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The undersigned appointed by an order of the County Court of Grayson made on the 25th day of September 1837 to settle debts and adjust the accounts of Lydia Ann Hollis & Elizabeth Willard, in Committee for Eli Willard and his wife in the County of Grayson, has according to order caused the said Committee to appear before him and begs leave to submit the following statement upon D^r Lydia Ann Hollis & Elizabeth Willard to the Estate of Eli Willard.

A note received by Thomas Willard and Hiram Higgins for this sum \$190.15^d
4 years & 1/2 days interest at \$110.15^d. 26.61
\$216.76^d
Whole amount of Estate

For By the sum paid Elizabeth Willard for keeping Clothing and Tea
Willard from the 28th October 1831 till 28th October 1833 being 2 years \$100 per year \$200.
By the sum allowed Lydia Ann Hollis for her attention 303 \$13.00

Balanc on hand \$133.76

Committee find that nothing more than the above bond on Thomas Willard & Hiram Higgins came to the hands of the Committee - eighty dollars of which was paid to Mrs. Willard on the 3rd day of October 1833 for keeping & clothing the said Eli Willard by you. Your Committee find the allowance made to Mr. Willard for his trouble too little but was induced to enter it \$13.00 at his own request. Whether the allowance to Mr. Willard for keeping Clothing & taking care of the said Eli is too much or is altogether coming forward we undertake to determine, but we are informed that two respectable freeholders of the County thought proper to allow but \$10. per year. From the statements now made and herewith exhibited your Committee find that only the sum of \$133.76 now remains of Eli Willard distributed & paid of his father's personal estate, which is not sufficient to pay the amount now due to Mrs. Willard for keeping the said Eli by about the sum of \$6.26^d. Your Committee also beg leave to say that the whole of the above balance of \$133.76 has been paid over by Mrs. Ann Hollis to Mr. Willard so that nothing more remains in his as one of Eli's Committee.

Signed W^m Caudill Com^r

Grayson County Court October term 1837.

The report and statement of a settlement with the Committee of Eli Willard was produced in Court and ordered to be recorded.

Teste
Owville Anderson R.D.

Area 70 acres

In obedience to an order of the County Court of Grayson to indicate to lay off & assign to Lazarus Clark the widow of Nathan Ward her land bounded in the lands which the said Nathan Ward died seized, the subscriber certify that we have performed that service & have laid off & assigned to the said Lazarus Clark 70 acres of land it being one third part of the land which the said Nathan Ward seized bounded as follows to wit: Beginning at a Spanish Oak & White oak by a large rock the Beginning corner of the old survey belonging to Nathan Ward running S 10° E 95 poles with the old line crossing a road to a white oak & black gum tree leaving the old line N 86° E 110 poles running through two old fields & crossing a wagon road to a white oak & Spanish oak in the point of a ridge N 86° E 104 rods passing a road running through a meadow & field to two white oaks & Spanish oak it being the last corner of the old survey there 5 86 1/4 130 pds to the Beginning; We then proceed to divide the residue of the land amongst the different heirs of the said Nathan Ward her land John Caudill agreed to be divided in the manner set

there agreed to lay off & assign to the said John Caudill his lot or part of the land & to the division of the rest of the land & the said John Caudill accepted the offer. We have laid off or part of the land in the whole tract as follows to wit: Beginning at a white oak & gum & split in the line of old survey running S 10° E 65 poles to a maple & Spanish oak near a gully 40 by 20 rods thence with a road N 55° E 77 poles to a Spanish oak N 98 38 poles to a Spanish oak & two buckeye & split in the line of the widow dover S 78 W 83 poles to the Beginning it being 24 acres his plot of land will be run on the other side

October 20th 1837.



William Hale Jr
Enoch Osborn

Grayson County Court October term 1837.

This report of the Commissioners appointed to assign, divide to the widow of Nathan Ward dead in in the lands of her deceased husband and to divide the residue of said lands between the heirs at law of said deceased comprehend in Court recorded to be recorded.

Teste

Owville Anderson R.D.

State of W^t Grayson County — That in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and thirty seven and the thirty day of November I Stephen Clark of the State and County above mentioned have through the mercy of God and his kind providence been preserved and to the present date in a sound mind though weaker body but thanks be to his name for his peculiar care that has kept my memory in full vigor so that I am able to meditate and the shortness of time in reflecting on a future day and therefore I have this day above named resolved to make my last Will and testament and not to be revoked by the displeasure of my lawful wife Sally Clark now living nor by the fails of her body who died easy — her that neither of them shall have the power to revoke this my last Will and testament but that it shall remain at my option during my natural life and that after my decease if there should be found any contradiction in this my last Will and testament it shall not be construed that the first shall be taken of this my last Will and the latter part of the said Will to be rejected but that the last shall be taken as the first and the first as the latter as in any other part or parts of this my last Will and testament — And therefore I Stephen Clark do bequeath and give to my oldest son John H Clark thirty dollars and to my next oldest son Jeffry Clark I give and bequeath in this my last will the sum of thirty dollars and this is the amount that each of them of the two sons shall have and no more and that my son Jeffry the next to the oldest shall be paid by the third oldest son of mine Andrew J Clark the amount of thirty dollar and to my first named son John H Clark shall be paid by my youngest son named Silvester Clark the amount of thirty dollar and no more and as the land on which I am now living which I have bought and paid for the same I have in possession in fee simple or forever to me and any heirs and assigns but as the lines are open and unmarked I cannot tell the number of acres and that in case I should decease before the said land is surveyed each of my two youngest sons shall have an equal part to get the lines closed the expense of which shall be born in an equal sum for if it was surveyed it should be my will that the two youngest sons named the first Andrew Clark & the second Silvester Clark each should have an equal share or part of the said land on which I am now living test it is my intent that the foregoing failure of the now surveying is not intended as a condition but as the fulfillment of my last Will is turned so that if it is survey done it shall be taking by the meaning of my will viz. that I Stephen Clark begin and bequeath my two youngest sons the first named Andrew Clark and the second named Silvester Clark but that the lands by the tract which I bought of George Holder together with the tract which I bought of Richard

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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 Tracts to be divided 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 stand there along the path until it but John Barnes for his but of his former is over my line then in that case from the locust tree in the direction of the path until it comes to the said Locust tree 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 of them of my two youngest sons should by such a partition compact or agreement have more land than the other he my executors shall peaceable 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 same be equally 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 sell out and move and death 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 and 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 administrators 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 26th 1837 Pursuant to the written order we three have met and after being shown a wagon & spiggin as the property of Edward Mondeed by Esq. Samuel A. Lewis attorney of the part of s^t estate in Grayson Co do appraise said wagon & spiggin to thirty dollars current money bounded 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 Mondeed deceased produced in Court ordered to be record. Haste

Civille Anderson, R.C.

December 26th 1837 Pursuant to the appraiser 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 H. C. Lewis

Grayson County Court January term 1838.

This account of the sale of the personal Estate of Edward Mondeed 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^d 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 the Lemmons widow her heirs and executors to be record.

John Dickenson Seal

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