ulicajah Oglesby; and whereas, I have and intend  
to have mercantile firms at present carried on, in the County of  
Harrison, the one at Harrison Courthouse, by Ulicajah Oglesby, Ezra  
Nuckolls, & Clerk & Clark, Nuckolls, merchants & partners, trading under  
the firm & style of Ulicajah Oglesby & Co., the other at Whitesville by  
Ezra Nuckolls, Ulicajah Oglesby, John B. Mitchell, James B. Edwards &  
and Clerk & Clark, Nuckolls, merchants & partners, trading under the  
firm & style of Ezra Nuckolls & Co., and whereas, the closing and  
winding up of the said mercantile firms, in case of my death,  
would be of serious detriment and inconvenience, both to the interest  
of my own estate and to the other partners in the said firms;  
I therefore, will desire and ordain, that in case of my death, the  
said firms continue, to transact their business, as at present, under  
the superintendance and control of my said wife, Nancy Oglesby, &  
my brother, Ulicajah Oglesby, either in the names of the surviving  
partners or under such other regulation or style, as it may be  
necessary for the said firms, with the approbation of my said wife &  
brother, to adopt, in order that the said firms may transact business  
as though I were alive and still a partner. And it is further my  
will and desire, that no inventory be taken at present, either of  
the goods or debts of the said firms, but that they continue business  
as at present, under the control and management of my said  
wife and brother, so long as they may think proper, or deem it  
to the interest of my estate to retain an interest in the said  
firms. And I further will, desire and ordain, that whenever, my said  
wife and brother shall think proper or deem it to the interest of  
my estate to withdraw from the said firms, that they sell, at private  
sale, such interest as may then be due to them, for the benefit of  
my estate, or wind up the said firms as they may think proper, on  
the best terms on which they may be able to dispose of the same,  
either to the surviving partners or to such other person or persons  
as they may think proper, and it is further my will and desire,  
and they are hereby authorized, whenever they shall think proper, or  
the interest of my estate may require, to increase or enlarge the  
amount of the capital which I at present hold in the said firms, and  
should it become necessary, to purchase the interest, or shares, of  
other surviving partners, or such part thereof as they may think  
proper, and with the approbation of the other surviving partners,

to take other partners, in either of the said firms. And I further  
will, desire and ordain, that my wife, Nancy Oglesby, do have and  
hold to her own proper use and benefit, such portion of my estate  
as by law she would have been entitled to, in case I had died  
intestate, and that the residue of my estate be equally divided  
between my children as they respectively arrive at the age of  
twenty one years, and that my wife, Nancy Oglesby, retain my  
children under her guardianship. And I further will, desire  
and ordain, that my children be liberally educated out of  
my estate. I will desire and ordain, that no inventory of  
my estate be taken or sale made, but that my estate be  
retained and kept together, under the management and control  
of my said wife and brother as herein first named; and they  
are hereby authorized and empowered, if at any time they shall  
think proper, or the interest of my estate shall require, to sell,  
at private sale, or as they may think proper, such of my estate  
as they, in their discretion, may deem necessary and proper, and  
further to transact and settle any business of my estate as fully  
and effectually as I myself could do if alive and well.

And whereas, the settlement of the estate of Daniel O.  
Hannigan, dec<sup>d</sup> came into my hands, as administrator de bonis  
moris of said Decedent, which estate I have fully settled and paid  
over, as by law I was required, but some disputes existing,  
on the part of Nancy Stoddeman, Daughter and heir of the said  
Daniel O. Hannigan, dec<sup>d</sup> as to the manner in which said settlement  
was made, and the same not being yet adjusted to her satisfaction,  
thereby, in order to avoid litigation, hereafter, I gave and bequeathed  
to the said Nancy Stoddeman the sum of One hundred dollars, to  
be paid to the said Nancy Stoddeman out of my estate by my  
Executors, provided the said Nancy will take the said sum, and  
give satisfaction and discharge of all Claims or demands against  
my estate, in consequence of my administration of the estate of  
her father, the said Daniel O. Hannigan, dec<sup>d</sup> as aforesaid, but not  
otherwise, as I do not consider the said Nancy legally entitled  
to anything. I hereby ordain, constitute and appoint my  
wife Nancy Oglesby and my brother, Ulicajah Oglesby, Executors  
of this my last Will and Testament.

In Testimony, whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my  
name and affixed my seal this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January 1839.  
Signed sealed and acknowledged  
in presence of  
O. Edwards  
James Wallard  
Joshua Stoddeman

William Oglesby Seal

Virginia: At a Court held for Grayson County at the Court  
house on Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> day of March 1837

This last Will and Testament of William Oglesby  
deceased was produced and County proved by the oaths of Criville  
Anderson and James Bullard, subscribing witnesses hereto and  
was ordered to be recorded - And on the motion of Nancy  
Oglesby and Michael Oglesby the Executor herein named, who  
made oath hereto and together with Egidius Nickolls, James Anderson, J.  
Leid Nickolls and James Anderson, their securities entered into  
and acknowledged a Bond in the penalty of \$2,000 conditioned as  
the law directs, Certificate was granted them for obtaining a  
probate of the said Will in due form

(Seal)

Criville Anderson, D. C.

I Lewis Brewer of the County of Grayson and State of Virginia, do  
make this my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following  
that is to say, First, I give unto my son William R. Brewer the  
tract of Land I now live on to be divided between him and his wife  
them and my beloved wife together to be supported by William R. Brewer,  
during her natural life & to have a house for herself on the tract of Land  
where I now live - House & at her side & the tract of Land I bought of  
John DeKewer (viz. 100 acres more or less) I give to William R. Brewer &  
James Brewer my two of Land lying in the head waters of Crab Bottom  
& Gunpowder County to be equally divided so the proceeds of the same as  
the Chances - I give unto my wife & my young man to belong to her  
The balance of my personal property & my outstanding debts to  
be collected & my just debts & funeral expenses paid & the remainder to  
belong to William R. Brewer & James Brewer with the exception of my Clerk  
I give unto my James Brewer & my large Family Bible to my  
Daughter Sally Parks & the balance of my Books to be divided amongst  
my children as they wish - I appoint my son William R. Brewer  
Executor of this my last Will and Testament Given under my  
hand this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 1837

Witness my hand  
Stephen Hale Jr  
Kinship Rowle  
W. Bail

Lewis Brewer (Seal)

Virginia: At a Court held for Grayson County at the Court house  
on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 1837

This last Will and Testament of Lewis Brewer de-  
ceased was produced and County proved by the oaths of Stephen Hale Jr  
& W. Bail subscribing witnesses hereto and was ordered to be recorded -

And on the motion of William Brewer, the Executor herein named  
who made oath hereto and together with William Bail his security  
entered into and acknowledged a Bond in the penalty of \$2000 of  
condition as the law directs, Certificate was granted him for obtain-  
ing a probate of the said Will in due form

(Seal)

Criville Anderson, D. C.

I James Stoneman Jr, of the County of Grayson and State of  
Virginia being in tolerable health, considering my great age,  
and of sound mind and memory, I do thus declare and record  
this my last Will and Testament, in form and manner following  
to wit, First, my will is that all my just debts be first paid  
out of my estate, by my Executor hereafter named - Secondly, I  
give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah Stoneman one  
bay horse and saddle that she now rides, five Cows, all my stock of  
hogs and sheep and five barrels of flour to live in the house we now live  
in and to have her maintenance as and of the plantation and full  
privilege for her stock and the same up to her age and during her natural  
life as in and to her - Thirdly, I give and devise unto my youngest son  
John Stoneman all my trade of land wherever I now live to be by  
him freely enjoyed by him and his heirs forever, excepting such  
privileges I have given to his mother during her life as in and to her  
and the said John is to have the oversight and take care of his mother  
for her subsistence and clothes, I give and bequeath unto my son  
John all my tools that I now have both plantations and other of  
whatsoever description - Fourthly, I give and devise unto my son  
James Stoneman one dollar in full pay and unto my three daughters  
namely Elizabeth Cole, Sarah Stoneman and Hannah Davis I give and  
bequeath said dollar in full pay to each of them severally and unto  
my eldest son John Stoneman the sum of Ten Cents and no  
more of my estate as also my will is that all my aforesaid  
children (except my youngest son John) have no more of my estate  
than what I have specified and the balance that I have given  
to my wife or so much thereof that may be left after my wife's  
decease, I also give to my son John provided that he take care  
of her during his lifetime & if of that I do hereby appoint my  
eldest son James Stoneman to be my only executor of this my  
last Will and Testament and further I do hereby acknowledge  
and declare this and no other to be my last Will and  
Testament hereby revoking and annulling all former  
Wills or Testaments heretofore by me made and  
inland - In witness whereof I have set my  
hand and affixed my seal this fifth day of