

169 I nowt it is my desire that my negro girl named
Amy Should be given to my youngest sister
Idea Atka and the heirs off her body and that
she also have my two feather beds together with all
the furniture pertaining to them and also all my
house hold furniture together with all my clothing
that my beloved sister Elyabeth may not chose
to appropriate to herself this I leave at my last
will and testament. In Testimony whereof being
in my natural senses I have hereunto subscribed
my name this 10th day of April 1839
Attest G W Thrash James Mathews Rebecca ^{Mathews}
Sayey H Thrash The State of Alabama Dallas
County Personally appeared before open Court
George W Thrash one of the subscribing witnesses
to the foregoing will who being duly sworn deposed
and said that he saw Rebecca Mathews the
Testatrix sign seal and duly execute the same as
and for her last will and testament that said
testatrix was of sound mind and disposing men-
ory at the time of executing the same and that
James Mathews and Fancy H Thrash signed
the same as witnesses in the presence of said
testatrix and of each other on the day and year
therein mentioned. G W Thrash.

Sworn to and Subscribed in open Court Sept 16 1839
Recorded Oct 15^t 1839 P. C. D. C. A. C. L. K.
James D. Craig W. K.

Archibald Paul's Will

The State of Alabama Dallas County
Archibald Paul of the County of Dallas and
State aforesaid being of sound health and dispo-
sing memory and being at the same time
mindful of the uncertainty of life and of the neces-
sity of making timely Preparation for the approach
of death and being desirous of making just
and proper disposition of my worldly effects do
make ordain publish and declare the following as
and for my last will and testament -

I give and bequeath to my son William A
Paul a negro boy namey a negro boy named
Anderson and a small boy named Job to be his
own absolute property without any limitation or restric-
tion whatsoever. I noly I give and bequeath.

to Mary Jane Cook - daughters of Thomas Cook,¹¹⁰
a negro girl named Clarissa - to have and to the said
Mary Jane Cook, the said negro girl & her increase if
any during the natural life of her the said Mary Jane
Cook at her death the said negro girl and her
increase is to be divided equally amongst the children
of the said Mary Jane Cook of her body lawfully to
be begotten and, on failure of such child or children living
at the death of the said Mary Jane, or descendants of
such child or children, then the said girl Clarissa
and her increase is to belong to and be equally divided
amongst my son William A Paul and my daughter Ma-
rgaret W Smiley wife of William Smiley and their heirs.

3rd - I give^{to} my daughter Margaret W Smiley
for and during her natural life a negro woman named Phillis
a negro woman ~~and~~ and a negro boy Sam and at
and upon the death of my said daughter Margaret W Smiley I do give and bequeath all of the said
negroes together with their increase to the children or
children of my said daughter, then living and to
descendants of such child or children as may be then not
living to be divided equally amongst them.

I further direct that the small boy Bob herein before
given to my Son William A Paul shall remain with
my daughter Margaret W Smiley until he is large
enough to be useful or until he is ten years of age.
And further I do nominate and appoint my Son Will-
iam A Paul Executer of this my last will and Test-
ament and have published & declared the same, and
set my hand and seal ~~to~~ Archibald Paul
Signed, sealed, published, and declared, by Archibald

Paul as and for his last will and testament in
our presence we have subscribed our names thereto as witness-
es at the request of said Testator & in his presence & in
presence of each other this 13th day of April A.D. 1839

P R Pitchard, G A Evans. The State of Alabama
allas, Personally appeared in open Court, People
A Pitchard one of the Subscribing Witnesses to
the foregoing will who being duly sworn deposeth
and saith that he saw Archibald Paul the testator
sign seal and execute the foregoing Will as and for
his last will and testament, that said testator
was of sound mind and disposing memory at the time
of executing the same, and that he was deponent
and George R Evans signs said will as Witnesses
in presence of, and at the request of said testator and

In presence of each other on the day and year above
mentioned,
Subscribed and subscribed in open Court before me
this 18th Oct 1839 James D'Craig Esq
Record Oct 18th 1839 James D'Craig Esq

James D'Craig Will

I James Boykin being sick and weak of body
but of sound and disposing mind memory and
understanding have now determined to direct what
disposition shall be made of my property after my
decease; and after maturely considered to circumstances
and condition of all those among whom as my heirs
at Law, or the objects of my affection in my judgment
my estate shall be distributed, I do make publish
and declare this to be my last will and testament, hereby
revoking and making null and void all former wills
and testaments, writings in the nature of last will
and testaments by me heretofore made. And my will
is first that after my decease, all my just debts
shall be paid by my Executors and Executrixes hereafter
named. And as to the residue of my Estate and
property, I give, devise, and dispose thereof as fol-
lows. To my wife Mary Bel and her six children,
Dinah, Field, Sept, Susanah, Harriet Sab, old, Mrs.
Dikka and four Chidren, Ridy and her four children,
Dines and her five children, and Isael, her husband,
Hicks Atkins, and Nelson Lee, her husbands. Abby, James
and Margaret to have and to the same to her heirs
Executors and administrators to her and their use
and behooff forever. Also my dwelling house, plate
and house hold furniture, and Eighty Acres of land upon
which said house is situate and connected therewith
likewise that tract of land known as the Sagget tract
Carriage and carriage horses, to have and to hold the
same for and during her natural life time. — It is
also my will, that the necessary proportion from the
plantation of my Estate be furnished the dwelling-
house herein bequeathed to my wife Mary, as during my
life com and fader be supplied her Sagget tract from
said plantation for and during the term of years after my deceas
I give and bequeath to my Sons, Dennis and Frank
Eight Thousand Dollars each to be paid them by my
Executors and Executrixes as soon as the outstanding claims