

my hand and seal this 23rd day of October in the year 1834.

Signed sealed published & declared
as and for the last will & testament,
of the above named James Spater
in presence of us

Daniel Lipscomb $\frac{3}{3}$
Peter P. Lipscomb $\frac{3}{3}$
C. C. F. $\frac{3}{3}$

James Spater $\frac{3}{3}$
Mark $\frac{3}{3}$

Will of

In the name of God amen.

Hannah T. Hall. James W. Hall being weak in bodily health, but sound in mind and memory and calling to mind that all men are mortal and have once to die, do make this my last will and testament - First, My will and testament is after my just debts shall have been paid I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Hannah T. Hall all my property within and without doors during her widowhood for the purpose of raising and helping together my children, but if the above named Hannah T. Hall should intermarry with any other man after my death then and in that case my will is that my property be equally divided among the above named Hannah T. Hall and all my children with the exception of my daughter Jane T. Hall, who is to receive the sum of One Hundred Dollars Extra - Secondly -

After the death of the above named Hannah T. Hall my lands to be equally divided between my two sons, James Wallace Hall and Joseph Hender Hall - Thirdly - My further will is that if my wife and Executor should think best to sell my present lands, & purchase others my will is that they should do so, and make titles to the same and any other lands they may purchase shall be divided between my two sons as above mentioned or my money arising from the sale of my lands - If no other lands should not be purchased than my wish is that the said money arising from the sale of my land should be put out at interest and the interest to be paid annually to my wife Hannah T. Hall, during her widowhood for the maintenance of my children - but that the principal be divided between my

two sons James Wallace Hall and Joseph Hender Hall, on their becoming of age or the death of their Mother Hannah T. Hall. I hereby nominate and appoint Archibald Hall and Francis W. Hall my Executor to this my last will and testament, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 30th of December 1834.

Signed sealed and delivered
in the presence of

Frederick Wilson $\frac{3}{3}$
Sidney W. Gibbs $\frac{3}{3}$

John Hale $\frac{3}{3}$

My daughter Jane T. Hall is not to receive the sum hundred dollars extra until the death of Hannah T. Hall his mother or the general distribution of the property among my heirs -

Signed sealed delivered
in the presence of

Frederick Wilson $\frac{3}{3}$
Sidney W. Gibbs $\frac{3}{3}$
John Hale $\frac{3}{3}$

James W. Hall Esq.

The State of Alabama, Orphans Court Special term Decr. 29th 1834
Browns County I present the Hon^e Edm^t G. Porter Esq^r -
Chas W. Harrison one of the executors of the last will & testament of James W. Hall deceased his last will & testament registered with the Probate Court of Browns County, being duly sworn, testified fully to the execution of his will & the same was filed with the Probate Court of Browns County, and is therefore made record by the court that his will be established as the last will & testament of James W. Hall deceased -

Will of James W. Hall Greene County
May 20th 1834

In the name of God amen.
I James W. Hall at present of sound mind and disposing memory, and also in good health but not unmindful of the uncertainty of human life, and being desirous now to make and declare the disposition which I desire to be made of my worldly goods, real and personal, after my decease, do make, ordain, and establish, this my last will and testament, that is to say First - I desire all my just debts to be immediately paid after my decease, or as soon thereafter as the same can be paid, without unusual injury to the Estate. It is however hereby declared to be my instruction to my Executors and Executrix herein after appointed, to proceed immediately and without any unnecessary delay, after my decease, to collect all debts due to me, and out of such collection, to pay such debts as may owe at the time of my decease - without selling any of my just real or personal property of paying my said debts as aforesaid. Secondly - It is

hersby declared to be my will, and I do hereby give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Margaret (whom I call Kitty) Hannan, and unto her eight children viz., Elizabeth, James, Kitty, Catharine, Rosanna, Sarah, Joseph, and the youngest child or daughter of my said daughter Kitty, known Hannan equally to be divided between the said Anna Hannan, who are to take up, bequests in manner and upon the same real personal or mixed, & may have or be possessed or seized of at the time of my decease whether the same be what sum-ham or sum property or seized of or be acquired by her after my decease, to the same real or personal or mixed property shall be disposed of by herby given and bequeath the same unto my said daughter Kitty Hannan and her said eight children as aforesaid forever. It being my present intention & desire to make this my last will and testament concerning only all the property real and personal, which I own now, but also all the property of every description real & personal at the time of my decease, happen that, when it may be the said Mary Foster do also by this present instrument, constitute, and appoint my said daughter Kitty Hannan and my grandchild Susan Hannan, Executor and Executrix of this my last will & Testament - To testimony whereof I, of all & singular the premises, the said Mary Foster have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this 22nd day of April A. D. 1831 -

Subscribed sealed and executed
Declar'd to be the last will &
testament of the said Mary
Foster before us as witnesses for the day
and year above written -

Wm. C. Wm. H. Graaff
James A. Beal
J. W. Hayes

Mary Foster Seal
Mark

Will of
W. Bell

I William Bell of Greene County do hereby make my last will to be Testamed in manner and form following, that is to say -
My Will all my real estate to my wife Elizabeth Bell, so and during her natural life and at her death to be equally divided amongst my children -
I will her the following personal property, a negro man called L. his wife Jenny & Eliza his child, and a fourth part of the hogs, cattle, sheep horses, Mules, passing utensils, Household and Kitchen furniture, and one fourth part of the Corn and Garden which may be on hand at my death -
I will the balance of my property to be equally divided amongst my children - Mary having received Eight Hundred Dollars from me in her life time fourteen hundred, and Elijah at Ridgeway, fourteen hundred, these amounts have to be rendered by each, to my estate before they are entitled to an equal distribution with the younger children, Alexander having rec'd two hundred dollars to value a piece of Land has to render that amount in to the estate. John having rec'd fourteen hundred dollars has to that account into the estate before he is entitled to an equal distribution - I appoint, my friend, John Nelson my Executor to see that my will carried into effect - July 31st 1834

Signed in the presence of
Solomon Williams
Albertina Brooks
Alexander Brooks

W. Bell.

Will of
Loveday

Altamaha Greene County 3d. Hugh Loveday do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament - In manner form following (viz) I give and bequeath to my daughter Margaret Loveday One, Ninety Five Dollars, One Hundred Dollars in Money two Birds, the family, the all household furniture & the weapons I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Bennet Twenty dollars in money I give and bequeath to my son Sam Loveday one nine hundred forty one Dollars and fifty one cents, which is now in her possession - I give and bequeath to Hugh Loveday Nine Dollars in money - I give and bequeath to James Loveday Ninety Two Dollars in money - I give and bequeath to James Loveday Ninety Two Dollars in money - Hugh Loveday my will end & declare that the following Negroes (viz)

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face, Melinda, & c and Eliza, unto my lands, stocks and personal
Corp shall be equally divided between the following children after paying
all my just debts and above named Servt of Mass (613)
Robert J. Laverne, Anna Laverne, Ruth Burton, Mary Robert &
Nancy McDaniel - And I nominate and appoint Robert J.
Laverne & Richard Bennett Executor of this my last Will and
Testament, hereby revoking all others and former wills by me
at any time heretofore made. In witness whereof I have here-
unto set my hand and seal the 8th day of September in the
Year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred and Thirty four

Hugh Laverne SS

Signed sealed published and declared
by the said Testator Hugh Laverne as for his last Will and
Testament, in the presence of us who have subscribed our names
as witnesses thereto, in the presence of said Testator

James Farren
Miller Dope
Henry D. Dope

Will 3 The State of Alabama, The Last Will and Testament
of John T. Carnathan 3 & wife Mary A. J. Carnathan.

I John T. Carnathan considering the uncertainty of this mortal life, being
of sound mind and memory (and blessed be the Almighty for the same),
do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner
and form as follows - first I give and bequeath unto my beloved
wife M. A. J. Carnathan all of my personal estate consisting of
ten Negroes Negro men and boys (613) John, Sam, Robert, Sam Peaz
Frank and Eliza, Negro woman big, Nancy, Clausa, Mackel
to be under the control of my Executor for hire annually during
her widowhood - I further give and bequeath unto my beloved wife
after paying all of my just debts all money now or hereafter to be earned
arising from Sale, of Land, stocks &c here after to be named
and determine the proceeds of the present crop drawing as
shares of five and two thirds bushels - I also wish my lands to
be sold at private sale at the sale, of four dollars for acre consisting
of 87 1/4 A. D. 1. 25. 72. R. 1 East S. 2. D. 125 72. R. 1 East W. 1/4 N.
W. 1/4 S. 26 R. 1 East my Negro wagon to be sold also all my cattle
of horses, Cows, cattle, sheep, and plantation tools at public auction

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the whole of which after paying my just debts I give and bequeath to
my wife M. A. J. Carnathan to her, my personal estate so long as her
widowhood last at which time or at her death I wish the part of the above
property belonging to our previous to our marriage, to be equally divided betwix
my brothers and sisters & the part belonging to her before her marriage to
be under her entire control and in that case I wish my wife to receive
One Hundred Dollars out of the money then on hand and the balance of any
to be divided in the same proportion with the personal property all things
to remain on the farm till the first day of January next - I also allow
my wife to have her support out of the ten Negroes tenant of money that
she pleasure - I likewise give and bequeath unto my wife M. A. J. Carnathan
my place situated and Household furniture to be hers and to be at her
entire control - I likewise hereby appoint George Hayes & Achille, Edward
the sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament by me made
in writing whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 6th day of
April in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred
and Thirty four

J. T. Carnathan SS
Signed sealed published and declared by the above named John T. Carnathan
to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto sub-
scribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the Testator

Stephalen Ridgeway
Richardson W. Keaton
Gade Jones

Will of
W. Stevens 3 State of Alabama
Greene County 3

In the name of God amen.
I William Stevens of the County of Greene of the State of Alabama
(a planter) being weak in body, but of sound and disposing mind, men-
ing and understanding to make and ordain this my last Will and
Testament in manner and form following (leg)
First I direct that my funeral expenses be paid immediately after my de-
cease. I desire that all my just debts be paid by my Executor
(hereinafter named) out of the profits of my Estate so soon as it may
be practicable, believing and hoping, it will not be necessary to
dispose of any of my lands or negroes, or estate for that purpose.

Third. I desire that my Executor shall keep my property together, that is to say, I desire that my negro & stock shall be kept on my plantation, and that my said plantation shall be cultivated & that my negroes shall not be hired, nor my land rented out, & that the profits arising from the cultivation of my plantation by the labour of my said Slave shall in the first place, as before directed be appropriated to the payment of my debts, and after all my debts are paid then that any funds, which may from time to time come into the hands of my Executor after paying the expenses of my family shall be either loaned out on interest, or invested in the purchase of Lands and Negroes or either by my Executor as they in their discretion shall judge expedient, and most conducive to the interests of my Family.

Fourth. I do also desire, that should my Executor think that it would be advantageous to dispose of any of my Lands or negroes or any of my Stock, then and in that case, I do hereby authorise them to do so, and to exercise their own discretion and make sales of such of my property as they may deem desirable -

Fifth. Should my Executor think it to the interest of my Family & to the benefit of my Estate that my real property should be disposed of by sale or exchange for other lands, then I desire that they make such disposition of the same, and I do hereby invest my said Executor with full power to execute a deed or deeds of conveyance to the said Land, or such portion thereof as they deem expedient to sell or exchange; And I do also desire that they may make such purchases of real estate as they may think judicious and proper (under the best discretion) for the benefit of my Family -

Sixth. I desire that my children shall be well educated out of the profits arising from my Estate.

Seventh. I desire that my Estate both real and personal shall be kept together and increased, as here before desired, that amongst all my children of a son or many that there and not until then shall they or either of them receive their portion of the estate, and when one of my said children shall die, he or she entitled to receive his portion of my Estate, then I desire that my Executor shall cause my Estate to be valued by three or more disinterested men and give to each child his legal proportion, and in like manner I desire that should my dear wife Eleanor Ann marry again, that my Executor shall cause my Estate to be divided as before recited, and that my Executor shall pay over to her, her legal proportion, and I humbly hope that my wife may be blessed with long life, health and

happiness and that our children may prove a blessing to her, and she to them. Eighth. I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my Father Town Sturges and my brother David D. Sturges the Executors of this my last will and Testament, and I do also particularly desire that they shall not be required to give security for the faithful performance of the trust which I have hereby reposed in them, but having full confidence in their ability and integrity I wish they may be permitted to take upon themselves the burden and execution of this my last will and Testament without giving bond and security for their faithful administration of my Estate & I do hereby revoke all other or former wills or Testaments by me hitherto made, and I do hereby declare this to be my last will and Testament. Without witness I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 5th day of July in the Eighteen hundred and thirty fourth year of our Lord.

I signed sealed and published and
declared to be his last will & Testament
in presence of

Perrwell L Barnes
John McGee

William & Steven seals
made

Will of

Daniel T.
Rasberry

In the name of God Amen. I Daniel Rasberry of the County of Greene and State of Alabama, being weak and infirm in body, but of sound and disposing mind and memory that it is appointed for all men once to die, to nominate and constitute this as my last will and Testament, in manner and form following, reciting and signing under all that former will, by me hitherto made, do consign my body to the dust from which it came and my soul to God who gave it; I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Rasberry, Item 1st. The East 1/2 of the N. East Quarter of Section Eighteen in Township Twenty Two of Range One West in the St. Stephens District on which she now resides, Item 2nd One negro man Race and one negro woman Mary and two little boys Elam and John for her own and benefit during her natural life time

with this provision that she the said Nancy Rasterry allow Her
y. Rasterry to live on and cultivate any part of the above mentioned
tract of Land so as the sd Redit G. Rasterry does not interfere
on any part that she may need for her particular use - Item there-
also all my household furniture and working utensils with the odd
bag Ware and collt and the pony mare and colt with all my
Stock of cattle Hogs and Sheep and goats & Cattle &c and for
her to have any of the above stock that she may think best with
for the purpose of paying my just debts of any kind be required to be
sold for that purpose and no other, nor do more than may be necessary
for that purpose and at her desire, I do give and bequeath as
follows (C3) the above described tract of Land (in) the East half of the
North East quarter of Section Eighteen Township Twenty two Range one
West to my beloved Son Redit G. Rasterry his heirs and assigns forever
Also the South West quarter of North East quarter of Section No.
Twelve Township Twenty Two Range one West also the rest of Land
to be run off of the North end of the West half of the South West
quarter of section eighteen Township twenty two Range one West to
have the said Redit G. Rasterry his heirs and assigns forever, the
above last described tract of Land to the sd Redit G. Rasterry from
the date hereof, I also bequeath that for the good attention my dear
Son Green Rasterry has paid to me I give him at the death of
my wife Nancy the above described negro boy John to him and
his heirs forever, the other three negroes I give to my wife Nancy Rasterry to
give and dispose at her death as she may think best; The other
property (C4) the above named Home and cattle Hogs sheep & Cattle
with the Household furniture &c to be sold at her decease and equally
divided among my heirs, with the exception two Beds and furniture
given to my daughter Adeline and my granddaughter Mary
Ann as my wife Nancy may dictate and at any time she
may be pleased also bequeath for the love I bear my daughter
Nancy Morris ten acres of Land to be run off of the West
half of the South West quarter of Section Sixteen Township
Twenty Two Range one West adjoining South of the a before
mentioned ten acres given to Redit G. Rasterry South to her and
her heirs forever, I also further regard I have for my daughter Adeline
give and bequeath her the following tract of Land (C5) ten acres
of Land to be run off of the same half quarter and in the
same way and still adjoining South of the ten acres given
my daughter Nancy to her and her heirs forever, also for the
I give to my daughter Elizabeth Edwards, I do give and
bequeath ten acres of Land adjoining South of the above desig-
nated acres given to my daughter Adeline and to be run off in the
manner and in the same half quarter Section Sixteen Range

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Rasterry and my son at Law Samuel Moore to be by them given
granted or any way they may think best; to the use and benefit of the
late Elizabeth Edwards or her heirs forever, also I further give my
daughter Adeline my mare called Pleasure, the colt to be sold by my
Executor if necessary, I further give my Granddaughter Mary Ann my pony
mare colt that she now has, I further give her the sum of Five Dollars
in Money; I also give and bequeath the sum of Twenty dollars to each of my
sons Joseph Rasterry and William Rasterry the rest of my property
less Stock of any kind to be sold by my Executor for the benefit of
my Executor & the remainder of the South West half of the South West
quarter of Section Sixteen Township Twenty Two Range one West
to be sold by my Executor for the above purpose of paying my debts,
and also my Corp now or hand or so much thereof as my Executor may
think it may require to pay my just debts leaving a sufficient for the
use of my wife Nancy until another Corp - I do further constitute
and appoint my wife Nancy Rasterry and my Son Redit G.
Rasterry and John Brown and Samuel Moore my only whole and
legit Executor of this my last will and Testament, given under
my hand this 24th day of July A.D. 1834.

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of us

Felix G. Rasterry

Henry Moore

Wm. B. Penshaw

Daniel Rasterry

The W. G. R. In the name of God Amen. I John Rigan Esq. of the County of Greene
and State of Alabama do hereby solemnly Publish and declare the
following to be, and a certain Day only taken and lawful test mill
and I solemnly declare making me takeing utterly voice stony-
stone before made by me,

Item first to give and bequeath to my
grand daughter Martha Rigan daughter of my Son Zachariah
Rigan an negro girl named Alice & have made to her in full and
entire Property. Secondly, It is my will and desire that all my
Remaining Slaves after taking out the said negro girl Alice
shall be valued by Commissioners to be appointed for that purpose by
the orphans court of Greene County, and that the said Commissioners
so appointed after valuing the said slaves shall divide the said
Slaves into four lots or parcels as nearly equal in value as
may be and that they, the said Commissioners shall then apprise
and distribute by lot or ballot one of the said lots or
parcels of said slaves to my Son John Rigan for to

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Whom I give & bequeath the same one to my son Joseph Ryan to whom I give & bequeath the same unto my son Zachariah Ryan to whom I give & bequeath the same to my son William Ryan to whom I give and bequeath the same and one to my daughter in law Mary Ryan widow of my son Peter Ryan subject to whom in like manner I give and bequeath the same & also after the said slaves shall have been so apportioned and distributed it is my will and desire that my Executors I shall pay to the said Executors all debts & expenses or distributions of the said slaves & whom there be apportioned or distributed less than the highest or most valuable of any of the said lots or parcels of said slaves a sum of money that well make up and each of the said lots or parcels of said slaves equal in value with each other and of equal value with the highest or most valuable of the said lots or parcels of said slaves. I desire it to be understood that in providing for the division and distribution of my slaves as aforesaid I do not design or intend to include the slaves that is to say a negro woman and her children who have been in the possession of my daughter Mary Garrett and her Husband John Garrett for some years past and who are now despoiled of as herim of the Province and annexed.

Thirdly It is my will and desire and I hereby require order and direct that all my land and real estate and all the remainder of my Personal Estate after deducting my slaves of every kind and description whether houses, mills, cattle, hogs, farming utensils, waggon household and kitchen furniture or any thing else whatsoever shall be sold by my Executors in a circuit of six weeks and not more than twelve months, at public vendue or auction and noted with approved security taken from the purchaser or purchasers and after the money or proceeds of the sale of my said land and estate and personal property shall become due & payable and shall be collected it is my will and desire that after my Executors shall have paid out of the same or any others money that I may have or that may belong to my estate the necessary sums herein before directed to make equal in value the lots or parcels of my slaves herein before directed to be divided apportioned and distributed and after paying all my just debts and funeral expenses and the fees and expences of executing this my last will and testament the remainder balance that may be left after fully paying & settling the effects specified shall be divided by my Executors into two equal parts one of which said parts they shall pay to my Son John Ryan to whom I give and bequeath the same and to my son Joseph Ryan & himself & me and bequeath the same one to my son Zachariah Ryan to whom I give and bequeath the same and to my son William Ryan to whom I give and bequeath the same and one to my daughter in law Mary Ryan to whom I give and bequeath the same and also to my two grand sons James Lofton and Matthew Lofton to be equally divided between them to whom I also give and bequeath the same.

Fourthly To my daughter Mary Garrett with her husband

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and bequeath a negro woman Slave named Sally and her four
black girls & two boys all of whom I give to her Husband John
in proportion for since he and post to have and to hold the said negro
woman Slave Sally and her said four children unto her husband John Garrett
for the time and term of her natural life only and fixed a sum in cash one
after the death of the said Mary Garrett I will leave bequeath the said negro woman
Sally to my grand son Jason Ryan natural son of the said Mary Garrett in
full property and the said four children of the said negro woman Slave Sally
after the death of my said daughter Mary Garrett I will leave bequeath to my
said grand son Jason Ryan and to my grand daughter Martha Garrett
daughter of my said daughter Mary Garrett & her Husband John Garrett
and half sister of the said Jason Ryan to be equally divided between them
said Jason & the said Martha.

Lastly I hereby constitute & appoint my three Sons John Ryan per
Joseph Ryan and Jacob Ryan Executors of this my last will and testa-
ment Given under my hand and seal this the 9 day of January A.D. 1835
A.B. the year of our Lord 1835
and the year of the world 5694
I sign before execution
John Ryan executed
Established in presence of
W. Lofton
Henry Timms
William Williams
Moses H. Hart
Briard Lee

Will of Honoria Bayle Recaud

I Honoria Bayle of the County of Orange State of Alabama being
mindful of the mortality of mankind, do hereby make my last
Will & Testament in the manner following. In witness whereof

It is sufficient part of my property shall be sold if need
any to pay my just debts, funeral expences, and a sum of one
hundred dollars that I give & bequeath to my sister in law Sophia
Willeman as a gift of remembrance & after the payment of the
above debts & expences I give & bequeath to my son L. E. Bayle
one half of all my real & personal property of what nature or
kind soever & the other half to be divided between Adel Bontier
Gourmar & Josephine Bontier My two other children
My just reasons in that division are the difference of
circumstances between the son & the daughter

greatly I desire & strongly recommend to my above named
children to keep always a good & friend, understanding between
such as they each other & their Wives & Sisters

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Whom I give & bequeath the same unto my son Joseph Ryan to whom you and I bequeath the same unto my son Zachariah Ryan to whom I give and bequeath the same unto my son William Ryan to whom I give and bequeath the same and one to my Daughter Mary Ryan widow of my son Peter Ryan deceased to whom in like manner I give and bequeath the same. And after the said slaves shall have been so divided and distributed it is my will and desire that my Executors shall pay to the said Slaveholders aforesaid affixed to the distribution of the said slaves to whom shall be assigned or distributed lots less valuable than the highest or most valuable of any of the said lots or parcels of said slaves a sum of money that well make up and each of the said lots or parcels of said slaves equal in value with each other and of equal value with the highest or least valuable of the said lots or parcels of said slaves. I desire it to be understood that in providing for the division and distribution of my slaves as aforesaid I do not design or intend to include the slaves that is to say a negro woman and her children who have been in the possession of my daughter Mary Garrett and her husband John Garrett for some years past and the same to be disposed of as hereinafter provided and directed.

Thirdly It is my will and desire and I hereby require order and direct that all my house and real estate and all the remainder of my personal estate of ten deducting my slaves of every kind and description whether horses mules cattle hogs farming utensils wagons household and kitchen furniture or anything else whatsoever shall be sold by my executors in a course of not less than six and not more than twelve months at public vendue or auction and noted with approved security taken from the purchaser or purchasers and after the money or proceeds of the sale of my said house and estate and personal property shall become due & payable and shall be collected it is my will and desire that after my executors shall have paid out of the same or any other money that I may leave or that may belong to my estate the necessary sums herein before directed to make equal in value the lots or parcels of my slaves herein before directed to be divided affixed and distributed and after paying all my just debts and funeral expenses and expenses of executing this my last will and testament the entire balance that may be left after fully paying & satisfying the objects specified I shall be divided by my executors into equal parts one of which said parts they shall pay to my son John Ryan to whom I give and bequeath the same and to my son Joseph Ryan & himself one and fourteenth the same one to my son Zachariah Ryan to whom I give and bequeath the same and to my son William Ryan to whom I give and bequeath the same and to my daughter Mary Ryan to whom I give and bequeath the same and one to my two grand sons James Lofton and Matthew Lofton to be equally divided between them to whom also I give and bequeath the same.

Fourthly To my daughter Mary Garrett wife of John Ryan

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and bequeath a negro woman Slave named Sally and her four children two girls & two boys all of whom she and her said husband have and in possession for some time past to have and to hold the said negro woman Slave Sally and her said four children unto her said Mary Garrett for the time and term of her natural life only and after her death and after the death of the said Mary Garrett will come bequeath the said negro woman Sally to my grand son Jason Ryan natural son of the said Mary Garrett in full property and the said Jason shall have all the said negro woman Slave Sally after the death of my said daughter Mary Garrett I will and bequeath to my said grand son Jason Ryan and to my grand daughter Martha Garrett daughter of my said daughter Mary Garrett & her husband John Garrett and half sister of the said Jason Ryan to be equally divided between them the said Jason & the said Martha.

Fifthly I hereby constitute & appoint my three Sons John Ryan Joseph Ryan and Zachariah Ryan my Executors of this my last Will and Testament given under my hand and seal this the 7 day of January A.D. 1855 N.B. To witness my hand and seal this day of January A.D. 1855 John Ryan and another part of the nowing Interlocutor before execution Sigma Leola executed in the presence of Wm. H. Jones Henry Sims William Williams Marsden Whales Brian Lee

Will of Honora Bayol Second

I Honora Bayol of the County of Green State of Oklahoma being mindful of the mortality of mankind do hereby make my last Will & Testament in the manner of mind following that to say first as sufficient part of my property shall be sold if necessary to pay my just debts funeral expenses and a sum of one hundred dollars that I give & bequeath to my sister-in-law Sophia Williamson as a gift of remembrance & after the payment of the above debt & expenses I give & bequeath to my son L. E. Bayol one half of all my real & personal property of what nature or kind soever the other half to be divided between Adele Buttler Farmer & Sophie Buttler Williamson my two adopted daughters. My just reasons in that division are the difference of circumstances between the Son & the Daughters.

Thirdly I desire & strongly recommend to my above named children to keep always a good & friendly understanding between such as like each other & the Brothers & Sisters

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I do hereby constitute E Bayol & Sonnac & Lubin,
My executors of this my last Will & Testament
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal
Seal signed & delivered as of April 29. 1836
The last Will & Testament of the
above named A Bayol in presence
of us

Joseph Ryan
C. W. de Lune
John McDowell

The State of Alabama, Orphans court October Seven 1835 Upon
Greene County, the application of Edward Bayol & one
of the legatees of Honore Bayol deceased & one of the ex-
ecutors named in the ~~last~~ Will of said decedent for probate
probate thereof. And Alexander McCallum one of the ^{surviving} trustees
to said Will being duly sworn in open court deposaeth fully to
the satisfaction of the court as to the due execution of said
will. It is therefore ordered by the court that the will of said
Honore Bayol be established & received as the last Will &
Testament of said Honore Bayol deceased & it is further
Ordered that the same be admitted to record.

Recorded the 26th day of October 1835-

Atttest H. F. Prendergast

Martin McCallum The State of Alabama In the name of God amen, I Martin McCallum
Greene County son of the County & State aforesaid being now weak in
body but of strong mind & memory desirous to make such dis-
position of my real & personal estate as to me seems most fit & proper after
my death do make & declare this as my last Will & Testament hereby re-
voking all others heretofore by me made:-

Item the 1st It is my will & desire that all my just debts be paid.

Item the 2nd, It is my will & desire that all my real estate in Greene
County in the State of Alabama & all the real Estate in which
I am in any manner interested in the County & State aforesaid
be first sold & the proceeds of said sales to be applied to
the payment of my debts before any other part of my Estate
is sold for the payment of my debts, and I do hereby make &
appoint my friend Col. William R. Hinton of Greene County
my trustee to sell & dispose of all my lands in Greene County
in such manner & upon such terms as to him may seem best
for the benefit of my Estate, truly empowering the said Wm.
R. Hinton to make good & sufficient title to each of the said

purchaser or purchasers of said lands, & the said William R. Hinton shall pay
over the proceeds of the sales of said lands to my executors here-
in after named & my executors shall immediately apply the
same to the payment of my debts.

Item the 3rd, It is my will & desire that my slaves shall remain with
my family until my estate is settled up, and that they shall
be the last property which shall be sold for the payment of
my debts, and in the event that it may not become necessary
to sell my slaves for the payment of my debts then in that
event I wish them to remain for the propagation of my fami-
ly.

Item the 4th, It is my will & desire that my friend & partner Robert C.
Hunter shall wind up & settle all the business of our firm of
McCallum & Hunter at Clinton & lower, and that he at the same
time may seem most fit & proper.

Item the 5th, It is my will & desire that my friends Robert C. Hunter & Will-
iam M. Murphy should be my executors & I hereby appoint
them such to carry into effect the provisions of this my last
Will & Testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto sub-
scribed my affix my seal this the 27th day of September A.D.
1835.

Martin McCallum Seal

Sealed Sealed published
& declared by Martin McCallum
as his last Will & Testament

Before me this 27th September A.D. 1835

J. B. McCalister
Sam'l K. Jennings Jr.
Mrs. B. McCallum

The State of Alabama Orphans Court began held at the Courthouse on the 9th day of
Greene County, January 1835 being the 1st day in January 1835 Present the hon-
orable William B. Street Judge of the County Court of said County

This day William McMurphy & Robert C. Hunter the executors named in the
last Will & Testament of Martin McCallum presented said will for probate
& registration & John B. McCalister one of the subscribing witnesses to said will being
duly sworn deposeth fully to the satisfaction of the court as to the due execution of
said will. It is therefore ordered by the court that the said will be established as the
only proper last will & Testament of said decedent & that the same be recorded as
such & copy from the annals of said H. F. Prendergast & Co.

August 22nd 1836 -

The State of Alabama Regular Orphans Court held at Erie the 4th Monday
Greene County being the 22nd day of August 1836. Present the
Hon^r Wm B Street Judge of said Court.

This day Lewis Stephens one of the witnesses to the last
Will Testament of Miley Warren deceased, and the Executor
therein mentioned, the Court proceeded to admit said will to
probate, and upon the testimony of said Executor & witness taken
in open court, the Court is satisfied of the validity of said
will, It is ordered that the same be established
and recorded —

In the name of God, Amen, I Miley Warren of the County of Greene
and State of Alabama at present now in health and sound in mind and
Memory do hereby give and bequeath unto Miley Ann Warren my
daughter one Bed of furniture herewith belonging, a Sorrel Mare, half
dozen Pates, four Chairs, a Dutch oven, a set of cups & Saucers a half dozen
Silver Spoons, a Pitcher, a spinning wheel, a white sow pig, and
a Pewter a small Trunk and all that it contains in the division of
my Land I desire Robert Warren to return possession of that part of it
on which he resides, containing forty acres (40) for which he is to pay
\$100. to pay for it out of the sale of next year crop, and when it
is paid for then my Executors shall give him a full and
good title, and the money arising from the sale of this land I
wish my Children (now it) Aaron Warren, Moses Warren, Mary
Ann Warren, Betsy Warren John Warren Harry Warren and Robert
Warren to share equally in it, The remaining part of the land
I do hereby give to my Son Thomas Warren and Miley Ann Warren
to share equally in (and furthermore that this piece of land shall not
be sold until they are mutually agreed to sell it, The residue
of the property which I may leave it is my desire should
be applied to the settlement of my just debts, and afterward
should there be a remainder, I wish then my Son Thomas
Warren and my daughter Miley Ann Warren to divide it
equally, In testimony whereof I do hereby constitute and
appoint Lewis Stephens to carry into effect this my last
Will —

Signed, Sealed & delivered in the
presence of us this the 8th day of
December A.D. 1835.

John Wagwood
Lewis Stephens
Thomas Daffin,

her
Miley X Warren
Mark

August 22nd 1836 -

Upon the application of John V Meador and Robert Meador
Guardians by consent of all the heirs the wife of James Meador deceased
was admitted to probate and upon due proof of the legal
Execution thereof, It is ordered that the same be received and
Established as the last will and testament of said decedent
and that the same be recorded as such —

Will of
James Meador

In the State of Alabama, Greene County, This day four and last will of James Meador
now being in my right elements and knowledge I do wish my
property to remain together until the first of January 1836.
and cause my son John Meador to act as an overseer until
that time expires, then I leave my beloved wife Elizabeth
Meador three negroes, Jacob Dennis & Elida and two horses to
be chosen, Some hogs and cattle sufficient for a reasonable
subsistence and the tract of land I now live on which is 218 acres
her life time, and at her death to be equally divided among
the heirs, then when Johns time is out sell and divide equally
the rest according to what they have had of my estate, some
have had some and some none, and the balance of my estate
remainders to be in Carolina to be collected and sold, and equally
divided among my lawful heirs, where I do hereunto set my
hand and seal this 4th September in the year of our Lord
One thousand eight hundred and thirty three

Teste
John Meador
John Meador
John V Meador

his
James X Meador
Mark

In the State of Alabama, Regular term begun and held at the Court
Greene County, House of said County on the 14th day of November in the year
One Thousand Eight hundred Eighty six. Present the Hon^r Wm B Street, Judge of said
Court —

In the name of God, Amen, I, Jas Lipscomb Sen^r of Green County
and State of Alabama being of sound and disposing mind and knowing
the uncertainty of life do make and ordain this my last will and testament
in manner and form following, My first I commit my soul to God in
hope of a blessed resurrection and my body to be buried in a plain manner
, And as my worldly good with which the almighty has blessed me, first
It is my will that all my just debts be paid out of my estate, Item 2^d
I lend unto my wife Betsy Lipscomb during her natural life all that part
of my plantation wherein I now live being the three north half quarters
and the half of fourth half quarter of section fourteen, Township twenty one

Range three east, with all my household Kitchen furniture and monies
and as much of my Stock, horses, cattle, hogs and sheep as she
may wish to keep, and seven negroes such as she may
and as many of the plantation tools as she may need, as
years provision for herself and family, all of which prop
erty is to be loaned to my wife. Shall after her death be
of as is herein after directed for the remainder of my estate.
Item 3rd, It is my will that all the remainder of my Estate Real
and personal be sold to the highest bidder, the land on account of
one hundred years with affidavit security, and the personal property
one year, and as I have heretofore given to my children
negroes, and some a negro and money, making as well as could
all their portions worth eleven hundred dollars, Item 4th, It is
my will that the slaves of the sale, after paying my just
debt to be equally divided between my sons Nathan Lipscomb
Wm C Lipscomb, Elizhu Lipscomb, Batsey Lipscomb, and Lipscomb
and my daughters Polly Eddens and Sally Parrot his children
to have the portion between them that now to have come to their
Mother shall be living, and my daughter Polly Mar,
Item 5th, It is my will that my executors hereinafter named
shall have full power to make titles of conveyance to all my
land, herein directed to be sold, and lastly, I constitute and
appoint my sons Nathan Lipscomb and William Lipscomb
executors of this my last will and testament, revoking all other
wills by me made declaring this to be my last will and
testament in writing whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this thirtieth day of April in the year of our
Lord Eighteen hundred and thirty four, A.D. the fifty
eighth year of the American independence, the wife my daughter
(interlined above signed)

Signed sealed and acknowledged

In the presence of

*Wm Kennedy
Jacob Anderson
Robert Parker*

Jel Lipscomb

Nathan Lipscomb and Wm C Lipscomb the Executors named in the last
will Testament of Jel Lipscomb the aforesaid said to see his probate, and
Wm Kennedy one of the witnesses to said will being duly sworn deposed fully
as to the legal execution of said will, whereupon it is ordered that said
will be established and admitted to record

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The M^t of Alabama & Be it remembered that at an orphans court began
June County, Saw held for said court at the Court House therof
on the 14th day of August 1836, Presiding the Hon^r Wm P^r
Street, Judge of said court, the following proceedings were had, viz:

This day Jel Lang Meriwether one of the Executors of
Jel Lang Meriwether deceased presented the Will of said
decedent, Whereupon the Court proceeded to qualify Mr Wm P^r
Boykin one of the witnesses to said will, who testified to
the satisfaction of the court as to the execution of said
will. It is therefore ordered that the same be admitted
to record as the last will and testament of said decedent.

I, Jel Lang Meriwether son of the County of Green Alabama
that I being in good health and of sound mind and memory
thank God for the same, do this day make and
constitute and with my own hand right this my last
will and testament as follows:

Item 1. I lend unto my wife Charlotte M Meriwether
during her natural life all that half quarter of land
on which I now live and have not disposed of together with
all the appurtenances thereto belonging or in any
wise appertaining. Item 2^d, I also lend unto her
Charlotte M Meriwether during her natural life the following
slaves, one mulatto man named Elieck, one negru woman named
Harriet one negru girl named Louisa and her increase now
hired to John H Meriwether and one negru girl named
Samantha, Item 3. It is also my will and desire that provides
my wife Charlotte M Meriwether shall hereafter have a child or
children lawfully begotten of her body by me or by a future
marriage that the said property above to her loaned both lands
and negroes at her death go and be possessed by such child or
children in few simple for ever, but provided nevertheless that
she the said Charlotte M Meriwether shall die without an heir
or heirs so lawfully begotten of her body, that the said above named
property at her death revert back to my estate and be equally
divided share and share alike between my two daughters, Ann
Legan and Mary Meriwether to them and their heirs forever,

Item 4 I also hereby give and bequeath unto my wife
Charlotte M Meriwether all my Household and Kitchen furniture
to her and her heirs forever. Item 5. I do give and bequeath
unto my wife Charlotte M Meriwether my gin House, my Gin
and all the running gear, screen and the apparatus belonging thereto
It is after done and bequeathed unto my wife Charlotte M

Meriwether my Waggon and gear, two muls two Cows my Watch
my riding Horse and her Saddle forever -

Item 7 - I lend unto my daughter Mary Meriwether one
Negro Wench named Mary during her natural life,
and at her death the said Wench Mary shall revert back
to my wife Charlotte or Meriwether provided she shall be
alive and in case of her being dead to her children if
she has any otherwise to be divided among my daughter
Mary Meriwether Children -

Item 8. It is my desire that almy Books Shop furniture
and Medicine and almy Stock except two Miles two
Cows and one riding Horse which I have given to my
wife, also my Blacksmith tools to be sold and the proceeds
thereof to be appropriated to the payment of my just debts
and also the money due to me, lastly I appoint my
friend Dabney McGhee and my son Jackson Meri-
wether Junr my Executors to this my last Will and
testament in testimony whereof I have set my hand
and seal this Feby 2nd 1830

Test

Mo Riddle
Wm Lewis
Wm P Boykin

Jacky Meriwether

The State of Alabama Orphans Court begun and held at the Court House in Erie on the
Greene County 3rd day of Sept 1836. Present the Hon W B Stark Judge
of said Court -

Alfred Hatch Executor of Durant Hatch Esq deceased this day
presented the record of the Will of same decedent duly certified and
authenticated from North Carolina for registration. It is therefore
ordered by the Court that said copy be and the same is hereby
ordered to be recorded -

In the name of God Amen, I Durant Hatch of the County
of Hanes in the State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory
do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner of the
following viz, I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth
my carriage horses and new big and carriage horses and household Utensil
furniture, also One thousand Dollars, I give also to my said wife my pews
in the Episcopalian Church, and the House & lot in Newbern where I resided
of John P Davis - the said Pew & House & lot to be enjoyed by her during her
natural life only, and after her death, I devise the said House & lot to my
grandson Durant H Davis and his heirs, but if he durant should
die before me without issue living at his death, I give the said

to my residuary Legate hereinbefore named and their heirs and assigns
forever - Item, I give unto my Son Durant and his heirs and assigns
forever all my lands in Jones County lying to the Southward & Eastward
of a line beginning on the side of the main road in a small branch
where it is crossed by the dividing line between the late Neighbors
Timmons and myself near the site of an old house formerly Ross's
running up said branch to the mouth of a ditch at or near an
old road formerly used from said Durants house to my Cypress plan-
tation, thence a direct line to a small marked black gum at the
head of the huckleberry pond, thence a direct line to James McDaniel's
formerly Argo's beginning - Also a tract of land lying in the flat
fescue grassland to me July 16th 1795, / Etate, containing six hundred
and ninety acres, also a tract on the east side of White Oak river and
mostly in the low grounds of said river, also two tracts in the bed of
rivers each containing one hundred acres patented November 26th 1793
one by myself the other by Joseph Hatch - also the negroes and other
personal property heretofore put in his possession - Item I give to
my Son Durant and Lervine equally between them my right to
a landing on the south side of Kent river purchased of Benjamin Hatch
and in the plantation of the late Buckner Hatch & their heirs forever.

Item I give to my Son Lervine and his heirs and assigns forever all my lands in
Jones County except those devised as above to my Son Durant, also the negroes
and personal property already in his possession also the following negroes,viz
Elmon, Ben, a brother Peter, Jonah, Alexander, John, Margaret, Esther, Betsey, and
their future increase - Item I give to my Son Alfred his heirs and assigns
all my lands in Greene County not given to my daughter Margaret, also the
negroes and other property already in his possession, also the following negroes, viz
Peter, Phillis, Anna, Phoebe, Hannah, Silas, Jack, John, Maria - Item I give to my
Son Durant his heirs and assigns forever the following lands, viz Beginning
at the mouth of Brice's Creek and running up the various courses of Etate
= Kent River to the mouth of Hoods Creek, thence up the various courses of
Hoods Creek to the place where the late line of John Toy comes to the creek
just below an old fork, thence South Eighty Seven and a half degrees
east to a ditch on Cypress run, thence with said ditch to Brice's Creek
thence with said Creek to the beginning - also a tract of land which
I purchased from Alfred Hatch by deed dated May 24th 1829 excepting
out of this last mentioned tract the following, viz Beginning on Hoods
Creek at the place where the late line of John Toy comes to the creek just
below an old fork and which is a corner of the first mentioned tract
and running thence a direct line towards the corner end of Alfred Hatch's
dwelling House on the land he lately purchased of John Toy, until the
line reaches the main road, thence up the main road, and at right
angles with the last mentioned line twenty feet, thence parallel with
the first mentioned line to Alfred Hatch's line of the land herein de-
vised to him - intending hereby to except a road from the land herein de-
vised to said Alfred to the land he purchased of John Toy, also the follow-

Merivether my Mazzon and gear, two mule, two cows my Watch
my riding Horse and her Saddle forever -

Item 7 - I lend unto my daughter Mary Merivether one
Negro Wench named Mary during her natural life,
and at her death the said Wench Mary shall revert back
to my wife Charlotte or Merivether provided she shall be
alive and in case of her being dead to her children if
she has any otherwise to be divided among my daughter
Mary Merivether Children -

Item 8. It is my desire that almy Books Shop furniture
and Medicine and almy Stock except two Miles to
Cows and one riding Horse which I have given to my
wife, also my Blacksmith tools to be sold and the proceeds
thereof to be appropriated to the payment of my just debt
and also the money due to me, lastly I appoint my
friend Dabney McKee and my son Zackary Meri-
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Greene County 3rd day of Sept 1836. Present the Hon Wm D. Stuck Judge
of said Court -

Alfred Hatch Executor of Durant Hatch Esq deceased this day
presented the record copy of the will of same decedent duly certified and
authenticated from North Carolina for registration. It is therefore
ordered by the court that said copy be and the same is hereby
ordered to be recorded -

In the name of God Amen, I Durant Hatch of the County
of Hoke and orfessor in the State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory
do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner & form
following viz, I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth
my carriage harness and new big and carriage horses and Household Furniture
Also One thousand Dollars, I give also to my said wife my Pew
in the Episcopal Church and the House lot in Newbern which I had
of John O Davis - the said Pew & House lot to be enjoyed by her during her
natural life only. and after her death, I devise the said House lot to my
grandson Durant H. Davis and his heirs, but if the said Durant should
die my - without issue living at his death then I give the said

to my residuary Legate hereinbefore named and their heirs and assigns
forever - Item, I give unto my Son Durant and his heirs and assigns
forever all my lands in Jones County lying to the Southward & Eastward
of a line beginning on the side of the main road in a small branch
where it is crossed by the dividing line between the late Nathan
Simmons and myself near the site of an old house formerly Ross's
running up said branch to the mouth of a ditch at or near an
old road formerly used from said Durants house to my Cypress plan-
tation, thence a direct line to a small marked black gum at the
head of the huckleberry pond, thence a direct line to James McGarrett
formerly Argo's beginning - Also a tract of land lying in the flat
portion granular to me July 16th 1795, / Etat Hatch, containing Six hundred
and ninety acres, also a tract on the east side of White Oak river and
mostly in the low grounds of said river, also two tracts in the bed of
rivers each containing one hundred acres patented November 26th 1793
one by myself the other by Joseph Hatch - also the negroes and other
personal property heretofore put in his possession - Item I give to
my Sons Durant and Lemuel equally between them my right to
a landing on the south side of Trent river purchased of Benjamin Hatch
and in the plantation of the late Buckner Hatch & then & then his forever.

Item I give to my Son Lemuel and his heirs and assigns forever all my lands in
Jones County except those devised as above to my Son Durant, also the negroes
and personal property already in his possession, also the following negroes, Beto
Simon, Ben, a brother, Peter, Sarah, Alexander, John, Margaret, Esther, Betsy, and
their future increase - Item I give to my Son Alfred his heirs and assigns forever
all my lands in Greene County not given to my daughter Margaret, also the
negroes and other property already in his possession, also the following negroes, Big
Lever, Phillip, Peter, Shadrack, Hannah, Silas, Jack, John Maria - Item I give to my
Son Durant his heirs and assigns forever the following lands, my Beginning
at the mouth of Brices Creek and running up the various courses of Etat Hatch
- Trent River to the mouth of Hoods Creek, thence up the various courses of
Hoods Creek to the place where the late line of John Toy comes to the Creek
just below an old fork, thence South Eighty Seven and a half degrees
east to a ditch on Cypress run, thence with said ditch to Brices Creek
thence with said Creek to the beginning - also a tract of land which
I purchased from Alfred Hatch by deed dated May 24th 1829, excepting
out of this last mentioned tract the following, viz Beginning on Hoods
Creek at the place where the late line of John Toy comes to the Creek just
below an old fork and which is a corner of the first mentioned tract
and running thence a direct line toward the corner and of Alfred Hatch
dwelling House on the land he lately purchased of John Toy, until the
line reaches the main road, thence up the main road, and at right
angles with the last mentioned line twenty feet, thence parallel with
the first mentioned line in Alfred Hatch's line of the land herein de-
vised to him - intending hereby to except a road from the land herein de-
vised to said Alfred to the land he purchased of John Toy, also the follow-

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Negroes my son, Edie, Celia, Letitia, John Timore, George, Eliza, Cap. Lydia
and Anaka. In special trust and confidence that the said Servant Hatch &
his heirs, takers, executors and administrators shall hold the said land
and the said slaves and increase for the sale and separate use, benefit
and behoof of Harriet Slaves the wife of Thomas H. Daines free from
the control, and not subject to the debts or engagements = (Dr Hatch)
- of her husband during the joint lives of the said Thomas and
Harriet, and if the said Harriet should survive the dissolution of
the marriage between her and the said Thomas, then to convey the
same absolutely to the said Harriet her heirs, executors, administrators
takers forever - But should the said Harriet die leaving the
said Thomas living then to hold the same for the benefit of the
children or descendants of children at the said Harriet during their
minority, and to divide the same equally among them as they shall
respectively arrive at the age of twenty one years, the child or
children of any deceased child taking the part of such deceased
parent, and to convey the same to them, their heirs, takers forever -
And should the said Harriet die leaving the said Thomas living
and not leaving children or the descendants of children living at the
time of her death, then to convey the same to such persons as may
then be her heir or heirs at law - and to his her or their heirs
executors, administrators and takers forever - Item, I give to my
son Durant his executors, administrators and takers forever, the
following negroes, Key, Jane, Fidel, Joe, Wm. Marion, Jack Lee, Calle
Dedimus, Louisa, Caroline, Moses & Henry & their future increase - In trust
and confidence so long as the said Servant Hatch junior shall live to
apply all the profits that may be derived from the labour use and
hire of said slaves & their increase to harmony for the entire estate -
(Dr Hatch) - use benefit and behoof of the wife and of the children of
the said Durant, meaning as well as the wife and children which
he now has, and the wife, children and descendants of children which
he may hereafter have - and upon the death of the said Durant, then
in trust to and for the wife and children and descendants of children of
the said Durant that may be then living share & share alike meaning
always as well the wife and children which the said Durant now has
and the wife, children and descendants of children which he may here
after have - the child or children of any deceased child taking the part
of such deceased parent, and if none such be living, then in trust to & for
such person then living as may be next of kin of said Durant -
Intending that the said Durant shall have no beneficial interest in
the said slaves or their increase or in the property which may be substi
tuted as hereinafter provided, or the profits thereof nor shall the same
be liable in any manner for his debts, contracts, or engagements, but
that the said Durant may from time to time if he shall judge it
expedient exchange for or sell and convert into other property in the same
manner as = (Dr Hatch) - hereinbefore provided relative to the said slaves,

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and their increase, and which said property so acquired and the proceeds
of sale as aforesaid and alprofits thereof shall immediately stand and be
limited in the same way and secured to the same trust & subject to
the same powers, in all respects as the slaves herein devised, intending
further that the said Durant in applying the profits to and among
the persons hereby intended shall have full power according
to his discretion from time to time to apply the same in such manner
and form and in such proportions as he shall deem it expedient or
ever to any one or more exclusively of the others, and that he shall and
may from time to time by deed or will have full power to limit and
appoint the beneficial interest in the whole or any part or parts of
the said slaves or their increase, out of the property which may as above
said be substituted instead thereof or of the profits which may thus
be accumulated to his wife or to all his children or to any one or more
of his children always meaning such wife child or children, and by
children meaning descendants of children as at the time of the death of such
child limitation and appointment he may then have in such way
as his sense of justice and their wants and deserts shall in his judgment
dictate and require - Item I give to my grand daughter Caroline E.
Hatch a negro girl named Eliza - Item I give to my grand daughter
Elizabeth West Hatch (Dr Hatch) a negro girl named Lydia - Item
I give to my grand daughter Mary Lydia Hatch a negro girl name
Mary - Item I give to my grand son Robert Henry Hatch a negro
boy named Abram - Item I give to my grand daughter Catharine
Elizabeth daughter of Samuel a negro girl named Anne - Item -
I give to my grand son Alfred Parker a negro boy named Boston -
Item I give to my grand daughter Jane daughter of Alfred a
negro girl named Fanny - Item I give to my grandson Edward
son of Alfred a negro boy named Baltimore - Item I give
to my grand daughter Mary Maria Nelson negro Charles Henry - Item
I give to my son Durant negro boy named Lawrence in
trust that he shall hold said boy for the use and benefit of my
grand son Durant H. Daines during his minority and that he shall
convey said boy to said Durant H. Daines upon his arriving
at the age of twenty one years - Item I give to my son Duran
a negro boy named Matthew in trust that he shall hold said boy for
use and benefit of my grand son Thomas H. Daines during his minority
and that he shall convey said boy to said Thomas upon his
arriving at the age of twenty one years - Item I give to my son
Durant a negro boy named Nicholas in trust that he shall hold said boy
for the use and benefit of my grand son Cain O. Daines during his minority
and Dr. (Dr Hatch) - that he shall convey said boy to said Cain upon his
arriving at the age of twenty one years - Item I give to my son
Durant a negro boy named John in trust that he shall hold said
boy for the use and benefit of my grand son Lemuel H. Daines during
his minority and that he shall convey said boy to said Lemuel upon his

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arriving at the age of twenty one years, Item I give to my son Durant a negro boy named Peter in trust that he shall hold said boy for the use and benefit of my grandson John Danes during his minority and that he shall convey said boy to said John upon his arriving at the age of twenty one years — Should either of my grandsons Durant & Danes, Thomas H Danes, Eaton P Danes, Samuel H Danes or John Danes die before arriving at the age of twenty one years then my will and desire is that the boy so given as aforesaid to him or them be equally divided among my residuary legatees, herein after named, Item It is my will and desire that my negro man Jacob be settled by my Executor at his discretion on any of my land and be permitted for his faithful services to enjoy his own time under the direction control & protection of my Executor.

Item, I give to my son Samuel one hundred and Sixty five Dollars, Item, I give to my son Alfred one hundred & fifteen Dollars, Item I give the remainder of my Estate to be equally divided among my children Durant, Harriet Lennard and Alfred, (Sgt Hatch) It is my will intention that the bequest in this last clause to my son Durant as well as every other devise, legacy or bequest which he can or may in any manner claim under this my will shall be held by him in trust for the only proper use and benefit of his wife & children or such wife and children and descendants of children which he may hereafter have in the same manner as certain slaves mentioned in this my will are held for their benefit, and that the same be limited in the same way and be subject to the same powers in all respects as the slaves aforesaid — It is my will and intention that the bequest in this last clause to my daughter Harriet as well as every other devise, legacy or bequest which she can or may in any manner claim under this my will be held by my son Durant in trust for the only proper use and benefit of the said Harriet and others in the same manner as certain lands and slaves mentioned in this my will are held for their benefit, and that the same stand, and be limited in the same way in all respects as the lands and slaves aforesaid — Lastly I constitute and appoint my son Alfred Hatch Executor of this my last will & testament — In witness whereof I have subscribed each page of this my last will and testament and have affixed my name and seal —

Sgt Hatch

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the testator as his last will and testament in presence of us who have attested in his presence Jacob X Kinney
mark
Thos Austin

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I Durant Hatch do this nineteenth day of March 1830 make the following codicil to the foregoing will and testament by First I give to my Son Lennard negroes Henry Tom and to Hannah a Slave I give to my Son Alfred as appertaining to the lands given to him in the foregoing will the right of way and a landing on Price's Creek at my late Intention a landing about one hundred yards above the fish house or Littleput landing, to him the said Alfred his heirs and assigns forever — Item I give to my Son Durand Hatch for the following negroes Charles May Lydia and Lydia the child of Mary which are mentioned in the foregoing will as given to my Grand daughter Mary Maria Nelson in a special trust and confidence that the said Durand Hatch shall hold the said slaves and their increase for the sole and separate use benefit and behoof of the said Mary Maria Nelson wife of Francis W Nelson free from the control debt or engagements of his said husband during the joint life of the said Francis W and Mary Maria — But if the said Mary Maria should survive the said Francis thus to convey the same absolutely to the said Mary Maria — But if the said Mary Maria should die leaving the said Francis thus to convey the same to her children as they shall respectively arrive at the age of twenty one years or more.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal the day (and year above written)
Signed sealed, published and declared by
the testator as his last will & testament
in presence of (he has signed the words "and")
Lydia the child of Mary one interline
M J W Gandy
Fred S Blount

Cowan County Court

May term A.D. 1830

The foregoing last will and testament of General Durand Hatch with a codicil were offered for probate, and the execution of said will by said testator was proved in open court and in due form of law by the oaths of Jacob Kinney and Thomas Austin Subscribing witness thereto, and the execution of said codicil was proved in like manner by the oath of Frederick S Blount one of the subscribing witnesses thereto — Alfred Hatch qualified as Executor — Ordered that the same be registered and that attens testament be used.

Attest H G Stanley Clerk

State of North Carolina I James G Stanley Clerk of the County Court in
Craven County of Pleas & Quarter Sessions of Newbern State aforesaid
hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy
from the original last will and testament of the Codicil
annexed thereto of the late General Duran Dantes our deceased,
deceased, his among the records of said Court and registered
in the Book of Wills later C folio 317 to 322.

Testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand
and affix the seal of said Court at Newbern in
Craven County State aforesaid this eighth day of
June in the year of our Lord One thousand
eight hundred & thirty six

J G Stanley CC

State of North Carolina I William S Blackledge Chairman of
Craven County of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Craven County State
aforesaid hereby certify that James G Stanley is Clerk of the
Court aforesaid, and his execution to the foregoing copy of the
will of General Duran Dantes our deceased is in due form of
law.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand this
eleventh day of June A.D. 1836

Will S Blackledge Clerk

State of North Carolina

Craven County I James G Stanley Clerk of the County
Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Craven County State aforesaid
hereby certify that William S Blackledge Esq. is the Chairman
of the Court aforesaid duly Commissioned and qualified and
his proper signature is subscribed to the foregoing certificate
Testimony whereof I hereunto set my
hand and affix the Seal of said Court
at Newbern this Eleventh day of June A.D. 1836

J G Stanley

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I David W Rainey of Greene County Alabama being sick
of body, but of sound mind, and being desirous to dispose of all my
the worldly Estate and effects of which I am possessed by
me Regard publickly this my Last Will and Testament as follows:

In the first place I give and bequeath and devise the
tract of land which now lies in Greene County containing as
about five hundred Acres to my brother Tilman Rainey
and my brother in law Stephen May to be held and possessed
by them jointly and equally in the simple
In the second place I give and bequeath all my money
to my said brother Tilman Rainey and my brother in law
Stephen May to be equally divided between them
In the third place I wish the residue of my Estate
after paying all my just debts to be equally divided
between my said brothers Tilman and the said Stephen
May.

In the last place I appoint my friends
James Jones and James Jenkins Executors of this my
last will and Testament. Made this 12 day of
October 1836

Signed and published in
presence of
Wm G Jones
George Shipman
Mrs R Garnett,

D W Rainey

The W
Jones
Will

In the name of God Amen
I Thomas W Jones of the State of Alabama County of Greene
being in low health, but in perfect mind & memory, before God
for the same, do this the 29 day of July 1836 make and publish
my last will and Testament in manner following, that is to say
firstly it is my will & desire to give my soul to God and my
body to the earth. Secondly my will and desire is all of
my just debt to be paid out of my estate, also my will & desire
is that my body to be buried in a Christian like manner
by my friends who I shall leave behind, fourthly I give
and bequeath unto my beloved Sister Celah W Jones
one negro man named Brasher to her and her heirs forever
in witness whereof I the said Thomas W Jones have to this
my last will Testament set my hand and seal the day
and year above written

Witness
William Jones
William Walton
John W Walton

Thomas W Jones Esq.

State of North Carolina I James G Stanley Clerk of the County Court
Craven County of Pleas & Quarter Sessions of Court, State aforesaid hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy
from the original last will and testament of the Codicil
annexed thereto of the late General Durand Hatchour deceased, found among the records of said court and registered
in the Book of Wills letter C folio 37 to 322

In testimony whereof I have set my hand
and affixed the seal of said court at Newbern in
Craven County State aforesaid the eighth day of
June in the year of our Lord One thousand
eight hundred & thirty six

J G Stanley CC

State of North Carolina Craven County I William S Blackledge Chairman of
the County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Craven County State
aforesaid hereby certify that James G Stanley is Clerk of the
Court aforesaid, and his attestation to the foregoing Copy of the
Will of General Durand Hatchour deceased is in due form of
law.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand this
eleventh day of June AD 1836

Will S Blackledge Clerk

State of North Carolina

Craven County I James G Stanley Clerk of the County
Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Craven County State aforesaid
hereby certify that William S Blackledge Esq^r is the Chairman
of the Court aforesaid duly Commissioned and qualified and
his proper signature is subscribed to the foregoing certificate

In testimony whereof I have set my
hand and affixed the seal of said court
at Newbern this Eleventh day of June AD 1836

J G Stanley CC

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Willy Meriwether one of the Executors named in the last will of Joseph Obernrether dec^r presented said will for probate and
Dabney McClellan one of the witnesses to said will being at the
July Term deposed fully as to the legal execution of said
will, whereupon it is ordered that said will be
established and the same be admitted to record

In the Name of God Amen

I Charles Meriwether of State of Alabama to
Craven County Knowing that it is appointed for man once to die
and being in perfect mind and memory do make and ordain
this my last will & Testament Item 1^o I give and devise to
my son James Obernrether a negroe man named Jack to him his
heirs and assigns forever, also I give unto my son Williamson Obernrether
a negroe man named Alex to him his heirs and assigns forever
also I give to my son John Obernrether a negroe boy called Little Bob
to him his heirs and assigns forever, also I give to my daughter Elizabeth
a negroe girl called Walter to her her heirs and assigns forever

Item 2^o The balance of my negroes I wish to be appraised by three
or four disinterested persons and be divided into ten equal lots and be
drawn for and the lot that may be drawn for my daughter Sarah to
Wolstenholme dec^r I wish to be kept in the hands of my Executors for
the use of the heirs of my deceased daughter, and as they become of
age or get married each one so becoming of age or getting married
shall be entitled to draw its share

Item 3^o It is my wish & desire that my Sons James Obernrether
Williamson Obernrether and John Obernrether shall each have one
hundred Dollars to purchase them a horse apiece

Item 4^o It is also my wish that those of my children that do
not grow up to bed shall have one.

Item 5^o It is my wish and desire that Walter Obernrether shall
keep the half quarter of land upon which he now lives if he
may choose to do so by accounting to my estate for the purchase
Money five hundred and fifty dollars

Item 6^o It is my wish that the balance of my land including my build
ings be sold to the highest bidder upon a twelve month credit, provided
Walter Obernrether should not wish to keep the half quarter of land
upon which he lives that it shall be sold with the above land

Item 7^o It is my wish and desire that all the rest of my property
that is to say my house hold and kitchen furniture my Stock of all
kinds except my Green Horse shall be sold upon a twelve month
credit

Item 8^o It is my wish and desire that my Sister Judith
Conner shall have my Green Horse

Item 9^o It is my wish and desire after my just debts are paid
that the balance be equally divided among my children

between my two sons William Jones and James Obernrether

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Item 10. It is my wish and desire that my executors shew
cause a vault to be contructed for me including the grave of
my wife to be neatly covered in
Lastly, I do hereunto appoint and ordain my three Sons
Willis Meriwether, Walter L Meriwether and James W Meriwether
Executors to this my last will & testament. In witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 16th day of July in the
year of our Lord 1836 - Joseph Meriwether Esq.

Signed, sealed, published and declared
as and for last will & testament of the
above named Joseph Meriwether in
presence of us

D McGehee Jr.
Esther McGehee Mrs.
Mary A. Gearey Esq.

The State of Alabama, Orphans Court Regular term beginning held at
Greene County 1st Court House in Cane on the 11th day of November
Present the Hon Wm D Scott judge of said court

I Isaac Brown of Greene County Alabama, being of
sound & disposing mind but calling to mind the uncertainty of
this life, and from th' affection and esteem I have for my beloved
Wives wife and children do make this my last will & by the first
will place I wish all lawful debts to be punctually paid and after
such measure is gone into performed, the balance of my estate
both real & personal it is my particular desire & especially request
for it of all and every kind and description of property to be and remain
in the possession of my beloved wife Nancy C Brown during
her life and at her Nancy C Browns death to be left estate
real & personal to be equally divided among my children
except a grand son by name William Jones Brown the reputed
son of William C Brown deceased to the amount of two
sons William Jones & William Walton dollars and from th' said wife
of th' testator and probate of my friend John W Smith
hereby constitute, appoint and make him my Executor to
this my last will & testament revoking all others
written with my own hand and affix my seal
hereunto this 22nd day of May ad 1836

Witness,

Isaac Brown Esq

I David W Rainey of Greene County Alabama being sick
of body but of sound mind, and being desirous to dispose of all
the Mortality Estate and effects of my life I am desirous to
make my last will & testament as follows,
In the first place I give my last will & testament as follows,
trust of land which now lies on in Greene County containing
about one hundred acres to my brother Tolman Rainey
and my brother in law Stephen May to be held and possessed
by them jointly and severally in the simple
In the second place I give and bequeath all my wages
to my said brother Tolman Rainey and my brother in law
Stephen May to be equally divided between them
In the third place I wish the residue of my Estate
after paying all my just debts to be equally divided
between my said brother Tolman and the said Stephen
May, I In the last place I appoint my friends
Johns Hill and James Gentry Executors of this my
last will & testament made this 12th day of
October 1836 -

Signed and published in
presence of
Wm G Jones
George Chapman
Mr R Garrett,

D W Rainey

In the name of God Amen,
I Thomas W Jones of the State of Alabama County of Greene
being in low health, but in perfect mind & memory, before God
for the same, do this the 29th day of July 1836 make and publish
this my last will & testament in manner following, that is to say
firstly it is my will & desire to give my soul to God and my
body to the earth. Secondly my will & desire is all of
my just debts to be paid out of my Estate, also my will desire
is that my body to be buried in a Christian like manner
by my friends who I shall leave behind, fourthly I give
and bequeath unto my beloved Sister Julia W Jones
one negro man named Washier to her and her heirs forever
in witness whereof I the said Thomas W Jones have to this
my last will & testament set my hand and seal the day
and year above written

Thomas W Jones Esq

Witness
William Jones
William Walton
John W Walton

Approving my two sons William Jones and James W Jones

In the name of God, Amen, I Penelope Cherry, of the County of Greene (and State of Alabama), being of sound mind disposing Memory, do make, ordain, declare and publish this my last Will Testament in manner and form following, to wit, In the first place I do give and bequeath unto my beloved son George R Cherry, my boy named Isaac & my metal clock to have & to hold unto him this, his, forever. In the second place I do give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Bythenia P Cherry, my boy named Abram to have and to hold unto her, her, forever, In the third place I do hereby give and bequeath to Harry Briggs my girl named Olive about eighteen months old, to hold in trust for my daughter Thurgia M Briggs, wife of Samuel G Briggs, and upon the trusts to the intent & in the manner following, to wit, that the said negro girl shall at all times remain in the custody and under the charge & control of my said daughter Thurgia &c. That the said Thurgia M shall have the use, rents & profits thereof for her own benefit & that the said trustee shall convey to such person or persons at such time & such uses as the said Thurgia &c. shall in writing under her hand direct, and in case of his death or refusal to act that the said Thurgia &c. shall be at liberty to choose a trustee in this place and so on thereafter so often as the said trustee may refuse to act or may die, the said trustee failing his acceptance of said trust in the office of the Clerk of the County Court of Greene County, the said girl to be also subject to the disposition of the said Thurgia expressed by last will and testament.

In the fourth place I do give and bequeath to three of my children who are now unmarried, to wit, George R, Bythenia P Willis H, Rebecca E and Sarah, all the residue remainder of my property or estate of every nature or description, And it is my Will that if the same can be done, the said children shall remain together upon the plantation & that the said property here last mentioned should be kept together used and enjoyed by them for their maintenance & support and that as they become of age, or are separated, of that event should take place that then & thenceforward a division of the same should take place in the fifth place, I desire that all my just debts should be paid & satisfied from the cash growing at the time of my decease, and as my son in law Sam'l G Briggs has contributed his time and labor to the growth of the crop growing upon the land at the date thereof I desire that in case my death should take place before he shall have received his portion of the same, that after the payment of my debts as aforesaid the remainder of the proceeds of said crop shall belong to him lastly I do appoint William L Daffey of Greene County to be the -

Executor of this my last will & testament

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 1st day of September A.D. 1836, and do hereby declare and publish in the presence of those whose names are hereunto signed this to be my last will and testament

Signed sealed published and declared by the said testator as his last will and testament in the presence of us who at her request and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names

Penelope Cherry Test^d
Mary Watson
D G Briggs
Arthur Arrington

I, Elihu P Wood of the County of Greene in the State of Alabama do hereby declare the following to be and contain my only true & lawful last will & testament -

Item the first, It is my Will and I do hereby desire and declare that my Executor herein after named & appointed, shall have full and complete power to sell and dispose of, either by private contract or at public Auction as he may think best the entire body, tract or parcels of land which I now have and reside in the County of Greene or such terms as he or my said Executor may deem most proper and conducive to the interest of my Estate, and to secure the payment of the purchase money for said land, by Mortgage, Deed of trust or personal security as he shall think most safe & expedient.

And I hereby authorize and empower my said Executor to make and execute any contract in writing for the sale of said land, to enter into bond for title thereto, & to make to the purchaser or purchasers a full and perfect deed for the same; and in the event that my said Executor shall sell and dispose of my said land, I hereby authorize, empower & require him to vest the whole of the net proceeds of the sale thereof or such a part as may seem to him best in other lands, such as my land by an instrument in writing signed by his shall approve, for the benefit of my wife and children - the title to be taken in our manner as will best in my wife and children, severally and respectively the farm Estate, right & property that they would be entitled to by law in the lands I now own.

Item my two sons (lived & died) James M. Bone

Were I to die without making any will or devise thereof
whatever - Then the same & the entire balance of my
estate not herein or hereby expressly disposed of I will
and desire shall go and be disposed of and administered
upon by my said Executor according to the general
law of administration & distribution as if I had
made no will whatever of any part of my estate.
Finally, I hereby appoint Robert W. Kennedy
Executor of this my last will & testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and affixed my seal the 12th day of
January A.D. 1836
Signed, sealed, published &
declared in presence of } E. B. Wood Esq.
Patrick May
Henry Wilson
George McFarland,

The State of Habersham Orphans Court the term of the 2nd Monday
Green County 3rd November 1836 being the 14th day of said month.

Issue in
McCollins
will case

In the Matter of the last will & testament of James Collins
late deceased
And Amos Travis junior and Henry Williams Executors
of the last will & testament of James Collins dec'd now appear
and being into open Court here for protest and for record the
last will & testament of James Collins dec'd, and aver and
say that the same is the last will & testament of the
said James Collins late dec'd duly executed as such according
to law.

Murphy & Jones Atts for
Executors &c

And now Joshua Collins, James Collins, Sam'l Porter and Mrs
Nimmons heirs and distributees of James Collins dec'd now appear
by counsel say that the said writing here introduced into Court
is not the last will & testament of said James Collins dec'd and
of this they put themselves upon the court by

Percy & Watson
for Defts

And the Executors do likewise

Murphy & Jones,
Atts for Execs

Order

The State of Habersham Orphans Court regular term begun and held
Greene County 3 at the court house of said county on the 14th day
of November in the year One thousand eight hundred and
thirty six, present the Hon'ble W. B. Steel, Judge of said court,

Amos Travis Jr & Henry Williams executors
determined the last will & testament of
of James Collins dec'd. Sam'l Collins his son and the same being
contested, it was by the court ordered
Joshua Collins et al that a jury of twelve good & lawful
men be summoned to appear at this term of the court to
try the validity of said will. Whereupon came the
following Jury to wit, James McDaniel, Andrew Walker,
James H. Dossin, Joel Richardson, Willis Pollard, Mrs
McAlpin, Drury G. Smith, John Embank, S. Reynolds
Bynum, Colvin, John F. Spring and Thomas Pope who being
impanealed swore well & truly to enquire whether
or not said will be a valid one, do upon their oaths
say that they find in favor of said will, It is
therefore considered by the court that said will
be established and admitted to probate —

In the Name of God, Amen, I James Collins do, of
the state of Georgia and County of Greene being sick, but of
sound mind and perfect memory, thanks be to god for the
same, at this 17th day of June and in the year of our
Lord One thousand eight hundred & thirty six, make publish
and ordain this my last will and testament in manner following
to wit, first I give to my beloved wife whose names simply
and a son named Jack and all my Stock of hogs and cattle two
ploughs, and Gearow, two beds and furniture, and all the balance
of my household & kitchen furniture I gave to her to be at
her disposal forever, and the east half quarter of section fifteen
and town ship twenty two and of orange four east during her natural
life and at her death to my son Clifton Collins and also
to my son Clifton Collins the south half of the same quarter
section of land, and all the balance of my property to be sold
on twelve months credit and the money arising therefrom to be
equally divided between all my lawful heirs and I appoint
my worthy friends Amos Travis Jr and Henry Williams my executors
to this my last will and testament, signed sealed and delivered in presence
of us who were present at the time of sealing and assigning the same
the year and date above written, furthermore all my just debts to
I. O. Medecor } be paid out of the above mentioned money
Amos Travis Son } and then an equal distribution between all my
heirs Jas' Collins, Whitehead, } See Collins, son of Jas' Collins, son of Jas' Collins

The State of Alabama Orphan Court June term, 12th Jan 1837
Greene County I present th Hn Wm P. Smith, judge of said court

On the 10th day of last doings one testament of Mr. W. Wardlaw
by Mr. L Wardlaw and the Court proceeded to examine E. Smith
Mr. Wardlaw's Subscribing witness there to, touching the legal execution of said
will, and being fully satisfied from his testimony, It is
ordered that said will be received, established & recorded

State of Alabama

Greene County In the name of God amen, I William
Wardlaw of the State and County above mentioned, being in
good health, but in my proper mind, and having my
natural senses, do this day make and constitute this my last will
and testament, hereby making all former wills by me made void,

In the first place it is my wish and desire that all of
my just debts shall be paid -

It is my wish that my wife Nancy Wardlaw shall have
and possess all of my property both real and personal so long as
she shall live, and at her death to be equally divided amongst
my children, William Wardlaw, Elizabeth Wardlaw, Scindia
Wardlaw, Addison Wardlaw, Mary Wardlaw, Jane Wardlaw
John Wardlaw

It is my wish that after my death my executor shall cause
a neat plain Coffin to be constructed for me and have me decently
interred -

And lastly I appoint my son William Wardlaw my
Executor to this my last will and testament. In testimony
whereof I hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this
day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and thirty six

E. Smith

W^r L Wardlaw
Marg^t W^r X Stephen^s

W^r M Wardlaw

The State of Alabama Orphan Court Regular term, began the 1st
Greene County Oct the Court House in said County on the 14th day
of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and
thirty six. Present the Hon Wm P. Smith, judge of said court,

This day Elizabeth Rhodes presented the last will & Testament
of her deceased husband Bryan Rhodes for probate & Thomas Rhodes
B. Rhodes & Bryan Lee the subscribing witnesses thereto being duly sworn deposed
will fully as to the legal execution thereof, whereupon it was ordered
by the Court that said will be admitted to probate as a will of
the personal Estate of said decedent -

State of Alabama Greene County September six, in the year
of our lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six,
Will I know all whom it may concern that I Bryan Rhodes of
the County and State aforesaid do make this my last will
and testament that my wife Elizabeth Rhodes may keep and
hold the whole of my estate both real & personal together for the
benefit of herself and my children during her natural life
or widowhood, and that she the said Elizabeth Rhodes may
have hold and keep all of my property together after her de-
cease for the purpose of the education and maintenance
of my children together with her own benefit during her
life or widowhood and at the decease of the said
Elizabeth Rhodes, the whole of the property that she may
hold in fee simple be equally divided amongst her bodily heirs
at test; Thomas Rhodes, Bryan Rhodes, and
Brian Lee -

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The State of Alabama } Orphans' Court held at the Court House,
Greene County } Eric the 11th day of January 1836. Present
the Hon^r Wm D^r Stael Judge of said Court,

The last will and testament of Margaret Buchanan deceased being presented to the Court for probate thereof by Elizabeth Ashe the Executrix therein named, and to whom notice hereof issued to the heirs having been executed the Court proceeded to swear the witnesses thereto & to examine them fully satisfied from such examination. It is ordered that said will be established and recorded as the last will and testament of said decedent.

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Margaret Buchanan, of the County of Greene and State of Alabama being of sound and disposing mind & memory do make and ordain this to be my last will & Testament as follows. First, I give devise & bequeath unto Mrs. Elizabeth Ashe of the town of Greensborough in the County aforesaid (to take effect at my death) all my negroes, viz Vann, Alfie, Nancy, Mary and Hall; also my dwelling house and the ground appertaining thereto and connected therewith situated in the town of Greensborough being the place where Mrs. Elizabeth Ashe now resides together with all the buildings, and improvements appertaining to the same; also all children that may at any time be born of the aforesaid negroes whether born before or after my death, also all property, money, debts, money thing off whatever description which I may own at the time of my decease. To have and to hold all the aforesaid property both real and personal from & immediately after my death, unto the aforesaid Elizabeth Ashe her heirs Executors, administrators and assigns forever.

Second, I revoke all wills by me heretofore made, particularly one formerly made by me giving my property to John H. Hills, and thereby nominate and appoint the aforesaid Elizabeth Ashe Executrix of this my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 16 day of October 1834.

Margaret A. Buchanan

Signed, sealed, published & declared by
Margaret Buchanan as to her last.

Will & Testament in our presence, we subscribing our names at
her request in her presence & in the presence of each other
at Beck
Mary Beck
Seth J. Ashe

The State of Alabama } Orphans' Court July term held at Eric the
Greene County } 13th day of July 1835. Present the 3rd Con
Wm D^r Stael Judge of said Court,

This day Robert Morrow & James Means presented the Will of Margaret Means deceased, for probate and registration. And it appearing to the Court that the Notices aforesaid have been regularly executed on all the heirs in this State, and William Dabill one of the witnesses to said will having been duly sworn deposed fully to the execution of said will. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said will be established recorded and registered, but no proof being made as to the supplement or codicil the same is rejected.

In the Name of God, Amen.

I, Margaret Means of the County of Greene and State of Alabama being of sound mind & memory do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following.

First, I resign my soul to God who gave it and my body I commit to the Earth to be decently but plainly buried by executors hereinafter named and worldly Estate I give & devise as follows, Item 1. I do give and bequeath to my Son William Means One hundred & fifty dollars, 2^d I do give and bequeath to my daughter Jane May one negro girl named Ardeline to her the above said Jane May and the lawful begotten heirs of her body to forever at her valuation, and if she is valued at more than her part or dividend of the Estate as hereafter devised She shall pay back the overplus, 3rd I do give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy Archibald and the lawful begotten heirs of her body forever, one negro girl named Abby at her valuation, and if she is valued to more than her part or dividend of said Estate She shall pay back the overplus, 4th I do give and bequeath to my Son Thomas Means, and the lawful begotten heirs of his body one negro boy named Jack for ever, 5th I do give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Archibald and the lawful begotten heirs of her body one negro girl named Harriet at her valuation and if she is valued to more than her part or dividend She shall pay back to said Estate the overplus, 6th I do give and bequeath to my Son James Means two hundred Dollars \$200, 7th I do give and bequeath to my Son in law Anthony Storey and Margaret wife my plantations of land adjoining

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Said Slavery, 8th I do give and bequeath to Elizabeth Kennedy
my daughter and to the lawful begotten heirs of her body
forever, one negro girl named Sylvina at her valuation, and
if she is valued to more than her part or division of said
Estate she shall pay the overplus back to said Estate,
9th I do give and bequeath to my son in law Robert
Morrow and Eleanor his wife, Cash amounting to an equal
part of my estate

10th Also my will further is that all those negroes before
mentioned be valued and each legatee to whom they are
named take them at their valuation, and after allowing
first debts and funeral charges and legacies are paid
then the net amount of said Estate be equally divided
amongst those who have not specified sums of Money
or property willed to them, furthermore my will is
that my old negry woman Pat shall live with
whom she may choose of my children, and in case
she should become helpless and a charge that my
son Thomas Means shall take care of her.

I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Thomas
Means and Robert Morrow to execute this my last

Will and testament
Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said testatrix, as, and for her last
will and testament in presence of us, who
have subscribed our names as witnesses
this the 17th day of September in the year
of our Lord One thousand eight hundred
and thirty three and in the fifty eighth
of the independence of the United States
of America

John Parrott
W.C. Cottier
Thomas Wilson

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The State of Alabama } Orphans Court Regular term July 10th 1837
Greene County } Present the Hon. W.C. Cottier, Judge of said Court

This day the last Will and Testament of Woodliff Beville
deceased was presented by Thomas L. Beville the Executor named
in Said Will, and the Court being satisfied that the heirs have
had notice to appear and show cause why the same should not
be admitted to probate registration, and no objections being offered
the Court proceeded to examine John B. Collins one of the Subscribing
Witnesses thereto touching the legal execution of said will, and
being fully satisfied from his testimony "It is ordered
that said Will be reviewed established recorded —

The State of Alabama }

Greene County } Know all men by these presents that I Woodliff
Beville of the County and State aforesaid, being in my right mind,
but laboring under a complaint of declining health, feel it a duty
to my family to make an equal and fair division of my effects
and property. Viz., to my beloved wife Judith Beville I bequeath
to her to have her third of my property during her natural life
after that, it is to be divided equally amongst all my legal
heirs — the rest of my property to be equally divided amongst
my legal heirs, each of the heirs that have received anything
from me is to be considered as a part of their Share, and to be
taken out of their share and all made equal — all my just debts
must be paid before any division is made, and the part or share that
will be coming to my daughter Sarah, now Sarah Roberts is to
be placed in the hands of a Trustee to manage the same for her
own use and the use of her children, and no person or persons is
to deprive the said Sarah Roberts and her children of the use
of the said property or any part thereof, and I do hereby appoint
my son Thomas L. Beville to be Trustee for the said Sarah Roberts
and her children, and I give him full power to act in all
cases for the interest of the said Sarah Roberts and children
and for the security of her share of my Estate, my daughter
Sarah Roberts has received three negroes, viz., one woman
named Abby, one boy named John and a girl named Lucy,
my daughter Mary J. Broke has received six negroes viz., one
woman named Vesty, boy Abram, girl Mary Jane, and boys Mark Stephen
and Amistead, my daughter Ann M. Days one negro girl named Judy
and my son Thomas L. Beville, his negroes viz., a man named Rose
and a girl named Anna, and one Horse at two hundred dollars
all of which is to be included in their respective shares, All the
Household and Kitchen furniture is to remain in the hands of my wife
Judith Beville for the use of the family, and not to be taken out

of her profession during her natural life, and at her death
she may dispose of it as she may think proper
All the property that I have given to my daughters
or what they are to receive is for their own use and
not to be taken from them by any person or persons
whatever, the same is considered by me as a part
of the household furniture =
Should the children of my daughter Mary S. Brooke
make claim for the value of negroes that was sold
by the Sheriff of Madison County Alabama, to pay a
debt of their father Edward P. Brooke, then it is my
Wish that the Amount of said claim should come
out of the Share of my Estate herein bequeathed
to the said Mary S. Brooke, and the said Share
of property to be held under Guardianship of
Thomas P. Beville until the said Children shall
relinquish their Claim. In case my Sons cannot
be divided so as to form a Settlement for each of
my heirs (believing that it will be too small to make
a Settlement for each of them) then I wish the same
to be sold, and the proceeds of the same equally
divided amongst the heirs in accordance with this
my will. I hereby appoint Thomas P. Beville to
be my Executor, and he is fully authorized to
act as such to this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my hand
and seal this first day of May 1837
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Signed, sealed & delivered
in the presence of
William McDowell
(William D. Coldingworth)
John N. B. Collins

The State of Alabama). A Special Orphans Court was begun in
Greene County and held in the town of affres and a little
Court House on the 5th day of February 1836 presiding
Mr. B. Sturt Judge of said Court

John Jones Counter of Contested Will
John W. Fleming dec'd
vs.
Shimer Fleming et al being formed and joined after
the wife of said decedent therupong came the follow
ing day to wit, Joshua T. Brown, Absalom Foster
Matthew Barnet, Kelly C. Nobley, East Simpson
John Embree, Thomas Pantlett, Robt. Morrison
Sol Lipscomb, Martin Tracy, Rev. H. Cannethan
& Mr. Bellmont, who being duly elected, tried & sworn
well & truly to try the issue joined, were discharged
by the defendant. In withdrawing this from the Court
being fully satisfied of the validity of said will
from the testimony of the witnesses thereto, ordered
that the same be received established as the
last will and testament of said decedent and
recorded as such.

The State of Alabama). In the name of God Amen,
Greene County, I John W. Fleming being of sound mind
and memory, doth know that death is the common lot of all
men to make and constitute this to be my last will & testament
to wit, first, I do for the natural love and affection which
I bear and have unto my beloved Mother Lucy Fleming give and
bequeath unto her two negroes to wit a negroe man Spencer
Hewman Jane, and if in case of the death of Jane then she
shall have the value of said Jane say four to five hundred
and dollars, - Second, I do for the natural love & affection which
I bear unto Mary Ann Fostor daughter of John
Fostor of Tuscaloosa County Alabama my beloved friend
gives and bequeath unto her a negroe girl name Becky
the daughter of Ben and yellow Lucy
Third, I do for the natural love and affection which I bear
unto Francis Fostor daughter of my beloved friend John
Fostor of Tuscaloosa County give and bequeath unto her a
negroe girl by the name of Franky
Fourth, I do for the natural love and affection which I bear
unto my beloved brother Shimer J. Fleming give bequeath
unto him Two thousand dollars in Money to be made out
of my Estate - Fifth - And after all my just debts are

fully paid & satisfied, I do give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary C Fleming all the balance of my Estate both real and personal & of every description whatsoever which I am now possessed, And lastly I do by these presents constitute and appoint John Jones on the Appia Ridge in Greene County Alabama and Daniel M Riggs of the town of Tuscaloosa who are my respected friends my lawful Executors to carry into effect this my last will and testament.

In testimony of which I do hereunto subscribe my name and affix my seal in Greene County on this thirty first day of August A.D. One thousand eight hundred and thirty four

Signed sealed & attested by John W Fleming

in the presence of us as
Witnesses
Philis Edwards
Hopping Rice
Mrs Davis
Cawthronson

S. H. Bell
In the name of God Amen, I John Bell of the County of Greene and State of Alabama, do make and ordain to my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say. After the payment of all my just debts, I give unto my wife Elizabeth R Bell all my estate both real and personal, for and during the term of her natural life to be by her disposed of as she may think proper, and after her death to such of my children or to such persons as she may be by will appoint. Lastly I constitute my said wife Executrix of this my last will and testament and request that my friend Matthew Hobson will assist her in the management of my estate. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 30th day of August 1837 Jno. Bell

Signed sealed published and declared in presence of

Robt. Waller,
Hugh McCann
West A Mellon

The State of Alabama Orphans Court Regular term
Greene County 3 Sept 1837 Present The
Hon. Wm. B. Thrasher Judge of said Court.
This day the last Will and Testament of John Bell dec'd was presented by Elizabeth Bell the Executrix named in said Will, and the Court being satisfied that the heirs have had legal notice to appear and shew cause, why the same shall not be admitted to probate & Registration, and no objection being offered, the Court proceed to examine on oath West A Mellon one of the subscribing witnesses thereto touching the legal execution of said Will and being fully satisfied from his testimony, It is therefore Ordained that said Will be received, established and Recorded

Attest. H. C. Price Esq Clerk

B. H.
Richards
Will

The State of Alabama I Benjamin H. Richards of Greene County & Elizur Greene County Alabama do make ordain and publish this as my last Will and testament, hereby revoking all other wills made by me at any time heretofore. Item I give and devise all and bequeath all my estate property and effects of every description, whether real or personal wherever the same

may be situated (after all my just debts are paid) to my beloved wife Elizabeth S. Pritchard, to be held by her in fee simple and absolutely forever. I do hereby nominate and appoint my friend Henry S. Mason of Greene County sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this Eleventh day of November, in the year of our Lord 1837. Signed, Sealed, and published in presence of us - - - - -

Wm G Jones
James Dovish
J. C. Locke

The State of Alabama, Cap-haus Court, Special Term
Greene County, December 4th, 1837, Present
The Honourable William H. Street Judge of said Court.

This day came into Court Henry S. Mason the executor named in the last will and testament of H. H. Pritchard, dec'd and presented the same for probate and registration. And it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that there are no relatives of said decedent, living within the jurisdiction of this Court, except the widow of said decedent and she waiving all notice, the Court proceeded to examine James Dovish and William G. Jones two of the Subscribing witnesses thereto, on oath, touching the legal execution of said Will, and being fully satisfied from their testimony, It is ordered that said Will be received established and recorded.

Attest. H. Fredecor Clerk

Will

In the name of God, Amen; I Jane Goodwyn of the County of Greene and State of Alabama, being frail in body, but of sound and disposing mind and memory do make declare and publish this my last Will and Testament, to wit. First. It is my will and desire that all my just debts should be paid, as soon after my decease as practicable, out of the money & notes, which I may have on hand, at the time of my death, and should the money and notes on hand be insufficient to pay the same, it is my desire that all my personal property (except my negroes) be sold upon a credit of six months, and the proceeds of such sale, as soon as collected be appropriated to the payment of my debts. And in case it should not

be necessary to sell any part of my personal property to pay my just debts. Yet it is my will and desire, that all my personal property (except my negroes) should be exposed to sale, at public Auction, and upon a credit of six months, as soon as a probate can be had of my Will, and an order can be obtained from a Court authorized to make the same permitting a sale thereof. Second. It is my will and desire, that my real estate be sold at public outcry and upon a credit of two or three months, as early after my death as is practicable. Third. I give and bequeath unto my beloved son William S. Goodwyn, for and during his natural life, and after his death to the heirs of his body, the following negro slaves to-wit, Ned, Molly, Seaborn, Tom and Ben, (son of Mason). Fourth. I give and bequeath unto my beloved son AlWilliam S. Goodwyn, his heirs and assigns forever, one half of the proceeds of my estate, arising from the sale of my real and personal property, as hereinbefore directed, and from the debts due me, after the payment of all my just debts as aforesaid, and the expences incident to the settlement of my estate, and the execution of my last Will and Testament. Fifth. I give and bequeath to my granddaughter Jane Elizabeth Bell, her heirs and assigns forever a negro child named Mary, (daughter of Lucy) Sixth, I will and bequeath unto John J. Bell in trust for his wife Elizabeth N. Bell for and during her natural life, and after her death, to the heirs of her body, the negro woman named Lucy and her increase, also one half of the proceeds of my estate, arising from the sale of my real and personal property as hereinbefore directed, and from the debts due me, after the payment of all my just debts, and the expences incident to the settlement of my estate, and the execution of my last Will and testament. And it is further my will and desire, that the property disposed of in this clause of my Will, should not be given up, to my trustee John J. Bell until he enters into Bond and good security to the then Judge of the Orphans Court, and his successors in office, in sum at least double of the fair valuation of the amount of property, herein bequeathed at my death, such Bond to be approved by said Judge and the same conditioned, for the faithful performance of the trust herein committed to him, and in case my said trustee should refuse, upon due notice, to comply with the requisitions herein before mentioned. It is my will and desire, that the Orphans Court appoint a

trustee who will comply with such requisitions, to carry
and trust into execution. Thereupon and lastly I do hereby
appoint and constitute my friends Robert Dickens
and Thomas M Johnson my executors to carry into effect
this my last will and testament, In Testimony
whereof, revoking all other wills by me at any time
heretofore made, I have hereunto set my hand and
affixed my seal this the 23rd day of December A.D.
1835.

I signed Sealed and published *John Godwyn*
in presence of us *M E Smith*
intertined before signed with the words "such judge"
J. C. Gillespie

John Nelson

Montford of Attala

I give & bequeath to Elizabeth Bell wife of John D Bell
my negro boy Tom, upon the same trust as contained in
the sixth clause of my will, to the said Elizabeth Bell
and the issue of her body forever, the said Boy Tom
is the same as mentioned in the third clause of my will
And I do hereby publish this as a codicil to my said
will. this 6th Decr. 1837,

intertined with "forever")

Published & declared

In presence of us *M E Smith*

Patsy L R Briggs

Matthew McGehee

Charlotte Street,

The State of Alabama, Capitols Court, Regular,
Green County 3 Term, December 11th 1837.

Before The Honorable Wm. H. Eller, Judge of said Court.

This day the last will and testament of Jane Godwyn
was presented by Robert Dickens one of the executors
named in said will, and the heirs at law waiving
all notice, the Court proceeded to examine Montford
Street on oath one of the subscribing witnesses thereto,
touching the legal execution and being fully satisfied
from his testimony, It is ordered that said will
be received established and recorded.

Attest *J. C. Frederic Clark*

I Sarah Holmes of the County of Wayne and State of North
Carolina, being of sound disposing mind and memory, but
considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make
and declare this my last will and testament in manner
and form following, that is to say, First that my executors
(hereinafter named) shall provide for my body a decent
burial suitable to the worth of my relatives and friends,
and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts
however and to whomsoever owing out of the money that
may first come into their hands as a part or parcel of
my estate, Item, I give and bequeath to my daughter
Anne Roberts, the sum of fifty cents, and no more to her
heirs and assigns forever, Item, I give and bequeath
to my daughter Susan Gully fifty cents and no more,
to her heirs and assigns forever, Item, I give and
bequeath to my son Frederick Holmes fifty cents and
no more, to him his heirs and assigns forever, Item,
It is my will and desire that my estate (except what
is herein after named) shall be equally divided be-
tween my eight children, viz Bryan, Charles, Lorin,
Willis, James, John, Mary and Sarah Holmes. It is
further my will and desire that my negro girl Dinah
be given to my son John Holmes in the division, and
if she is valued at more than his equitable share,
that he refund to the others for equality in distribution
It is also my will and desire that my negro girl
Clara be given to my daughter Sarah Holmes, and to
the heirs of her body, and if she is valued at more than
her equitable share, that she refund to the others for
equality in distribution, Item, I give and bequeath
to my two daughters Mary and Sarah Holmes, one
good house to them their heirs forever, Item I give and
bequeath to my son Willis Holmes one bed and furniture
his heirs and assigns forever, Item, It is also my will
and desire my negroes Homer and Tener, together with
my stock of all kinds, plantation tools, household and
kitchen furniture and all my perishable estate to be sold
and the money divided between the above named eight
children equally. It is my will and desire that neither
of the above named eight children viz Bryan, Charles,
Willis, James, John, Mary and Sarah Holmes die without issue
or an heir of their body that their share shall be equally
divided between the survivors excluding my daughter Anne
Roberts and Susan Gully and my son Frederick Holmes from
any part thereof. And lastly I do hereby constitute and
appoint my two sons Willis Holmes and James M Holmes

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my lawful successors to all intents and purposes, to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof, hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made; In witness whereof I the said Sarah Hines do hereunto set my hand and seal this signed sealed published and
declared by the said Sarah Hines to be her last will and
testament in presence of us, who
at her request in her presence and
in the presence of each other do
subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

Abner Grady
Samuel Loftin

Sarah Hines Seal
made

The State of Alabama
Greene County Orphans Court Regular
Term Monday January 8th 1838, Present The
Honorable William B. Street Judge of said Court,
This day the last will and testament of Sarah
Hines deceased, was presented to the court, together
with the commission directed to Willis Peppin and
John Broadhurst, the Commissioners heretofore ap-
pointed by order of this court to take the depositions
of Abner Grady and Samuel Loftin, the subscribing
witnesses to said will, and also the depositions
accompanying said will, and it appearing to the
satisfaction of the court from the depositions taken
as aforesaid that said will was duly executed and
acknowledged by said decedent, it is therefore or-
dered that said will be received confirmed and record.

Attest
H. Fredocor Clerk

Will

of
Kittrell

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State of Alabama
Greene County In the name of God Amen, I, Bryant Kittrell of the State and County aforesaid, being of sound mind and memory, make and ordain this my last will and Testament in the manner following: Art 1st Article first, I will and bequeath to my wife Mary Kittrell the tract of land upon which I now reside or such as I may die possessed of during her natural life or widowhood, at the expiration of either, I will and desire that it be sold and the proceeds arising therefrom be equally divided between my children Jonathan Kittrell, Pleasant Kittrell, Sarah Price, William Kittrell and Mary B. Kittrell, or their heirs. Likewise will and bequeath to my wife Mary Kittrell the following negro slaves, during her natural life or widowhood, her son & wife, George, Romeo and Ruth his wife and Sloop, Nine, Sam and Frances, should she marry or after her death, I then desire that they be equally divided among my children, or their heirs, I further bequeath to my wife Mary Kittrell as above one half of all the stock I may die possessed of, such as horses, mules, cattle hogs &c and at her death or marriage to be equally divided among my children or their heirs, I further will I desire that out of the crop I may have on hand at my death that a sufficiency be set apart for the support of my wife Mary Kittrell and my daughter Mary B. Kittrell for one year and the remaining part of said crop to be sold and the proceeds arising therefrom be equally divided between my above named children or their heirs, I further desire that my wife Mary Kittrell have all of the household and kitchen furniture I may die possessed of and after her death the same to descend to my daughter Mary B. Kittrell, and at her death or marriage to be sold and the proceeds equally divided among my children as above named or their heirs. Art 2^d I will and bequeath to my daughter Mary B. Kittrell a negro girl named Frances, which she is to receive at the death of my wife Mary Kittrell or at any time my wife may think proper to give her after my death, and I further desire that my daughter Mary B. Kittrell have quiet and peaceable possession the houses as a home which I now occupy, and as much of the plantation as may be necessary for her support during the time she lives single and after her marriage she only claims as a legatee in my estate, Art 3^d Should there be more land than could be cultivated to advantage for the use of my wife Mary Kittrell and my daughter Mary B. Kittrell, I desire that

the remainder to be vested to the highest bidder from year to year and the proceeds thereof to be equally divided among my children or their heirs. Art 4. I will and bequeath to my son William Kettrell a negro of the value of seven hundred dollars which negro I wish my executors to purchase and deliver as soon as convenient after my death; Art 5. I will and bequeath the following negro slaves (viz) Mary, Squire, Lucinda, Peggy, and Eliza and such others as I may die in possession or valued and equally divided among my children Jonathan Kettrell Pleasant Kettrell, Sarah Power, William Kettrell and Mary M. Kettrell or their heirs. Art 6. I wish all the moneys I have on hand or due me by note or otherwise after my lawful debts are paid to be divided equally between my wife Mary Kettrell and my above mentioned children or their heirs. Art 7. I desire that all the property either real or personal that I may die in possession of, undisposed of in this my last will and testament be sold after my death and the proceeds equally divided between my wife and my above named children or their heirs. Lastly, I constitute and appoint my son in law Longton Grace and my son Pleasant H. Kettrell Executors to this my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this 14th day of October 1836.

Test
Almarin H. Williford
Samuel Callaway
Jesse M. Callaway

The State of Alabama Orphans Court Regular Term Greene County B Monday January 8th 1838 present The Honourable William H. Street Judge of said Court This day the last will and testament of Bryant Kettrell was presented for probate, and the widow and heirs all being of age, and having waived all notice & the presentation of said will, the court proceeded to examine Almarin H. Williford one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, on oath touching the legal execution of said will, and being fully satisfied from his testimony. It is therefore ordered that said will be received established and recorded.

Attest H. C. Predecor Clark

Will.
of
Samuel
Otterson.

In the name of God Amen, I Samuel Otterson of the State of Alabama & County of Greene being in good health and perfect mind & memory, blessed be god the father, do this second day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty seven, & the sixty first year of American Independence, make and publish this my last will & Testament in manner and form following, that is to say, Imprunus I command my soul into the hands of God who gave it me; my body to the earth to be buried in plain Christian like manner at the direction of my executors: & as for this worlds goods Testate wherewithal it has pleased God to bless me, I dispose thereof as follows, First, It is my will & desire that all my lawful debts be paid out of my estate, Second, I give & bequeath to my son in law Amos Lay one negro woman now in his possession named Tena together with all other property I ever put into his hands, Third It is my will and desire that each of my grandchildren by my daughter Sarah Lay viz. Elizabeth & Lay, Mary Ann Clinton, Thomas Gandy, James A. Lay, Uncle Little, Elizabeth Esters, Judy Hobbs, Jefco Lay, & Sarah Calay have fifty dollars paid them by my executors out of the proceeds of my estate, Fourth I give and bequeath to my daughter Rebecca Wright a negro woman named Lucia with all her increase excepting those otherwise disposed of & all other property I have ever put in hands, Fifth I give and bequeath to my daughter Ruth Otterson one negro man named Joseph and one negro woman named Charley & another named Alice & also another named Tena & her child named Ephraim & two feather beds & bedsteads & furniture & two cows & calves, also one negro man named William, Sixth I give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy Otterson a negro woman named Alice with her born children Miss Flemmen, Derry, Linda, Sampson, Jeremiah, Sarah & Mary & two feather beds & bedsteads & furniture & two cows & calves, Seventh, I give and bequeath to my daughters Ruth Otterson & Nancy Otterson jointly an equal right three pieces or parcels of land. They The west half of the south east quarter of section Eighteen, township Thorty three Range two East & the east half of the south west quarter of section Eighteen Township Thorty three Range two East: also my gray mare Fly & her two fillies & also one wagon & four pair of ge-

with as many of my farming utensils as may be necessary for their use, to be selected at the discretion of my executors & also all my stock of hogs, & also a supply of all things necessary for house keeping & provender for their stock until the time in which I am insuring after my decease, also all my household and kitchen furniture not otherwise disposed of. Eighth I give and bequeath to my son James Otterson a negro boy named Pleasant & his feather bed, bedstead and furniture. Nine cows & Calf I also apiece or parcel of land being the east half of the southeast quarter of section eighteen township twenty three Range two east, together with all other property that I have ever put into his possession, and believing as I do that the above named James is not of a sound mind, I hereby appoint my friends Henry Walker Esq. & R.M.B. Kennedy as his guardians, whose names signed by themselves at their own discretion, shall be necessary to transfer of any of the above named or described property from the personal use of the above named James. Ninth, I give and bequeath to my son in law Henry Walker & his wife Mary Walker, a negro woman named Hannah now in their possession, together with all her increase & all other property I have ever put into their possession Tenth I give & bequeath to my son in law Anthony Mayes & his wife Cynthia Mayes a negro woman named Ella, now in their possession, together with all her increase & all other property I have ever put into their possession. Eleventh, I give and bequeath to my son Thomas G. Otterson the sum of two hundred dollars, to be paid out of my estate, & also one note executed by him to me some time in the last year. Twelfth I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Savage the negro woman named Meriah to be for her only proper use & benefit & not transferable during her natural life, together with all other property I have ever put into her hands. Thirteenth I give and bequeath to my son Samuel Otterson six hundred dollars to be paid out of my estate & one feather bed & furniture with all other property I have ever put into his hands. Fourteenth I give and bequeath to my son John Otterson a negro man named Robert Honeyfeather bed, bedstead and furniture, & one cow & half with all other property I have ever put into his hands. Fifteenth I give and bequeath to my son in law Benjamin M. Johnson & his wife Mathean Johnson a negro woman named Eliza with all her increase,

now in their possession, and all other property I have ever put into their hands. Sixteenth I give & bequeath one hundred dollars for the support of the gospel in all Hebrew church to be apportioned in installments at the discretion of my executors. Seventeenth, It is my will and desire that any property owned by my executors their right being established, by the testimony of my son John Otterson or any other competent witness be appropriated to their individual use. Eighteenth, It is my will and desire that the following named property be exposed to sale by my executors according to law, viz a negro man named Washington & one piece or parcel of land, viz the west half of the north west quarter of section Nineteen Township twenty three Range two east, together with all my other property not otherwise disposed of. Lastly I make and ordain my daughter Nancy Otterson Babettia & my friends Benjamin Love & R.M.B. Kennedy executors in trust of my estate & desire that they be paid out of my estate for their trouble in settling the same. In witness whereof I the said Samuel Otterson have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written
Signed sealed published and declared by the said Samuel Otterson & for his last Will & Testament in presence of
John Bouchillon
John Davis
Edward Colvin

The State of Alabama & Orphans Court, Regular Term Monday Greene County January 6th 1838. Present The Honourable William H. Street Judge of said Court,
This day The Last Will & Testament of Samuel Otterson deceased was presented by Robert M. Kennedy one of the executors named in said will, and the court being satisfied that the heirs have had notice to appear and show cause why the same may not be admitted to probate, Registration, and no objections being offered the court proceeded to examine Edward Colvin one of the subscribers thereto touching the legal execution of said will, under oath, and being fully satisfied from his testimony, It is therefore ordered that said will be received & recorded.

Attest H. F. Frederic Clerk