

In the name of God Amen. I Charles M. Lawson of Warren County
State of Mississippi being sick of body but of sound mind & memory do hereby make
this my last will and Testament, to wit. In case of my death I give and
bequeath to Eliza Auburn of Hinds County Mississippi out of my Estate
the sum of three hundred dollars to be applied to the completion of her
education or otherwise for her use & benefit. To the widow & heirs of the
late Noble Auburn Esq. of Hinds County Mississippi I give out of my
Estate the sum of five hundred dollars. To the heirs of Mary Smith
wife of Samuel Smith of the said County of Hinds and their heirs
forever I give and bequeath my negro man Sangerfield. To my sister
Hulet wife of Jeremiah Powell of Georgia. I give and bequeath my
negro woman Charlotte forever. All monies due me from my brother
Roger Lawson and Archibald McIntire of Jeremiah Powell shall be
equally divided between my brother Roger Lawson & my sister Hannah
McIntire, Mary Kerley, Hulet Powell, Margaret Stovine and Alice
Glambden. All my lands in the State of Mississippi & Alabama
I wish to be sold as soon as practicable and the proceeds equally divided
between my brother Roger Lawson and all my sisters. The remainder
of my negroes not herein above bequeathed, it is my desire shall be sent
to the State of Georgia to be there equally divided between my brother
and my sisters. The debts due from James L. Johnson of Louisiana
I desire shall be collected as soon as practicable, and with all other debts
due me to be likewise equally divided between my brother & sisters.
Every species of my personal property not above mentioned I devise to
be sold, and after paying my just debts to be equally divided in
like manner among my sisters & brother, except my survey on
compass & chain which I give to Joseph M. Crauen of Hinds
County and his heirs forever. I hereby appoint Samuel Smith
Guiden Fitz and Joseph M. Crauen of Hinds County and State of
Mississippi, and Jeremiah Powell of the State of Georgia to be the
Executors of this my last will and Testament. In testimony where-
of I hereunto set my hand & seal this sixteenth day of Decr. Eight-
een hundred and twenty seven. It is my desire & request that my exe-
cutors above named should not be under the necessity of giving security
for the faithful performance of their trust, and that they employ
Hace Caldwell of Hinds County Miss. as agent or attorney at
law to attend to the adjustment of the concerns of my Estate.
Witness Jas. McCrauen Jas. D. Baldwin & Charles M. Lawson
Charles M. Lawson & Jas. M. Black

And an orphan's Court began & held in & for the County of Warren State
of Mississippi on the fourth Monday of December 1827. The last will &
Testament of Charles Lawson dec'd was this day produced in Court by
Samuel Smith one of the Exrs therein named and proved by the oaths
of James Hillbourn Charles M. Lawson Junr and Jas. M. Black
three of the subscribing witnesses thereto and the same was thereupon
admitted to probate whereupon on application of the said

Samuel Smith by the will of the dec^d. not being liable to give security and he having taken the oath required by law. It is ordered by the court that letters of Executorship be granted him in due form. And afterwards at an orphans Court began & held for the county aforesaid on the fourth Monday of January 1828. Joseph McElorahan one of the Executors named in the last will & testament of Charles McElorahan deceased came into court & took the oath prescribed by law as Executor aforesaid. And on his application it is ordered that a warrant do issue to uriah Haines, Oliver C. Brooks, John D. Fox, William Bacon & David Eastman to appraise the personal estate of said deceased and report the same to the next term of this court. And afterwards to wit at an orphans Court began and held in & for the county aforesaid on the fourth Monday of July 1828.

On application of Jeremiah Powell one of the Exrs. named in the last will and testament of Charles McElorahan dec^d. It is ordered by the Court that letters of Executorship be granted him on his taking the oath (he not being required to enter into bond by said will, whereupon he took the oath prescribed by law. It is thereupon ordered that letters be granted him in due form. State of Mississippi Warren County Lett^r of Balford Wrenn Register of the Orphans Court in & for the County aforesaid do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true copy of the last will & testament of Charles McElorahan deceased together with the several orders qualifying the said Executors named in said will, all of which is truly transcribed from the records in my office. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my name & affixed the seal of my office at Vicksburg this 15th day of August 1828.

State of Mississippi Warren County Lett^r of James Gibson Judge of Probate in & for said County do hereby certify that Balford Wrenn whose name is subscribed to the above certificate is and was at the time of making the same Register of the Orphans Court of said County that said certificate is in due form of law of this State and that full faith & credit is & ought to be given to all of his official acts as such. Given under my hand and seal this 19th day of August 1828.

James Gibson Judge of Probate in & for Warren County
Gerard B. Brandon Governor of the State of Mississippi. To all who shall see these presents. Be it known that James Gibson Esq^r was Judge of Probate on the 19th day of August Instant in and for the County of Warren, and that full faith and credit are due to all his acts as such. Given under my hand and the great seal of the State at Jackson the 30th day of August 1828.



Gerard B. Brandon