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In the name of god. I John Patton of Rockledge County State of Virginia  
being weak in body but of sound mind and memory to this say (Glees be go) do  
considering the uncertainty of life. in the year one thousand eight hundred  
and nine July seventeenth do make and publish this my last will and  
Testament in the manner and form following (that is to say) I order the  
Executors of this my last will and Testament to sell my plantation on the  
banks of Tanners river at my death (and) to distribute the same as follows  
to my dear wife Martha and daughter Jane, I give and bequeath the  
sum of four hundred dollars and to my sons Nathan & John each the  
sum of four hundred dollars and allow my executors three or four years  
after my decease for the sale of my plantation and order the executors of  
this my last will & Testament to make a Joint purchase of land in the  
State of Ohio with the above bequeathed money allowing to my wife  
and daughter Jane one hundred acres of said land for and during the time  
of their natural lives likewise any surplus that may remain of the four  
hundred dollars and moneys that there shall arise any charge about the  
use of said land towards the providing for & maintaining my wife & daughter

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daughter has received of my Estate like as over my executor for  
from son Thomas eighty dollars and by a bond of one hundred and  
the remaining twenty to be left to him as his part of my Estate  
remaining part of my estate (a bed & bed clothes for Jane except  
divided equally among my wife and sons Nathaniel Nathaniel  
& daughter Patsy Polly Jane & Mary and I make & ordain my  
Martha & sons Nathaniel & John sole executors of this my will in trust  
for the intent & purposes in this my will contained - In witness  
of I the said John Patton have to this my last will & Testament  
at my hand and seal the day & year first written  
Signed sealed in presence of us  
who were present at the signing

Shalving thereof

John McBlair

Phillips Hiler

John Patton

At Rockbridge Court October 2<sup>nd</sup> 1809

In writing purporting the last will and Testament of the  
Patton deceased was produced in Court by Martha Patton

Phillips filed  
Wm. Patton

At Bench bridge Court October 2<sup>nd</sup> 1859

Meeting pursuant to the last will and Testament of the  
Patton deceased was presented in Court by Martha Patton Widow  
of the said deceased executrix & Nathan & John Patton Executors the  
same and proved by the oath of John McCallister Philip Sykes & Wm  
Low the subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded That  
Martha in open Court refused to take upon her the burden of  
execution of said will And on the motion of the said Nathan & John  
Patton who made oath according to Law probate thereof & grant  
them on giving bond & security <sup>thereupon</sup> & they together with Philip Sykes  
John McCallister & Philip Sykes their sureties entered into recogni-  
tance in the sum of \$500.00 conditioned according to Law.

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Wm. Patton

Ben. Allen