

I, John Smith, of the County of Calhoun and State of
 Alabama, do make and publish this my Last Will and
 Testament, And declaring and making void all former
 Wills by me at any time heretofore made and first I
 desire that, my body be decently interred and as to such
 real Estate as it hath and I do to intend me
 With, I dispose of the same as follows First I direct,
 that all my debts be paid as soon after my decease
 as possible Out of the first monies that may come into
 the hands of my Executors from the proceeds of the Crops
 now growing or from monies due me also, I do direct,
 that the Whole of my Real Estate consisting of Acres more or
 less in this State and Texas together With all my
 household and Kitchen furniture all my plantations or
 farming Tools Waggons, Carts & and the Carriage, shall
 be and remain the Absolute property of my Wife &
 Wife, also I do direct, that the following Negroes together
 With them, increase be given or allowed to my Wife viz Sam
 Winney, Martha, Liza, Kate, Catharine & her son Wash-
 ington, Little John, Peter and Rebecca also, any and part
 of the profits, and to my one or more may remain,
 after the payment of all my debts also I do direct, that
 the plantation, Alabama & now here containing about
 three hundred and twenty Acres be divided equally betw
 my Wife and Daughters (Luzanne), and Sarah
 and I do direct, that the following Negroes together
 With them, increase be given to my daughter Sarah
 viz Big Mick and his Wife Virginia, and their
 two children Emanuel and Thomas, Philip Little Jack-
 Minerva, Gordon Little Mary, David, John Louisiana,
 Daniel, Betta, Liza, Martha, Big Jack also, Lucy
 John & Walter and I do further direct, that the fol-
 lowing Negroes With them, increase be given to my daughter
 Louisa viz Rachel, James, Ben, Jefferson, George,
 Robert, Elliott, known as Ed. M. Chalmers and Lucy
 his Wife Fannie, Amy, Charles, Rebecca, Fanny & her
 son Ed. M. Charlotte & her children William & Peter
 Jackson, & his Wife Rachel & their three children, Betty,
 Martin & Mary, and I do further direct, that as much
 of my lands lying and being in Tennessee, Virginia, &
 Missouri, W. & Texas, as I own in the Lands Office
 Out at Columbus in the State of Mississippi being
 about two thousand four hundred and five Acres
 and being more or less divided in a Bond from
 & Payment to me dated 28th July 1866 be equally

divided between my three Daughters viz Susan
 Gordon Lewis Dejeant and Fanny or Frances
 Ballards said Land to be divided in such manner as
 may be agreed on by them selves or their representatives
 saying that two negroes viz Big man and Gaspard with
 their increase be given my daughter Susan Gordon
 and to my daughter Lewis Dejeant two negroes viz
 Little Mary and Madisons with their increase of any
 and to my daughter Fanny Ballards the following
 negroes with their increase of any be given viz William
 Henry Anderson and Ulyas and I do further certify
 that the following described Land be given to my Son the
 Honorable Thos. B. viz the Cor. S W 1/4 Sec 30 Township 17 Range 16
 E 1/2 N 1/4 Sec 30 Township 17 Range 16 the
 W 1/2 S W 1/4 Sec 30 Township 17 Range 16 "
 E 1/2 S E 1/4 Sec 25 Township 17 Range 15 "
 W 1/2 N E 1/4 Sec 35 Township 17 Range 15 "
 E 1/2 N E 1/4 Sec 25 Township 17 Range 15 "
 W 1/2 N E 1/4 Sec 25 Township 17 Range 16 "
 W 1/2 S W 1/4 Sec 3 Township 15 Range 6 "
 W 1/2 S W 1/4 Sec 15 Township 15 Range 6 "
 W 1/2 S W 1/4 Sec 15 Township 15 Range 6 "
 W 1/2 S W 1/4 Sec 33 Township 9 Range 17 "
 W 1/2 S W 1/4 Sec 33 Township 9 Range 17 "
 E 1/2 S W 1/4 Sec 33 Township 9 Range 17 "
 said Land lying and being in the State of Mississippi &
 do further certify that the following named negroes with
 their increase of any be given to Frederick H. Swift viz Charles
 the Black Smith and Candiss the Wife of Charles and
 I do further certify that the following Land and negroes
 be given to my Son Wiley P. Swift viz the East 1/2 of S. 1
 W 1/2 Sec 17 Township 18 Range 17 the South 1/2 of
 S. 18 and North 1/2 of Sec 24 Township 8 Range 17
 lying and being in the County of Landondale in the
 State of Mississippi also the West 1/2 of E 1/4 Sec 1 Township
 12 Range 12 lying and being in the County of Chickasaw
 State of Alabama and the following negroes with their
 increase of any viz Jack and his Wife Mary & Harriet
 & Ann also I certify to be given to said Wiley P. Swift
 one half the amount of the note of hand for three
 thousand three hundred and thirty three dollars & three
 quarters then the balance of said note to be collected
 and applied with other notes and accounts as
 aforesaid and I do further certify that the
 following Land and negroes with their increase
 be given to my daughter Mary Ann viz

the West of Moys Sec 12 Township & Range 18 the
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13 Township & Range 18 being in the State of Mississippi
under County of Lumbardale & this Messrs appeared at Dallas
Tex Adm Perry Allen Alta Wendy Albert & Anna
Perry (born in Penn. for Penn) and B. T. his
Wife Mrs Maria Alfreda Lina & Porter two children
Dillard & Birmingham William Rader Nicks
and her son Lewis and I do further state that we
my Land lying in the County of Dallas under State of
Texas a Woman as my wife (Lina) of ~~the~~ ^{her} ~~land~~ ^{land} containing
about two hundred and thirty acres to be given to my
daughters Lina & Alta that the following sum of
money with this income be given to Lina & Alta
George and Lina his wife and Walter Lina John
and Lina their children & each of them & their
child Charles John Lina & Lina Lina Lina Lina
Christine Grace Christine Lina and I do further
state that my wife give out of her portion to each
of my minor children as soon as they become of age
for them a Canadian the following property (by the same
state at first one hundred dollars a good saddle
and Saddles five head of good cattle and one good
Breed and furniture and I do further state that the
money given to my minor children be kept together of
money and that so much of the money as is given
them so soon as may be necessary be applied to the support
and education of the children and the balance be paid
over to them as soon as they become of age or have a Guardian
I do further state that my property either real or personal
not within Texas be equally divided between my
Wife and children and I do hereby make and give
Wiley P. Smith and David A. P. Smith Executors of my
last will and Testament in writing (written
by John Smith the testator) here to this my will written
on six pages or sides of paper and numbered one two
three four five and six set my hand and seal this
fourth day of July in the Year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and forty two John Smith
Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of us who have
subscribed in the presence of each other J. P. Ferguson R.
M. King J. H. Conally The State of Texas
Dallas County Cyphar Court 10th May 1843 Personally
appeared and Open Court that J. Ferguson and John
A. Conally two of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing
will of the said John Smith doth and doeth

That they said the said John & Joseph the testator's sign and
 under the said will be and for his last will and a
 testimony that said testator was of sound mind and
 disposing memory at the time of executing the same
 that they then presented and R. Rufus King signed the
 same as witnesses in the presence of one at the house
 of said testator and in presence of each other on the
 day and Year therein named J. J. Monahan
 them to & the said in Open Court & J. P. Ferguson
 before me 10th May 1843 Will & said J. J. Monahan
 witnessed 10th May & 1843
 J. J. Monahan & J. P. Ferguson

Charles S. Matthews' Will

The State of Alabama Dallas County Be it known to
 all whom it may concern that I Charles S. Matthews of said
 County being of sound mind but advanced in years &
 wishing to distribute & dispose of my Estate with as little
 of the interference of Courts as possible do hereby make &
 publish this my last will & testament as follows First
 I have divided out & given a large portion of my Estate
 both real & personal to & among my four sons & their issue
 Mr. John C. Thomas M. & Peter C. Matthews such as Land
 negroes horses mules Cattle furniture (namely of cottonsails &c.)
 also Crockery & glass such as dishes & gifts to them & so on
 them respectively & gave them full & complete title to the
 same so that each one shall have a perfect right to all
 such property as has been given to him and my Will
 & Grace is that none of such property or of any other I may
 hereafter give to any or either of my sons shall be
 brought into Court for or in any way worried or charged
 against either of them in the division of the residue of my
 Estate I have also made it such of my said
 sons some negroes (namely) I hereby give to each the negroes
 owned to him respectively except one named or Mobile Peter
 & P. Bluford who are given to Carl C. Matthews & the boy
 Peter who is given to Thomas M. Matthews I will also
 that would & should have it done my self before my death
 that my son Peter C. Matthews be allowed one other negro
 man or the value thereof in money in sum of the one given
 to him which is made such in negro man named & his
 wife & given to my son Thomas M. Matthews Fourth all
 the real Estate in the City of Mobile & I have to be divided
 between me to my other children equally share & share