

In the name of God Amen. I William Bell of the County of Dallas and State of Alabama being in a low state of health, but through Divine Mercy am in sound mind and memory at this time, have thought proper to make this my last will and Testament in the form following.

First I desire that all my just debts be paid, and as I am more indebted to my brother Enock Bell than any other person, I desire that all my property real and personal be retained in his hands until all my just debts be paid, and that he dispose of the same at public or private Sale as he may think best, without any order of Court until all my demands against me be fully satisfied, and the remainder of my property as aforesaid to be retained to my Father Thomas Bell Senr of North Carolina, to be disposed of as he his heirs heirs Administrators or assigns may think proper. And I do constitute, ordain and appoint my Brother Enock Bell my Sole Executor to this my last will and Testament. Signed William Bell Seal Signed and acknowledged this third day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty 1830. In presence of S^r Bell Ira Meador, Childred Bell Senr of the State of Alabama a Dallas County, Personally appeared in open Court a Ben Meador one of the Justices of the Peace for the said County, who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that he saw William Bell the Testator Sign, Seal and publish said instrument as his last will and Testament, and that the said Testator was of sound mind and disposing memory at the time of executing the same; that he this document subscribed his name thereto as a witness in presence of the said Testator, and that he saw S^r Bell and Childred Bell the other subscribing witnesses sign the same in presence of said Testator and in presence of each other on the day and year therein named. Signed Ira Meador. Sworn to and subscribed in open Court this 22nd day of Feb. 1830. Test James Goring Clk
S^r Recorder 3rd March 1830. James Goring Clk

It is remembered that at the October term of the Orphans Court for Dallas County, was brought into Court, and admitted to probate the last will and Testament of Spencer Adams the same was therefore ordered to be recorded, See minutes page 126 page 176. Which is in the words & figures following, to wit,

In the name of God Amen

I Spencer Adams after serious reflections in my own mind have thought proper to make my last will and Testament, And that I now being in a good state of health, and sound mind and disposing memory, have thought proper to divide my worldly goods in the following manner. I give to my wife Nancy Adams the North West Quarter of Section thirty Township fifteen Range eight. the land whereon I now live, to her during her lifetime, and after her death to be equally divided between all my children. I also give to my wife one negro man named Joe. One negro woman named Betty, one negro boy named Astor, the

And one negro girl named Sarah. I give to my son John Adams
One negro boy named Henderson and one boy named Harry. I give to
my son Benjamin Adams One negro boy named Jack and one boy
named Peyton. I give to my son Phil Adams One negro boy named
Serry, and one negro girl named Edney. I give to my son Edwin Adams
One negro boy named Stanley and one boy named Larence. I give to
my grand son Spencer Adams, son of William Adams, One negro boy
named Hiram. And I give to my grand daughter Hannah Adams
One negro girl named Ester. By two Daughters I and Elizabeth
I have given them off their portions of my negroes. The rest of my
property, to wit, Horses, Hogs, Cattle and Sheep, I will to be divided equally
between all my children, also all my household and kitchen furniture
Beds &c. The negroes not named in the above items, I wish to remain
on my plantation under the care of my Executors for two years after
my death, after which time I wish them to be equally divided between
all my sons. I now appoint my sons John Adams and Edwin Adams
my Executors with full power to carry into effect this my last
will and Testament. In testimony whereof I have herewith set my
hand and seal this 29th day of September A.D. 1829. Signed
In presence of Thomas Morong } Spencer Adams
J. B. Van Dyke } 3

The State of Alabama Dallas County. Personally appeared in
open Court Thomas Morong, one of the subscribing witnesses to
the foregoing will, who being first duly sworn deposeth and saith
that he saw the above named Spencer Adams, sign, seal and deliver
said instrument as his last will and testament, and that the said
testator was of sound mind and disposing memory at the time of
executing the same. That he, this deponent, subscribed his name thereto
as a witness, in the presence and at the request of said testator, and
that he saw J. B. Van Dyke, the other subscribing witness, sign the
same in presence of said testator and in presence of this deponent, on
the day and Year therein named. Signed Thomas Morong
Sworn to and subscribed in open Court before me 11th October
1830. James D. Craig Clk

Recorded 12th Oct. 1830.

Now at the Court Term 1830. of the Orphan Court for Dallas County, Texas
James Hatcher, and presented the last will and Testament of Elizabeth
Riddle for probate, which was admitted to probate by the Court and is
to be Recorded. See minutes B page 178. which said will is in the words and
figures following. —

In the name of God Amen, I Elizabeth
Riddle of the County of Dallas and State of Alabama, more or sound
and disposing mind, but being mindful of my mortality, do this twenty
second day of May in the Year of Our Lord one thousand eight hun-
dred and thirty, Make and publish this my last will and Testament
in manner following, that is to say, First, I desire that so much of
the perishable part of my estate as may be necessary, be immediately
sold (or after my decease) and will pay all my just debts and funeral
Expenses, the sale to be by my Executors in such manner as they may
think proper. Second after my debts and funeral Expenses are paid
it is my will and desire that my Daughter Martha R. Parks shall have
my boy Leta, and Lue, and two hundred and fifty dollars, which
shall be paid forthwith by my other two Daughters Elizabeth P. Riddle
and Frances Riddle, and at the death of my Daughter Martha
it is my will and desire that this property shall be equally divided
among the lawful heirs of her body. I give to my Daughter Elizabeth
P. Riddle, Nancy and her three children and my boy Jim. I give
to my Daughter Frances Riddle, Solomon Ann and Chubb and George,
and all the balance of my property I wish to be equally divided
between my two youngest Daughters Elizabeth and Frances.
I further will to my grand Daughter, Sarah Parks three Hundred
dollars and one hundred and signature, to be paid by my two daughters
viz) Elizabeth to pay two hundred and fifty dollars, and Frances
to pay fifty dollars. It is my further wish that this money, should
be laid out in a negro girl for my grand Daughter by my lawful
Executors, Ones Fair and James Hatcher. And I do hereby constitute
Ones Fair and James Hatcher my lawful Executors to this my last
Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this twenty seventh day of May 1830.

Signed Sealed published and declared signed Elizabeth Riddle Seal
and I and for the last will and Testament

of the above named Elizabeth Riddle in presence of 10 who at
her request and in her presence have subscribed our names as
witnesses thereto. Wm W. Old, Bethel Hookey, John Hatcher,

The State of Alabama Dallas County.

Personally appeared in open Court the above named William W. Old
one of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will, who being
first duly sworn, deposed and said that he saw the above
named Elizabeth Riddle sign seal and execute the foregoing will
as her last will and Testament, and that the said Testator was
of sound mind and disposing memory at the time of executing the