

my testifying which I have granted Let my hand and  
Seal in presence of Miles A. Wilcox Joseph W. Cutler and  
Archibald W. Bony who usually signed their names as  
Witnesses in presence of each other after witnessing the  
signature of the Testator here on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of October  
1841

First J. W. Cutler Miles A. Wilcox A. W. Bony  
The State of Alabama Dallas County Special Orphans Court  
30<sup>th</sup> Dec 1841 This day personally appeared in Open Court  
Archibald W. Bony, one of the subscribing Witnesses to the  
 foregoing Will like being duly sworn depose and testify  
 that he saw Edward Day Son the Testator Sign Seal and  
 Execute said Will as true 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 this deponent  
 Miles A. Wilcox and Joseph W. Cutler signed the same as  
 Witnesses at the Request of and in the presence of said Testator  
 and in presence of each other on the day and year therein  
 mentioned

I W. Bony  
Sworn to & Subscribed in Open Court this 30<sup>th</sup> Dec 1841

Attest Sanford Blann Clerk

Recorded 1<sup>st</sup> day of February 1842

Sanford Blann Clerk

### James Callen's Will

I James Callen of the County of Dallas and State of  
Alabama do hereby make and publish this to be my  
last Will and testament: revoking all others heretofore  
made. Item the first My Wife and devise is that  
my Wife Eliza Callen shall have the use of my  
plantation or such part that will be sufficient for  
her use also three negroes of her own choice two  
Horses such as she likes Ten first Choice of Hogs  
Two hundred bushels Corn with all the plantation tools  
one Hog pen and all Kitchen furniture all of which  
I leave to her during her natural life and at  
her death my Wife and devise is that all the  
property that I have bequeathed my Wife Eliza Callen shall  
be equally divided between William Callen Elizabeth  
George Mary Charlotte and Anna Martin all of  
which I gave to them and their heirs forever Item  
the 3<sup>rd</sup> I bequeath to my daughter Catherine Callen  
one negro woman to be chosen by herself after her  
mother had made choice of her three negroes also one

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Thousands of dollars in money to be paid in the hands  
 of William Cheat, whom I appoint her Guardian  
 for life. The said income to be paid to William Cheat  
 (and his heirs) to be used for the support of her  
 life and her heirs to James Cheat her son of her  
 near George the sum of one hundred dollars to him  
 and his heirs forever. Item 4<sup>th</sup> My Will and desire  
 is that all my property not mentioned above be sold  
 to the highest bidder and the proceeds thereof be equally  
 divided between William Cheat Elizabeth George Mary  
 Cheat and Anna Martin Item 5<sup>th</sup> My Will and desire  
 is that my old man Benjamin Cheat have the use of  
 her term forever for life Item 6<sup>th</sup> I hereby appoint  
 William Cheat guardian of this my last Will and  
 Testament signed sealed and delivered this 10<sup>th</sup> day  
 of December one thousand eight hundred and forty  
 seven of

James Chamberliss Junr Notary Public  
 The State of Alabama Chattahoochee County Myself appears  
 Court Office Term 1842 This day Personally appeared  
 in Open Court James Chamberliss one of the subscribing  
 Witnesses to the foregoing Will the said testator being  
 competent and capable that he saw & knows William  
 Cheat the testator, J. J. Spear and George Martin his  
 att. and for his said Will and testament that said  
 testator, was at said time and disposing of his property  
 at the time of making the same and that this is his  
 and J. J. Spear's hand the same as William Cheat  
 at the request of and in the presence of said  
 testator, and in the presence of each other on the day  
 and year therein mentioned James Chamberliss  
 sworn to & subscribed in Open Court this 11<sup>th</sup> day of  
 April 1842

Witnessed 21<sup>st</sup> May & C 1842  
 Sanford Barren Clerk

Elizabeth V. Barren's Will

In the Name of God Amen I Elizabeth V. Barren  
 of the State of Alabama Chattahoochee County being  
 of sound mind do this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year  
 of our Lord eight hundred & thirty seven make & publish  
 this my last Will & testament in manner following  
 That my soul I submit to God who gave it & my body