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 In the name of God amen, I William B. Street of
 the County of Greene in the State of Alabama do make
 Will declare and publish this my last will and testament.
 It is my will and desire that all my just debts, should
 be paid as soon after my decease as practicable - reposing
 the ~~utmost~~ utmost confidence in the honesty integrity
 and discretion of my wife Eliza S. Street I do desire
 and bequeath unto her, the said Eliza S. Street all the
 real and personal estate, of which I shall die seized and
 possessed - In and during her natural life or widowhood
 And in the event of her marriage, again, the property then
 remaining in her hands shall be divided equally between
 her and each children as she may then have living -
 It is further my will and desire that my Executors here
 in after named shall have full power, in the payment
 of my debts, to dispose of any species of property, either
 real or personal, at private or public sale, as she my
 think most beneficial to the estate -
 I do hereby constitute my wife Eliza S. Street the sole
 Executrix of this my last will and testament, & testimony
 whereof I have set my hand and seal this 7th of June 1840
 Published in presence of as
 Wm B. Street Seal
 Jm. S. Street
 Jane Shackelford

The State of Alabama }
 Greene County } Orphans Court July 3rd 1840
 This day the said William B. Street deceased was presented to
 the court by Eliza S. Street the Executrix therein named,
 and the other heirs at law of said deceased being minors
 under the age of twenty one years, the court thereupon
 appointed Charles S. Roberts Guardian ad litem of
 said minor heirs for the purpose of appearing for and defend-
 ing the interest of said minors, and the said Charles S.
 Roberts appearing in open court and acknowledging
 due and legal notice of the application aforesaid
 whereupon the court proceeded to examine on oath
 John Street Jr. one of the subscribing witnesses thereto
 touching the legal execution of said will, and the court
 being fully satisfied from his testimony it is ordered
 by the court that said Will be received established
 and recorded
 Attest J. L. Smedcor Clerk
 72 ARDAVIS S. Clerk

In presence of }
 Tho. W. Stenholme }
 Am. Price }
 A. Adley }
 The State of Alabama } Orphans Court
 Greene County } September 14th 1840
 This day the last will and testament of George Tankersley
 deceased, was presented to the court by George Tankersley Junior
 the Executor therein named, for probate, and it appearing to the
 satisfaction of the court, that the Alations which issued to the
 heirs at law of said decedent, have been duly served, and no
 objection being made, the court proceeded to examine, on oath
 William Price one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, touching
 the legal execution of said will, and the court being fully
 satisfied from his testimony. It is ordered that said Will
 be received, established and recorded.
 Attest ARDAVIS Clerk

I Thomas Riddle of the County of Greene and State of
 Alabama, do make and publish this my last will and
 testament. First, It is my will in the event of my death
 that all my estate, both real and personal together with the
 increase thereof, and accumulations thereof (except as here-
 inafter excepted) be kept together upon my plantation,
 in the County aforesaid, under the care and control of
 my Executors until my son William Thompson Riddle attain
 to the age of twenty one years, and then to be divided as
 hereinafter mentioned, unless some of the contingencies here-
 after mentioned should before that time happen. Secondly,
 It is my will that while my property remains together
 as aforesaid, my wife Elizabeth Mary Riddle and my
 children William Thompson Riddle, Elizabeth Mary Riddle,
 and Sarah Ann Riddle shall be supported and maintained
 in a genteel and respectable manner, and my children
 given a good practical as also a fashionable education
 as to render them useful members of society, said support
 and education to be out of the yearly profits of my
 estate without interfering with the principal, unless
 absolutely for the support and education. Thirdly,
 It is my will that in the event of my wife or either of my
 daughters marrying before my son arrives at the age of
 twenty one years, that then my estate both real and personal
 be divided between my wife and my three children as follows

to wit: that the third part of my lands including a proportionable quantity of cleared and tillable land be laid off by commission by the Ephraim Court by metes and bounds, which when laid off shall vest an estate for life in my said wife. I then will that one fourth part of my personal estate at that time be divided and distributed to my said wife to be held by her absolutely, and the other three fourths of my estate both real and personal be divided equally into four shares, giving to each share an equal portion of real and an equal portion of personal estate, and that two of said shares be allotted to my son William Thompson Riddle, and one share each to my daughters Elizabeth Mary Riddle and Sarah Ann Riddle, to be held by them respectively in absolute right. Fourthly. If my wife should die without a division as aforesaid, then her share of my estate is to belong to and to be divided between my children in the manner aforesaid. Fifthly. If my son should die leaving my wife and daughters unmarried, then the division of my property as aforesaid will take place when my oldest daughter arrives at the age of twenty one years or the marriage of her mother herself or sister, whichever first shall happen: and in like manner if said Elizabeth Mary, my daughter should die before the division of said property, the same shall take place on the marriage of her mother, or sister or of the latter, arriving at the age of twenty one years whichever shall first happen. Sixthly. It is my will and desire that if either one or two of my children die before a division of my estate that the share of said deceased child or children belong to my surviving child or children.

Seventhly. At the death of my wife if, after a division of my estate, the land hereby directed to be laid off to her land to her heirs for life nothing to my child or children then living to be divided between them in the manner before directed. Eighthly. It is my will that my executor sell my residence and town property in Springfield for the best price he can on a credit of one, two, and three years well secured and when payments are made make a conveyance in fee simple to the purchaser. Ninthly. If in dividing my estate it becomes necessary to sell some portion or all of my real, and some of my personal estate my executor is authorized to sell the same, securing the money by all proper securities, and he is also authorized to sell any slave or other property, that will conduce to

the benefit of my estate, preserving and husbanding my estate however at all times as a prudent and careful trustee should. He is also empowered in receiving payment for any property sold to make bills vesting the property absolutely in the purchaser. Tenthly. I hereby constitute my Brother Alvin Riddle Executor of this my last will and testament, and to secure him from loss he is not to be subject to pay interest on money which he has on hand invested or used by him, he however making an exhibit once a year to the Ephraim Court of the situation of the estate. As Witness my hand & seal this 21st August A.D. 1840.

Witnessed in presence of testator & each other at his request
Frederick Mciver
Thomas Ward
J. B. Clark

Alvin Riddle

The State of Alabama & Ephraim Court
Greene County September 14th 1840

This day the last will and testament of Thomas Riddle deceased, was presented to the Court for probate and registration, and the widow having allowed the notice required by law, and Thomas Ward having been appointed guardian ad litem of the minor heirs of said decedent and he being present in Court and consenting to the same, the Court proceeded to examine on oath James B. Clark and Thomas Ward two of the subscribing witnesses thereof touching the legal execution of said will, and the Court being fully satisfied from their testimony. It is ordered by the Court that said will be received established and recorded.

Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

Wm
Davitt's
Will

In the name of God Amen: I Wm Davitt of the County of Greene and State of Alabama being of sound and perfect mind and 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 my executor herein after named, my worldly estate I give and devise as follows: First, I give and bequeath. First, I give and bequeath to Charles M Barry and his wife Jane, one negro man named Hampton's Hard and hold for their lives and benefit forever. Second, I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Myatt and to the heirs of her body (one) negro boy named John for their own use and benefit forever. Third, I give and bequeath to my three Grand Children daughters Ann A Davitt, Jane B Davitt, and Margaret Davitt one negro girl named Eliza and her child Harriett to them and their heirs forever. Fourth, I give and bequeath to my Grand daughter Margaret Jane Hayes one negro girl named Eliza to her and the heirs of her body forever provided nevertheless that she should die without issue then and in that case the said girl (and her issue if any to return to my children or their legal representatives, also I give to my said Grand daughter M J Hayes two hundred dollars. Fifth, I give and bequeath to my son in law Wm Myatt and Elizabeth his wife fifty dollars. Sixth, my will and desire is that the family have the house and as much of the land as will be necessary for them to cultivate for a support as long as they find it convenient to stay on it at its value or cost but should they incline to leave, then Charles M Barry take it at said value or cost, and also that Mary M Davitt have two milk cows, and that all my personal property (after all the debts, legacies, charges and expenses are paid) be equally divided as follows one third to Charles M Barry and his wife Jane, and one third to Elizabeth Myatt and her children and the other third to Ann A Jane B R. and Margaret Davitt and further that old Sam and Phebe be put into some of the families before mentioned and in case they or either of them should become unable to labour enough to support themselves they must be supported out of the estate I do hereby nominate and appoint Andrew P Barry to execute this my last Will and testament, and that he be allowed a reasonable compensation for his trouble. Signed and acknowledged in presence of

us this the 25th of June 1840.

Arthur M McDow
Robert Morrah
James W Means

Wm Davitt

The State of Alabama & Orphans Court
Greene County, September 28th 1840.

This day the last Will and testament of William Davitt deceased was presented to the Court for probate by Andrew P Barry the executor therein named (and the heirs at law of said decedent having assented to the same by certificate from under their hands and seals, duly authenticated). Thereupon the Court proceeded to examine on oath Robert Morrah and Arthur M McDow two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and the Court being fully satisfied from their testimony, it is therefore ordered by the Court that said Will be no longer established and recorded.

Attest
M. Davis Clerk

In the name of God Amen: I Dougald M Lean of Greene County in the state of Alabama, being at this time weak and infirm in body, but of a sound and disposing mind and memory, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this to be my last Will and testament, revoking and disannulling all other and former Wills by me heretofore made, as to my soul. I recommend it, to God who gave it, and my body to the dust from whence it came to be decently buried in a Christian like manner, as to the goods which it hath pleased Almighty God to bless me with, I give and dispose of as follows. Item 1st I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah M Lean one third part of my land for and during the term of her natural life. Item 2nd to my daughter Mary Lendy, I give and bequeath two hundred dollars to be paid to her by my son Daniel M Lean at the expiration of two years from the time of my death. Item 3rd To my daughter Chustain M Lean I give and bequeath forty acres of land which was purchased by me of General Workmen and known as follows. The

south west quarter of the north east quarter of section twenty three, township twenty two, range two west, to her and her heirs & assigns forever, also I give and bequeath unto her the said Chustain McLean my little negro boy named George, and my sorrow fifty to her and her assigns forever. Item 4th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Catherine Parker the sum of two hundred dollars, to be paid to her by my son Daniel McLean at the expiration of two years from the time of my death. Item 5th I to my son Danl McLean I give and bequeath the whole of my land including the down, which was given to his mother during the term of her life the forty acres given to my daughter Chustain McLean excepted, all of which said land lies in township twenty two range two west, part in section fourteen & part in section twenty three, I give this land to him his heirs and assigns forever, I also give and bequeath unto him the said Daniel McLean all of my personal & mixed property after discharging my just debts, the negro boy given to Chustain McLean excepted, and I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Daniel McLean Executor of this my last Will and testament. Given under my hand and seal, this second day of September, in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and thirty seven. Signed & sealed. V. Del.

In presence of } Dougald McLean }
AK Davis }
D. Campbell }
Daniel Campbell }

The State of Alabama } Orphans Court.
Greene County } October 12th 1840.

This day the last Will and testament of Dougald McLean deceased was presented to the Court by Daniel McLean the Executor therein named for probate, and the widow and heirs at law of said deceased residing in this state having waived the notice required by law, and assented to the probate and registration of said Will. Thereupon the Court proceeded to examine on oath Elway R Davis one of the subscribing witnesses thereof touching of said Will, and the Court being fully satisfied from his testimony, it is therefore decreed by the Court that the said Will be received, established and recorded.

Attest AK Davis Clerk

John Pickett's Will.

In the name of God, Amen, I John Pickett bring sound in mind, do make this my last Will and testament that the 24th Aug. in the year of our Lord 1840. to wit I will and bequeath to all my unmarried children, except those I have heretofore given property that I give land, I wish to have on negroes that I have not given land to have two negroes, Thomas Pickett, John Pickett, William Pickett, Young Pickett, Willis Pickett, Henderson Pickett, Peggy Pickett, Sarah Pickett, To Henderson Pickett I give land, and a natch, To Willis Pickett I give Dick, To Sarah I give Perry, his wife Selvy her two youngest children. I will and bequeath to Thomas Pickett four children, William, Henry, Ann & Helen, one negro each, To William I give Adeline, To Clementine I give Lewis, to Ann I give Frances, To Helen I give Lendear, To have them when they become of age, I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Lucy four negroes, Amos, Bread, Eliza & Polly, also Susan, To my daughter Margaret I give Phyllis, after all my just debts are paid I wish all my remaining property to be equally divided, between my children, John, William, Young, Phyllis, Henderson & Sarah, all my land except the home place to be sold and equally divided, To my wife Lucy I will and bequeath the home place during her natural life, then to be sold and divided equally, to Willis, Henderson, and Sarah to have the same quantity furniture, I give to my other children. I appoint Young and Willis Pickett my Executors Attest to M. High James Head Wm. Hanna

John Pickett

The State of Alabama } Orphans Court, October 26th 1840.

This day the last Will and testament of John Pickett deceased was presented to the Court by Young Pickett of the Executors therein named for probate and registration, and proof of the service of the citations being made, to the satisfaction of the Court and both High being appointed guardian ad litem for the minors and consenting, thereupon the Court proceeded to examine on oath William Hanna and M. High one of the subscribing witnesses thereof touching the legal execution of said Will, and the Court being fully satisfied from their testimony, it is therefore Ordered by the Court that said Will be received, established and recorded, as the last Will and testament of the said John Pickett deceased.

Attest AK Davis Clerk

Gabriel
Hills.
Will.

In the name of God Amen! I Gabriel Hills, of Greene County, Alabama; at this time sick in body but of sound and disposing mind and memory, and desiring to make such disposition of my property after my death, as to me seems most fit and proper, do make and declare this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all other testaments by me made.

Item 1. It is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid as soon after my death, as in the opinion of my Executor the interest of the estate will justify.

Item 2. It is my will and desire that all my estate both real and personal be kept together for the benefit of my beloved wife and her children, until the oldest child shall have arrived to the age of twenty one years, then such child shall draw from the estate his portion of the estate, which portion shall be equal to the other children, and be ascertained after deducting and selling a part out of the whole of the estate, one third of the whole for my beloved wife Elizabeth E. Hills, which third part I now give and bequeath to her at the time the first child may draw the portion hereby bequeathed.

Item 3. It is my will and desire that the property aforesaid remain in the hands of my wife which may be distributed to the children who are not of the age of twenty one years, until they severally and respectively become of such age, when their portions shall be drawn as mentioned in the second item - and that my wife the said Elizabeth shall pay no hire or rent for the said property of the children and shall charge the children nothing for their board.

Item 4. It is my will and desire that in making the estimate of the portion of my estate to be drawn by my children the expenses of their Education respectively shall be charged to each child, and estimated as a portion of their distributive share, so that each child may be placed alike, and receive the same portion, share and share alike without any difference whatever.

Item 5. It is my will and desire, and I do hereby give and devise to my wife Elizabeth E. Hills one third part of all my real & personal property, to be absolutely her own when the division & distribution may take place as above mentioned.

Item 6. The above requests and desires are made upon the condition that my wife do not marry a second time, if she does marry again, then upon such marriage, I desire that all my property be immediately divided, and the portions and shares of my estate as may be coming to each child to be immediately

distributed and divided according to the mode & manner of division & distribution of estate of persons dying intestate, I wish this division to be immediately made as I do not desire that my children should be made dependent upon a step-father.

Item 7. It is my will and desire that my beloved wife shall not be required to give any bond, nor give any Court whatever, as I have full confidence in her discretion, and in the affection she bears her children, and in the reverence she will have for my wishes that she will act & control the estate with prudence, discretion & integrity.

Item 8. It is my will and desire that in the event it may become necessary to sell or dispose of any portion of my estate real or personal for the payment of any debts, for the support of my family, for the education of my children, for the interest of the estate or for any other purpose, then I nominate, authorize, appoint and empower my friend and father in law William Murphy and in the event of his death his Executor to sell and convey such portion of my estate as may be necessary to be sold, the said William Murphy to account to my wife for the proceeds of the sale. I do this to relieve my wife of trouble, and because I have confidence in the judgment of my friend William Murphy and know that his only desire is to protect my wife and children.

Item 9. In the event my Elizabeth does not marry again I give her full & plenary power to control & manage my estate to the best advantage she may consider and to keep the same together or for do such portions of it to be sold by my friend William Murphy as she and he may deem right and proper, but in the event she should marry again then such disposition as shown in the 6th Item.

Item 10. I desire that in all legal matters my wife should consult and be governed by the Opinion and advice of her Brother William M. Murphy, and that as to the sale of property, the management of the slaves, and the cultivation of her crop and the education of her children she should consult and be controlled by the advice of my friends William Murphy and Samuel H. Jennings Jr.

Item 11. I desire that all the foregoing parts of this Will be executed & discharged without the intervention or order of any Court whatever.

Item 12. I desire that the infant child with whom my wife Elizabeth is now pregnant to receive the same share

and portion of any other children.
 Item 13th I desire that all property both real & personal which may be coming hereafter to me, or to my children, claiming under me, from the estate of my Father Green Hill (decd) or from any other source whatever, be distributed and divided according to the provisions herein before made and expressed.

Hereby devising and bequeathing to my wife and children as aforesaid, and under the conditions and provisions aforesaid, all my lands tenements & hereditaments, and all my personal property and choses in action, in possession and expectancy subject to the provisions and conditions aforesaid.

Item 14. In the event my wife Elizabeth Hill should desire it she has full liberty to take with her in the Execution of the said last Will and Testament as Executor or her son, her brother William M. Murphy, her father William Murphy or her brother in law Daniel H. Jennings.

Item 15th I do hereby appoint and nominate my beloved wife Elizabeth Hill, my sole Executor to carry into effect, and to execute this my last Will and Testament and to appoint (if she should so desire) any one of my friends above named, leaving the discretionary with her. In testimony whereof I have hereunto in the full possession of all my mental faculties subscribed my name & made this the three above & foregoing dates, my true last Will & Testament and in testimony thereof have hereunto subscribed my name with my own proper hand & seal this the fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine.

Signed, published & declared in my presence, who signed as witnesses in the presence of the said Gabriel L. Hill and in the presence of each other as witnesses at the request of the said Gabriel L. Hill, on the same day of the date of this said last Will & Testament of the said Gabriel L. Hill - who acknowledge the same to be his last Will & Testament.

Wm. M. Murphy
 Mary Hill
 Ann R. Gray

Gab. L. Hill

The State of Alabama, Orphans Court
 Greene County, October 30th 1840

This day the Last Will and Testament of Gabriel L. Hill deceased was presented to the Court by Elizabeth Hill, the Executor therein named for probate, and Samuel H. Jennings Jr. the Guardian ad litem of the minor of the said Gabriel L. Hill being present, Whereupon the Court proceeded to examine on oath William M. Murphy one of the subscribing witnesses thereto touching the legal execution of said Will, and he having testified fully to the satisfaction of the Court.

It is therefore Ordered by the Court that the said Will be received, established and recorded as the Last Will and Testament of Gabriel L. Hill deceased.

Attest A. Davis Clerk

Rachel Monette Will

The State of Alabama, Greene County.
 John M. Monette is to have the negro Sarah, aged about 17 years old, and if the said negro girl lives and does not die six or eight months, John M. Monette is to give his sister Nancy Stewart one hundred dollars out of his own money and also his sister Melissa M. Monette one hundred dollars out of his own money, and also Sarah, Bessie and Mary Ann, and Eda Bessie one hundred dollars. And John M. Monette is to have a negro man named Will, and also he is to have one boy named Buck as I valued him at two hundred dollars, and he is to pay it into the estate. And also he is to have Sarah at three hundred dollars, and he is to pay it into the estate, and he is to have thirty head of hogs, twelve of them is to be killing hogs, and the balance is the Sows & the pigs, and he is to have three cows and calves the names of cows, to wit, Bessie, Lundy and black lady. He is to have his choice of one yoke of steers & two more young cattle. Samuel Monette children is to have an equal part of my estate the same part one of my children got, and John M. Monette is to have an equal part of my estate, and he is to have also three beds and seven or eight sheets, black with red and about four blankets. Mary Jones is to have fifty dollars out of the estate, if she will except of it, and Mary Harris is to have fifty dollars out of the estate if she will except of it.

263 and William F. Howell, is to have five dollars out of the estate. This the 23rd of September in the year of our Lord, One thousand Eight hundred and forty.

Attest J. Crawford Esq. Clerk Rachel Howell Seal
Anna Webb Esq. marker

The State of Alabama, Green County, Orphans Court, Decem. 6th 1840.
This day the last will and testament of Rachel Howell deceased was presented to the Court for probate and it appearing to the Court that all the heirs of said decedent living within the jurisdiction of this Court, have had due and legal notice of this application and no objection being offered; therefore the Court proceeded to examine on the annual Crawford and Anna Webb the two subscribing witnesses thereto touching the legal execution of the same and the Court being satisfied from their testimony, It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said will be received, established and recorded, as the last will of the said Rachel Howell as to personal property.

Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

Alvah V. Say
Will

State of Alabama, In the name of
Green County, Esq. Amos
I, Alvah V. Say of the County of Green,
State of Alabama, being in my proper mind
and having my senses, and knowing that it is appointed
for man once to die, do make and constitute this my last
will and testament hereby making all other wills by me
made, void. Art. 1. It is my will I desire that all
my just be paid, for which purpose I authorize my executors
to sell as much of my perishable property as may be
sufficient with the proceeds of my present crops to accom-
plish the same. 2. The land upon which I now reside
being not altogether suitable for my wife & children to
live on, I therefore will that my executors offer for sale
the land on a credit of one, two & three years; equal
instalments taking care to secure the instalment by good
and sufficient securities. 3. It is my wish that
my executors purchase for the use of my beloved wife &
children a place suitable for them to live on endeavouring
to make the instalment of my land meet the purchase
money of the land purchased as they may become due.

4. It is my special will and desire that my wife Susanna
say keep all my property together for the mutual support of
herself & children & that she raise & school them in as decent
a manner her circumstances will permit. 5. It is my wish
that as they become of age or marry that she may provide them
as much as she may be able to spare, taking care to make them
as equal as possible. 6. It is my will & desire that my wife
Susanna say shall be vested with full right & title to my property
both real & personal during her natural life, and at her death
that the same be equally divided amongst my children
John V. Say, James W. Say, Joseph L. Say, William V. Say
Shaw & Mary Alice, taking in consideration what may
have been given off, if any to any one of them.
I do hereby appoint my brother Stokes V. Say, John Brown
& my wife Susanna say my Executors to this my last will
& testament. 8. It may be possible, that my wife Susanna
say is now in a family way, if so that the offspring if
it lives shall come in for an equal share & be as equal
part with the rest of my children above named.

Signed in the presence of
Frederick Meriwether, Alvah V. Say
Richard M. Brown
W. Hall
Wm. Cole

August 3rd 1840.

The State of Alabama, Green County, Orphans Court December 14th 1840.
This day the last will and testament of Alvah V. Say deceased
was presented to the Court by Susan Say the executrix therein
named for probate and registration; whereupon the Court appointed
Stokes V. Say guardian ad litem for the minor heirs of the said Alvah V.
Say deceased for the purpose of appearing for said minors in the ap-
plication aforesaid and he being present in Court and consented
thereupon the Court proceeded to examine on oath Wm. Cole in
Edes and Richard M. Brown, two of the subscribing witnesses
thereto touching the legal execution of said will, and the
Court being fully satisfied from their testimony, It is
therefore ordered by the Court that said will be received
established and recorded.

A copy from the Minutes
Attest A. R. Davis,

Richard Johnsons
Will.

In the name of God, Amen: I Richard Johnson of Greene County, State of Alabama being of sound mind & disposing memory, do declare & constitute this as my last will & testament in the words following to wit: In the first place I give and bequeath unto my wife Sarah Johnson for & during the term of her natural life & widowhood the tract of land on which I live, the house thereon, my stock of horses, cattle, h. g. or in fine all my real & personal property of any kind whatsoever, except the debts due me as will be hereinafter mentioned. After the expiration of her life or widowhood & the estate depending thereon, my will & desire is, that my property be divided into eight equal shares;

For the more just & equal division of which I direct my whole property of whatsoever kind to be sold without reserve due notice, notice being given of the time & place of sale, one of which said Eight shares, I give & bequeath unto Wiley Johnson my son, another of said shares unto Sterling Johnson my son, another of said shares to my daughter Julia Blackley, another unto my daughter Nancy Butler, another to my son Richard Johnson, another to William C. Gills in trust for the benefit of my daughter Sally Johnson to be dealt with as to the trustee shall seem meet & expedient, another share to the children of my daughter in law C. H. G. Johnson, that have been or are to be begotten upon her body by my son William W. Johnson, and another share to my daughter Martha M. Dunn to hold & to have to her, and to the heirs of her body that may be living at the time of her death. And my will and desire is that my wife Sarah do not dispose of any thing or property off the estate except as may be necessary for her decent support & maintenance the crop excepted but that any such piece of property as may be superfluous shall be appraised and either sold or given at the appraised value to one of my heirs, but when so given to be set down & taken out of the said heirs share at the final division. And further my will & desire is that my wife Sarah & her son Andrew Johnson, shall desire my executor to collect all the debts that maybe due me and after paying what I may owe, to invest the money that may be left, out upon security, at lawful interest or divide the same among my heirs according as my wife Sally shall choose & direct. And for the purpose of carrying

into effect the provisions of this my last will & testament, I do hereby constitute and appoint my son Richard Johnson the executor of this my last will & testament with full powers to carry into effect each & every provision herein contained. In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand & seal this 29th day of September A.D. 1855.

Witness my hand & seal this 29th day of September A.D. 1855.
Signed, sealed and acknowledged
Before us

W. S. Chapman
C. J. Gully
John Woodard

Richard Johnson
mark

The State of Alabama
Greene County
Circuit Court December 14th 1856

This day the Last will and testament of Richard Johnson deceased was presented to the Court by Richard H. Johnson, the executor therein appointed, for probate and registration; and it appearing to the Court that all of the heirs at law of said decedent living within the jurisdiction of this Court have been duly and legal notice of this application and no objection being offered the Court proceeded to examine on oath William Gully, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and the Court, being satisfied from his evidence that said will is a good will as to personal property. It is therefore Ordered by the Court that said will be received, established and recorded as the last will of the said Richard Johnson deceased as to personal property.

Attest: A. R. Davis Clerk

Berry Lands
Will

Alabama
Greene County
Know all men by these presents that I Berry Land of the County of Alabama aforesaid being weak in body, but of sound mind & disposing memory, I thank be to God for his unspeakable gift, do think proper this day, being the twenty fifth of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty, to make public & declare, this my last will & testament in manner & form following, viz: It is my will & desire that my hereinafter named, shall sell so much of my property, or collect money now due me, as will settle all my just debts as soon as possible, after which, my will & desire is that the amount of the money due me in notes & accounts be equally divided between my brothers & sisters, viz: Mary Bostick, Littleton Land, John Land, Dorcas Leavitt, Nancy Hill, Francis Land

I have said to them & their assigns forever. Lastly I nominate constitute & appoint my worthy friend Charles Bostick, sole exor. of this my last will & testament, resolving all other wills or wills heretofore by me made, satisfying & confirming this & no other to be my last will & testament. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal the day & date above written, signed, sealed & delivered by the testator declared to be his last will & testament. (A.B.) I desire it that horse & saddle be sold & the money be being divided as above)

In presence of us } B. Land & Co
Wm Harkness
Elijah Edge

The State of Alabama } Orphans Court
Greene County } December 7th 1846.

This day the Last Will and testament of Berry Land deceased was presented to the Court by Charles Bostick the Executor therein named for probate, and the Court being satisfied from testimony offered for that purpose that there are no heirs at law of the said decedent residing in the State of Alabama, except the said Charles Bostick. Thereupon the Court proceeded to examine on oath Robert Harkness one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto touching the legal Execution of said Will, and the Court being satisfied from his testimony, It is therefore Ordered by the Court that said Will be received established and recorded as the last Will of the said Berry Land as to personal property. —

Attest A.R. Davis Clerk

Matthew Hoggue
Will

State of Alabama, Greene Co. Septemr the 16th 1840
Know all men by these presents, that I Matthew Hoggue being this day in my proper mind, make this to be my last Will and testament. I will and bequeath unto my son James Hoggue one feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf, humped as the hump back cow, also one sow and pigs which he has in possession at this time, except the cow and calf, also well and bequeath unto my daughter Jane Meador to her and to her alone for her own use and benefit and her children after her death, not subject to any demands against her said

husband Levi Meador one bed and furniture, one cow and calf one sow and pigs, I also bequeath unto my daughter Mary Sanford to her and to her alone, for her own use and benefit and her children, not subject to any demands against her said husband, Richard Sanford, one cow and calf, one sow and pigs, also one bed and furniture the above is all that I expect for them. To have the balance of my children, my daughter Nancy A Hoggue, my son Wiley Hoggue, my son Brimley Hoggue, my son John W Hoggue, I wish to have as much as I can that I have killed, and sheep, it all together, the rest of my property after my debts are paid, if there is any thing left I want to remain together with their mother to school my three sons Wiley Hoggue, Henry C Hoggue John W Hoggue, I want my son John W Hoggue to read that my three sons have reasonable schooling the above is my last Will and testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal.

Signed, In the presence of }
William F. Meador } Matthew Hoggue
Chas Hoggue

The State of Alabama } Orphans Court
Greene County } January 11th 1841.

This day the Last Will and testament of Matthew Hoggue deceased was presented to the Court for probate, and appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the heirs at law of said decedent living within the Jurisdiction of this Court have had due and legal notice of this application and no objection being offered, thereupon the Court proceeded to examine on oath, William F. Meador one of the subscribing Witnesses to said Will, and from his testimony It is Ordered by the Court that said Will be received and established as to personal property and recorded.

Attest A.R. Davis Clerk

James Dunlap's
Will

State of Alabama
Greene County

I James Dunlap of the
County and State aforesaid

being of sound mind, but weak
and infirm of body and knowing that it is about to all to
die, do make this my last Will and Testament.

Article 1st I commit and commend my soul to God who
gave it, and pray that he will accept it as righteous through
the righteousness of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and
my body I will to the silent grave in plain but decent burial
the expenses whereof to be paid out of my worldly estate.

Article 2nd It is my Will and desire that all my just debts be paid out of my

Article 3. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary
Dunlap a negro woman by the name of Hannah all my
stock of Cattle and their increase and my horse for her life
and sustenance for and during the term of her natural life
and after the death of my said wife Mary, the said negro
woman Hannah, stock of cattle and (the horse) to be sold
to the highest bidder.

Article 4th I give and bequeath
to my said wife Mary all the household and kitchen furniture

Article 5th all my other worldly estate consisting of a number
of promissory notes amounting in the aggregate to six thousand
seven hundred and one dollar, thirty three cents, more or
less, I will and desire that my executors proceed to the collection
of all sums under one hundred dollars, and all other demands
which they may deem in propriety, or in danger to be lost,
and to put the same out on interest with bond and good security
also I will and desire that my executors annually collect all
the interest due on all notes and to appropriate the whole or
any part thereof, and any part of the principal to furnish
a decent and comfortable support for my beloved wife Mary
for and during the term of her natural life, and it is
my express will and desire, that after the support of my
said wife is taken out of my own worldly estate, that the
remainder both principal and interest be from year to year
continually kept at interest during her life.

Article 6th I give and bequeath to my two sons Joseph
Dunlap and Robert Dunlap the sum of five dollars
each to be paid out of any money of mine, that may
come to the hands of my executor.

Article 7th after the death of my wife Mary Dunlap
it is my will and desire that all the money belonging
to my estate, with its increase from interest be equally
divided between my own children William Dunlap, John
Dunlap, Samuel Dunlap, James Dunlap, Sally Roden
wife of James Roden, Mary S Clinton wife of Matthew

Clinton, Eliza B. Dunlap, wife of Isaac B. Dunlap
Article 8th I constitute and appoint John Dunlap, Samuel
Dunlap and James R. Dunlap the executors of this my last
Will and Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and affixed my seal this 28th day of October,
1844.

This word (all my stock) means
of cattle and their increase
and stock of cattle, in the
third article, intended before
signing, and also the words
(large of James Roden) in the seventh article
(liquid, paid and acknowledged)

In presence of us
Jas. Agulla Hardy
Andrew S. Steele
Robert W. Garrison

The State of Alabama
Greene County
January 25th 1846.

This day the last Will and Testament of James Dunlap
deceased was presented to the Court for probate, and
all the heirs at law of said decedent, residing in the
State of Alabama being present, and no objection
being made, the Court proceeded to examine on oath
Andrew S. Steele, one of the subscribing witnesses to said
Will, and he having testified fully to the satisfaction
of the Court, it is the order of the Court, that
said Will be received, established and recorded.

Attest
A. R. Davis Clerk

John Philip (Brungold) and inform and not knowing
how long I may survive this life and at present
sound in body and mind, I now make this
request unto Harry Shins my son I give and bequeath
my two negroes, by name Hannah and Scott her child
which he is to have after my decease this being my last
Will and Testament. Signed in the presence of and dated
this the 18th day of October A.D. 1846.

Witness
William R. Meador
John Shins

The State of Alabama } Supreme Court
 Greene County } January 25th 1841.

This day the Last Will and Testament of John
 Sims deceased was presented to the Court for probate, where-
 upon the Court proceeded to examine on oath William R.
 Meador the subscribing witness & the heirs, & he having
 testified fully to the satisfaction of the Court. It is therefore
 ordered by the Court that said Will be received established, and
 recorded, as to personal property. Attest
 A. R. Davis Clerk

James H. Foster } I, James H. Foster of the County of Greene and
 Will: } State of Alabama, do make, amend, publish, and
 my last will and testament, and do hereby revoke
 all other wills by me made.

1. I desire all that my just debts be paid.
2. I give my beloved wife Nancy Foster the plantation
 on which I now live, which includes all the lands I own
 adjoining, being about six hundred and forty acres or upwards,
 all my household and kitchen furniture including beds and
 bedding &c, carriage, waggon, oxen, thrashing machines, &c,
 & mules, all my stock of every sort and description, all the crops,
 and family supplies, of every kind on hand, except my crop of
 cotton, of which I give her, one third part, and thirteen negroes
 to wit: Jack, Taming, Richmond, Andy, Sam, Judy, her children
 Spencer, And, Warren, Franklin, Martha, Cyrus, & Rufus, also
 one third of the Cash on hand, and of the debts due me
 to her, her heirs, and assigns in fee simple forever, except
 that the nature of the estate given in the slaves is, that
 every slave who shall have arrived, at the age of fifty years,
 now owned by me, or descending from a slave now owned
 by me, shall have his or her liberty or freedom, at the age of
 fifty years, if by the law of the land this may be done
 at the time they arrive to that age, (this condition respecting
 the negroes applies to all the negroes disposed of under
 this will, and any one objecting to this shall receive
 nothing under this will), but all that he may have received,
 or might afterwards be received by him or her shall
 fall into the residuum of my estate, and be a part of it.
3. I give my niece Mary Kirksey one thousand dollars.
4. I give to my nephew Carl L. Kirksey and A. R.

Washington Foster, each five hundred dollars, and
 the proceeds of what may be recovered against the sheriff
 of Sumter County Ala. on a claim now sued for by said
 Cicero L. Kirksey as my attorney to be equally divided between them.
 5. I give my nephew Foster A. Thompson, one quarter section
 of land being the only one I own in that section, lying
 in section nine, township twenty-two of range two East
 6. My executors are authorized, if they should call, for it to
 tend John Kirksey, one thousand dollars, of the proceeds
 of the present crop. 7. My executors are instructed
 and required not to press any relation of mine, or any relation
 of my wife for any debt they may owe me, unless shown
 that it is from the date of my death, provided they
 will put the debt in such form as to prevent it being
 barred by the statute of limitations.

8. The balance of my estate after paying all my
 debts, contracts, legacies, and bequests before made, I
 wish to be equally divided between my brothers and sisters
 those who have died, their share shall go to their children
 or descendants, each family shall have their share, my
 brother or sister would have had if living, so that they
 they take per stirpes and not per capita.

9. In addition to the bequest to my wife, I give one
 half of my growing crop, should one be growing at
 my death, and to explain what I have already given her,
 I mean by "household and kitchen furniture" every thing
 in the house & kitchen, and out houses except the preparation
 of money and evidence of debts before mentioned, one
 third only of which is to be hers.

10. In making the partition of my estate per stirpes,
 amongst my relations, under the eighth section of this will
 all debts due me by any, and every of them, shall be accounted
 for before they receive any thing, and if the debts amount
 to their share they are to have nothing, but the debt
 will be extinguished to the amount of the interest under
 the will, and the balance must be paid over as part of
 the fund to be divided amongst my other relations.

11. I nominate constitute and appoint my wife Nancy
 Foster executor, and John B. Thompson, Cicero L. Kirksey,
 Joseph B. Thompson, W. H. Foster & John W. Grant and John
 A. Thompson executors of this my last will and testament.
 In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
 seal this 18th day of December 1840 One thousand nine
 hundred and thirty. Signed, sealed, pronounced & declared
 by the testator as his last will. James H. Foster of

and testament in our presence, who
in his presence, and the presence of
each other have signed our names,

Alex Graham
Abm. F. Alexander
William McKim

The State of Alabama Greengrass
Orphans Court, February 1st 1846.

This day the last will and testament of James H. Foster, deceased,
was presented to the Court for probate and the will of
said decedent having been duly cited to appear, and no objection
being offered, the Court proceeded to examine on oath Alexander
Graham one of the subscribing witnesses thereof touching the
legal execution of said will and the having testified fully
to the satisfaction of the Court. It is therefore ordered by the
Court that said will be a correct established and recorded.

Attest

W. Davis Clerk.

Peps Edwards
Will

In the name of God, Amen,
I Peps Edwards being in reasonable
health & sound in mind, do make
and declare this to be my last will
and testament, in manner & form

following to wit: First, It is my will that my funeral
expences be paid, likewise all my just debts by selling certain
pieces or parts of property to be hereafter named (if it shall
be considered necessary by my executor, in the settlement of
my estate; Secondly, It is my will that my wife Ann
shall have all the residue of my property both personal and
during her natural life, and at her death, it is my will
that all the property belonging to my estate (excepting a
certain negro boy named Daniel the disposition of which
boy will be hereafter named) be sold, and if the amount
of sale of said property should be as much as five hundred
dollars, it is my will that two hundred & fifty dollars of
the proceeds of said sale be given to Peps Edwards, the son
of my brother Isaac Edwards, when he arrives at age,
if he should die before he arrives to the age of
twenty one years old, then it is my will that his next
oldest brother shall have the amount of money I have left
my name Peps Edwards before mentioned and
it is my will that the sum of two hundred & fifty
dollars be given from the proceeds of said sale to Erasmus
Ellington the son of my sister Polly to be given him

when he arrives to the age of twenty one years
old, and if he should die before the arrival
the age of twenty one years old then in that case
his next oldest brother shall be the lawful heir
of said money, again, It is my will, that if
the total amount of the before mentioned sale
should not am't. to the sum of five hundred dollars
as before contemplated, deducting out all necessary
expences, then in that case, it is my will that
the amount of said sale be equally divided among
my two nephews already mentioned, Peps
Edwards & Erasmus Ellington, subject to the same
provisions as above specified, & again, it is my
will, that if the before mentioned sale after
deducting all necessary expences out, shall exceed
the amount of five hundred dollars, then in that
case, it is my will that my wife Ann shall
dispose of that surplus to whom she may think
fit, again, It is my will that at the death of my
consort Ann, the above amounts of money left to my
two nephews Peps Edwards & Erasmus Ellington be paid
over for their benefit, if they or either of them be of
age, but if they are not of age both being minor or
one being a minor as the case may be, the amount
of money coming to the one being a minor or both as
the case may be shall be deposited in the State Bank
or some other creditable Bank (then to draw such interest
for their benefit as the Bank may think fit to pay,
and as they arrive at age they shall go & draw out
of the Bank this legacy, which I leave them, It is here
distinctly understood that if my two nephews Peps
Edwards & Erasmus Ellington or either of them should
arrive to the age of twenty one years old, before the death
of my wife Ann, they are not to hear anything till
her death, again, It is my will that the boy Daniel
already mentioned be the property of my wife Ann
forever and at her disposal at any time & to be
given to whom she may think fit, and not to be
included in the before mentioned sale, again, it is
my will, that if it should be that necessary by
my executor to sell any of my property with respect
to pay my debts, I wish it to be my negro man
named Frank & such perishable property of mine
as shall be that most fit by my executor & my wife
Ann, all such property not already disposed of

Edward Mays Will.

In the name of God, Amen: I, Edward Mays of the County of Greene and State of Alabama, do hereby constitute & ordain, this my last Will & Testament, in manner and form following, viz:

First, I will & desire that all my just & lawful debts be paid out of my Estate.

Second, I will & desire that my wife Nancy Mays have all the plantation not otherwise hereafter disposed of, on which I now reside, and horses, cows, hogs & the sufficient to stock the plantation to be apportioned at the discretion of my executor, also all my household & kitchen furniture.

Third, I will & desire my son Samuel Mays to have all that parcel of land, lying east of the creek running through the plantation on which I reside, to be valued to him as unimproved land by three disinterested men, and should its valuation exceed a child's share, that excess to be refunded.

Fourth, I will & desire that my three oldest children viz: Elizabeth M. Alexander, Jane L. Emphleton, & Samuel Mays have an equal value with all my other children, including the following sums which they have respectively received, viz: Elizabeth M. Alexander, has received, one hundred and seventy five dollars, Jane L. Emphleton has received one hundred & seventy five dollars, and Samuel Mays has received eighty dollars.

Fifth, I will & desire all my children to have an equal share of my estate, not otherwise appropriated by valuation as aforementioned & in case any of them may wish to have their share in land which I hold in Pickens & Tuscaloosa Counties, I wish it to be valued to them, when they come.

Sixth, I will & desire that the Rev. John H. Gray agree to a contract existing between him & myself have my negro man named Ellis & his wife named Polly & their two children his paying twenty five hundred dollars to my executor.

Seventh, I will & desire that, in case my son Andrew Mays should wish to prosecute his classical studies six hundred dollars, be put out on interest & said interest applied to defraying his expenses, & the principal to go into the general stock of my estate. Eighth, I will & desire that in case the negroes (above named) are disposed of as above directed a negro man be bought by my executor to labor on the farm.

by this Will, as my Executor & my Relief. Any shall find necessary in the settlement of my just debts. Lastly, I do hereby appoint Attorney R. Davis my lawful Executor, and revoking all former wills by me made, do declare this to be my last Will and Testament. Signed & sealed in the presence of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & forty in the presence of us as witnesses, and on the eighth day of December.

A. D. Hutton
John F. Capron
J. M. Gresham
Edward Mays

The Word "also" in the eleventh line, on the second page counting from the top, was underlined before signing. The words "my wife" were underlined in the twenty first line, on the third page counting from top. The words "my wife" were to be found in the twenty second line of the third page counting from the top, all these words were underlined before signing.

A. D. Hutton
John F. Capron
J. M. Gresham

The State of Alabama
Greene County, Supreme Court, February 8th 1844

This day the last Will and Testament of the deceased was presented to the Court by Attorney R. Davis the executor therein appointed for probate and registration, and the Will being read and the notice required by law, the Court proceeded to examine on oath several A. D. Hutton, one of the subscribing witnesses, there to touching the legal execution of said Will, and the said Will being read and testified to the satisfaction of the Court, it is therefore ordered by the Court that said Will be received, established and recorded.

Attest
A. M. Davis Clerk

for the support of the family.
 Much I will desire that at the death of my
 wife Nancy Mays all the estate then in her possession
 be equally divided among my children.
 I do appoint & ordain my wife Nancy Mays
 executrix & my son Samuel Mays sole executor, in trust of
 this my last Will & Testament. In Witness whereof, I
 the said Edward Mays have hereunto set my hand
 & affixed my seal, this the 18th day of December 1840.
 Signed, sealed, published & declared
 by the said Edward Mays as his
 last Will & Testament in the day

In presence of
 Wm. Potts
 Wm. Muller
 Wm. B. Kennedy

Edward Mays

The State of Alabama
 Greene County
 Ephraim Court February 8th 1841.

This day the Last Will and Testament of Edward
 Mays deceased was presented to the Court by Nancy
 Mays and Samuel Mays the executrix and executor
 therein named, and it appearing to the satisfaction of
 the Court that the heirs of said decedent have had
 due and legal notice and no objection being offered
 the Court proceeded to examine on oath the said Wm. B.
 Kennedy one of the subscribing witnesses touching
 the legal execution of said Will, and the Court
 being fully satisfied from his testimony. It is therefore
 ordered by the Court that the said Will be received, established
 and recorded.

Attest
 A. K. Davis Clerk

The State of Alabama
 Blount County
 Blount Springs 24 May 1840

I Robert F. Witherspoon being full of years, sound
 in mind, believing I am about to die,
 ordain this as my Last Will and Testament.
 First, I consign my soul to God who gave it and my body to the Lord.
 Secondly, I desire that all my just debts be paid by
 executors herein after appointed, out of the funds of my estate.
 Thirdly, I will and bequeath my children, severally,
 educated, and my property to be kept together until
 my wife marries or the oldest child comes of age.
 Fourthly, I hereby constitute and appoint my two brothers
 John F. Witherspoon and James M. Witherspoon, my
 heirs Sarah, Sarah, Elizabeth and my brothers
 in law William and Sarah Armstrong Executors of
 my estate to manage the same in any way they
 may think best for the interest of my lawful heirs,
 most contrary to the above bequests.
 Fifthly, I also ordain that all the Land I own
 in the State of Mississippi be sold and the proceeds
 applied to the benefit of my heirs.
 In Witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal.

Signed, sealed & acknowledged
 by me the said Robert F. Witherspoon
 this 24th day of May 1840 in presence of
 John F. Witherspoon
 James M. Witherspoon
 Sarah Armstrong

R. Franklin Witherspoon

The State of Alabama
 Greene County
 Ephraim Court February 15th 1841

The Last Will and Testament of Robert Franklin Witherspoon having
 been presented to the Court for probate and registration and Sarah
 Agness Witherspoon the widow of the said Robert Witherspoon
 having had due and legal notice and no objection being
 offered and David L. Stewart one of the subscribing witnesses, being
 summoned, and now being present in Court. Therefore, the
 Court proceeded to examine the said witness on oath touching
 the legal execution of said Will, and the Court being satisfied
 from his testimony that the said Will is good as to
 personal property. It is therefore ordered by the Court
 that the same be received and established as the last
 Will of the said Robert F. Witherspoon as to personal
 property, and that said Will be admitted to record.

Attest
 A. K. Davis Clerk

In the name of god Amen, I Polly Neely of the County of Greene in the State of Alabama, for the purpose of disposing of such worldly goods, as it has pleased Almighty God to bless me, do make & publish this my last will and testament to wit: To my daughter Sarah Samuels, my sons Charles Neely, Gable, Honour Neely, Subal L. Neely, Saunders Neely, & Deaford A. Neely & the heirs of my daughter Judith to Kill, now deceased & of my daughter Nancy Deaford deceased, I leave my best wishes for the future prosperity, collecting them all to be above want & in situations in life in which they can by singularity & care be independent of the small amount of my property which would come to their share if equally divided among them, assuring them in the most solemn act of my life, that it is not from want of affection to either one of them, that I have concluded to leave them no part of my property but the consideration above made known, & the further consideration that Aswell Up. Neely my youngest son has devoted years of his life to my support & in taking care of me, whilst the other of my children were doing for themselves.

To my son Aswell Up. Neely, I give & bequeath all and singular the real & personal estate of which I may be possessed, it being distinctly understood that by this instrument I intend to give them not only my present slaves, but also the increase of them from now until my death, & in case I should become owner of any other negro property before my decease by purchase, that they as well as their increase hereby passed, & that my intention is the same in relation to all other property of what nature or kind soever. I request my son Aswell Up. Neely to maintain my daughter Sarah Samuels as long as she may live single. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this the thirty first day of January 1840.

In presence of
George R. Davis
W. H. Davis, John Davis

Polly Neely

The State of Alabama
Greene County, Orphans Court, March 8th 1841
This day the last will and testament of Polly Neely deceased was presented to the Court, for probate and their being no heirs living in this state, the Court proceeded to examine George W. Keiser one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, on oath and the Court being satisfied from his testimony, it is ordered by the Court, that said will be accorded established and recorded.

Attest A. R. Davis clerk

In the name of the most Holy Trinity. Amen, I have 13 Page of Greene County in the State of Alabama, being of sound mind and memory, do make, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament, Item 1st I do give and bequeath unto my brother Thomas Page the following negroes, to wit: Sam and Maria his late husband, Susan, Sam's children and all their future increase; also little boy John (the child of Joseph). Item 2d I give and bequeath unto my brother Thomas Page my man Jacob; and my woman Rebecca and all her future increase, and I also give and bequeath unto the said Thomas Page all my share and interest in the firm of Thomas J. & Jacob B. Page, giving and confirming unto the said Thomas J. all my right and interest in my real estate situate in Erie, Alabama, and giving and confirming unto the said Thomas J. all my share and right in all the books, accounts, notes, furniture, horses & all attached to the firm of the J. B. Page, provided nevertheless, and upon the express condition that the said Thomas J. Page shall pay over to my brother Robert Carter Page the sum of three hundred dollars, which I hereby give unto the said Robert, and provided also, that the said Thomas J. Page shall well truly pay over to my brother William Henry Page the like sum of three hundred dollars, which I hereby give unto the said William Henry. Item 3d I do give and bequeath unto my sister Eliza Williams (the widow of Samuel Williams dec'd) the following negroes (together with their future increase) to wit: Charlotte, Gabriel and George, and I also give unto my said sister Eliza my woman, Item 4th I give and bequeath unto my niece Lucy Jane Lytle (the daughter of William H. Lytle (deceased) to the hereinafter mentioned provision) the following negroes (together with their future increase, to wit: Fanny and Patsy; But in the event that the said Lucy Jane Lytle should die, without any heir or heirs of her own body, then and in that event the said above named negroes Fanny and Patsy, and their increase, I give and bequeath unto my sister Eliza Williams, and her children. And I hereby nominate and appoint Thomas J. Page and Eliza Williams the Trustees and Guardians to carry into effect the conditions of the above bequests to the said Lucy Jane Lytle, the said negroes & their increase to remain under the care and control of the said Trustees & Guardians until the said Lucy Jane Lytle shall arrive at the age of fifteen years, should she live to that time, & if of 5th I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my

brother John Page and my brother Thomas Page the executors of this my last will and testament. Now to be known I hereby make it a further condition and stipulation in regard to my bequest to Thomas Page, that to the said Thomas Page shall will and truly pay and satisfy all claims and debts against the firm of J. & S. B. Page as well as all claims (and debts which I may owe myself out of the said Thomas Page's own individual funds, without any recourse to my property. The testimony of all and singular the provisions and conditions contained in this my last will and testament, I have herewith set my hand and affixed my seal at Euf. in Greene County, State of Alabama, this the 21st day of September A.D. 1840.)

Witnessed
H. J. Mason
J. C. Chiles
W. S. Phillips

Sam. B. Page Seal

Codicil. I hereby revoke and annul the gift and bequest of the negro girl Betty and her future increase to Lucy Jane Lytle: and I do hereby give and bequeath the said negro girl Betty and her future increase to my said daughter Elizabeth and her children. The testimony of the foregoing Codicil to this my last will & testament, I have herewith set my hand & affixed my seal at Euf. Ala. this the day of October A.D. 1840.

Witnessed
H. J. Mason
J. C. Chiles
W. S. Phillips

Sam. B. Page Seal

The State of Alabama, Chancery Court, March 8th 1841.
This day the last will and testament of James B. Page deceased was presented to the Court by Thomas Page one of the executors named in said will for probate & registration, and due and legal notice having been given to the heirs at law, and no objection being offered, the Court proceeded to examine with Henry Seaton one of the subscribing witnesses (there to touching the legal execution of said will and codicil) and the said witness having testified fully to the satisfaction of the Court. It is therefore ordered by the Court that said will and codicil be received, established and recorded.

Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

Alex. Dobbin's Will

State of Alabama, Chancery Court, March 8th 1841.
In the name of God, Amen!
Alexander Dobbin of the State of Alabama and County of Greene, being in health of body and of perfect mind, memory and understanding, yet feeling himself the mortality of his body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and testament: principally, and first of all, I recommend my soul to God who gave it, my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent and christian like manner at the discretion of my executors, not doubting, but I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God, at the general resurrection. As touching such worldly estate as herewith it has pleased God to bless me with in this life, I bequeath and bequeath the following: I order all my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid out of my estate. I do will and bequeath unto my (well beloved) wife Sarah Dobbin & the following negroes of my estate, (viz) Harry, Jackson, Greene, Mary Ann, Leah, Sophronia, John, Kate, Ellen, Isiah, Harriett, Moses, (to be kept and at her disposal in any way she may think proper. Now I do will unto my wife Leath Dobbin aforesaid) during her widowhood the plantation where we now live with all the buildings and improvements thereon, also all my household and kitchen furniture, plantation tools, my wagon and carriage, with all my stock of horses and hogs (except my one bay horse named Duke) also all my stock of cattle and sheep, and Poultry to be for her use, and for her benefit during her widowhood, and should my said wife Sarah Dobbin, Harry, or at her death, the above described plantation with the improvements, the household and kitchen furniture, wagon and plantation tools to be the property of my son James Madison Dobbin, but my stock of horses, mules, cattle, hogs to be returned to my estate and be equally divided among all my children, married as well as single. I then I do will and bequeath unto my son James Harvey Dobbin as his full share of my estate, (the following property, viz) Eliza, Henry, Sidney, Harriett, Adeline, Frances and Melly with their increase. I then I do will and bequeath to my daughter Mary Elitherspoon Turner, widow of John Elitherspoon Turner, twenty dollars, to be paid out of my estate in addition to the property she has already received, a her full and entire part of my estate. I then, I do will and bequeath unto my daughter Sammett Endre, now the wife of Samuel Layton Elitherspoon twenty dollars in

addition to the property she has already received as her full and entire part of my estate, Item, I do will and bequeath to my son Robert Melison Dobbin, twenty dollars in addition to the property he has already received as his full and entire part of my estate. Item, I do will and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Inneson, now wife of Tho: G. McFadden, twenty dollars, in addition to the property already received as her full and entire part of my estate. Item, I do will and bequeath to my daughter Lucretia Catharine Dobbin the following property (viz) Calvin, Ben, and Jane, as her full and entire part of my estate. Item, I do will and bequeath to my son John Madison Dobbin the following property in addition to that before mentioned, (viz) William, Washington, Seaborn, and Eliza Ann, with one bay horse marked Duke as his full and entire part of my estate. Item, I do will and bequeath to my daughter Eliza Ann Quantilla the following property (viz) Molly, Catherine, Jane and Vincent with their increase as her full and entire part of my estate. Item It is my will that my son Robert Melison Dobbin shall receive from my estate five hundred dollars in consideration of his being unfortunate with the property received from me, also that my daughter Vanneith Lucine Witherspoon receive three hundred dollars, because she did not receive an equal portion with my other children at marriage, I wish three turns to be appropriated as above mentioned, if they can be made on the farm and spared from necessary expenses. (And) Lastly, I do Nominate, Constitute and appoint my Wife Sarah Dobbin, James Harry Dobbin, Thomas G. McFadden, and Samuel Clayton Witherspoon my Executors and Creators of this my Last Will Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me made and confirming this and this only to be my Last Will Testament. In Witness (and in) Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 23rd day of July 1839, (and in the sixty third year of the Independence of the United States of America,) signed, sealed, published, and declared as this my Last Will and Testament on the day and year above written in the presence of Thomas G. McFadden, Samuel A. Wilson, William M. Wilson.

Alexander Dobbin

The State of Alabama, Cuthbert County, March 8th 1841. (This day the last will and testament of Alexander Dobbin deceased was presented to the Court for probate, and the heirs having had due and legal notice, and no objection being offered, the Court proceeded to examine on oath, Thomas Melison and Samuel A. Wilson, two of the subscribing witnesses thereto touching the legal execution of the said will, and the court being fully satisfied from their testimony, it is therefore ordered by the Court that the said will be received, established and recorded. Attest A. Davis Clerk.

(In the name of God Amen, I William Hart, of the State of Alabama, Greene County, being of sound and perfect mind, after first commending my soul to God who gave it, do make and declare this my last will and testament to wit: First, I request and direct all my just debts in this County to be paid with the money arising from the sale of my last years crop, and from debts due me, I desire and direct my stock of hogs, cattle and sheep in Greene County to be sold on a credit of nine months. I have employed Mr. John Dail and have agreed to give him thirty dollars per month by the year, to put up some buildings on the tract of land in Sumter County, which I lately purchased of John McGrew. I wish and direct the purchase of a small piece of pine woods land (by my Executors) for a family residence on which Mr. John Dail will erect comfortable buildings for my family. I wish my dear Wife to select from my negroes and keep with her such as she wants to attend her as house servants, the balance of my negroes I wish kept together and worked on my plantation (under the management of a discreet humane overseer, who shall be under the control of my Executors) from year to year until my child respectively marry or arrive at the age of sixteen years, when, his her or their portion or portions may be allotted to him, her or them in conformity with the Statute of Alabama, provided however that should my dear Wife at any time desire the portion of my estate, I wish and direct it

allotted to her in the usual manner, and the balance of the property, belonging to my children, kept and worked together as before. I further request and direct my executors to furnish my plantation in Suwiler County with corn and fodder for the present year, and all other annually, which may be necessary to carry on the farm profitably, also to furnish my dear wife and children, from year to year with all articles necessary for their comfort and support.

I request and direct my executors to give my children a liberal education; appropriating from the proceeds of the crops annually as much money as may be necessary for that purpose. I wish my wife's feelings to be consulted in the education of my children, should my dear wife at any time wish to spend the summer and fall at the Springs, or any other place. I request and direct my executors to furnish her with as much money as she may require to effect said object. Should there be any cash on hand the ensuing spring, after making the provisions and paying the debts above mentioned, I desire and request it to be applied to the payment of my debt to Col Albert C Horton of Texas. I also direct that all money remaining from the sales of crops annually and collection of moneys due me, after paying all my other debts and providing liberally for my family and the education of my children, be applied to the extinguishment of my debt to Col A.C. Horton until he is fully paid up. I give and bequeath to my dear wife my negro boy Allen, also my carriage, carriage harness, and carriage horses, together with all my household furniture, I give and bequeath to my son Robert Daniel Hart my gold watch and chain. I hereby appoint my dear wife Susan Hart, William T Hudson, and Ezra Huchabee my executors to this my last will and testament. Given under my hand and seal in the presence of Jesse Shivers, John Nail and Elizabeth Brown subscribing witnesses the day and date first above written. Signed, sealed, and delivered

In the presence of,
Jesse Shivers

his
witness
John Nail

Elizabeth Brown

The State of Alabama, Orphans Court
Greene County }
April 13th 1840
This day the last will and testament

William Heart deceased, was presented to the Court by William T Hudson, one of the executors therein named, for probate and registration, and it appearing fully to the satisfaction of the Court, that the heirs have had notice of this application, the will of said decedent being the only heir at law of said decedent and assenting to the same, whereupon the Court proceeded to examine on oath, Jesse Shivers one of the subscribing witnesses to said will touching the legal execution of the same, and the Court being fully satisfied from his testimony, it is therefore ordered by the Court that said will be received, established and recorded.

Eliza McEdwards } State of Alabama } I, Eliza McEdwards of said
will } Greene County } County and state, do make
and declare this my last will and testament, hereby
revoking and making void, all former wills by me at any
time heretofore made. First, I direct all my just debts
and funeral expenses to be paid as soon after my decease
as possible. and, secondly should my daughter Sarah
Edwards die without leaving issue of her body, I hereby
devise and bequeath all my means and effects real and personal
with all the annual accumulations thereon to Sarah T
Tucker my sister, and, thirdly should my sister Sarah
Tucker and my daughter Sarah Edwards both die
without heirs of their body, it is my wish and desire
and I do hereby give, bequeath all my estate both real
personal after paying these just debts to such person or
persons as may be the guardian of my daughter Sarah,
or have the charge of my sister Sarah's father (and her
I do hereby nominate and appoint William T Hudson &
Ezra Huchabee executors of this my last will and testament
in which I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this thirteenth day of December in the
year of our Lord, One thousand eight hundred thirty
Signed, sealed, and delivered

In presence of
W. E. Colville
A. McEdwards
James W. Means

Eliza McEdwards
do hereby
execute

The State of Alabama } Orphans Court
Greene County }
May 23rd 1841
This day the last will and testament
of Eliza McEdwards deceased was presented to the Court
for probate, and the guardian ad litem of the

heir of said decedent being present in Court and not object-
the Court proceeded to examine on oath Benjamin Eldredge
and James McLean two of the Subscribing Witnesses thereto
and being fully satisfied from their testimony.

Advised by the Court that said Will be received, established and recorded.
Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

James Pellegrew Will

In the Name of God Amen! I James Pellegrew
of Greene County, in the State of Alabama; being of a sound
and disposing mind, do make, publish, and declare this
to be my last Will and testament, in manner and form
following, to wit:

Item 1st I give and bequeath unto
my beloved Wife Anne Pellegrew for and during the term
of her natural life, all of my property of every description,
and after her death to descend as her heirs after bequeathed.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath unto my son William
Pellegrew, and to his heirs and assigns forever (after the death
of his mother) all of my said known and designated
as follows, to wit: The South west quarter of section Eleven,

in township twenty one of range two East (and also known
as being the land on which resides) and being also the land
now known, containing one hundred and sixty acres more or
less, I also give unto my son William after the death of
his mother, one half of the Cattle and Hogs that may be
on hand at that time, and my negro hives named Potbey
and her increase.

Item 3rd I give and bequeath unto
my son Ebenezer Pellegrew my negro boy Daniel, and my neg-
ress Susan (after the death of his mother as above mentioned).

Item 4th I give and bequeath unto my daughter
Rosanna, and my daughter Mary, and my son Robert,
and the heirs of Aubrey Geller, and the heirs of John Pellegrew
and my daughter Sarah Keintz, all the rest and residue of
my property of every description after the death of myself
to be equally divided amongst them, giving an equal share
to each one of my said children, that is to say may be living
at that time (and a share to the children of such as are
may be dead at the time of distribution), in making this
distribution it is the intention that the children of each one
of my children that may be dead at the time of making
the distribution of this bequest shall only receive the
share their father or mother (as the case may be) would
be entitled to if living. And lastly I hereby nominate,
do and appoint my son Ebenezer Pellegrew executor

this my last Will and testament, revoking and disannulling
all other and former Wills by me heretofore made.

In testimony of all which I hereunto subscribe my name and
affix my seal this 19th day of March in the year
of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and forty one,
Signed, sealed, published and declared
by the testator to be his last Will and
testament in our presence

James Pellegrew
W. A. Richardson
A. R. Davis

James Pellegrew

Codicil
I James Pellegrew do make this Codicil to my last Will
and testament. I give and bequeath unto my son James
Pellegrew after the death of his mother my negro girl
Sarah and her future increase. As witness my hand
and seal this 19th day of March A.D. 1841.
Signed, sealed and declared by the testator as part
of his last Will and testament, in our
presence the date above

W. A. Richardson
A. R. Davis

James Pellegrew

The State of Alabama
Greene County
Orphan Court
June 14th 1841

This day the Last Will and Testament of James Pellegrew
deceased was presented to the Court by Ebenezer Pellegrew (the
Executor therein named) and it appearing to the Court that
the Widow and heirs at law of said decedent have had due
and legal notice, and no objection being offered the Court
proceeded to examine on oath James Roden and W. A. Keintz
two of the Subscribing Witnesses thereto touching
the legal execution of said Will and they having testified
fully to the satisfaction of the Court, It is thereupon
advised by the Court that said Will be received, established,
and recorded, as the last Will and testament of the said
James Pellegrew deceased.

Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

til Venid is 21 years of age I gave to my son in law Mr Meador five dollars. Item 3. I gave to my son Richard W Darden one negro boy at his mothers death, by the name of Will. I also gave him a yoke of kess, that is now breaking, & the Elm Mule, Item 4. I gave to my son John A Darden at his mothers death 3 negroes, namely Eliza her daughter Selva, Frank, I also the little tract of land he lives on, Item 5. I Will & devise to my son James K Darden 6 negroes namely Sol, Lettie & her four daughters Cherry, Miley, Margaret & Kelly & my brown horse, & the balance of my stock of hogs not given to his mother, I appoint as my executors Richard W Darden & my son James K Darden & my worthy friend Elard Phippen, I also leave my friend E. Phippen & Mr Darden, to sell at private sale, all my Land in Sumner & pay all my just debts & exchange them to bargain, all I release in & for myself all the right title & claim that have to it as fully & freely as if I was personally present myself, I wish then to make such sale as may suit the situation of my estate, I also for Mr Darden to keep to himself one of the last payments of the land, two hundred dollars, to make him even with his other brothers John & James, if there be any thing forgotten I not put in this Will, I want my executors to sell it at private sale, I divide it amongst them, as I dont want any of my estate sold at public sale, I want of the money of the land a quarter section suitable for your mothers sight, & for her to go on it to live, I also wish out of the money of the land to buy back 1 Bitter Water, & let your mother keep them during her life or pleasure, & then to be sold in the family, & no other allowed to bid, if Sarah Meador is reduced to having no home, my executors must provide some home for her, out of my estate, my wish is that my executors collect all the money due me either by law or otherwise. In witness whereof I have set my hand & seal this 29 March 1841.

Test J. A. McDonald
Jab. Griffith

James Darden

The State of Alabama }
Greene County } Orphan Court July 12th 1841.
This day the last Will and testament of James Darden deceased was presented to the Court for probate registration by Richard W Darden and Elard Phippen two of the executors therein named, and it appearing to the Court that they have had due and legal notice, and no objection being offered, The Court proceeded to examine on oath James McDonald one of the subscribing witnesses to the same, touching the legal execution of said Will and he having testified to the satisfaction of the Court, It is therefore Ordered by the Court that said Will be received and established as its proper and property, and that the same be recorded as the last Will of the said James Darden deceased.

Attest A. R. Sand Clerk

The State of Alabama }
Greene County } Orphan Court, Special term held at the Court house of Greene County in Alabama, on Monday the seventh day of December in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty, Present The Honorable William P. Pierce Judge Presiding.

Thomas W. Oldenholme }
Appl: to prove } that all the parties interested have had notice
Noncupative Will of } and the relations ordered at the former term
John Otterson dec'd } have been duly executed; John W. Otterson
was sworn as a witness } says that during the last sickness of the
said John Otterson, the day before his death, that he called upon the undersigned his brother Thomas Otterson to witness that he gave his slave Bob to his sister Ruth during her life. (the brother of the witness was a little deaf of hearing, and he does not believe that he was heard by the testator, when were other persons in the room at the time, but whether they heard him or not know, But he said that in the presence of these witnesses "I give to her (Ruth) my negro man Bob, during her life" the said John Otterson died the next day, he believes about the 21st or 22nd of November last, and was perfectly in his senses at the time of the said conversation. (Signed) J. W. S. Otterson.

Whereupon the Court is of Opinion that the said declaration as sworn above is good as noncupative Will of the said John Otterson, and order that the same be recorded as such.

W. H. Pierce Judge

James Darden }
Will: } State of Alabama, Greene County.
In the name of God Amen. I
James Darden of the County & State aforesaid, being of sound disposing mind & memory, & foreseeing my advanced age, and strongly reminded of the certainty of death & the uncertainty of life, do make this my last Will, publish and confirm this my last Will & request, Viz: I wish at my death to be buried in full and decent style. Item 1. Will & devise to my wife Temperance a certain negro Man namely Peter, & also negro woman Moll & all my stock of cattle & Oxen, a round horse & 2 mare mules, all my household and kitchen furniture, farming tools & blacksmith tools, to Will & dispose of as she pleases, & also lend her during her life 2 negro girls, namely John & Harriet & three boys, Will Frank & Ned, & then to go as devised in this will, I also will & devise to my wife 2 gangs of hogs, namely the Cub gang, & the Spotted gang at the time of her death. Item the fourth, I give to my daughter Sarah Meador at her husbands is living not to take possession, she are to be kept in the hands of my Executors if she should die for no division to take place

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John W. Carnes In the name of God Amen.
Will

I John W. Carnes of the County of Greene and State of Alabama knowing the uncertainty of this life, and that it is loted for men to die, do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form as follows, to wit: I (recommend) my soul to almighty god that give to me, and my body to be buried in such Christianlike manner as my executor hereafter named shall think proper. Item 1st I give the wealth to my loving wife Cynthia Carnes, all of my estate both real and personal during her natural life or widowhood, and then to be equally divided betwix all my children to wit: Sally Ann Carnes, and William Stanton Carnes and Amanda Caroline Carnes and Margaret Jane Carnes and Fella Amelia Carnes, and William Henry Carnes to be to them and their heirs forever. If my loving wife Cynthia Carnes should marry, my will and desire is for the division to take place at that time. Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my loving wife Cynthia Carnes moneys arising from my plantation to school and raise my children and to pay all of my just debts, and to appoint my loving wife Cynthia Carnes my whole and sole executor declaring all Will or Wills to be void, declaring this my last Will and Testament, In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this the 28th day of May, Anno Domini 1841.

Attest
William C. Adams
Thomas J. Adams

John W. Carnes

The State of Alabama
Greene County

Circuit Court, August 9th 1841.
This day the last Will and Testament of John W. Carnes deceased, was presented to the Court for probate registration, and the Will dep. (and guardian ad litem of the minor heirs of said decedent having absented), the Court proceeded to examine on oath William C. Adams one of the subscribing witnesses the who touching the legal execution of said Will, and he having testified to the satisfaction of the Court, it is therefore ordered by the Court, that said Will be received established and recorded, as the last Will and Testament of the said John W. Carnes deceased as to the personal estate of said decedent.

Attest
A. R. Davis Clerk

Henry Minor Jr. I Henry Minor of the County of Greene, State of Alabama being now of sound mind, do make and declare the following as my last Will and Testament. I do hereby nominate and appoint my brother in law John R. Friend executor of this my last Will, and authorize and empower him to sell at private or public sale as he may think best, all or any part of my real and personal estate for cash, or in such event as he may think most advantageous, and fully to transfer and convey any real or personal property sold by him to the purchaser. It is my will, that out of the money that may be due me at the time of my death, and that arising from the sale of my property, by my executor he shall pay and satisfy all my just debts. After the payment of all my debts and expenses, it is my will that the balance of my estate (whether that balance consists of money lands or other property) shall be distributed according to the provisions of the laws of Alabama in relation to the estate of persons dying intestate. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, this thirteenth day of July, in the year of our Lord the thousand eight hundred and thirty nine, signed by the testator in our presence after having been read by him and duly acknowledged by him to be his last Will and Testament. In requested by him to subscribe our names hereto.

Attest
R. Chapman
David C. Humphreys
Elias F. Fellinghaas

The State of Alabama
Greene County
At a Special term of the Supreme Court held at the Court house of said County on the 31st day of October A.D. 1841. Present the Honorable Stephen Moore Judge of said Court.

This day the Last Will and Testament of Henry Minor Jr. deceased, was presented to the Court for probate, and (William Chapman one of the subscribing witnesses the who being duly sworn and examined having testified fully to the satisfaction of the Court, it is therefore ordered by the Court that said Will be received established and recorded as the last Will and Testament of the said Henry Minor deceased.

Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

Alvis Riddle, Will

The State of Alabama, In the name of God, Amen.
 Greene County, I, Alvis Riddle, being of sound mind, do make and publish my last will and testament, as follows, to wit: First, I give and bequeath, all my estate, both real and personal, to my wife Sarah E. Riddle, and my children Ellis R. Riddle, Alvis Riddle, Victoria, and Alvis Riddle, and wish my said estate, to be kept together, and managed by my executor (who is hereinafter appointed) just as I would or could do, if I were living, until my wife Sarah E. Riddle, shall marry again, or until my oldest child shall become of lawful age, (to wit: twenty one year) and then, it is my will, that the same be equally divided amongst them, share and share alike. Secondly, It is my will and request, that my wife, Sarah E. Riddle, and my children named as aforesaid, should be decently supported, and provided for, by my executor, out of my estate and especially that my children be educated, in the best schools and manner, that the State affords, and my executor is hereby authorized and instructed to provide for their support and education, out of my estate, upon the most liberal terms until the said estate is divided out as herein before provided. Thirdly, I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint William P. Webb, my executor, to carry into effect, this my last will and testament, and do authorize and empower him, after he shall have qualified under the order and directions of the Orphans Court to take my whole estate under his charge, and manage the same by himself or such agents as he may think proper to appoint at any time, as fully as I myself could or would do, were I alive, and I do hereby particularly authorize him to take charge as administrator de bonis non of my late brother Thomas Riddle's estate and manage and conduct the same, under and according to his last will and testament, and I do also authorize and empower him to settle up all my outstanding accounts and business, receiving, compromising or settling the same as I might or could do to the best advantage of my estate; Fourthly, I especially authorize and empower my executor, to sell any part of my estate he may at any time think necessary, and also, at any time to add to my estate, either real personal or mixed, in such way, and by such means, as my estate will justify, without selling property, to buy more, and at the same time, execute titles, and receive deeds of conveyance. In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my hand and affixed my seal this the 3^d day of October A.D. 1841.
 Signed, sealed and published, in presence of
 the testator, and each other
 (intervening & signed before signing)

Alvis Riddle
Wm. P. Webb
A. D. Pope
J. W. Ward

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The State of Alabama, Orphans Court, November the 8th 1841.
 Present the Hon. Sydneyham Monro, Judge presiding.
 This day the last will and testament of Alvis Riddle deceased was presented to the Court by William P. Webb the executor therein named for probate and registration, and the will of said decedent, having obtained the notice required by law, and consented that said will be proven, Whereupon the Court proceeded to examine upon oath Joseph Ward one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, touching the legal execution of said will, and the Court being fully satisfied from his testimony, that the same was executed by the Court, that the said will be received, established and recorded as the last will and testament of Alvis Riddle deceased.
 Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

Mary Cashaden, Will

In the name of God, Amen, I, Mary Cashaden, of the town of Greensborough in the State of Alabama, being of sound disposing mind and memory, do make and publish my last will and testament in manner following: First, I give, devise and bequeath unto my friends George S. Shivers of the City of Mobile and Thomas McGee formerly of the County of Marengo all of the following property both real & personal to wit: a certain lot or parcel of land in the City of Mobile, situate on Government Street, having fifty two feet nine inches front on Government Street by One hundred and forty four feet deep it being the lot conveyed to me by Philip M. Lusk and John Hagan by a deed bearing date the 1st of March 1825, (and to which deed I hereby refer for a more particular description of said lot) together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, & all the appurtenances thereunto belonging, also the lot of land in Greensborough whereon I now reside containing between three & four acres with the dwelling house and all other buildings improvements and appurtenances thereon, also a piece of land adjoining my residence on the north & bounded on the west by the public road leading to Pichaloria containing about half an acre which I purchased of Robert Dickens, also a piece of land likewise adjoining my residence on the north, and lying between the half acre purchased of R. Dickens & the land of Frederick Beck, which was conveyed to me by John Stokes by a deed dated 26th of November 1828, containing about sixty seven hundred and thirty an acre, also twenty acres of land being a part of the 16th section in township twenty range five east, & being the west half of Lot No. 6, in the plat of said section also my lot in the town of Greensborough which I purchased of George S. Greenes Esq. which lot is to be paid for with my stock in the said town according to the agreement, which I made with W. Kainet, also my house & lot in Elizabeth City in the State of North Carolina, also all my right, title & interest in a lot in the town of St. Stephens & a store thereon which was devised to me by my husband, also a note upon E. J. Farish and

Alexander McCoun for six hundred dollars, dated February 1st 1834, and payable to me or bearer 12 months after the date, thereof also all the money that may hereafter become due to me from E. S. Parish by virtue of a contract entered into by me with him on the 11th of April 1834 in relation to negro man Lavy also my negro man Peter & all the negroes which I now own or may at any time hereafter in any way whatsoever acquire, also my furniture, cattle, horses, other live stock, and all other property both real & personal of every description whatsoever which I may own at the time of my death. To Have and to hold all the said property both real & personal unto the said George S. Gaines & the said Thomas M. See their heirs and assigns forever upon the following use, trusts and confidence and upon no other use trust and confidence whatsoever to wit: That the said trustees George S. Gaines and Thomas M. See shall hold all the said property, and also in the event of a sale of any part thereof, the property that may be acquired with the proceeds of such sale, in trust for the sole and separate use of my daughter Eliza Jane Robinson, the wife of Franklin Robinson of North Carolina during the natural life of my said daughter, the said property both that herein bequeathed and that which may be acquired as aforesaid to be free from the control and dominion of her said husband, and not subject to any liability for his debts and engagements & in the event of the said Eliza Jane surviving the said Franklin Robinson the trustees to continue to hold all the property in the same manner for the sole and separate use of the said Eliza Jane not subject to the control & dominion of any future husband and not liable for the debts and engagements of any future husband. And the said trustees shall permit the said Eliza Jane Robinson to receive for her own separate use benefit and advantage during her life, all the income, interest, and rents which may arise and be received from all & every part of the said property, and they shall permit her to reside upon any part of the real estate herein devised that she may desire to use for a place of residence & to occupy the same for that purpose so long as she may wish so to do. — Secondly, If the said Eliza Jane Robinson shall wish any part of the income or interest arising from the property herein devised to be laid out in the purchase of property, the said trustees shall purchase such property therewith as she may request, in their names to be then deposited by them the said trustees in trust for the sole & separate use of the said Eliza Jane during her life not subject to the control & dominion of the said Franklin Robinson or of any future husband & not liable for the debts & engagements of the said Franklin or of any future husband, and after the death of the said Eliza Jane Robinson the said trustees shall dispose of the property thus acquired with the income, rents & interest, in such manner and to such persons as she the said Eliza Jane shall have directed by any writing signed by her for that purpose in the nature of a last will.

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And if the said Eliza Jane should wish to sell or exchange any of the property thus acquired with the income, rents & interest, the trustees shall sell or exchange the same according to her directions and for her sole separate use, & if sold the proceeds of it to be either vested in other property for her sole & separate use, or the money to be paid to her as she may direct and the property thus obtained in exchange to be for her sole and separate use during her life. Thirdly, If my daughter Eliza Jane should wish to use my furniture & stock of cattle, horses & hogs my trustees are directed to permit her to have the possession thereof, and if she does not wish to use them, then I direct that my trustees shall sell such parts thereof as she may not desire to use, upon such terms as they shall deem proper, and they shall vest the proceeds in such property as my said daughter may direct to be held by them for her sole and separate use during her life & not liable for the debts of her husband. Fourth, If my trustees shall deem it to be the interest of the objects of my bounty that the property in St. Stephens, in Newbold, & in Elizabeth City or either of them, therein before devised should be sold, then I will direct that they sell the same or either of them upon such terms as to them shall seem best and vest the proceeds in any other property to be held by them upon the same use, trusts & confidence as is herein before directed, with regard to the property which is in this clause directed to be sold. Fifthly, Upon and immediately after the death of my daughter Eliza Jane Robinson, I will and direct that my trustees aforesaid hold the following property for the only use and behoof of my grand daughter Mary Robinson the daughter of Franklin Robinson & Eliza Robinson for her, her heirs & assigns forever, to wit: The lot in Greensborough whereon I now reside containing between three & four acres with the dwelling house & all other buildings improvements and appurtenances thereon, also the piece of land adjoining it, on the north (beginning described) which I purchased of Robert Dickens and John Stokes one piece being about half an acre & the other being about sixty seven hundred of an acre, also twenty acres of land being a part of the 16th section in township 20, range 5 East, & being the lesser half of Lot No. 6 in the plat of said section. If my said grand daughter shall be under age and unmarried at the time of the death of her mother and my trustees shall think that it would be to the advantage of the said Mary to sell the same, I then will & direct that after the death of my daughter Eliza Jane, my trustees sell the said property upon such terms as they shall deem best and vest the proceeds thereof in some safe and profitable stock, the dividends from which to be applied in the maintenance education & for the general advantage of my said grand daughter Mary and upon her coming of age or marrying the said stock to be transferred to her so that she will have the ownership both

legal and equitable therein to her, her heirs & executors & assigns forever. And if my said grand daughter Mary should come of age or marry, before the death of my daughter Eliza, I then will & direct that upon the death of my said daughter my trustees shall convey and assure the property before described in this clause of my will to my said grand daughter Mary her heirs & assigns forever in absolute property both legal & equitable. If my said grand daughter Mary should die before marrying or coming of age, I then will & direct that my trustees hold the property herein directed to be given her from & after her death for the benefit & advantage use and ownership of all the other children, which my daughter Eliza Robinson shall leave living at the time of her death. Lastly, I will & direct that from & immediately after the death of my said daughter Eliza Robinson my trustees shall hold all the test and residue of the property herein before described, and also any property that may have been purchased with the income thereof & which may remain undisposed of, for the use benefit advantage and ownership of all the children that my daughter Eliza R. shall leave living at the time of her death both those now born & any that may hereafter be born, excepting my grand daughter Mary who is herein before provided for, all the income from which to be applied after the death of my daughter, for the education & maintenance of my said grand children (excepting Mary) and in the purchase of property for them so far as the same will extend. If the income arising from the property given for the benefit of my grand daughter Mary should be insufficient for her maintenance & education, then she shall receive so much of the income arising from the other property as in addition to the other will suffice for that purpose, not however at all affecting the permanent ownership of the said property devised for my other grand children. Seventhly, I will and direct that after the death of my daughter Eliza Robinson & when her oldest child shall come of age my trustees shall sell all the property mentioned in the sixth clause of this will viz. all the property herein devised excepting Mary's share, & all the property acquired with the income as before stated & which may remain undisposed of, upon such terms as my trustees shall deem most to the interest of the devisees, and shall pay over to the child then of age an equal child's part of the proceeds thereof & shall invest the residue in some safe & profitable stock for the use of those under age to be given them as they respectively come of age or marry. If my trustees upon estimating the value of the share herein given to my grand daughter Mary shall find it to be less than the share which would fall to each of the other children upon an equal division of all the other property, then it is my will & desire that she shall receive so much of the proceeds of the said property as in addition to the share specifically given her will make her portion equal to that of each of the other children, but in no

other event is she to participate in the division of the said property, and in no event is any part of her share to be taken to make the shares of the others equal to hers. It being my will that the part given for the use of Mary shall not be in any event abated or lessened. The property that may be sold in Memphis, St. Stephen and Elizabeth City is to be subject to the same directions to be divided in the same way as the property which is in this clause directed to be sold when the oldest grand child comes of age. Eighthly, It is my will & hereby direct that if my trustees shall sell the place where I reside, that they shall sell the said lot where I now reside & the ground purchased from Robert Dickinson & that purchased from John Stokes all together, and that they shall not sell any part of the same without the residue. Ninthly, I hereby direct that my negro woman Pety shall not be sold at any time but that she shall be kept in the family of my daughter, and that upon the death of my daughter my trustees shall have her kindly taken care of, and that she shall remain with my grandchildren & I request my daughter, and it is my will that my daughter take care of my old negro man Aaron & I provide for their comfortable maintenance. It is my will & intention that the trustees herein appointed shall not in any event have any part of the property herein bequeathed for their own use & benefit or otherwise than as trustees except that I wish them to have a fair & reasonable compensation for their services. I request my trustees to pay the last instalment due for the lot of the 16th section & to pay all my other debts out of the income of the property herein devised. Tenth, If B. F. Parish shall fail to fulfil the contract into which he entered with me on the 11th of April 1854, then I will & direct that if any other person will pay the balance of the money which will be due me upon said contract, my trustees shall in that event, & also in case the said Parish should fulfil the contract, in either event that my trustees shall use all proper means for emancipating the said Mary, and for carrying the said contract into full effect on my part according to its true spirit & intention. Lastly, I nominate and appoint my friends George H. Gaines and Thomas M. Lee aforesaid executors of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills by me heretofore made, in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 12th day of April 1855.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by M^{rs} Mary Cashaden as her last will and testament in our presence, and subscribing our names hereunto in her presence & in the presence of each other.

Stephen G. Field
Edwin Peck
C. B. Pastour

Mary Cashaden

The State of Alabama } In the Orphans Court of Greene County,
Greene County } October 14th 1841.

This day the last Will and Testament of Mary Caskaden deceased was presented to the Court, together with the Commission directed to Messrs. William H. Wallace, David Rider and John Melmas the Commissioners heretofore appointed by order of this Court to take the deposition of Stephen L. Field one of the subscribing witnesses to said Will; and the deposition accompanying the same, and the Court being fully satisfied from the deposition aforesaid that the said Will was duly executed and acknowledged by the said deceased. It is therefore Ordered by the Court that said Will be received established and recorded.

Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

Codicil

In the Name of God, Amen, I Mary Caskaden being low in health and body, but of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding do make and ordain this as a Codicil to my last Will and testament, which said last Will is dated the 12th day of April A.D. 1835, and signed in presence of Stephen L. Field, Edwin Peck and E. L. Pateau, in the place of Thomas M. Lee now deceased; It is my desire and I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my friend James M. Witherspoon of Greensborough Alabama, to act as trustee and executor with the same powers as are in my said Will vested in the said Thomas M. Lee deceased - In relation to my negro man Gabriel, and boy Albert not named specially in my said last Will, it is my desire and wish that the same disposition be made of them, as I have in my said last Will made of my negro woman Patsy - that is to say I wish the said Negroes Gabriel and Albert to be held in trust by my trustees for the use of my daughter Eliza Robinson, subject to all the conditions and requirements as are specified in my said last Will in relation to my negro woman Patsy. Given under my hand and seal this sixteenth day of August 1840.

In Presence of us
Thos. S. Witherspoon
Mary Jane Witherspoon
Mary Caskaden (deceased)

The State of Alabama } Orphans Court
Greene County } November 8th 1841.

This day the Codicil to the Will of Mary Caskaden deceased being presented to the Court, for probate and being duly sworn and examined and having testified fully to the satisfaction of the Court, It is therefore Ordered by the

Court that the said Codicil be received established and recorded as a part of the last Will and Testament of the said Mary Caskaden deceased.

Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

State of Alabama } To all whom it may concern, I Frances W. McFadden late of the State of Tennessee, but before her death a resident of Greene County Alabama, since December 1840, departed this life on the 24th day of September 1841, and whereas the said Frances W. McFadden has no relation in the State of Alabama or elsewhere entitled to any portion of her estate, known to the undersigned, except as hereinafter mentioned, and whereas the said Frances W. McFadden being of sound mind & disposing memory, gave her only sister Tabbitha Jane Hodges now about seventeen years old, one certain negro boy named June about nineteen years old, to her only brother Thomas Hodges now about fifteen years old, she gave the balance of the estate both in Alabama & Tennessee except her wearing clothes (as above alluded to) which she gave her little niece in the State Tennessee named Susan Frances W. McFadden now an infant the daughter of her late husbands sister, all of which is deemed to be proven and made of record in the County and State above mentioned Given under our hands this 15th day of November 1841.

Jacob Silvertown
Dorothy B. Silvertown
Cheriah Rencher

The State of Alabama } Orphans Court November 16th 1841.

This day the noncupative Will of Frances W. McFadden deceased was presented to the Court for probate, and it appearing to the Court from testimony that the said decedent had no other relations in this State than one brother and one sister both of whom are minors and Jacob Silvertown Dorothy B. Silvertown and Cheriah Rencher whose names are subscribed to the said noncupative Will, being duly sworn severally, deposed and said, that the writing now here presented to the Court is the last Will of the said Frances W. McFadden as made by her during her last sickness, that the same was reduced to writing hence her decease and intended to be her last Will and testament, that the said Frances W. McFadden was of sound and disposing mind and the Court being satisfied from the testimony of said witnesses. It is therefore Ordered by the Court that said Will be received established and recorded.

Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

Frances W. McFadden noncupative Will

Blaney Brand

Will

In the name of God, Amen. I Blaney Brand being of sound mind and in good health do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament. Item the first. I want after paying my debts what may be left laid out in negroes whenever my Executor may think the most proper time to do so, they to be such as will bring in hire and be more profitable to my heirs. Item the second. I want said negroes hired out privately and to such men as can be relied on to treat them with & take good care of them. Item the third. I want the hire of all my negroes equally divided between my wife & children if my wife should prefer to have a child's part, that will be set apart to her & the balance laid out as above requested. Item the fourth. If my wife should prefer a share in the hire of the negroes, I request paid to her yearly. I do make & Ordain Henry M. Lorton my executor to this my last Will & Testament and also request him to become the Guardian of my children Feb 13th 1839

Blaney Brand

The State of Alabama

Greene County Chaphans Court November 16th 1841.

This day the last Will and Testament of Blaney Brand deceased was presented to the Court by Henry M. Lorton the executor therein named for probate and registration and the widow of the said Blaney Brand having waived the notice required by law and assented to the taking of the probate of said Will, thereupon the Court proceeded to examine on oath William Kerr and William A. Locke two witnesses introduced to prove the handwriting & signature of the said Blaney Brand, and the said witnesses having testified fully to the satisfaction of the Court. It is therefore Ordered by the Court that said Will be received, established and recorded as the last Will and Testament of the said Blaney Brand deceased.

Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

William L. Bennett deceased Will December Term 1841.

State of Tennessee, Williamson County October 21st A.D. 1841.

In the name of God Amen. I William L. Bennett of the County of Williamson and State of Tennessee, knowing the uncertainty of human events, and the mortal life, and being of sound memory and mind, though weak in body, do make this my Last Will and Testament, in manner and form following, to wit: Item 1st my Will and desire is that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid. Item 2nd It is my will and desire that the following slaves in Greene County Alabama be brought to my farm in Williamson Tennessee

to wit: Susan and her children Adeline, Henry and Pat. Item 3rd It is my will and desire that my other slaves in Alabama, stock farming tools and crop of cotton be sold.

Item 4th It is my will and desire that my farm in Williamson County, my slaves now on it, and those to be brought from Alabama my crop and stock, except so much as my executor herein after appointed, my judge if necessary to sell, be held by my wife Mary Bennett during her widowhood, and also my household and kitchen furniture, for the support of herself and children, or the children (become) of lawful age or marry. Item 5th I give to my nephew Thomas Bennett five hundred dollars and two horses second choice of my stock of horses. Item 6th It is my will and desire that in the event of my wife's marrying that she shall then receive a child's part of my estate, and the balance be equally divided between my three children, Ann E. Bennett, Thomas L. Bennett and John L. Bennett. Item 7th I hereby appoint Thomas Cutcher executor of this my last Will and Testament without being required to give security for the faithful performance of the trust reposed in him, hereby revoking all other Wills and Testaments by me made. In Witness whereof I have subscribed my name to this my last Will and Testament, in presence of

Wm. Morton
James Swanson

Wm. L. Bennett Seal

Nashville, Randon County 3rd of December 1841.

Being appointed executor of the last Will and Testament of William L. Bennett deceased, believing myself not able to attend to the duties of that office, hereby decline qualifying as such. Thos. Cutcher

The Last Will and Testament of William L. Bennett late of this County, deceased is produced for probate, and the execution thereof proven thus, John W. Morton and James Swanson Jr. subscribing witnesses (who being sworn, say they became such in the presence and at the request of the testator, that they believe said testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the making and publication of said Will and under no undue influence. Ordered that said Will be recorded, and thereupon Thomas Cutcher the executor nominated in said Will, renounced the burthen of the execution thereof, and General L. Nolen having made application to this Court that he may be admitted to administer upon the estate of the said William L. Bennett deceased, with his last Will and Testament annexed, having given Bond of seven thousand dollars conditioned as the law directs with Stephen Nolen, Richard W. Robinson and John W. Morton his securities and having been duly sworn added that Letters of

administration with said last will and testament annexed issues to him accordingly. I Samuel B. McConico clerk of the County Court of Williamson County in the state of Tennessee do certify that the foregoing is a copy of the last will and testament of William B. Bennett deceased taken from the records in my office. In Testimony Whereof I have subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court at office this 5th day of December A.D. 1841.

Samuel B. McConico
The State of Tennessee, Williamson County,
Jonathan Rotherock presiding Justice of the County Court of Williamson County in the state of Tennessee, certify that Samuel B. McConico whose signature appears to the foregoing certificate is now, and was at the making of the same, Clerk of the County Court of Williamson County aforesaid, that full faith and credit are due to all his official acts, that the signature purporting to be his is genuine, and that said certificate is in due form of law, given under my hand and seal this 5th day of December, A.D. 1841.

The State of Alabama,
Greene County, Orphans Court, January 10th 1842.
This day a certified copy of the Last Will and testament of William Bennett deceased, from Williamson County in the state of Tennessee was presented to the Court, by Isaac Bennett, and the Court being fully satisfied of the Authentication. It is ordered by the Court that the said Last Will and testament together with the Authentication thereto annexed, be received & recorded.

Attest
A. R. Davis Clerk

The State of Alabama,
Greene County, Orphans Court July 15th 1840
upon the application of Isaac Rutledge to prove the non executory will of William B. Wells deceased it is considered by the Court that the probate thereof as follows viz. John A. Wilder Thomas D. Craig & Elijah Mubray being duly sworn say they were present at the last sickness of Wm. B. Wells heard him make declarations which he intended for his last Will some half hour or three quarters before he died he said it was his desire that his wife & Isaac Rutledge should have his property after paying his just debts he told the bystanders that this was his will & it was on the 30th of June 1840 that Wells died died from wound or wounds received from being shot. Craig has known him for 12 months at least state that they have known said Wells to have been a resident of Greene County 10 or 12 years previous to his death he Wells stated that he wished the declarations above stated recorded as his Will forthwith, he Wells was not able to return home - Has Wells was not able at the time the declarations were made to have written his will he was of sound & disposing mind & in the opinion of the witnesses several persons were present when the declarations were made amongst whom were John A. Wilder of Pickens County Thomas D. Craig of Pickens County John H. Essell A. H. Briscoe & Prothon Legon & Isaac Mubray sworn to in open Court by the above named witnesses the above is a statement of them the witnesses examined on due application to prove the non executory will of William B. Wells deceased & to admit the same to record this 15th day of July 1840 which is ordered to be recorded as containing the last Will of the said William B. Wells
Wm. T. Pierce, Judge

& it appearing to the said Court that notice have been duly issued & executed on the widow & heirs of said decedent according to the former order of this Court and the Court being fully satisfied that the testimony contained in this Order & decree as therein set forth is sufficient, does hereby declare the same to be & contain the last will of said Wm. B. Wells deceased and that this Order & decree be copied into the record of wills as the non executory will of the said William B. Wells.

Attest J. C. Medecor Clerk
By A. R. Davis Clerk

The State of Alabama,
Greene County, Orphans Court July 31st 1840
upon the application of Robert H. Hannah to prove the non executory will of Andrew M. Hannah, and it appearing

administration with said last will and testament annexed issues to him accordingly. I Samuel B. McConico clerk of the County Court of Williamson County in the state of Tennessee do Certify that the foregoing is a copy of the last will and testament of William B. Wells deceased taken from the records in my office. In Testimony whereof I have subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court at office this 5th day of December A.D. 1841.

Samuel B. McConico
The State of Tennessee, Williamson County,
Jonathan Rotherock presiding Justice of the County Court of Williamson County in the state of Tennessee, Certify that Samuel B. McConico whose signature appears to the foregoing certificate is now, and was at the making of the same, Clerk of the County Court of Williamson County aforesaid, that full faith and credit are due to all his official acts, that the signature purporting to be his is genuine, and that said certificate is in due form of law. Given under my hand and seal this 5th day of December, A.D. 1841.

The State of Alabama,
Greene County, Orphans Court, January 10th 1842,
This day a certified copy of the Last Will and testament of William B. Bennett deceased, from Williamson County in the state of Tennessee was presented to the Court, by Isaac Bennett, and the Court being fully satisfied of the Authentication. It is ordered by the Court that the said Last Will and testament together with the Authentication thereto annexed be received & recorded.

Attest
A. R. Davis Clerk

The State of Alabama,
Greene County, Orphans Court July 13th 1840
Will upon the application of Isaac Rutledge to prove the non capacitive will of William B. Wells deceased it is considered by the Court that the probate thereof as follows viz. John A. Wilder Thomas D. Craig & Elipah Mulrady being duly sworn say they were present at the last sickness of Wm B. Wells heard him make declarations which he intended for his last will some half hour or three quarters before he died he said it was his desire that his wife & Isaac Rutledge should have his property after paying his just debts he told the bystanders that this was his will & it was the 30th of June 1839 that Wells died died from wound or wounds received from being shot Craig has known him for 12 months at least state that they have known said Wells to have been a resident of Greene County 10 or 12 years previous to his death he Wells stated that he wished the declarations above stated recorded as his will forthwith, he Wells was not able to return home - he Wells was not able at the time the declarations were made to have written his will he was of sound & disposing mind & in the opinion of the witnesses several persons were present when the declarations were made amongst whom were John A. Wilder of Pickens County Thomas D. Craig of Pickens County John H. Essill A. H. Briscoe & Dr. John Egmont & Jesse Mabry sworn to in open court by the above named witnesses the above is a statement of the witnesses examined on due application to prove the non capacitive will of William B. Wells deceased & to admit the same to record this 13th day of July 1840 which is ordered to be recorded as containing the last will of the said William B. Wells
Wm. F. Pierce Judge

& it appearing to the said Court that notice have been duly issued & executed on the widow & heirs of said decedent according to the former order of this Court and the Court being fully satisfied that the testimony contained in this Order & decree as therein set forth is sufficient, does hereby declare the same to be & contain the last will of said Wm B. Wells deceased and that this Order & decree be copied into the record of wills as the non capacitive will of the said William B. Wells -
Attest J. L. Thedecor Clerk
By A. R. Davis Clerk

The State of Alabama,
Greene County, Orphans Court July 27th 1840
Will upon the application of Robert R. Hannah to prove the non capacitive will of Andrew M. Hannah, and it appearing

To the court that the citations ordered at the last term of this court to the heirs of the said Andrew M. Hanna deceased, have been duly served, the said Robert M. Hanna being first duly sworn deponent and saith "that he was present with Andrew M. Hanna in his last sickness at the habitation of the said Andrew M. Hanna four or five days before he died" that the said Andrew then called upon the deponent and told him (I cannot write a will now but wish all my property kept together until my oldest child comes of age, and then a valuation of the whole to be made and each child to receive an equal portion as they arrive at age, my debts to be first paid, and the children all educated, this is what I wish my will) The deponent further states that he was called upon by the said Andrew M. Hanna to notice this as his will that the said Andrew was then extremely ill and died four or five days afterwards, there was no other person present at the time when he was called upon by the said Andrew M. Hanna, and the court being fully satisfied that the same is good as a nuncupative will under the statute of the State of Alabama, doth order that the same be established and recorded as such.

attest J. C. Guadecor Clerk
By A. D. Davis Deputy Clerk

In the name of god, amen I George Tankersley Sen^r of Tankersley Greene County in the state of Alabama, being sick and weak in body but of sound and disposing mind, considering the certainty of death, and the uncertainty of the time thereof and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs, do declare G.T. this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say. - Item I give and devise unto my wife Elizabeth Tankersley all my estate both real and personal during her natural life, and after her decease I will that the property both real and personal be sold to the highest bidder the executor giving thirty days notice of said sale. And the money arising from said sale to be divided amongst my children, so as to make them equal in what they have received from me. And lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved son George Tankersley Junior to be sole executor of this my last will and testament revoking all former by me heretofore made ratifying and confirming this and none other to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this seventh day of September one thousand eight hundred and thirty five.
Signed sealed and declared S. George Tankersley (Seal)