

ANGUS FERGUSON &amp; RICH. BOYD, EXECUTS. BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents that we Angus Ferguson and Richard Boyd principals and James H. Forman and Cornelius P. Hunter securities of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate for said County and his successors in office, in the penal sum of ten thousand dollars; for which payment to be well & truly made, we bind ourselves our heirs, executors and administrators jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 12th day of May A.D. 1856.

The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas the above bound Angus Ferguson, and Richard Boyd have been appointed executors of the last will and testament of James F. Boyd deceased: Now if the said Angus Ferguson and Richard Boyd shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of them as such executors, then the above obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken approved and ordered to be recorded  
May 12th 1856  
Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate.

Richard Boyd (L.S.)  
Angus Ferguson (L.S.)  
James H. Forman (L.S.)  
Cornelius P. Hunter (L.S.)

ANGUS FERGUSON &amp; RICHD. BOYD EXRS.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate, May 12th 1856.

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern, that on the application of Richard Boyd and Angus Ferguson to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Executorship to issue in favour of the said Richard Boyd and Angus Ferguson in and upon the goods and chattels, rights and credits of James F. Boyd, deceased and in every case which occasion may require the said Richard Boyd and Angus Ferguson are authorized to bring suit and be sued as the lawful executors to the said James F. Boyd deceased. Witness Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate, this 12th day of May A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 80th year of American Independence.

Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate.

JANE T. DUKES ADMR. BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents, that we Jane T. Dukes, and William A. Winn and William Combs securities of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate for said County, and his successors in office, in the penal sum of four hundred dollars for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 26th day of May 1856. The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas the above bound Jane T. Duke has been appointed administration of the estate of Robert W. Duke deceased, Now, if the said Jane T. Duke shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of her as such administratrix, then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force.

In presence of  
John R. Scott J.P.  
May 26th 1855  
Approved May 28th 1856  
Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate.

Jane T. Dukes (L.S.)  
Wm. A. Winn (L.S.)  
Wm. Combs (L.S.)

JANE T. DUKE ADMR. LETTERS

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate May 28th 1856.

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern, that on application of Jane T. Dukes to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Administration to issue in favour of said Jane T. Dukes in and upon the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Robert W. Dukes, deceased, and in every case which occasion may require, the said Jane T. Duke is authorized to bring suit and be sued as the lawful administratrix to the said Robert W. Dukes deceased. Witness Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate, this 28th day of May A.D. one thousand eight hundred & fifty six and the 80th year of American Independence.

Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate.

ROBERT GRIFFIN ADMR. BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents, that we Robert Griffin, principal and Moses Wyatt, and Thomas J. Griffin securities of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate for the County and State aforesaid and his successors in office in the penal sum of fifteen hundred dollars, for which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 2nd day of June A.D. 1856. The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas the above bound Robert Griffin has been appointed administrator of the estate of John Griffin senr. deceased: Now if the said Robert Griffin shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such administrator, then the above obligation to be void otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken, approved and ordered to be recorded  
June 2nd 1856  
Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate

Robert Griffin (L.S.)  
Moses Wyatt (L.S.)  
Thos. J. Griffin (L.S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate June 2nd 1856.

Be it remembered, and made known to all whom it may concern, that on application of Robert Griffin to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Administration to issue in favour of said Robert Griffin, in and upon the goods and chattels, rights and credits of John Griffin senr. dead, and in every case which occasion may require the said Robert Griffin is authorized to bring suit and be sued, as the lawful administrator to the said John Griffin senr. deceased. Witness Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate this 2nd day of June A.D. one thousand eight hundred & fifty six & the 80th year of American Independence.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

JOHN L. BOWEN ADMR. BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents that we John L. Bowen, principal & George W. Smith and Elemer C. Bowen securities of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate for said County and his successors in office, in the penal sum of twelve hundred dollars, for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators jointly and severally by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated this 11th day of June A.D. 1856.

The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas the above bound John L. Bowen has been appointed administrator of the estate of John Bowen deceased; Now if the said John L. Bowen shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law require of him as such administrator, then the above obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken, approved and ordered to be recorded  
June 11th 1856  
Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate

John L. Bowen (L.S.)  
Elemer C. Bowen (L.S.)  
G. W. Smartt (L.S.)

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate, 11th June 1856.

Be it remembered, and made known to all whom it may concern, that on application of John L. Bowen, to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Administration to issue in favour of said John L. Bowen in and upon the goods and chattels, rights and credits of John Bowen deceased; and in every case which occasion may require, the said John L. Bowen is authorized to bring suit and be sued, as the lawful administrator to the said John Bowen deceased. Witness Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate, this 11th day of June A. D. one thousand eight hundred & fifty six and the 80th year of American Independence.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

BRITTON STAMPS, EXECUTOR, BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents that we Brittain Stamps, principal and Wm. B. S. Gilmer, Wm. C. Morgan, and Thomas Taylor, securities, of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound, unto Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate for said County and his successors in office, in the penal sum of one hundred thousand dollars; for which payment to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this the thirteenth day of June 1856. The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas the above bound Brittain Stamps has been appointed executor of the estate of Wm. H. Burnett, deceased: Now if the said Brittain Stamps shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be required by law of him as such executor then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken, approved and ordered to be recorded  
June 30th 1856.  
Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

Brittain Stamps (L.S.)  
Wm. B. S. Gilmer (L.S.)  
Thomas Taylor (L.S.)  
Wm. C. Morgan (L.S.)

THE STATE OF ALABAMA  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate June 30th 1856.

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern, that on the application of Brittain Stamps to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Executorship to issue in favour of the said Brittain Stamps in and upon the goods and chattels, rights and credits of William H. Barnett deceased, and in every case which occasion may require, the said Brittain Stamps is authorized to bring suit and be sued as such lawful executor to the said Wm. H. Barnett deceased. Witness Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate this 30th day of June A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 80th year of American Independence.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

WM. H. BARNETT'S WILL

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

In the name of God, amen.

I William H. Barnett, of the County and State aforesaid, being sick and weak in body, but of a sound and disposing mind and memory, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

First: I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God, who gave it, and my body to be buried in a decent Christian-like manner.

As touching the things of this world, which it has pleased God to bless me with I dispose of the following manner and form (viz):

Item first: I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth B. Barnett, all of the negroes and their increase, that she had when we was married, names as follows: Abram a man, Joshua a man, Mariah a woman, Sucky a woman and her two children Charlotte & Fernelia, Darcus a woman, Nancy a girl, Caty a girl, York a boy, Will a boy, and Westley a boy, and my close carriage, and one seventh part of all of my other property except my land and negroes, for her sole use and benefit forever, to dispose as she may think proper. And I do hereby further give to my wife, as aforesaid, during her natural life or widowhood, the following property, to wit: Four hundred acres of land, more or less, lying and being in said County, known and distinguished, as follows: The east half of section thirty three (33), township twenty one (21) and range twenty six (26); and the west half of the north west quarter of section thirty four (34), township twenty one (21) and range twenty six (26); also three negroes, Lindy a woman about forty years of age, her child Ann, about four years old; and Henry a yellow boy about twenty years old; and at the death of my wife, or in the event, she should marry, that executor shall proceed to sell the above described land and make titles to the same, and the proceeds of sale to be equally divided between my six children, hereinafter named; and my will and desire is that at the death of my wife, or in the event she should marry, that my son William B. Barnett shall have the above named negroes, to wit: Lindy, Ann, and Henry, as his own right and property, which I give and bequeath to him over and above an equal share with my other children; and I further give to my son William B. Barnett, my gold watch.

Item second: I give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy G. Culberson, wife of Jefferson Culberson, ten dollars in full of her portion of my estate.

Item third: I hereby give and bequeath to my grand-children, the children of my daughter Nancy G. Culberson, that are born, or may be born of her body, the sum of three thousand dollars; and I do hereby constitute and appoint my brother Benjamin H. Barnett, of the County of Oglethorpe and State of Georgia, trustee for my grand children as aforesaid, who is hereby authorized and empowered, to call on my executor for the sum aforesaid; which sum my executor is hereby to pay over to the said Benjamin H. Barnett, trustee as aforesaid, as soon as funds can be raised from the sale of property of the said William H. Barnett, and my will and desire is that the said Benjamin H. Barnett, shall loan out the money, thus received as trustee; and as the children of my daughter Nancy G. Culberson, shall become of age or marry, that the trustee shall pay over to him her or them, as he may think proper, as circumstances require, so as not to pay to any the interest that may accrue thereon; and when the youngest child shall become of age or marry, my will is, that there shall be an equal division of the three thousand dollars; and the interest that may accrue thereon between the children of the said Nancy G. Culberson.

Item third: My will and desire is that my executor shall proceed to sell at public entry, as soon as practicable, after the present crop is gathered, all of my real estate except what I have given to my wife, and her dower; and I do hereby authorize my executor to make titles to land &c., and he is hereby further authorized to sell all of my other property, that I have not given away as above named, in this instrument, except my negroes. The land to be sold on a credit to be paid in two annual installments, one half on twelve months credits, the other half two years; all the other property to be sold on a credit of twelve months except the cotton crop, which I authorize my executor to have gined, packed and send to market, which he is to sell privately in market.

Item fourth: My will and desire is that my negroes not otherwise disposed of shall be equally divided between my six children, hereafter named, to wit: Francisina E. Matthews, wife of Robert G. Matthews, Melita S. Eberhart, wife of William F. Eberhart, Martha S. Colquitt, wife of William T. Colquitt, Eliza B. Barnett, Zilla A. Barnett, and William B. Barnett, so as to make them all equal, except my daughter Nancy, to whom I have given only ten dollars, which is all she is to receive from my estate; and to my son William B. Barnett, I have given him three negroes and gold watch extra, as above named.

Item fifth: My will and desire is, that my negroes shall be valued and lotted off to my six children; and whereas, I have heretofore given off to my three daughters that are married, Francisina E. Matthews, Melita S. Eberhart, and Martha S. Colquitt, each the sum of three thousand dollars, which I have charged them with, and is to be included as a portion of their distributive share of the estate of the said William H. Barnett, so as to make each one share the same, including my property of every description.

Item sixth: My will and desire is, and I do hereby give and bequeath all of the property of every description, that I have give or may hereafter give to each of daughters. I give to them and their children, heirs of their body, and not subject to be sold by their respective husbands, or liable for debts in any manner whatever.

Item seventh: I do hereby constitute and appoint Britton Stamps, sole executor to this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof, I the said William H. Barnett, hath hereunto set his hand and affixed his seal, this 23d day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty six.

Signed, sealed and acknowledged in the presence of } William H. Barnett (seal)  
E. H. Avery  
E. S. McCurdy  
Stephen Chaffin.

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Special Court of Probate, June 30, 1856.

Personally appeared in open Court, Stephen Chaffin, one of the subscribing witnesses to the above and foregoing will, who being duly sworn, deposed and said on oath, that he saw William H. Barnett, the testator, sign, seal and publish the same, as and for his last will and testament, on the day the same bears date; and that he believed the said William H. Barnett, to be of sound and disposing mind and memory, at the time of signing the same; that he, deponent, signed the same as a subscribing witness at the request, and in the presence of the said William H. Barnett; that he saw E. H. Avery and E. S. McCurdy, the other two subscribing witnesses, sign the same as such, at the request and in the presence of the said William H. Barnett; and that they all signed the same in the presence of each other.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court, }  
this 30th day of June 1856. }  
Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Be it remembered, that on the 30th day of June, A.D. 1856, the foregoing will was duly probated in the Probate Court, of the County and State aforesaid; upon the affidavit of Stephen Chaffin, one of the subscribing witnesses to the same; and recorded, in Record of Wills, Vol. 2, Pages 648, 649, & 650.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

## CORNELIUS REA, BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents, that we Cornelius Rea, principal and Thomas J. Martee and John F. Dickson, securities, of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound, unto Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate, for said County and his successors in office, in the penal sum of one hundred dollars, for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated this 26th day of May A.D. 1856.

The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas the above bound Cornelius Rea, has been appointed guardian of the estate of Susan, a free woman of color. Now if the said Cornelius Rea, shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such guardian, then the above obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken approved and ordered to be recorded } Cornelius Rea (I.S.)  
day 17th 1856 } Thos. J. Martee (I.S.)  
Saml. Pearson, Judge of Probate } J. F. Dickson (I.S.)

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate, May 17th 1856.

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern, that on application of Susan, a free woman of color to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Guardianship to issue in favour of Cornelius Rea, in and upon the goods and chattels rights and credits, of said Susan, a free person of color as aforesaid and in every case which occasion may require, the said Cornelius Rea, is authorized to bring suit and be sued as the lawful guardian, of the said Susan, free person of color aforesaid.

Witness Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate, this 17th day of May A.D. one thousand eight hundred & fifty six and the 80th year of American Independence.  
Saml. Pearson, Judge of Probate

## HENRY W. TODD GUARD. BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents, that we, Henry W. Todd, principal, and William H. Todd and William A. Johnson, securities, of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto Saml. Pearson Judge of Probate for said County, and his successors in office, in the penal sum of fifteen thousand dollars; for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 22nd day of February A.D. 1856.

The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas the above bound Henry W. Todd has been appointed guardian of the estate of Susan A. Ried minor and heir of Robert M. Ried deceased; Now if the said Henry W. Todd, shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such guardian, then the above obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken, approved and ordered to be recorded } H. W. Todd (I.S.)  
Feb'y. 22nd 1856 } Wm. A. Johnson (I.S.)  
Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate } W. H. Todd (I.S.)



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THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate, 22nd, February 1856.  
Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern that, on a application of Susan F. Ried to my said Court I have caused these Letters of Guardianship to issue in favour of Huey W. Todd, in and upon the goods and chattels rights and credits of said Susan F. Ried and in every case which occasion may require the said Henry W. Todd, is authorized to bring suit and be sued as the lawful guardian to the said minor. Witness Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate this 22nd day of February A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 80th year of American Independence.

Saml. Pearson, Judge of Probate.

ISAAC P. COLLIER GUARDND.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents, that we Isaac P. Collier principal and William P. Collier and Wm. H. Smith, his securities of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto Samuel Pearson Judge of Probate for said County, and his successors in office, in the penal sum of one hundred dollars, for which payment, well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 27th day of December 1855.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound Isaac P. Collier has been appointed guardian of the estate of Eliza Ann, a free person of color: Now if the said Isaac P. Collier shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such guardian, then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken approved and ordered to be recorded

Dec. 27th 1855.

Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate

Isaac P. Collier (L.S.)

Wm. P. Collier (L.S.)

W. H. Smith (L.S.)

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)

CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate, December 27th 1855.

Be it remembered, and made known to all whom it may concern, the on application of Isaac P. Collier to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Guardianship to issue in favour of said Isaac P. Collier in and upon the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Eliza Ann, a free person of color and in every case which occasion may require, the said Isaac P. Collier is authorized to bring suit and be sued, as the lawful guardian of the said Eliza Ann.

Witness Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate, this 27th day of December A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 80th year of American Independence.

Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate.

HENRY L. WILKINSON, LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate, May 12th 1856.

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern that on application of Samuel Abernathy to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Guardianship to issue in favour of Henry L. Wilkinson, in and upon the goods and chattels, rights and credits of John D. Abernathy, a minor heir of John D. Abernathy deceased; and in every case which occasion may require, the said Henry L. Wilkinson is authorized to bring suit and be sued as the lawful guardian to the said John D. Abernathy minor aforesaid. Witness Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate, this 12th day of May A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 80th year of American Independence.

Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate.

PAULINE E. BLOUNT EXECUTR. &amp; BENJ. F. BLOUNT EXECUTORS BOND

Know all men by these presents, that we Pauline E. Blount and Benjamin F. Blount principals and William Harrow, Warner W. Redders and Reuben Jones, securities of the County and State aforesaid are held and firmly bound unto Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate for said County, and his successors in office, in the penal sum of eighty thousand dollars, for which payment well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 13th day of December 1855. The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas the above bound, Pauline E. Blount and Benjamin F. Blount have been appointed executrix and executor of the last will and testament of deceased, now if the said Pauline E. Blount and Benjamin F. Blount shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of them as such executors, then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken, approved and ordered to be recorded

December 13th 1855.

Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate

B. F. Blount (L.S.)

Pauline E. Blount (L.S.)

William Harrow (L.S.)

Warner W. Redders (L.S.)

Reuben Jones (L.S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate, December 73th 1855.

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern, that on the application of Pauline E. Blount and Benjamin F. Blount, to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Executorship to issue in favour of the said Pauline E. Blount and Benjamin F. Blount in and upon the goods and chattels, right and credits of William Blount, deceased, and in every case which occasion may require, the said Pauline E. Blount and Benjamin F. Blount, are authorized to bring suit and be sued, as the lawful executrix & executor of said William Blount deceased.

Witness Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate, this 13th day of December A.D. one thousand eight hundred & fifty five and the 80th year of American Independence.

Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate.

JUDSON C. TATAM, WILL

In the name of God Amen: I Judson C. Tatum, do declare this to be my last will and testament:

Item 1st. I give to my sister Phula B. Manifee, the following negro slaves, to wit: Maria, Isaac, Eudy, Ann, Fuss, Marshall, Bobb, Jenney and Simon.

Item 2nd. I give to my nephew Albert Manifee the following negro slaves, to wit: Pad, Ellen, Jack, George, Hanna, Jane, Adeline and Marsfield.

Item 3rd. I give to my niece Ann E. Kennedy wife of John Kennedy the following negro slaves to wit: Milly, Sarah, Susan, John & Judge.

Item 4th. I give to my niece Laura W. Green, wife of John A. Green, the following negro slaves to wit: Alley, Stephen, Judy, Bill & Clark.

Item 5th. I give to my nephews Willis Manifee & Tateam Manifee and to my niece Mary A. Manifee the following negro slaves to wit: Hany, Yellow John, Jane, Cesar, Peter, Red, Martha, Franklins, Hamp, Patsey, Dick, Caresey & Isuah to belong to the them jointly & to be kept and managed by my executors; and upon the coming of age or marrying of each of them the said slaves are to be divided by them disinterested person to be selected by my executors, or by the Judge of Probate, and the third put apart and delivered to each coming of age or marrying.

Item 6th. It is my will that all the lands, I now own or may own at the time of my death, shall be sold by my executors, and also all my stock of every kind, horses, mules, cattle, hogs, &c and all my plantation tools and household and kitchen furniture and all kind of produce, & every thing on hand, said land and other things to be sold for cash or credit or separately in parcels, or all together & either publicly or privately as my executors may think best. And out of the proceeds, I wish my debts paid and from the balance, if there is enough, I give ten thousand dollars to my brother Albert Tateam, of the State of Texas. If there is not enough to make the said sum of ten thousand dollars, I wish my said brother Albert to have whatever sum is realized from the sale about directed after payment of my debts.

Item 7th. I wish if I should die while I have a growing crop that my executors should cultivate & gather it and dispose of it, as directed in the 6th Item of this will.

Item 8th. It is my will that if there should be a surplus remaining after payment of the Legacy of ten thousand dollars, to my brother Albert as provided for in the 6th Item, said surplus shall be equally divided between my sister Phula and her children, above named viz, Albert, Ann E. Laura, Mary A, Willis and Tateam said surplus to comprise every thing that may be realized from the sale of property or the collection of debts.

Item 9th. I appoint Phula B. Manifee executrix and my nephew Albert Manifee executor of this will, and direct that they shall be qualified, without being required to give bond. Witness my hand and seal this 30th day of May A.D. 1856.

Signed &amp; sealed by Judson C. Tatum, as

his last will &amp; testament in our presence

as witnesses, who have hereto subscribed

our names at his request and in his

presence &amp; in the presence of each other

on the day and year above written.

James T. Brook

James M. Stuting

J. C. Tateam (L.S.)

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Regular Court of Probate July 14th 1856.

Personally appeared on open Court, James T. Brook, one of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing to the foregoing will, who being duly sworn, deposeeth and saith on oath, that he saw Judson C. Tatum, the testator, sign, seal, and publish the same, as and for his last will and testament, on the day the same bears date; that he believed the said Judson C. Tatum, to be of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of signing the same; that he, deponent, signed the same, as a subscribing witness, at the request and in the presence of the said Judson C. Tatum, that he saw James M. Stuting, the other subscribing witness sign the same, as such, at the request and in the presence of the said Judson C. Tatum; and that they all signed the same in the presence of each other.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court this

14th day of July 1856.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Regular Court of Probate July 14th 1856.

Be it remembered, that on the 14th day of July 1856, the foregoing will, was duly probated in this Court, upon the affidavit of James T. Brook, one of the subscribing witnesses to the same, and recorded in Record of Wills Vol. 2 Pages 655 & 656.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

In the name of God amen; I Thomas McLendon of the County of Chambers and State of Alabama, being afflicted and weak in body, but of sound and disposing mind and memory and knowing that it is appointed unto men once to die and wishing while in life and while capable of doing so, to dispose of what property and effects, a kind providence has blessed me with, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills, by me made, to wit:

Item 1st. After my decease, as soon as may be, I desire that all my just debts shall be paid.

Item 2nd. I desire that my executors shall proceed as early as possible to wind up and settle all my business here, by selling off, at public sale, on such terms as they may so proper, such property and effects as it may be found inconvenient to remove and by carrying out all contracts by me heretofore made which are still in force and not carried out,

Item 3rd. It is further my will and desire that my executors shall as speedily as practicable purchase, for the use of my estate a tract of land, of suitable size, either in the State of Texas or Arkansas, in some healthy location and where my children can be educated, having due regard to economy in making such purchase, and to which place, I desire my family and effects to be removed by my executors, as early as may be, and further desire that my whole estate, after the payment of my debts and the necessary expenses, shall be kept together by my executors for the raising and educating of my younger children, until the close of the year A.D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty two.

Item 4th. It is my will and desire that at or about the close of the year 1862 my executors shall sell and dispose of a sufficient amount of the property belonging to my estate to pay off my children, who may then be of age, then equal distribution shares respectively of my estate, share and share alike, reserving enough, in the hands of my said executors, to raise and educate the children who may then be minors and to make them distributive shares as hereinafter provided, equal with the older children.

Item 5th. It is my will and desire that all my children share equally in my estate and for this purpose, I hereby direct, that each of my children, to whom I have already given off property, shall on the distribution of my estate, be held accountable for what they have already received and in the distribution shall receive only a sufficient amount to make them equal, with those, who have received none. It is further my will, that the property falling to the share of my son Aaron C. McLendon, shall not vest in him, so as to be subject to his debts or liabilities or to be disposed of by him but is for the support and benefit of himself, children and family during his life and at his death, is to go to his children and the property and effects falling to the distributive shares of my daughters, respectively, I give to them, for their sole separate, and inclusive use, during their respective lives, free from the debts contracts or liabilities of their respective husbands and at their deaths to go to their respective children, who may be living at their deaths. And should any of my children die, under the age of twenty one years, leaving no lawful issue I desire that their interest in my estate shall go then respective brothers and sisters who may be living at the time of their death.

Item 6th. It is my will and desire that my executors hereinafter named shall act as testamentary guardians of my minor children until they become of sufficient age to choose a guardian, and shall actually choose one and who shall equalify as such.

Item 7th. It is further my will and desire that after the year A.D. 1862, as my children shall respectively become of age or marry, that my executors shall pay over to them respectively their distributive shares of my estate, until which time they shall be entitled to a support and maintenance out of my estate, provided they continue with the rest of the family on the farm provided for their use.

Item 8th. My executors shall be authorized, at any time to sell and dispose of any property, which may be useless to my estate, or which in their judgement, it shall be to the interest of my estate to dispose of.

Item 9th. It is my will, that after the probate of this my will and the return of the proper inventory, my executors shall not be required to make any further return to the Probate Court here, until they have removed my property, effects and family, as expressed in the third item of this will and I direct that on such removal, they shall have this will admitted to Probate in such place as they may remove to and shall return the proper inventory of the estate there, and on making proof of these facts to the Court of Probate of Chambers County they shall be discharged from further responsibility and settlements with said Court, but all future returns and settlements shall be made with the proper Court in the place to which they have removed.

Item 10th. Lastly I nominate and appoint my sons Isaac N. McLendon, & Thomas J. McLendon and my son in law Thomas B. Elliott, executors to this my will and testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal to this my will, on this & four preceding pages, numbered 1 2 3 & 4, the last of which is signed by me as well as this, this thirteenth day of July A.D. 1855.

Signed sealed published and delivered in presence of us the date above written.  
W. M. McLendon  
John McKnight Sear.  
F. S. Bentling  
M. B. Taylor

Thomas McLendon (L.S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Regular Court of Probate July 14th 1856.

Personally appeared in open Court, F. S. Bowling and M. B. Taylor, two of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will, who being each duly sworn, depose and say on oath, that they saw Thomas McLendon, the testator sign, seal and publish the same, as and for his last will and testament, on the day the same bears date, and that they each believed the said Thomas McLendon, to be of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of signing the same, that they deponents, signed the same, at the request and in the presence of the said Thomas McLendon that they saw John McKnight Sear. and W. M. McLendon, the other two subscribing witnesses, sign the same as such, at the request and in the presence of the said Thomas McLendon, and that they all signed the same, in the presence of each other.

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court this 14th July 1856.

W. B. Taylor  
F. S. Bowling

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Regular Court of Probate July 14th 1856.

Be it remembered, that on this, the 14th day of July 1856, the within will, was duly probated, on the oath of Frederick B. Bowling and M. C. B. Taylor, two of the subscribing witnesses to the same, in this Court; and recorded in Record of Wills Vol. 2 Pages 657, 658 & 659.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

ELIZA HART GUARDIAN OF JOHN HART MINORS

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents, that, we Eliza Hart principal and Robert Johns and Warner W. Meadors secutities, of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate for said County, and his successors in office in the penal sum of thirteen hundred dollars; for which payment well to be made and done, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 14th day of July 1856. The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas the above bound Eliza Hart has been appointed guardian of the estate of Jesse M. Hart, Jane E. Hart Robert E. Hart and Mary L. Hart, minor heirs of John Hart deceased; now if the said Eliza Hart shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of her as such guardian, then the above obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken, approved and ordered to be recorded Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

Eliza Hart (L.S.)  
Robert Johns (L.S.)  
Warner W. Meadors (L.S.)

ELIZA HART, LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP

Court of Probate, July 14th 1856.

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern that on application of Eliza Hart to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Guardianship to issue in favour of said Eliza Hart, in & upon the goods & chattels, rights & credits of Jesse M. Hart, Jane E. Hart, Robert E. Hart and Mary L. Hart, minor heirs of John Hart deceased; and in every case which occasion may require the said Eliza Hart is authorized to bring suit and be sued, as the lawful guardian to the said minors.

Witness Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate, this 14th day of July A.D. one thousand eight hundred & fifty six and the 81st year of American Independence.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

PHULA B. MANIFEE & ALBERT MANIFEE,

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate July 14th 1856.

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern, that on application of Phula B. Manifee and Albert Manifee to my said Court I have caused these Letters of Executorship to issue in favour of the said Phula B. Manifee and Albert Manifee in and upon the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Judson C. Tateum deceased; and in every case which occasion may require the said Phula B. Manifee and Albert Manifee are authorized to bring suit and be sued, as the lawful executors to the said Judson C. Tateum deceased. Witness Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate, this 14th day of July A.D. one thousand eight hundred & fifty six and the 81st year of American Independence.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.



## LUCY PURYEAR WILL

I Lucy Puryear do make and declare this to be my last will and testament.  
 Item 1. I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth J. Warlick wife of Judson Warlick the following: negro slaves-wiz; Peter about sixty five years old; Bliza about fifty years old; Jane about twenty three years old; Laura about four years old; and Malinda about fifteen years old-and it is my will that in a reasonable time after my death my executor have Malinda value by three slave holders; and one half of her value is to be paid to be paid by my said daughter which is to be part of the residue of my estate hereinafter disposed of.

Item 2nd. As I have had the use of Peter & Henry, who belong to my daughter Sarah Puryear, and have received their hire for some years without any settlement with her, I hereby give to her my said daughter Sarah Jane one thousand dollars in money, if she is satisfied to receive that sum in full satisfaction of all claims or demands she may have against me.

Item 3. I desire that all the rest & residue of my estate both real and personal be sold by my executors either at private or public sale as he may think best, and either for cash or on a credit in his discretion, and the money when collected together with half the value of Malinda, and the amount realised from debts, due to me by notes and accounts be equally divided between my daughter Mary Anderson wife of Samuel R. Henderson, and Cicero D. Lumpkin my son in law, and William Puryear and John Puryear my sons that is ariver, out of said sums my debts and the expenses of administering my estate all paid; also the sum of one thousand dollars give to Sarah Jane in 2nd Item.

Item 4. In addition to the bequest contained in the 2nd Item I give to my daughter Sarah Jane all my household furniture of every kind.

Item 5th. I appoint Judson Warlick the executor of this my last will and testament and desire that he shall not be requires to give bond or security as such executor.

Signed by James T. Brook for Lucy Puryear  
 at her request & in her presence & signed  
 by us as witnesses in her presence & in  
 the presence of each other-this 13th day  
 of November 1855.  
 James T. Brook  
 Warrinton Costly

Lucy Puryear

THE STATE OF ALABAMA )  
 CHAMBERS COUNTY )

Special Court of Probate September 15th 1856.

Personally appeared in open Court James T. Brook one of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will, who being duly sworn deposeth & saith on oath that he signed the name of Lucy Puryear at her request and direction, and in her presence, as and for her last will and testament on the day the same bears date, that he believed the said Lucy Puryear to be of sound mind and disposing memory at the time of signing the same; that he deponent signed the same as a subscribing witness, at the request and in the presence of the said Lucy Puryear, that he saw Warrenton Costly the other subscribing witness, sign the same as such, at the request and in the presence of the said Lucy Puryear and that they all they all signed the same in the presence of each other.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court  
 this 15th day of September 1856  
 Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

James T. Brook

THE STATE OF ALABAMA )  
 CHAMBERS COUNTY )

Special Court of Probate September 15th 1856.

Be it remembered that on this the 15th day of September 1856, the foregoing will was duly probated in this court upon the affidavit of James T. Brook one of the subscribing witness to the same and recorded in Record of Wills, Vol. 2, Pages 661 & 2

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

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## JAMES MURRAY'S WILL

I James Murray of the County of Chambers and State of Alabama do hereby declare this to be my last will and testament to wit; I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Ann Farris a negro girl by the name of Emily about three years old and the said Sarah Ann Farris not to come into possession of the said negro until my youngest becomes of age and I will and bequeath unto my wife Martha J. Murray a negro woman by the name of Nelly about twenty eight years of age, and in the event that the said negroes death, to have the value of said negro out of my estate and further I will unto the said Martha J. Murray one hundred acres of land the land upon which I now live and I further will and bequeath unto my sons James Edward George W. Jonathan and Francis Murry all the remainder of my whole estate to be equally divided between them each of them to draw when they become twenty one years of age and I will and bequeath unto my grand daughter Mary C. Wilson one hundred dollars to be paid to her when she becomes of age, to be paid by my four sons and it is my will and I hereby appoint Jonathan Ware and James Edward Murry my executors to this my last will.

In testimony I herunto set my hand and seal this the 24th of June 1856.

In presence of  
 John Jennings  
 J. Mobly Barnes  
 C. P. Hunter

James Murray

## JESSE J. WILLOUGHBY BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA )  
 CHAMBERS COUNTY )

Know all men by these presents that we Jesse J. Willoughby, principal, and John L. Wilkins and Thomas J. McLeodon, securities, of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate for said County, and his successors in office, in the penal sum of three thousand dollars; for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators jointly and severally, firmly by these presents, sealed with our seals and dated this 10th day of September A.D. 1856.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound Jesse J. Willoughby has been appointed administrator of the estate of Nancy B. Willoughby deceased.

Now if the said Jesse J. Willoughby shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be required of him as such administrator, then the above obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken approved and ordered to be recorded ) Jesse J. Willoughby (L.S.)  
 Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate ) John L. Wilkins (L.S.)  
 Thos. J. McLeodon (L.S.)

THE STATE OF ALABAMA )  
 CHAMBERS COUNTY )

Court of Probate September 10th 1856.

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern, that on application of Jesse J. Willoughby to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Administration to issue in favour of said Jesse J. Willoughby in and upon the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Nancy B. Willoughby deceased; and in every occasion which may require, the said Jesse J. Willoughby is authorized to bring suit and be sued as the lawful administrator to the said Nancy B. Willoughby deceased. Witness Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate this 10th day of September A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 81st year of American Independence.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

## JOSEPH W. PHILLIPS BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA )  
 CHAMBERS COUNTY )

Know all men by these presents that we Joseph W. Phillips principal and John S. Pruther Jr. and James E. Scarbrough securities of the County and State aforesaid are held and firmly bound unto Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate for said county and his successors in office in the penal sum of two thousand dollars-for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 19th day of August A.D. 1856.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound Joseph W. Phillips, has been appointed guardian of the estate of Sarah E. Phillips, minor daughter of Matthew Phillips deceased. Now if the said Joseph W. Phillips shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such guardian then the above obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken, approved and ordered to be recorded ) Joseph W. Phillips (L.S.)  
 Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate ) John S. Pruther (L.S.)  
 Jas. E. Scarbrough (L.S.)

THE STATE OF ALABAMA )  
 CHAMBERS COUNTY )

Court of Probate August 19th 1856

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern that on application of Joseph W. Phillips to my said Court I have caused these Letters of Guardianship to issue in favour of said Joseph W. Phillips in and upon the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Sarah E. Phillips, minor and daughter of Matthew Phillips, late of Chambers County Ala. deceased, and in every case which occasion may require the said Joseph W. Phillips is authorised to bring suit and be sued as the lawful guardian to the said minor.

Witness Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate this 19th day of August A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 81st year of American Independence.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate

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## JAMES M. NORWOOD BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA )  
 CHAMBERS COUNTY )

Know all men by these presents that we James M. Norwood principal & J. S. Matthews, B. D. Harris, W. J. Maddox and K. Maddox of the County and State aforesaid are held and firmly bound unto Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate of said County and his successors in office in the penal sum of seventy thousand dollars for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 16th day of August A.D. 1856.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound James M. Norwood has been appointed administrator of the estate of Allen Jones deceased; Now if the said James M. Norwood shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such administrator then the above obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken approved and ordered to be recorded ) J. M. Norwood (L.S.)  
 Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate ) J. S. Matthews (L.S.)  
 B. D. Harris (L.S.)  
 W. J. Maddox (L.S.)  
 R. Maddox (L.S.)

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THE STATE OF ALABAMA )  
CHAMBERS COUNTY )

Court of Probate August 16th 1856

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern that on application of James M. Norwood to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Administration to issue in favour of said James M. Norwood in and upon the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Allen Jones deceased; and in every case in which occasion may require, the said James M. Norwood is authorised to bring suit and be sued as the lawful administrator to the said Allen Jones deceased. Witness Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate this 16th day of August A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 81st year of American Independence.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

## JOSEPH S. JOHNSON BOND &amp; LETTERS GUARDN.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA )  
CHAMBERS COUNTY )

Know all men by these presents that we Joseph S. Johnson, principal, and James Johnson and William Johnson securities of the County and State aforesaid are held and firmly bound unto Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate for said County and his successors in office; in the penal sum of six hundred dollars, for which well and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 11 day of August A.D. 1856.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound Joseph S. Johnson has been appointed guardian of the estate of Joseph S. Johnson and Alvarado G. Johnson minor heirs of Thomas W. Johnson deceased. Now if the said Joseph S. Johnson shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law requires of him as such guardian then the above obligation to be void--otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken approved and ordered to be recorded )  
Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate )Joseph S. Johnson (L.S.)  
James Johnson (L.S.)  
William Johnson (L.S.)THE STATE OF ALABAMA )  
CHAMBERS COUNTY )

Court of Probate August 11th 1856

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern, that on application of Joseph S. Johnson to my said Court I have caused these Letters of Guardianship to issue in favor of said Joseph S. Johnson and upon the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Joseph S. Johnson and Alvarado G. Johnson minor heirs of Thomas W. Johnson deceased, and in every case which occasion may require the said Joseph S. Johnson is authorised to bring suit and be sued as the lawful guardian to the said minors.

Witness Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate this 11th day of August A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 81st year of American Independence.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

## LEWIS D. MORRIS BOND EXR.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA )  
CHAMBERS COUNTY )

Know all men by these presents that we Lewis D. Morris and E. D. McKinly, Benjamin T. Cooper of the county and State aforesaid are held and firmly bound unto Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate for said County and his successors in office in the penal sum of sixteen thousand dollars for which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 15th day of September A.D. 1856.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound Lewis D. Morris has been appointed executor of the will of Lewis Morris deceased.

Now if the said Lewis D. Morris shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such executor then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken approved and ordered to be recorded )  
Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate )Lewis D. Morris (L.S.)  
B. T. Cooper (L.S.)  
E. D. McKinly (L.S.)

## JUDSON WARLICK LETTERS EXR.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA )  
CHAMBERS COUNTY )

Court of Probate September 17th 1856

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern that on the application of Judson Warlick to my said Court I have caused these Letters of Executorship to issue in favor of the said Judson Warlick in and upon the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Lucy Puryear deceased and in every case which occasion may require the said Judson Warlick is authorised to bring suit and be sued as the lawful executor to the said Lucy Puryear deceased.

Witness Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate this 17th day of September A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 81st year of American Independence.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

JAS. T. BARROW BOND EXR.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA )  
CHAMBERS COUNTY )

Know all men by these presents that we James H. Barrow, Wm. Barrow and A. W. Smith of the County and State aforesaid are held and firmly bound unto Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate for said County, and his successors in office in the penal sum of Thirty thousand dollars; for which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 14th day of August A.D. 1856.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound James H. Barrow has been appointed administrator de bonis non of the estate of John T. Barrow deceased.

Now if the said James T. Barrow shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such administrator then the above obligation to be void otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken approved and ordered to be recorded )  
Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate )Jas. H. Barrow (L.S.)  
William Barrow (L.S.)  
A. W. Smith (L.S.)THE STATE OF ALABAMA )  
CHAMBERS COUNTY )

Court of Probate August 4th 1856

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern, that on application of James H. Barrow to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Administration, de bonis non, to issue in favour of said James H. Barrow in and upon the goods and chattels rights and credits of John Y. Barrow deceased, and in every case which occasion may require, the said James H. Barrow is authorised to bring suit and be sued, as the lawful administrator de bonis non, to the said John Y. Barrow deceased. Witness Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate this 9th day of August (1856) one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 81st year of American Independence.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

## JOHN L. WILKINS &amp; OTHERS BOND &amp; LETTERS

THE STATE OF ALABAMA )  
CHAMBERS COUNTY )

Know all men by these presents that we John L. Wilkins, Thomas J. McLendon and Jesse J. Willoughby principals and George S. Turner, James Hodnett, and Augustus M. Pinkard securities of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate for said County in his successors in office, in the penal sum of twenty six thousand dollars, for which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators jointly, and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 1st day of September A.D. 1856.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound John L. Wilkins, Thomas J. McLendon and Jesse J. Willoughby has been appointed administrators with the will annexed of the estate of Thomas McLendon deceased. Now if the said John L. Wilkins Thomas J. McLendon and Jesse J. Willoughby shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of them as such administrators, then the above obligation to be void--otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken, approved and ordered to be recorded )  
Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate )John L. Wilkins (L.S.)  
Thomas J. McLendon (L.S.)  
Jesse J. Willoughby (L.S.)  
George S. Turner (L.S.)  
James Hodnett (L.S.)  
J. D. Cook (L.S.)  
A. M. Pinkard (L.S.)THE STATE OF ALABAMA )  
CHAMBERS COUNTY )

Court of Probate September 1st 1856.

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern that on application of John L. Wilkins, Jesse J. Willoughby and Thomas J. McLendon to my said Court I have caused these Letters of Administration with the will annexed to issue in favor of said John L. Wilkins Jesse J. Willoughby and Thomas J. McLendon in and upon the goods and chattels rights & credits of Thomas McLendon deceased; and in every case which occasion may require the said John L. Wilkins Jesse J. Willoughby and Thomas J. McLendon are authorised to bring suit and be sued as the lawful administrators with the will annexed to the said Thomas McLendon deceased.

Witness Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate this 1st day of September A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 81st year of American Independence.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate



THOMAS FARRIS ADMR. BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents that we Thomas J. Farris principal and John Jennings & Jonathan Ware securities of the County & State aforesaid are held and firmly bound unto Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate for said County, in the penal sum of fifteen hundred dollars for which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this 21st day of July 1856.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound Thomas J. Farris has been appointed administrator of the estate of William T. Murray deceased. Now if the said Thomas J. Farris, shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such administrator, then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force.

Witness Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate

Thomas Farris (L.S.)  
John Jennings (L.S.)  
Jonathan Ware (L.S.)

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate July 21st 1856

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern, that on application of Thomas J. Farris to my said Court, I have caused these letters of administration to issue in favor of Thomas J. Farris in and upon the goods and chattles rights and credits of William T. Murray deceased and every case which occasion may require the said Thomas J. Farris is authorised to bring suit and be sued as the lawful administrator to the said Wm. T. Murray deceased.

Witness Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate this 21st July A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 81st year of American Independence.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate

L. D. MORRIS ADMR. LETTERS

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate September 15th 1856

Be it remembered and made known to all men whom it may concern that on application of Lewis D. Morris to my said Court, I have caused these letters of administration de bonis non, with the will annexed to issue in favour of said Lewis D. Morris in and upon the goods and chattels, rights & credits of Lewis D. Morris deceased, and in every case which occasion may require the said Lewis D. Morris is authorised to bring suit and be sued as the lawful administrator to the said Lewis Morris deceased. Witness Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate this 15th day of September A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 81st year of American Independence.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

PHILLIP QUATTLEBURN ADMR. BOND &amp; LETTERS

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents that we Phillip Quattleburn principal, and Benjamin Bishop, John E. King securities of the County and State aforesaid are held and firmly bound unto Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate for said County and his successors in office in the penal sum of forty two hundred dollars for which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our heirs executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 11th day of August A.D. 1856.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound Phillip Quattleburn has been appointed administrator of the estate of Sarah F. Quattleburn deceased. Now if the said Phillip Quattleburn shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such administrator then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken approved &amp; ordered to be recorded

Phillip Quattleburn (L.S.)  
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Benjamin X Bishop (L.S.)  
mark  
John E. King (L.S.)

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate August 11th 1856.

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern, that on application of Phillip Quattleburn to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Administration to issue in favor of said Phillip Quattleburn in and upon the goods and chattels, rights & credits of Sarah F. Quattleburn deceased, and in every case which occasion may require the said Phillip Quattleburn is authorised to bring suit and be sued as the lawful administrator to the said Sarah F. Quattleburn deceased.

Witness Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate this 11th day of August A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 81st year of American Independence.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate.

PHILLIP QUATTLEBURN ADMR. BOND &amp; LETTERS

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents, that we Phillip Quattleburn principal and Benjamin Bishop Jac. E. King of the County and State aforesaid are held and firmly bound unto Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate for the said County and his successors in office in the penal sum of twelve hundred dollars for which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves our heirs executors and administrators jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals and dated this 11th day of August A.D. 1856. The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound Phillip Quattleburn has been appointed administrator of the estate of Elizabeth Wilkins deceased. Now if the said Phillip Quattleburn shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such administrator then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken, approved &amp; ordered to be recorded

Phillip Quattleburn (L.S.)  
Benjamin X Bishop (L.S.)  
mark  
John E. King (L.S.)

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate August 11th 1856

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern, that on application of Phillip Quattleburn to my said Court I have caused these letters of administration to issue in favor of said Phillip Quattleburn, in and upon the goods and chattles rights & credits of Elisabeth Wilkins deceased, and in every occasion may require the said Phillip Quattleburn is authorised to bring suit and be sued as the lawful administrator to the said Elisabeth Wilkins deceased.

Witness Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate this 11th day of August A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 81st year of American Independence.

Wm. L. Crayton, Judge of Probate

SAML. L. HARRIS GUARDN. BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents that we Samuel L. Harris principal and James S. Mitchell & Thomas J. Winston securities of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto Wm. L. Crayton Judge of Probate for said County and his successors in office in the penal sum of forty five thousand dollars for which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators jointly and severally firmly by these presents, sealed with our seals and dated this 12th day of September A.D. 1856.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound Samuel L. Harris has been appointed guardian of the estate of Catharine M. Whitaker deceased. Now if the said Samuel L. Harris shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such guardian, then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken approved &amp; ordered to be recorded

Saml. L. Harris (L.S.)  
J. S. Mitchell (L.S.)  
Thos. J. Winston (L.S.)

JAMES L. WILLIAMS ADMINISTRATORS BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents that we, James L. Williams, principal, and John S. Prather, John M. McMurray Parham M. Thornton, and Lucy Gilder, securities, of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate for said County, and his successors in office, in the penal sum of ten thousand dollars; for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves our heirs executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated this 16th day of April A.D. 1856.

The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas the above bound James L. Williams has been appointed administrator de bonis non of the estate of John J. Williams deceased; Now if the said James L. Williams shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as administrator then the above obligation to be void otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken, approved and ordered to be recorded  
April 19th 1856  
Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate

James L. Williams (L.S.)  
Parham M. Thornton (L.S.)  
By, J. S. William Atty infast  
John S. Prather (L.S.)  
John M. McMurray (L.S.)  
Lucy Gilder (L.S.)

## JAMES L. WILLIAMS LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate, 16th April 1856.

Be it remembered, and made known to all whom it may concern, that, on application of James L. Williams to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Administration to be issued in favour of said James L. Williams in and upon the goods and chattels, right and credits of John J. Williams deceased; and, in every case which occasion may require, the said James L. Williams is authorized to bring suit and be sued as the lawful administrator de bonis non to the said John J. Williams deceased. Witness, Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate, this 16th day of April A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 80th year of American Independence.

Saml. Pearson, Judge of Probate.

JAMES L. MITCHELL ADMR. BOND & LETTERS

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents, that we, James S. Mitchell principal & R. W. Allen and J. W. Kellam of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto Samuel Pearson Judge of Probate for said County, and his successors in office, in the penal sum of twelve hundred dollars; for which payment well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves, our heirs executors and administrators jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated this 7th day of December 1855.

The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas the above bound James S. Mitchell has been appointed administrator of the estate of Josiah K. Prather deceased. Now, if the said James S. Mitchell shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such administrator then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken, approved and ordered to be recorded ) J. S. Mitchell (seal)  
Decr. 7th 1856 ) R. W. Allen (seal)  
Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate ) J. W. Kellam (seal)

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate, 7th day of September 1855.

Be it remembered, and made known to all whom it may concern, that, on application of James S. Mitchell to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Administration to be issued in favor of said James S. Mitchell in and upon the goods and chattels right and credits of Josiah K. Prather deceased; and in every case which occasion may require, the said James S. Mitchell is authorized to bring suit and be sued, as the lawful administrator to the said Josiah K. Prather witness, Samuel Pearson Judge of Probate, this 7th day of December A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty five and the 80th year of American Independence.

Saml. Pearson, Judge of Probate.

HUGH WILSON GUARDIAN BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents, that we Hugh Wilson principal and Angus Furguson & James H. Foreman securities of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto Samuel Pearson Judge of Probate for said County, and his successors in office, in the penal sum of seven hundred dollars; for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated this 12th day of May A. D. 1856.

The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas the above bound Hugh Wilson has been appointed guardian of the estate of Thomas Johnson a minor & heir of Airy Ana Evans deceased: Now, if the said Hugh Wilson shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such guardian then the above obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken, approved and ordered to be recorded ) Hugh Wilson (L.S.)  
May 12th 1856 ) Angus Furgerson (L.S.)  
Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate ) James H. Foreman (L.S.)

HUGH WILSON GUARDIAN LETTERS

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate 12th, May 1856

Be it remembered and made known to all whom it may concern, that, on application of Hugh Wilson to my Court, I have caused these Letters of Guardianship to be issued in favour of said Hugh Wilson in and upon the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Thomas Johnson a minor & heir of Airy Ana Evans deceased; and, in every case which occasion may require, the said Hugh Wilson is authorized to bring suit and be sued, as the lawful guardian to the said Thomas Johnson minor aforesaid.

Witness, Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate, this 12th day of May A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty six and the 80th year of American Independence.

Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate.

## THOMAS M. REED GUARDIAN BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents that we, Thomas M. Reed principal and Wm. L. Potts and Louisa Reed securities of the County and State aforesaid, are held and firmly bound unto Samuel Pearson Judge of Probate for said County, and his successors in office in the penal sum of sixteen thousand dollars; for which payment well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated this 6th day of December 1855.

The condition of the above obligation is such, that whereas the above bound Thomas M. Reed has been appointed guardian of the estate of Robert M. Reed minor heir of Robert M. Reed deceased: Now if the said Thomas M. Reed shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such guardian then the above obligation to be void otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken, approved and ordered to be recorded ) Thomas M. Reed (seal)  
Decr. 6th 1855 ) William L. Potts (seal)  
Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate ) Louisa Reed (seal)

Louisa Reed signed the above bond in my presents December 6th 1855.  
Robert R. Cane J.P.

THOMAS M. REED LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate December 6th 1855.

Be it remembered, and made known to all whom it may concern, that, on application of Thomas M. Reed to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Guardianship to be issued in favor of said Thomas M. Reed in and upon the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Robert M. Reed, minor heir of Robert M. Reed deceased; and in every case which occasion may require, the said Thomas M. Reed is authorized to bring suit and be sued as the lawful guardian to the said Robert M. Reed minor heir of Robert M. Reed deceased.

Witness, Samuel Pearson Judge of Probate, this 6th day of December A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty five and the 80th year of American Independence.  
Saml. Pearson, Judge of Probate

FRANCIS CALLAWAY ADMINISTRATORS BOND

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Know all men by these presents, that we Francis Callaway principal and Charles T. Callaway & Calib Holloway securities of the County and State aforesaid are held and firmly bound unto Samuel Pearson Judge of Probate for the County, and his successors in office, in the penal sum of four thousand dollars; for which payment well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves, our heirs executors and administrators, jointly and severally firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and dated this 3rd day of December 1855.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the above bound Francis Callaway has been appointed executor of the estate of Martha Wood deceased; Now if the said Francis Callaway shall well and truly perform all the duties which are or may be by law required of him as such executor then the above obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force.

Taken, approved and ordered to be recorded ) Fra. Callaway (seal)  
Decr. 3, 1855 ) Charles T. Callaway (seal)  
Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate ) Calib Holloway (seal)

FRANCIS CALLAWAY LETTERS OF EXECUTORSHIP

THE STATE OF ALABAMA)  
CHAMBERS COUNTY

Court of Probate, December 3rd 1855

Be it remembered, and made known to all whom it may concern, that on the application of Francis Callaway to my said Court, I have caused these Letters of Executorship to be issued in favor of the said Francis Callaway in and upon the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Martha Wood deceased; and in every case which occasion may require, the said Francis Callaway authorized to bring suit and be sued as the lawful executor to the said Martha Wood deceased.

Witness, Samuel Pearson Judge of Probate, this 3rd day of December A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty five and the 80th year of American Independence.  
Samuel Pearson, Judge of Probate.



## Will of Hershel H. Brown

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## LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

All of my estate I devise and bequeath to Mrs. C. E. Mobbs Aunt for his/her own use and benefit forever, and I hereby appoint Mrs. C. E. Mobbs, my executor/trix without bond, with full power to sell, mortgage, lease, or in any way dispose of the whole or any part of my estate.

Dated 19 day of Dec., 1942,

Hershel H. Brown  
Signed in presence of 3 witnesses.

Fairfax, Alabama  
Residence

Subscribed, sealed, published, and declared by Hershel H. Brown testator above named, as and for his/her last will and testament in the presence of each of us, who at his request and in his /her presence, in the presence of each other, at the same time, have herunto subscribed our names as witnesses this 19 day of Dec. 1942 at Lakeland, Fla.  
Place

Signature and addresses of 3 witnesses

William N. Stewart  
436 Chestnut Street  
Cumberland, Maryland

Address  
John J. Rozanski  
276 E. Main St.  
Chicopee Falls, Mass.

Address  
Willard G. Mattson  
426 Hatch Ave. St.  
St. Paul, Minn.  
Address

Filed and duly recorded in this office on this the 23 rd day of Feb., 1943.

J. C. Grady, Judge of Probate