

Duncan Murchison's Will

all debts due to my estate and out of the proceeds of the sale of said land and Negroes & money collected that they pay my just debts.

Item 3th I will and desire that my ~~executors~~ after my debts are paid shall as soon as possible give to my dear wife two hundred and fifty dollars to her use and benefit and out of the proceeds of the sale of land & Negroes & other money on hand of any into nine parts, equal parts and that they said ~~part~~ to my sisters and brothers of whole blood and to the children of such of them as are dead to wit, that they give ninth part to my sister Peggy Sinclair, one ninth part to my brother John Murchison, one ninth part to my sister Nancy Murchison widow of J^{es} John Murchison, one ninth part to my ~~brother~~ Brother William Murchison, one ninth part to my sister Janet Worthy, one ninth part to my sister Isabella England, one ninth part to my brother Colin Murchison, one ninth part to my sister Polly, J^{es}son, one ninth part to my Brother Kenneth B Murchison.

I nominate and appoint ~~Kenneth B Worthy~~ my nephews Alexander Murchison H W Worthy & David Rogers my Executors, this my last will & testament, according to its true contents and meaning. In testimony whereof I Duncan Murchison have set my hand and seal on the 4th day of July, 1863

In presence and
acknowledged

Thos Cole

C Chalmers

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Duncan Murchison dec^d is exhibited for probate in Open Court by James J Murchison therein named, and the due execution thereof by Duncan Murchison is proved by Thos Cole one of the subscribing witnesses

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Thence, and is now proved by the oath and examination of A H McNeill that he is well acquainted with Charles Chalmers one of the subscribing witnesses thereto is now dead, and it was further proved by the oath of, & examination of the said A H McNeill that he is well acquainted with the handwriting of the said Charles Chalmers having often seen him write and that name of the said Charles Chalmers subscribed as a witness to the said will is in the handwriting of the said Charles Chalmers, it is therefore considered by this Court that said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of the said Duncan Murchison, and the same is ordered to be filed & recorded

A H McNeill *clerk*