

Which and the proceeds of my ensuing crop I want my
debts punctually paid Item 13th. In the event of the
death of My wife and My two children Douglas and
Mary Jane's coming of age or marrying then they receive
a share which shall make them equal with my other
children then I wish the balances if any to be equally
divided share and share alike. Item 14th. as it regards
my household stuff I wish it to be divided as My wife
and children may agree upon. Item 15th. I do hereby
Constitute and appoint My sons I Sam I Roach and
Thomas I Roach My true and lawful Executors to this
my last will and testament and Guardians of Douglas
and Mary Jane. In witness Whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and seal this 26th day of March in the year
1837, hereby revoking all others

Ante signed before signed — { I Sam I Roach (Seal)

Attest John Davis, James Williamson M Davis —

53 — The foregoing will was admitted to probate and
ordered to be recorded. See Minutes 2 page 121
Records of Sept. 1837

Eliza Morris clk

Burwell & Fort's Will

"State of Alabama Dallas County. In the name of God Amen
Burwell & Fort of the State and County aforesaid being suddenly
and dangerously attacked with disease of the most fatal char-
acter, Made the following bequests of his property and appointed
the following named persons the Executors of this his last will
1st. I appoint Paschal B. Strayer William Fort and Walter
Herbert the Executors of My will 2^d. I wish them to have
my body decently interred at My own residence in this county
3rd. I wish all the negroes that I owned at the time of my
marriage to my present wife and their increase equally
divided between My son William Fort and My daughter Eliza
Fort, being children by My first wife. 4th. After paying
all my Just debts I wish My property belonging to me at
the time of My decease, not disposed of in a previous clause
to be divided equally between My wife and the remainder
of My children until they are made equal with My
first children and when they are all made equal at
valuation I wish the remainder of My property if any remains
sold at public auction and equally divided between My wife
and all My children. The foregoing words or the like purport
effect were declared by the said Burwell & Fort during the time

of his last sickness, and after he was informed by his attending Physician that his case was an extremely doubtful one, and overwhelmed with an intention that the same should stand for and be his last will and testament. Said Port had arrived in the town of Cahaba in said County in the forenoon of the third day of November A.D. 1836. which was about fourteen miles from his house. He remained in Cahaba apparently in good health until 5 o'clock in the evening of that day, when he was then suddenly taken sick from his home and died in Cahaba in less than nine hours and before his return to his habitation. Said Samuel Port about five hours before his death after being informed by his attending Physician as above stated and after he had expressed a belief that he had only a few hours to live made these dispositions of his property in the words hereinafter set forth or to that like purport and effect, and called on one of his friends to write this his Will in haste and on that present, E. G. Ulmer, James Oles Ira P. Taylor W. A. Paul John La Courrette Henry W. Wallace, R. C. Crocheron and others to bear witness that he wished his property disposed of in the manner before stated.

Sam'l Olds J. E. Whitten

Chas. G. La Courrette Henry W. Wallace

The foregoing Will was admitted to probate, and ordered to be recorded. See Minutes I. page 71.
Recorded 25. August 1837
James H. Craig clk

William McLeato's Will

In the name of God Amen I ~~Wm~~ McLeato of Dallas County of the State of Alabama, Planter, being of Sound Memory and disposing Mind, and calling to mind that it is appointed for all men Once to die, do make ordain and declare this to be My last will and testament, hereby revoking and annulling all other Wills by me made. First I give My soul unto the hands of God who gave it to me and My body at My death, if practicable to be conveyed to My Father's residence in Monroe County and committed to the grave in the family burying ground from whence My soul leaves to hope for a joyful resurrection. And as to what worldly Estates it has pleased God to bless me with: I give and bequeath in the following manner, My just debts and funeral expence being first paid. I give and bequeath unto My wife Ann Eliza Leato and her heirs forever, all the property, money and