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called the Speculation Land that if in case I live long enough I intend that both tracts shall be enclosed into one and if I do not live to do so it shall be considered and be taken as one and this is my Will that the aforesaid tract to be so done shall be Carefully and equally divided between my two last youngest sons before named Andrew f Clark and Silvester Clark and that the line tree between me and Jerry Right which is a locust tree shall from thence along the path until it but John Barnes ~~for his~~ but of his former is over my line then in direct case from the locust tree in the direction of the path until it comes to the said John Barnes line and another direction to be taken but as it is intended by the my last Will and Testament in the case from the locust tree along the path as above mentioned so that if any person division agreed upon between my two youngest sons that of the said division is contrary to the time intention division by the letter and spirit and reason of my will such division shall be void if it is so agreed upon but that be equally divided such is that of my will and any formal agreement shall be void and in case that one or other of my two youngest sons should by such a partition compact or agreement have more land than the other he my exec shall payable give up the overplus to be equally divided and that each one shall keep the improvement whatever each is now having that one shall not say to the other I would wish to have you placed but that each of their wishes are completed by the choice whereby they have their building and clearing of lands and I further give and bequeath to my two last sons Andrew f Clark and Silvester Clark all the profit of my will which shall be equally divided but in case that one of these two of my sons should need he shall sell to the other and not to a stranger and if they cannot agree as to price of his share that the one who is determined to move should say I can get more for my share of land such a sum and that they cannot agree as to the price we no terms then and the like case it shall be left to six disinterested persons each shall choose three and the whole number of the six if they can as agree shall have the vote as the majority to call in a seventh man who is to be in law their friend or Interpreter whose vote if before equal shall turn the scale and each of them shall be bound by the decision of the majority and that of further proceeding shall be void but if they both continue as the party of the will shall be equally divided so shall the two equal share of expense of repairing either by their own labor or by hiring or as the case may be and it is further intended by this my last Will and Testament that my present wife Sally Clark now living shall have her maintenance out of the land which I have given to my two sons the first named Andrew f Clark and the second Silvester Clark both shall be indebted to their mother for the maintenance during her natural life and that she shall have it in her power to stay with each an equal time longer or shorter as she shall choose which shall be at her will and pleasure and let it be further remembered that in case both of my sons should sail out and move and die should be the case that my wife Sally Clark should not be able to go with them by reason of age or infirmity and if not that of age but that she is not willing then in either of these cases or some other case similar to that before mentioned case she may then make her election and claim from her two sons an equal part one equal part Andrew f Clark and so an equal share of Silvester Clark as a separate maintenance that shall be left out of the tract of land that I have so given and bequeathed to my two youngest sons a number of acres that shall be sufficient for the maintenance of them another and which number of acres shall be adjudged by the referee chosen for that purpose the majority shall decide on oath how much she shall have for her maintenance during her natural life and after her death the said number of acres shall then and in that case revert to my two youngest sons Andrew f Clark and Silvester Clark and in case they should die or either of them for such failure of continuance then to the heirs and aforesaid administrator or executors as the case may require or in case that one should move as already mentioned shall leave his part of the land as if both that is the share which shall be adjudged as before mentioned and now I Stephen Clark in the presence of the said Andrew W. acknowledges this to be my will as it is read to me and not to be used

signed by me the day and year above named.

Stephen Clark *Seal*  
Francis Hail *Seal*  
Charles Romk *Seal*  
William Pool *Seal*

Grayson County Court January term 1838.

This last Will and Testament of Stephen Clark deceased was proved in open Court by the oath of Charles Romk a subscribing witness hereto and confirmed for further proof And at the March term of said Court 1838 fully proved by the oath of Francis Hail another subscribing witness and ordered to be record. And there being no Executor named in the said will On the motion of Andrew f Clark who made oath and together with Stephen Romk and Dennis Miller his witnesses entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of \$800. Conditioned as the law directs Certificate is granted the said Andrew f Clark for obtaining Letters of administration on the said decedent's estate with his will annexed annexed in due form.

Haste Civille Anderson, R.C.

Dec 26<sup>th</sup> 1837 Pursuant to the written order we three have met and after being shown a wagon & spiggin as the property of Edward Monrode by Esq. Samuel A. Lewis attorney of the part of s<sup>t</sup> estate in Grayson Co. do appraise said wagon & spiggin to thirty dollars current money. Handmade on hands the day & year above stated.

Johnn Stevenson

Jameson Lemmons  
William Lewis

Grayson County Court January term 1838.

This Inventory Appraiser of the personal estate of Edward Monrode deceased produced in Court ordered to be record. Haste

Civille Anderson, R.C.

December 26<sup>th</sup> 1837 Pursuant to the appraisal of the wagon & spiggin they were both exposed to public sale this day and I myself became the purchaser at thirty dollars and a credit of twelve months. Given under my hand the date above stated Haste S. Lewis

Grayson County Court January term 1838.

This account of the sale of the personal Estate of Edward Monrode deceased was produced in Court and ordered to be record. Haste

Civille Anderson, R.C.

I John Dickenson of Grayson County and state of Virginia do constitute and ordain this my last Will and Testament being weak in body but strong in mind. First recommending my body to the dust and my spirit to God that give it after paying my debts I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Mary Dickenson all of my estate Real and personal whatsoever I have in this world nor for her to give such for her estate and after her death equally divided among all of my sons and daughters and I further recommend and ordain my loving wife Mary and my trusty friend John Lockett my Executor and Executrix in this my last will and Testament her witness hereof that said Andrew shall have ten per cent his board and fire his and the 3<sup>d</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six.

Liquidated before me in the present of me

Thomas Lemmons

Susan Ballard

Andrew Lockett

Thomas Lemmons

Grayson County Court May term 1838.

This last Will and Testament of John Dickenson was proved according to law by the oath of Thomas Lemmons for me Ballard and Lemmons for me Lemmons witness hereto and ordered to be record.

John Dickenson *Seal*

John Dickenson *Seal*