

John Littrell.

I, John Littrell being weak and feeble in health but of sound mind and disposing memory, do make and declare the following to be my last Will and Testament, and hereby revoke all other Wills and Testaments made heretofore by me - that is to say - It is my will and desire that my wife Catharine shall have during her life all my property, whether real or personal to be used by her in such manner as she shall desire to make her comfortable. And it is also my will and desire that my wife Catharine shall at her death, or at any time that she may think fit during her life, make such disposition of the property whether real or personal as to her may seem right and proper. In testimony whereof I haveunto set my hand and seal this 14th day of October, 1857.

Signed & acknowledged in the presence of the following witnesses

Chas L Snyder

Abner J. Goodwin

John ^{his} Littrell ^(Seal)
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At Roanoke November Court 1857.

The last Will and Testament of John Littrell deceased was this day produced in Court and proved according to Law by the oaths of Chas L Snyder and Abner J. Goodwin subscribers with us, the undersigned, and is ordered to be recorded.

A Copy from the Records of County of Roanoke

Wm. H. Hester

Elijah McClanahan. In the name of God, amen. I, Elijah McClanahan of the County of Roanoke and State of Virginia, do make the following disposition of my worldly estate, hereby declaring this and none other to be my last Will and Testament.

Funeral Expenses

Item 1st. It is my will and desire that my Executor hereafter named pay all my just debts and funeral expenses out of any and the first money that he can command from my Estate.

Negroes to my son

Item 2^d. I give to my daughter Catharine now Catharine Jones a negro girl by name Judah which my wife gave to her before her decease but not yet taken away by her. I also give to my said daughter a small negro boy by the name of Austin which she has had in possession some time past. These two bequests are independent of my ^{her equal part of} remaining Estate.

Negroes to my son Lewis

Item 3^d. I give to my daughter Jane, wife of Rev. J. M. Lewis the two negroes, Betsey and Bob which they now have in possession with their increase, to her and her heirs. But I will that should my said daughter and her husband wish to return the said two negroes to my Estate at my decease, I then direct that my Ex. put the said two negroes in with my other negroes for division or sell them to good masters and pay to my said daughter a fair cash price for them in a reasonable time. These two negroes together with \$1000 in cash which I gave to my daughter shortly after her marriage, is not

to be taken as any part of her equal share of my remaining estate
Item 4th. I give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy Bap, and
her husband Collin Bap, to them and their heirs forever the
Negro, I gave to them when shortly after their marriage, with
the same, as also the land whereon they now live containing
about 65 acres, sixty one or two acres thereof being the land I
bought of, and as deeded to me by David Cook and wife, and the
balance about three acres, whereon the buildings stand, is part
of the land on which I now live on the North side of the Mason
Creek Corn Road. This Negro and land, with his tools
of about \$600.⁰⁰ for money lent Mr Bap, which my Executor
will give to him at my decease without interest, and also pay
to Collin Bap four hundred dollars from the sale of my
personal property - all which bequests in this devise made
to my said daughter Nancy Bap and her husband Collin Bap
and their heirs, shall be taken and received by them as their full
and entire share of my remaining estate of every description
both real and personal, money, bonds, lands, sold or unsold
included. And I would have add that where God in his all
wisdom and Providence, has taken from them every of their dear
little children, and that should they continue to have no heir,
that in that event each one shall have a right to will at and
before their death one half of their estate real and personal as
they may choose to do, but the said half as wished by the
deceased one to remain with the survivor until he or her
death should they desire it. This I will and enjoin upon my
son in law may be agreed upon and finally carried into
effect by them as my last request. It will be remembered that
I paid between them and four hundred dollars for building
the house, kitchen and smoke house where they live.

Item 5th. I give and bequeath to my Executor herein after
named the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.⁰⁰) in trust
to be by him paid over to the Trustees of the Board of Edu-
cation of the Presbyterian Church (old school) as early
as he may find it convenient to do so.

Item 6th. I will and direct that my Executor pay to
whatever Presbyterian Preacher may be engaged to preach
at the Big Lake Presbyterian Church, twenty five dollars
per year for the next two years after my decease.

Item 7th. As I have promised my two grandsons, James
R. Meen, and Mack Doyle, the son of my daughter Aggy
Doyle, a horse or a good pony each, I do hereby direct
my Executor to fulfill or comply with this my promise, either
by giving them a horse each, or an equivalent in money or any
other such thing. I have heretofore gave Eliza Doyle, a
horse saddle, and bridle. My other grandchildren being
numerous (and equally dear to me) but I deem it best
not to go into gifts or presents to each of them, as their parents
will get their equal share of my estate at my decease.

Item 8th. And I do hereby will and direct my Executor hereafter
named as soon after my decease as may be convenient to sell all
my estate both real and personal of every description not otherwise
specially disposed of in this my will (with the exception of my
slaves owned by me at my decease) and after having publicly
advertised the same to be sold at public auction to the highest
bidder or otherwise if it should seem best to him upon con-
sultation, on fourth the purchase money to be paid in hand
or in three months after the sale if thought to be an accom-
modation to the purchaser, and the balance in three equal
annual payments from the day of sale, and if the payments
required to be made in hand is deferred the three months,
interest will be required to be paid thereon - Bonds, & security
to be given, and the title of the lands to be retained as further
security for the deferred payments; and my Ex^r is hereby di-
rected and enjoined to make a title or titles to all the
lands he may sell or that I may have sold and not have
made title, to agreeable to contract. The personal property
to be sold at such time as he may think proper, and upon
such credit as he may elect.

Item 9th. I will and devise to my seven daughters
hereafter named (to-wit) Elizabeth Cove, wife of Doctor Cox
of the State of Missouri, Mary Montague, Lucy Johnston,
Agatha Inghs, Catharine Inghs, now Catharine Jones,
Mary Miller, wife of Rev. Charles Miller, and Jane Lewis,
wife of James A. Lewis, all my Negro, that I may own
at my decease, and as herein specially devised to be
equally divided between them my said above named
seven children. And I do hereby will and direct that
should my last named daughter Jane and her husband
not wish to own or take their portion of my Negro, or allow
that in that event their part - the Negro, shall be with
my other Negro divided equally amongst the five
remaining devisees, and the fair value of my said
daughter Jane's part - the Negro be paid to her and
her husband in money, at such time as may be convenient
for my Ex^r to do so without inconvenience to the estate
or doing injustice to the other legatees. And I do hereby
expressly will that the younger children of my women
if they have any such at the time of division must
not be separable from their mothers, but allotted with
them, and that both my men servants and women may
be so accommodated that they will not be taken out of
reach of their wives and husbands. This I trust would be
the desire of each of my children independent of my
earnest request.

It will be seen herein, that my daughter
Sally White gets no part of my present Negro, I
having heretofore bought and gave to her these Negro,

now in her possession, and she now will receive her equal share of all the money other part of my estate, after deducting therefrom her account with me for money paid for the land I bought for the special use of the family, and other articles as shown in my account.

Also my daughter Nancy Bap is herein left no part of my land and negroes left to her sole and discrete, having given to him and her the land where he now lives, and One thousand dollars, which I deem under all the circumstances place, them upon a par with my other children.

Item 10.th I do hereby will and direct that the entire amount of my Estate of every description, after the payment of my debts and the special bequest herein made (my Negroes being specially willed) shall be as an = share of my Executor and equally divided between my eight other children in this my will named, leaving out my daughter Nancy Bap already provided for, after taking from the share of each one that may stand indebted to me on my book account for money paid for them or land there, or other articles furnished them - These advancements, not to be charged with interest.

+ Item 11.th And as it is my intention to secure and settle that part of my estate which become due & payable to my daughter Sally White, to be used for the support & benefit of her and her family, I do hereby will and direct that my Ex^r hereafter named shall at the division of my estate receive, take charge of, and be invested of all so much part of my estate which my said daughter Sally White may be entitled to receive under this my Will and to receive it and use it in any way which he may deem best calculated to support and promote the interest of her and her heirs, lands E.P. White and family, and to hold the said money or property in trust as fully as if it were his own so that it cannot be made liable or taken in any way for the debts of the said E.P. White heretofore or hereafter contracted. And I further will that at and after the death of my said daughter and her husband E.P. White, that all the property which I have heretofore given and secured to my said daughter Sally White, as well as that which she will receive under this my Will, shall be equally divided between the children of my said daughter Sally White.

And I do hereby will that at and after my death my tract of land containing 126 acres, on which the said E.P. White now lives, and whereon I will that he may live during his and his wife's life time free of rent, but that at my decease the title to the said tract of 126 acres shall be vested in and held by my said Ex^r or his successors in trust, and for the use and benefit of the said

of E.P. White and family, as, and in the same manner as other property is held to and for them, and at the death of the said E.P. and Sally White to be equally divided between their children. - And my Executor is of this my will author- ized and empowered to sell or make any exchange of the said 126 acres of land on which said E.P. White now lives, which he may think will tend to the interest of benefit of the family, provided it meets their approbation, and securing that exchange for or bought, to my said daughter and her heirs.

And lastly, I do hereby appoint my son in law Rice D. Montague sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament. And I also will and direct that he shall receive and be paid five hundred dollars (\$500.⁰⁰) for his services, also any actual cash ex- penses he may incur in settling the business of this Estate.

Witness the following signature and seal this 18th day of September in the year 1856 -

Sealed, signed and (Elizah M. Clancham)
acknowledged by Elizah
McClancham as, and forth last
Will & Testament in our presence
and we being present together at the same time
E. G. McClancham
William A. J. Bird

At Roanoke Decem^r Court 1857

This last will and testament of Elizah M. Clancham = as above stated, was produced in Court and proved ac- = cording to law by the oath of Elizah G. M. Clancham and W. A. J. Bird subscribing witnesses thereto, and admitted to Record. Teste John For C.

Hannah Eakin. I Hannah Eakin, of Roanoke County, Virginia being of feeble health but of sound mind and disposing memory do make this my last Will and Testament in the manner and form following. - I desire after the payment of my debts and funeral expenses, I give to my daughter Francis Ann Eakin all and singular my Estate both real and personal and to be enjoyed by her forever. And I do hereby appoint Redman Eakin of Montgomery County Va. my executor of this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 7th day of May 1856

Witness
Redman Eakin
William Hall

Hannah Eakin (Seal)