

Joseph Parnalls Will

In the name of God Amen I Joseph Parnall of the State of Alabama and County of Dallas, being sick and weak in body but sound in Mind and Memory and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, and as to such things I have worldly Estate of wherewith it hath been pleased God to bless me in this life, I give and dispose of the same in the following Manner and form: Viz: I will that my wife Nancy Parnall remain in peaceable possession of the land and plantations whereon I am now living during her natural life, also the two old negroes Jack and Lucy and all the house hold and kitchen furniture two cows of value and one young horse called Mark one Spotted Sow and nine pigs of one year old and all the plantation tools and plenty of Provision to last the present year. I will that all the rest of my property not here named, be sold at the discretion of my Executors and that they reserve in their hands the amount due William O. Updike when he comes of age, and the balance of the money be equally divided amongst all my children - All the property given to my wife Nancy Parnall that may remain at her death, is to be equally divided amongst my children as above directed. I do appoint Lewis B. Mosely Esq. Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 18th January 1837. (Signed)

Joseph Parnall (Seal)

W. C. Outtine Septima Parnall

The foregoing will was admitted to Probate, and ordered to be recorded - See Minutes of pages 114.
Recorded 24th August 1837
James C. Craig Clk

John D. Roach's Will

In the name of God Amen I John D. Roach of the County of Dallas in the State of Alabama being perfectly sensible of the present delicate state of my health, and of the uncertainty of life at all times, do make and ordain and declare this my last Will and Testament. Item 1st I give unto my dear wife Elizabeth Roach two negroes to wit, tenant and Kitty, for and during her

natural life, and it is My desire that She live with my two
 Sons John I and Thomas I Roach, and that as soon as
 convenient I wish purchased for her a neat Substantial
 Carriage and two horses. Item 2^d. It is My will and desire
 that all My real Estate in Dallas County be sold at
 private or public Sale as may be best for the interest of my
 Estate and that the proceeds of said Sale together with the
 proceeds of the Sale of My personal Estate not otherwise
 disposed of be held as a fund for the support of My
 wife her lifetime and for the raising and educating My two
 Children Douglas and Mary Jane, and in the event they
 should marry or come to full age then I wish the
 Money so divided as to give them an equal share of
 My Estate with My children herein after mentioned.
 Item 3^d. I wish all My Slaves except Tenant and Kitty to
 be divided ^{equally} among My children John I Roach, Thomas I
 Roach, Sarah Randol Almira Mc Kinney & Martha
 Roach, and the division to be agreed upon by themselves
 if it can be and if not by men to be appointed by the
 Court. Item fourth. I give to My Son John I Roach
 My Saddle Colt aged about one year to him and
 his heirs forever. Item fifth. It is My desire that so
 much of My Estate as would belong to Thomas I Roach
 on a general Division of the same, and particularly the
 Slaves, be held and controlled by John I Roach as
 trustee for the heirs of the body of the said Thomas
 I Roach and that in no event shall said property
 or any part of the same be liable for his debts hereafter
 contracted. Item 6th. It is My desire that so much of
 My Estate as would belong to Sarah I Randol's wife
 of Samuel W Randol be held by John I Roach as trustee
 for the support of the said Sarah I Randol and her
 heirs, and that in no event shall said property be subje-
 ct to the debts of the said Samuel I Randol. Item 7th.
 I give to John I Roach in trust for Thomas I Roach My
 bay mare called Solivias. Item 8th I give to My daughter
 Almira Mc Kinney My Saddle horse Mols. Item 9th. I give
 to My daughter Martha Roach My Saddle horse Philip.
 Item 10th. It is My desire that the remainder of My horses
 Mules and Stock of any description be sold and that
 the proceeds of said Sale compose a part of the fund
 alluded to in Item 3^d. Item 11th. I wish a good horse
 to be purchased for each one of My children Douglas
 and Mary Jane when they shall need them. Item 12th.
 I wish all the money due me to be collected with

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