

of Rebecca Bell deceased was presented to the court for probate by John Mc Bell and Moses Hubbard the executors therein named and the court being satisfied that all the heirs of the said deceased have had reasonable notice of this application, and no objection being offered the court proceeded to examine on oath James B. Clark one of the subscribing witnesses thereto touching the legal execution of said Will and Codicil, and the court being fully satisfied from the testimony of the said witnesses thereupon it is ordered by the court, that the said Will and Codicil, be received, established and recorded as the last Will and Testament of the said Rebecca Bell deceased.

Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

H. J. Mason: The State of Alabama
Will. Greene County, I Henry J. Mason of Greene County being at this time of sound and disposing mind and memory but sick of body and duly apprehensive of the uncertainty of human life and anxious to make such disposition of my real and personal estate as to me seems most conducive to the future welfare of my family after my death do therefore make and declare this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other Wills by me made. It is my wish and desire that my executor hereinafter appointed shall pay all my just debts to come after my death as they may be due and payable. It is my wish and desire that my Executor James Dorroh shall take upon himself the execution of this my last Will and Testament. It is my wish that my plantation shall be kept up at the discretion of my executor. It is my wish that my children shall be well educated at the best schools and the proceeds of my plantation be applied to the payment of the same and that there shall be no division of my property until my eldest child shall become of age or married and in the event of my wife's marriage after my death it is my wish that my property shall be divided according to law and she to receive her lawful right of all my effects the balance to remain in the hands of my executor until my eldest child becomes of age or married, at which time I wish my property equally divided between my children then living. I also wish that my sister-in-law Sarah A. Surpe be considered as one of my heirs so far as a support but not as a legal heir to a part of my estate provided she lives single and in my family. It is my wish that my executor shall collect all the money due me by note or account and to apply said money to the purchase of negroes or stock for the benefit of my plantation and family. It is also my wish that my family be well supported in health and sickness out of the proceeds of

my plantation and other effects.

Jm. B. Clark
Duncan B. Clark
Augustus Barnum

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The State of Alabama, Orphan Court October 16th 1840
Greene County, This day the last Will and Testament of Henry J. Mason deceased was presented to the court for probate by James Dorroh the Executor therein named, and the widow of said deceased having waived the notice required by law, the court proceeded to examine on oath Duncan B. Clark and Augustus Barnum two of the subscribing witnesses thereto, touching the legal execution of said Will, and they having testified that the said Henry J. Mason had dictated said Will, that the same was reduced to writing, by his request, and subsequently read over to him, and approved by him as his will, that he the said Mason attempted to sign the said Will, and after writing apart of his name, was prevented from signing his entire name in full by the act of God alone, he being physically incapacitated from so doing, and the said witnesses having further testified that they signed the same as witnesses thereto at the request of the said Mason and in his lifetime. Whereupon it is ordered by the court that the said Will be received, established and recorded as the last Will and Testament of the said Henry J. Mason deceased as to personal property at least.

Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

Will. I Samuel A. Powell of Greene County, and State of Alabama being of sound mind make and ordain this my last Will and Testament. In the first place it is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid by my Executors hereinafter to be named. I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Nichols wife of Saml. Nichols a certain Negro woman named Achu and her youngest child named Saml. to her and her heirs forever. To my daughter Martha Burton wife of Lawson Burton I give and bequeath the sum of five dollars. To my daughter Nancy Burton wife of Ephraim Burton I give and bequeath the sum of five dollars. To my son Bluford I give and bequeath the sum of five dollars. To my son Sanford I give and bequeath the sum of five dollars. To my sons Thomas and Ellis, I give and bequeath a certain Station named Galatin and a certain tract of land containing one hundred and sixty acres lying near Cotton Grove in the State of Mississippi to them and their heirs forever. To Samuel A. Powell I give and bequeath jointly a certain tract of land lying & being in the County of Sumter in this State containing

Columbus, in the County of Nashoba and State of Mississippi
 Art 10th I give and devise to my daughter Rebecka Ferguson
 the key of her body, the North West quarter of section one of
 Township ten N of Range ten East in the district of lands sold
 at Columbus in the County of Nashoba and State of Mississippi
 Art 11th I give and devise to my three youngest sons (to wit)
 Francis, John L & James Edward all the tract of land whereon
 I now live, with the exception of eighty acres of woodland south
 of my farm, and that Francis & John L when of age shall receive
 their equal portions of said land and James Edward when
 of age shall also receive his equal part of the above named land
 and further my will is that my four youngest children (to wit)
 Francis, John L, James Edward & Rebecka, shall be educated
 out of the proceeds of my estate so as to give them a common
 English education - Art 12 I give and devise to my
 beloved wife Hannah eighty acres of land south of my
 plantation, and the East half of the North East quarter of
 section two of Township ten N of range ten East in the
 district of lands sold at Columbus, in the County of Nashoba
 & State of Mississippi - I also devise that if the above named
 eighty acres of land south of my farm should be sold before
 it comes into the possession of my beloved wife that she shall
 have the proceeds of such sale to her own benefit forever - I also
 bequeath to my beloved wife my negro man Harry, and all
 my stock of horses hogs sheep and Cattle, also the stock of
 Cattle in the State of Mississippi in the care of Lewis Ferguson
 and all my household and kitchen furniture and every article
 of value, also my crop farming utensils waggon and every thing
 of value not otherwise mentioned, and further my will is that
 my children that is now with me (to wit) Melina, Mary,
 Nancy Elizabeth, Hannah, Francis, John L, James Edward,
 and Rebecka shall as they may marry, receive such portion
 out of the above named personal property or the proceeds of the same
 so as to make them as near equal with those married daughters
 as the estate will justify agreeable to the opinion of my Executors
 In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the
 day and year first above written, and last I appoint
 Hannah my wife Executor and Lewis & Abraham Ferguson
 my sons my Executors and my son Francis John L & James Edward
 assistant Executors as they come of age, signed sealed published
 and declared by the said testator to be his last will and
 testament in presence of us

Wm Scarborough
 Andrew Brownlee
 Francis Ferguson

Francis Ferguson

The State of Alabama
 Greene County
 Orphans Court November 10th 1843
 This day the Last Will and Testament
 of Francis Ferguson deceased was presented to the court for probate
 by the widow of said testator, whereupon the court proceeded to
 examine Andrew Brownlee and Francis Ferguson, two of
 the subscribing witnesses to said Will, on oath touching the legal
 execution of the same, and the court being fully satisfied from
 the testimony of the said witnesses, whereupon it is ordered by
 the court, that the said Will be admitted to probate, received
 and recorded as the last Will and Testament of the said
 Francis Ferguson deceased

Attest: A. R. Davis Clerk

I, Gabney McGhee of the County of Greene and State of Alabama
 being weak in body but of sound mind do make and publish
 this my last will and Testament, to wit, First I leave unto
 my beloved wife Esther McGhee the following property during her
 natural life, to wit, six negroes, three horses, four cows and
 calves, twenty head of hogs and ten head of sheep all to be chosen
 by her out of my slaves and stocks; also in like manner all my
 household furniture and as much of the kitchen furniture as she
 may wish to keep, and as many of the plantation tools as she
 may want, to be held by my said wife for her life, I also
 give unto my said wife for her life the use of the following
 lands, that is to say, all of my said lands lying in said County
 and south and west of a line beginning at the half stake on
 the township line dividing townships twenty two and twenty three
 and on the section line dividing section four in township twenty
 two and section twenty three in township twenty three, thence
 south one half mile thence east one half mile to a half mile
 stake or marked line dividing section three and four, thence
 still east to the North east corner of Doctor Zachary Meriwether
 forty acre tract, thence eastwardly to the Clearing river at
 the lower end of the small cane brake opposite the wild
 man island including my present residence and all my lands
 west of the lands of John Cochran - the residue of my
 real estate I direct to be sold by my executor hereinafter named
 and the title to be conveyed by him to the purchaser on payment
 of the purchase money being made, with the exception of the land
 on which John S. Russell resides hereinafter mentioned - From
 the proceeds of my lands sold, and crop and debts due me
 I wish my debts paid, and the residue of any carried to the
 division of my property hereinafter mentioned, if this will not
 pay the debts, my other personal property is to be sold for that
 purpose - the slaves are not to be sold for that purpose if it can
 be avoided. After the payment of my debts I wish my property

and effects then undisposed of and not heretofore given to my wife for life equally divided between all my children, in which division the advances already made to my children respectively is to be included, amongst which advancements, I direct that my son Edward S. McGhee be charged with sixteen hundred dollars money advanced by me to him, John S. McGhee with the sum of two thousand dollars money advanced to him, and Matilda Logan wife of Isaac Logan the sum of one thousand dollars money advanced to her - The share of my daughter Eliza wife of Samuel A. Wilson on the above division I give to her during her natural life, and in the event that she dies without issue living at the time of her death, then I direct that the same belong to and be divided between my other children and if any of them be dead, their children if my share & share alike, the child or children of a deceased brother or sister taking the share which their deceased parent would have been entitled to, the share of said property and effects which would belong to my daughter Esther Sewell wife of John S. Sewell I hereby give and bequeath to my son Zachary M. McGhee and his heirs and assigns, to be held in trust by him for the benefit of my said daughter Esther Sewell and for her sole and separate use free from the control of the said John S. Sewell or any future husband she may have and not to be subject in any way to his or any such future husband's debt, for the term of her life, and at her death I bequeath said property or effects to her children then living if any or their children; but if she has no child then living or descendants of a child or children, then I direct that the same be equally divided between my own right heirs. I also give and devise to my said son Zachary M. McGhee all that tract of two hundred acres of land, whereon my son-in-law John S. Sewell now resides to be held by him in trust for my daughter Esther Sewell during her natural life and for her sole and separate use as before mentioned in regard to the other property, not be controlled by her present or any future husband or subject to his or their debt, and at her death I will and devise that said tract of land belong to her son Ralph S. Sewell and his heirs and assigns forever - At the death of my wife in consideration that my son Zachary M. McGhee has remained with me and aided and assisted me in my embarrasments and submitted to privations, I give and devise to him all of the land heretofore given to my wife for life, to be held by him absolutely as his own without accounting to any other one of my children for any portion of the same - I also direct that he be paid all the money I owe him and for which he holds my note, as he has faithfully worked for it, At the death of my wife all the property (except the land) heretofore ment

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as given or loaned to her for life be equally divided between all my children observing the foregoing direction in regard to advancements, and deducting from their respective share if not entirely deducted in the said first division the share of my daughter Eliza and Esther to wit and respectively to be held used and controlled precisely as I have heretofore bequeathed to them other property, or for their benefit - And in conclusion I constitute and appoint my son Zachary M. McGhee Executor of this my last Will and testament -
Given under my hand and seal this Fifth day of October 1840
Signed & published by the testator as his last will & testament in our presence & in the presence of each other
Edw^d S. McGhee
Thos McGee
Simon Williams

The State of Alabama - Orphans Court December 11th 1840
Greene County - This day the last will and Testament of Dabney M. McGhee deceased was presented to the Court for probate by Zachary M. McGhee the Executor therein named, And it being proved that the heirs of said deceased have had notice of this application, and no objection being made the Court proceeded to examine on oath Thomas McGee and Simon Williams, two of the subscribing witnesses to the said Will and the Court being fully satisfied from the testimony of said witnesses - Whereupon it is ordered by the Court that the said Will be admitted to probate, record established and recorded as the last will and testament of the said Dabney M. McGhee deceased.
Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

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Bennett's State of Alabama - Know all men that I William Bennett of the county and State above written having attained to an old age and knowing the uncertainty of human life, and being desirous to arrange my worldly affairs and also being in sound mind, do hereby make this my last Will and Testament revoking all former wills to wit, I do hereby give and bequeath to my daughter Mary E. Williams wife of William S. Williams one negro girl now in the possession of Matilda and her natural increase, said girl now in possession of William S. Williams - I bequeath to my son Anthony Bennett one negro Boy Philip now in the possession of the said Anthony - To my son Isaac Bennett I bequeath one negro boy by the name of Wells now in the possession of the said Isaac Bennett - To my son Isaac Bennett I do bequeath one

negro Boy by the name of Randall - To Eliza Brantly wife of Joseph Brantly, I do hereby bequeath one negro boy by the name of Wesley during the lifetime of the said Eliza Brantly, should she die without issue then the said negro boy Wesley to be returned and divided equally among my other children, after the death of my wife in whose possession he is to remain until her deceased - To my daughter Ann Atkinson wife of Lawrence Atkinson I bequeath one negro boy by the name of Hal - To my daughter Sarah Bennett I do bequeath one negro girl by the name of Julia -

It is my will and desire that all the residue of my property which is not specifically bequeathed, to wit, land and negro stock of every description, household and kitchen furniture, farming utensils, corn fodder &c. shall be retained and kept together during the lifetime of my wife, provided she shall not intermarry with any one, but should she marry before the youngest child becomes of age, I wish the property still kept together until that period at which time the property will be divided among my nine sons to wit, James, Thomas, Jordan, John, William, Charles, David, Robert & George, and my wife Follitha is then to be debared from any part of the property, and an equal division is to be made among my nine sons named as above, I wish it distinctly understood that should my wife marry at any time that she is to be debared of any of my property, but I wish the property to be kept together until the youngest child becomes of age, but should she not marry she is to be entitled to a support during her life time. It is to be understood when the youngest child becomes of age, that the property shall be divided apportionally among my above named nine sons except so much as will be a sufficient support for my wife during her life, provided she does not marry and should she have any thing remaining at her death it is to be equally divided among the said nine sons - I hereby request that my son John Bennett will act as Executor and my wife Follitha as Executrix of this my last will, Signed with my hand this 15th day of May, in the year of our Lord 1838

Attest John C. Pickens Mrs Bennett

Whereas I the undersigned for divers causes do concluded to add the following codicil and alteration to the foregoing will and testament (to wit) to my daughter Mary Williams, to my sons Anthony Bennett, Lewis Bennett and Isaac Bennett I do hereby bequeath the three following named negroes (to wit) Amy, Mary and Grief to them and their heirs forever, the division of the said negroes are to be made by the said above named him as they may deem right and proper, Negro boy Henry I bequeath to my wife, to be dealt with as provided in it

Will - To my daughter Sarah Bennett I hereby bequeath & give negro girl Julia to her the said Sarah and the lawful heirs of her body - To Nancy Atkinson and the lawful heirs of her body I bequeath negro girl Eliza in lieu of Henry bequeathed to her in my former will and in this codicil to my wife Follitha Bennett, to have and to hold forever as above stated - With this the above addition I do hereby amend this my last will & codicil to the same which is hereto annexed and bearing date 15th day of May 1838 perfect & unaltered Signed & sealed in the presence of This 1st day of September 1840 John C. Pickens Mrs Bennett

The State of Alabama - Ophears Court December 11th 1840 Greene County - This day the last will and testament of William Bennett deceased was presented to the court for probate by Follitha Bennett widow of said deceased and executing therein named, Whereupon the court proceeded to examine on oath John C. Pickens one of the subscribing witnesses to said will, and the court being fully satisfied from the testimony of said witness - Thereupon it is ordered by the court, that the said will be admitted to probate, received established and recorded, as the last will and testament of the said William Bennett deceased, as to personal property, only, there being only two subscribing witnesses Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

State of Alabama - In the name of God Amen, I John Johnston of the State & County aforesaid, do make and publish this my last will and testament as follows: 1st I will that all my just debts be paid, 2nd I give and bequeath to my grand son Robert Emmet Johnston, my gold watch, 3rd I give and bequeath to my grand son Samuel Caldwell Johnston my saddle horse - 4th I give and bequeath to my beloved wife during her life my negro boy George, and at her death to my grand son Thomas, son of my daughter Pamela Wilson, and should my grand son die previous to the death of my wife, in that case I give and bequeath said boy to my daughter Pamela at the death of my wife - 5th I give and bequeath to my beloved wife all the residue of my property, of every kind that I may be possessed of at my death whether real or personal, bonds notes or money - 6th And lastly I do hereby appoint my living wife Jane Johnston sole executrix to my last will and testament signed stated acknowledged and published by the said John Johnston as his last will & testament in our presence, who in his presence and at his request in the presence of each other have witnessed the same Attest H. Redgway Roger Redgway Alex. H. Turner John Johnston

The State of Alabama Orphans Court December 11th 1842
Greene County This day the last Will and Testament of John Schuster deceased was presented to the court for probate by Jane Schuster the widow and Executrix therein named, Whereupon the court proceeded to examine on oath Bradley H. Ridgway and Alexander H. Turner two of the subscribing witnesses thereto touching the legal execution of said Will, and the court being fully satisfied from the testimony of said witnesses, Whereupon it is ordered by the court that the said Will be admitted to probate, received established and recorded as the last Will and Testament of the said John Schuster deceased.

Attest A. R. Davis, Clerk

In the name of God Amen, I Sithon Harrison of the State of Alabama and the County of Greene being of sound & perfect mind, & being desirous of disposing of my property equally amongst my children, I do hereby constitute and make this my last Will & Testament in manner & form as follows viz, First I give & bequeath to my son Henry Harrison all the notes, Book accounts & claims that I hold against him amounting in all to the sum of Four thousand and Seventy Dollars & 25 cents also the sum of Four hundred & Eighty Dollars and 82 cts from the effects of my Estate - 2nd I give and bequeath to my son Dempsy Harrison all the notes Book accounts that I hold against him amounting in all to the sum of Four thousand four Hundred & thirty five Dollars & 17 cts - 3rd I give & bequeath to my son in law John Richardson & his wife Nancy all the notes, Book accounts & claims that I hold against them (except three notes made during the present year) amounting in all to the sum of two thousand nine hundred & eighty three Dollars and 25 cents also the sum of one thousand four hundred & fifty one Dollars and 82 cents from the effects of my Estate - 4th I give & bequeath to my daughter Mervin from the effects of my Estate the sum of Four thousand five Hundred and Twenty one dollar and 33 cents - 5th I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Jenkins the sum of Four thousand four Hundred and thirty five Dollars & 17 cts to be paid from the effects of my Estate - 6th I give and bequeath to my daughter Catharine the sum of Four thousand four Hundred & thirty five Dollars & 17 cents to be paid from the effects of my Estate - 7th My will & desire is that after all my debts and legacies have been paid that the balance of my property both Real & personal be equally divided between my children above named - 8th I do hereby nominate and appoint my affectionate sons Henry & Dempsy Harrison as Executors of this my last Will.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand

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real this the 9th day of December A.D. 1842.

Witness, John H. Lepp

B. S. Long

Francis Hobson

A. P. Barry

Sithon Harrison

The State of Alabama Orphans Court January 8th 1843
Greene County This day the last Will and Testament of Sithon Harrison deceased was presented to the court for probate by Dempsy Harrison & Henry Harrison the Executors therein named, Whereupon the court proceeded to examine on oath John H. Lepp and Benjamin S. Long two of the subscribing witnesses thereto touching the legal execution of said Will, and the said witnesses having testified fully to the satisfaction of the court, Whereupon it is ordered by the court that the said Will be received established and recorded as the last Will and Testament of the said Sithon Harrison deceased.

Attest A. R. Davis, Clerk

In the name of God Amen, I John W. Lewis a citizen of Raleigh in the State of North Carolina being weak in body but in the possession of my mind and memory do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament, I desire in the first place that all my just debts shall be paid, and the balance of my property of every nature and kind I give to my beloved wife for the support of herself and children - I nominate and appoint my brothers in law William H. Battle and Richard H. Battle to be Executors of this Will and I fully authorize and empower them to sell any of my real estate if they shall judge it best for the interest of my Estate.

Signed & published in presence

as this 2nd Novr 1842

Tabius J. Maywood

W. H. McRee

John W. Lewis

State of North Carolina Orphans Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Wake County November Term 1842

The foregoing last Will and Testament of John W. Lewis deceased was exhibited in open court and offered for probate and the due execution thereof is proven by the oaths Tabius J. Maywood & W. H. McRee two subscribing witnesses thereto, whereupon it is ordered to be recorded.

Sat J. Marriott Clerk

State of North Carolina
Wake County I James T. Marriott Clerk of the court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Wake, do certify that

the foregoing is a true & correct copy of the last will & testament of John W Lewis deceased also of the probate of the said will as appears of record in this court. — In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed the seal of said court & subscribed my name at office in Raleigh this 15th day of August A D 1843.

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Sad T Murriott Clerk

State of North Carolina

I William Baylaw, Chairman of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for Wake County, State aforesaid and, and presiding magistrate of said Court, do hereby certify that James T Murriott, who has given the preceding certificate, is Clerk of the said Court, and that his attestation is in due form — Given under my hand this 15th day of August A D 1843
Wm Baylaw Chairman

Now all men by these presents that we William H Battle and Richard H Battle Executor of the last will and testament of Doctor John W Lewis late of the city of Raleigh and State of North Carolina deceased for divers good causes and considerations to us hereunto moving have nominated constituted and appointed and do hereby nominate constitute and appoint our friend Richard H Lewis of the county of Greene in the State of Alabama to take out letters of administration with the will annexed of the said John W Lewis upon any and all the goods chattels and effects of every kind, which the said testator had at the time of his death in the said State of Alabama or which may since have accrued to the said estate and to administer the same according to law under the directions of the last will & testament of the said testator. — In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and affixed our seals this 15th day of August signed, sealed & subscribed
Wm H Battle
in presence of
M H Scott
Richard H Battle

State of North Carolina

This 16th August 1843 before me Joseph John Daniel one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of the State aforesaid came William R Scott the subscribing witness to the above written instrument and duly proved its execution of the same
J J Daniel J J D

The State of North Carolina

To all to whom these presents shall come Greeting
Be it known that J J Daniel whose signature appears in his own proper hand writing to the annexed certificate to, was at

the time of signing the same and now is one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of the State aforesaid and as such he is duly qualified and empowered to give said certificate which is here done in the usual and proper manner, and full faith and credit are due to the same and ought to be given to all the official acts of the said J J Daniel as Judge aforesaid. — In testimony whereof I John McMorhead Governor, Captain General and Commander in Chief have caused the great seal of the state to be hereunto affixed and signed the same at the city of Raleigh on the 19th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three and in the 68 year of the Independence of the United States

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By the Governor

Joyce Reynolds Jr Private Secretary

J McMorhead

The State of Alabama
Greene County
Orphans Court December 26th 1843
This day an exemplification of the last will and testament of John W Lewis deceased was presented to this court for record and the court being fully satisfied of the authentication thereto attached from the court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Wake County in the State of North Carolina, together with the certificate of the Governor of the State of North Carolina, whereupon it is ordered by the court, that the same be received and recorded
Attest A T Davis Clerk

In the name of God: Amen, — I Samuel T Leamy of Greene County & State of Alabama, being sound in body and in mind; but bearing in mind our mortal state, and knowing that we all must once die, do make and declare this to be my last will and testament in the following manner and form, my — After resigning my Body to the dust from whence it came, and my soul to God who gave it, to dispose of it agreeable to his own will and pleasure and for his own glory: And in regard to my worldly affairs, with which it has pleased God to bless me, it is my will that a distributing should take place in the following manner, to wit, — First it is my will that my funeral expenses, likewise all my just debts be paid, if necessary, by a sale of a sufficiency of personal property to discharge the debts, which articles of property (should it be necessary to sell) in discharge of the debts shall be selected by my wife Sarah Leamy — Secondly it is my will that after all my just debts are paid that the balance of all my property both personal and real, shall remain and be in the full and complete possession and enjoyment of my beloved wife Sarah Leamy during

her widowhood or lifetime, should she remain a widow, but in the event she should marry again then in that case it is my will that my wife Sarah Cherry shall receive only a child's part of my personal property during her lifetime, and at her death for it to be equally divided amongst my children it is likewise my will that she shall claim and hold her Dower in all of my real estate - Thirdly It is my will that my son James necessary expenses whilst at college be paid out of my property, also that my Daughter Sarah A. Cherry receive a good education out of my estate, likewise it is my will that my two children James & Sarah when they marry or arrive at age shall receive as much of my property as I have already given the rest of my children who are married. Fourthly it is my will that after the death of my wife Sarah Cherry or at her marriage (if such an event should take place) that all my personal property be equally divided amongst my children and it is further more my will that at the death of each of my children their their legacy bequeathed by me shall descend to the lawful heir of their body and in case any of my children dies without a lawful heir then in this case their part of my property shall be equally divided amongst the balance of my surviving children, and at their death to be divided amongst their children &c - Fifthly It is my will that at the death of my wife Sarah Cherry, or at her marriage as the case may be, all my landed possession or property shall be valued by a Jury who are disinterested, consisting of five in number who are to be appointed by the Judge of our Orphan Court, and become the property of my son James, provided he will agree to pay half of the valuation to the rest of my children, to be equally divided amongst them in five equal annual installments subject to the same arrangements made in the descent of the personal property, but in the event he refuses them in that case it is my will that the land be sold to the highest bidder and the proceeds of said sale be divided equally amongst all of my children subject to the same arrangements already made in the distribution of my personal property. Sixthly It is my will that my wife Sarah Cherry be allowed the liberty if she wishes to give off a portion of the property, more before she marries or dies, provided that she give to each of my children an equal part of the division of said property which she may be disposed to divide. - Seventhly It is my will that all my personal property be divided thus, Make six lots (the number of my children) by valuation as nearly equal as possible, the lots are to be drawn for each of my children, the child drawing the most valuable lot shall pay to the other the difference & so on till all are made equal in the division. Eighthly

and lastly, I do constitute and appoint my son James D Cherry my lawful Executor to this my last Will and Testament, revoking all former Wills by me made. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight and on the fourth day of May
Signed & acknowledged in the presence of the subscribing Witnesses
Test. Robert Lewis
A D Mullan

Samuel T Cherry Esq

The State of Alabama, Orphan Court January 8th 1849
Greene County This day the Last Will and Testament of Samuel T Cherry deceased was presented to the court for probate, and it appearing to the court that the Widow and him of said deceased have had due notice, no objection being offered the court proceeded to examine on oath Robert Lewis one of the subscribing Witnesses to said Will, and the court being fully satisfied with the testimony of the said witness thereupon it is ordered by the court that the said will be received established and recorded as the last Will and Testament of the said Samuel T Cherry deceased as to personal property.
Attest A D Davis Clerk

State of Alabama, I Hamilton Brown do hereby make my last Will and Testament in the manner and form as follows First I desire that my beloved wife Nancy should have all the property that I am in possession of at this time, and hereby do give to her the following property the lands on which I now live and seven negroes to wit, Rose, Frank Phillips, Mariah, Gady, Harriet & Wmmy and all the stock & other property that I am in possession of for to keep and convert to her own use as she thinks proper during her widowhood or to her death if she live single, but if she marries the property must be all divided equal among her own children If she thinks proper she may divide the above named property at any time before marriage or death with the following children of hers Elizabeth McHowell, Alexander, James, Sarah, Hamilton & Nelson Brown - To Catharine Keaton my daughter and wife of A Keaton I give a negro girl by name Gady about twenty one years of age now in her possession, to the balance of my children to wit, Nancy, Keaton & Pincella Hanna I give one Dollar to wife to have the present crop, stock, housing fees, have any sale of any thing whatever as witnessed by my seal this 9th day of March 1841
my hand or duly

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her widowhood or lifetime, should she remain a widow, but in
the event she should marry, again then in that case it is my
will that my wife Sarah Leamy shall receive only a child's
part of my personal property during her lifetime, and at her
death for it to be equally divided amongst my children it is like-
wise my will that she shall claim and hold her Power in
all of my real estate. Thirdly It is my will that my son
James necessary expenses whilst at college be paid out of my
property, also that my Daughter Sarah A & Henry receive a
good education out of my estate, likewise it is my will that my
two children James & Sarah when they marry or arrive at
age shall receive as much of my property as I have already
given the rest of my children who are married. Fourthly it
is my will that after the death of my wife Sarah Leamy or
at her marriage (if such an event should take place) that all
my personal property be equally divided amongst my children
and it is further more my will that at the death of each
of my children this their legacy bequeathed by me shall descend
to the lawful heir of their body and in case any of my chil-
dren dies without a lawful heir then in this case their
part of my property shall be equally divided amongst the
balance of my surviving children, and at their death to be
divided amongst their children &c. Fifthly It is my will
that at the death of my wife Sarah Leamy, or at her
marriage as the case may be, all my landed possession or
property shall be valued by a Jury who are disinterested, con-
sisting of five in number who are to be appointed by the Judge
of our Orphans Court, and become the property of my son
James, provided he will agree to pay half of the valuation to the
rest of my children, to be equally divided amongst them in five
equal annual instalments subject to the same arrangements made
in the descent of the personal property, but in the event he
refuses them in that case it is my will that the land be sold
to the highest bidder and the proceeds of said sale be divided
equally amongst all of my children subject to the same arrange-
ments already made in the distribution of my personal property. Sixthly
It is my will that my wife Sarah Leamy be allowed the liberty
if she wishes to give off a portion of the property, even before she
marries or dies, provided that she gives to each of my children an
equal part of the division of said property which she may be
disposed to divide. Seventhly It is my will that all my
personal property be divided thus, make six lots (the number of
my children) by valuation as nearly equal as possible, the lots
are to be drawn for each of my children, the child drawing
the most valuable lot shall pay to the other the difference
& so on till all are made equal in the division. Eighthly

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and lastly, I do constitute and appoint my son James B Leamy
my lawful Executor to this my last Will and Testament, revoking
all former Wills by me made. In testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed my seal in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and thirty eight and on the fourth day
of May

Witnessed & acknowledged in
the presence of the subscribing
Witnesses
First, Robert Leamy
A D Hutton
Samuel T Leamy Esq

The State of Alabama, Orphans Court January 8th 1844
Greene County, This day the Last Will and Testament
of Samuel T Leamy deceased was presented to the court for
probate, and it appearing to the court that the widow and
heir of said deceased have had due notice, no objection
being offered the court proceeded to examine on oath Robert Leamy
one of the subscribing Witnesses to said Will, and the court
being fully satisfied with the testimony of the said witness
thereupon it is ordered by the court that the said will be
received established and recorded as the last Will and
Testament of the said Samuel T Leamy deceased as to
personal property. Attest A D Davis Clerk

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State of Alabama, I Hamilton Brown do hereby make my
Greene County, last Will and Testament in the manner
and form as follows First I desire that my beloved wife Nancy
should have all the property that I am in possession of at this
time, and hereby do give to her the following property the lands
on which I now live and seven negroes to wit, Rose, Frank
Phillis, Mariah, Lady, Harriet & Wmmy and all the stock & other
property that I am in possession of for to keep and convert
to her own use as she thinks proper during her widowhood or to
her death if she live single, but if she marries the property must
be all divided equal among her own children If she thinks
proper she may divide the above named property at any time
before marriage or death with the following children of hers
Elizabeth McNorvell, Alexander, James, Sarah, Hamilton & Nelson
Browns. To Catharine Keaton my daughter and wife of A Keaton
I give a negro girl by name Lady about twenty one years of age now
in her possession, to the balance of my children to wit, Polly Davis,
Nancy, Keaton & Priscilla Hanna I give one Dollar to each. My
wife to have the present crop, stock, household furniture and not to
have any sale of any thing whatever. as Witness my hand and
seal this 9th day of March 1841

In the presence of
R. McAllister
Nathaniel Daniel
Robert A. Thompson

Hamilton Brown Esq

The State of Alabama, Orphans Court January 8th 1844
Greene County. This day the last will and testament of Hamilton Brown deceased, was presented to the court for probate by Nancy Brown the widow of said deceased, Whereupon the court proceeded to examine on oath Robert McAllister one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, touching the legal execution of said will, and the court being fully satisfied from the testimony of the said witness, Whereupon it is ordered by the court, that the said will be received established and recorded as the last will and testament of the said Hamilton Brown deceased.
Attest A. R. Daniel Clerk

In the name of God Amen I Joseph Mayer being of a sound mind & memory, & remembering the mortality of our common nature do this day make constitute & appoint this to be my last will & testament in manner & form following viz.
First I will & desire that all my just & lawful debts be paid out of the sale of such of my property, as in the judgement of my executor, hereinafter named shall be most advantageous to my estate - Second I will & desire that my well beloved wife Nancy Mayer have out of my estate during her natural life, my negro man Hamilton & his wife Hariah & also one of their daughters, either Elvira or Emily, to be chosen by herself, also my sorrel mare Fanny & my sorrel mule Sal & four cows & calves to be selected by herself & also two beds, bedsteads of furniture to be selected by herself, also all my stock of sheep & all my kitchen furniture provided that so much of the income of the above appointed property be applied to the board & education of my three youngest children viz, Elizabeth C. Mayer Joseph Mayer & Sarah M. Mayer, as may be necessary for that purpose with the addition of a sum hereinafter named for the same object & at the death of my wife I will that all of the above named property that may remain, be equally divided among my children - Third I will & desire that one hundred dollars be appropriated out of my estate for the education of my three youngest children above named in aid of the provision made in the second item for this object - Fourth I will & desire that in case the above named negro man Hamilton should become rebellious & refractory, my executor, at their own discretion should remove him to a distance & sell him & with the proceeds of said sale purchase another to fill his place - Fifth I will & desire that all my

other property both real & personal be disposed of equally among my children according to the provisions of law made & provided in such cases. Sixth I constitute & appoint my friends Isaac Andrus and W. B. Kennedy as my executors of this my last will & testament signed sealed, published & declared as my last will & testament this the twenty second day of November A.D. one thousand eight hundred & forty three

In presence of
John Robuck
Samuel Chambers
Anthony Mayer

Joseph Mayer Esq

The State of Alabama, Orphans Court
Greene County. December 9th 1844
The day the last will and testament of Joseph Mayer deceased was presented to the court for probate and the widow and heirs of the said deceased having had due notice of said application and no objection being offered, the court proceeded to examine on oath John Robuck, Samuel Chambers and Anthony Mayer the subscribing witnesses thereto touching the legal execution of the said will, and the court being fully satisfied from the testimony of the said witnesses, Whereupon it is ordered by the court, that the said will be received established and recorded as the last will and testament of the said Joseph Mayer deceased.
Attest A. R. Daniel Clerk

In the name of God Amen I Peyton Smith of the County of Amherst being now confined to my bed by sickness, but of sound mind & disposing mind & memory, do make publish and declare this to be my last will and testament viz. It is my first will and desire that all my just debts should be paid - I give and bequeath to my beloved wife one equal third part of my estate, both real & personal for and during her natural life - And at her death the same together with its increase to be divided as hereinafter directed - All the rest and residue of my estate I wish to be divided into three equal parts - One equal third part thereof I give & bequeath to my daughter Lucy, the wife of Sander Proffitt for and during her natural life and at her death the same together with its increase to be equally divided among her children, as well those she had by her first marriage as those she may hereafter have - One other equal third part I give & bequeath to my son Marshall M. Smith to be held by him in trust for the sole use benefit & enjoyment of his children, as well those he now has as those he may hereafter have, the same to be held together & managed for their benefit until the youngest child he now has, or duly

shall attain the age of twenty one year and then to be equally divided among them but this estate thus devised is in no respect to be liable for the debts, contracts or liabilities of my said son Marshall, now contracted or hereafter to be contracted - One other third part I give and bequeath to my son James M. Keith to him and his heirs forever. - At the death of my wife it is my will that the estate hereby devised to her, together with its increase be in like manner divided into three equal parts - One equal third part I give & bequeath to my daughter Lucy to be held by her in like manner & with like limitations as is hereinbefore set forth - One other third part I give and bequeath to my son Marshall M. Keith, to be held by him in trust as is herein before set forth One other equal third part I give & bequeath to my son James M. Keith, to him & his heirs forever - and as it always has been, and still is my wish to do even and equal justice to my three children and give them the same equal participation in my estate, I have kept a memorandum of advancements which I have hitherto at different times made to them, and in order that there may be hereafter no mistake or misunderstanding as to the amount of those advancements I deem it best to incorporate the same into this my will and make the same a part and parcel thereof - I have advanced to my son Marshall M. Keith in money and property to the amount of Ninety hundred Dollars - I have advanced to my son James M. Keith to the amount of Ninety hundred & Ninety five Dollars - I have advanced to my daughter Lucy to the amount of Five hundred Dollars, and I now advance to her two negroes to wit, Fiddy a woman & John a boy now under my control, which last two negroes I value at four hundred and seventy five Dollars making the whole advancements with which she is to be charged amount to the sum of Eight hundred & twenty five dollars, but these two last negroes now advanced, to be held by her in the same manner as the balance of the property advanced to her - I further more charge the estate devised to my daughter with the annual payment of five pounds to each of my two grand sons Peyton & George Watts until they attain the age of twenty one years - It is not my wish that my children should be charged with any interest on the advancements made to them; but they are each to account for said advancements in the division of my estate, Nor is it my wish that my wife should participate in the advancements thus made, but is to be only entitled to her third of my estate without reference to the advancements - Upon reflection I have concluded to make the charge upon the estate devised to my daughter Lucy in favor of my two grand sons Peyton and George to be five pounds for each until they shall attain the age of twenty five respectively instead of twenty one as mentioned

in a previous part of my will - And lastly I appoint my two sons Marshall M. Keith & James M. Keith Executors of this my last Will & Testament - In testimony whereof I have here set my hand & affixed my seal this 7th day of October 1842.
Signed, Sealed, published & declared
to be the last will & testament of the
testator & signed by us in his presence
& at his request

Peyton Keith (Seal)

Warner Jones
Sam^l M. Garland

Upon more mature consideration I have thought it best to add this codicil to my will, viz: The boy John devised to my daughter Lucy Proffit, I give to my two grand sons Wm P. Watts and George Watts for twenty years after my death and at the expiration of that time to return to my daughter Lucy Proffit. - This devise is in lieu of the annuities heretofore mentioned in my will to the said William P. Watts and George Watts. In witness whereof I have here set my hand & affixed my seal this 10th day of October 1842.

Signed Sealed &
acknowledged in presence of

J. Powell
Wm L. Watts
Warner Jones

Peyton Keith (Seal)

A court held for Amherst County on the 17th day of October 1842 this paper purporting to be the last will & testament of Peyton Keith together with a codicil thereto attached was this day produced in open court, and the will was proved by the oaths of Warner Jones & Samuel M. Garland subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded, and the codicil was proved the oaths of Warner Jones and William L. Watts subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. - And on the motion of James M. Keith one of the executors therein named, who made oath according to law, and together with Elijah Fletcher his security entered into & acknowledged a bond in the penalty of Ten Thousand Dollars conditioned according to law, which is ordered to be recorded - a probate thereof is granted him in due form of law and liberty is reserved to the other executor to join in the probate thereof.

I Samuel M. Garland Clerk of the County Court of Amherst in the State of Virginia do Certify that pursuant to the laws of this Commonwealth, an original will of Peyton Keith dec^d of which the foregoing is a true copy was on the 17th day of October 1842 presented in open court (the same being a Court of Records) and regularly proved and the same was ordered to be recorded - That the same was thereupon duly

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recorded as by the records of my office still remaining fully open
In testimony whereof I have set my hand and
annexed the seal of the said Court this 27th day of
December in the year of our Lord 1848 and in
the 68th year of the Commonwealth
Sam^l M Garland

State of Virginia } Court.
Amherst County } I Henry L Davis presiding Magistrate
in the County & State aforesaid do certify that Sam^l M Garland
who hath given the preceding certificate is clerk of the County
Court of Amherst, and that his said attestation is in due form
Given under my hand this 4th day of January 1849
Henry L Davis J.P.

The State of Alabama }
Greene County } Orphans Court February 12th 1849
This day a certified copy of the last will and testament
of Peyton Keith deceased from the County Court of Amherst
County in the State of Virginia, was presented to this Court
for registration in said Court and the Court being fully
satisfied of the said & the authentication of the same
being in due form of law whereupon it is ordered by the
Court that the said Transcript and authentication be received
and recorded.

Attest A. R. Davis, Clerk

St Hopkins
will I Joseph Hopkins of the State of Alabama and the County of
Greene being of sound and perfect mind, & being desirous
of paying all my debts and of disposing of my property to my
children, I do hereby constitute & make this my last will &
testament in manner and form as follows viz. 1st My will
& desire is to pay all my just debts without selling my property
and in order so to do my will is that all my property shall
be kept together under the management & control of my son
A H Hopkins until all my debts are paid and that he shall
be entitled to receive annually for his services the sum of Five
Hundred & fifty Dollars from the proceeds of his crop, and that
my three daughters Hazy Rutha & Emily remain with him
and that he shall pay all their expenses from the proceeds of
the crop - 2nd My will and desire is that all my property
both Real and personal be equally divided between A H
Hopkins, Littleberry Hopkins, John Hopkins, Hazy Hopkins
Hopkins & Rutha Hopkins deducting from the share of Little
Hopkins the sum of Eighty Dollars which amount I have
hitherto paid to him, the Balance of my children

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herein named, I have hitherto given them an equal share of my estate
3^d My will and desire is that in the division of my negro property that
my daughter Emily shall have a negro woman Sinda & her two
children at a fair valuation - and in case the value shall be more
than her share of my estate she shall refund the surplus to the estate
4th My will and desire is that my daughter Hazy shall have a
negro woman Penny & her increase at a fair valuation, and in
case the value shall be more than her share of my estate she shall
refund the surplus to my estate - 5th My will and desire is
that my daughter Rutha shall have a negro woman named
Oncilla & her child at a fair valuation and in case the value
shall be more than her share in my estate she shall refund the
surplus to my estate - 6th So my desire that my son A H
Hopkins see all his exertions to pay all my debts as soon as
possible that the division of my property may take place, it is
also my desire that my body be decently buried by my
executor herein after named - I do hereby nominate and
appoint my affectionate son A H Hopkins Executor of this my
last will and testament - In testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my hand & seal this 23rd day of December A.D. 1848
Witness

A. P. Barry
Thos Carpenter
Allen Hobson
James Carpenter

Joseph Hopkins Exr

The State of Alabama } Orphans Court April 1st 1849
Greene County } This day the last will and testament
of Joseph Hopkins was presented to the Court for probate by Archibald
H Hopkins the executor therein named, whereupon the Court examined
in oath Thomas Carpenter, Allen Hobson and James Carpenter
three of the subscribing witnesses thereto touching the legal execution
of the said will and the Court being fully satisfied from the
testimony of the said witnesses - It is therefore Ordered by the Court
that the said will be received established and recorded as the
last will and testament of the said Joseph Hopkins deceased
Attest A. R. Davis, Clerk

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In the name of Almighty God Amen I John Butts of the County
of Greeneville being in health and of sound mind (for which
I thank God and calling to mind the uncertainty of human life
and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly estate as it hath
pleased God to bless me with I give and bequeath the same in manner
following that is to say - 1st I desire that my Bonds and open
accounts be examined and that they be found to be insufficient
to pay my just debts, then I desire that my Executor & Executors

sell my stock of all kinds household & other furniture which shall prove insufficient, then to sell my Real Estate in Alabama this proving still insufficient my executors or executors may at pleasure sell either personal Estate or real if the real should be preferred then, — 2nd after the payment of my just debts do, I give my beloved wife Ann & No Butts, Joseph Turner & John T Jackson the management of my children, it being my desire that they should have liberal education, I therefore wish the rest of my estate provided my executors & executors should think it best kept together, if they think it best to divide it, then I desire my estate be equally divided between my beloved wife & children and the part coming to the 3^d children be sold for the purpose of their education, the rest my wife to have & to hold forever, and provided it is necessary — Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife Executrix, and Joseph Turner and John T Jackson Executors of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other or former wills or testaments by me heretofore made, and also directing that no security be demanded of Executors or Executrix having full confidence in the integrity of each — In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 10th day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred thirty three

June 10th 1833. John Butts (read)

The State of Alabama } Orphans Court April 8th 1844
 Greene County } This day the last will and testament of John Butts deceased was presented to the court for probate, the widow being present and not objecting — Whereupon the court examined on oath John T Jackson, William D Bolden and Richard L Davis as to the hand writing of the said John Butts deceased, and the court being fully satisfied with their testimony, it is order by the court that the said will be received, established, and recorded as the last will and testament of the said John Butts deceased as to personal property,

Alfred A. Davis Clerk

In C. Pickens Whereas the uncertainty of this life is such that I deem it necessary to arrange my worldly affairs that should I die at any time my property may be disposed of as I desire I have made heretofore a memorandum or will which I have searched for to day but cannot find, I think it possible that I may have destroyed it, I have therefore thought fit to make this my last, revoking all others

heretofore made and desire that it should be scrupulously carried into effect, I am aware that after the death of an individual that his wishes while living are disregarded and often not carried out after his death, thus I think highly criminal, in the present case I feel no doubt — I therefore give and bequeath all my Estate, to wit Land Negroes and all other personal property to my Brother Samuel Pickens and to his now lawful heirs forever with the following exceptions, My negro woman Caroline I desire to be set free and also her child Sarah Ann and all the children of the said Caroline to be free and to receive \$200. Three hundred Dollars annually during her life, and this annuity to be extended to her children during their lives I mean the children she has during my life time, are to receive the annuity, or any child that may be born during nine months after my death, My brother Samuel Pickens I hereby appoint the guardian of Caroline and, solemnly enjoin upon him to scrupulously to carry it out and at his death to commit its execution to some confidential friend to act as he is hereby requested to do. Having lost my much devoted little boy Alfred, who I do think possessed the finest disposition of any child I ever knew, and being ardently attached to him, I do hereby desire that his remains be taken up and deposited at my feet wherever I may be buried, this request may seem singular, but really if I thought it would be neglected I would die miserable, I will remark that for four years of my illness I was much troubled with cold feet in the winter, and the application of hot bricks answered only as temporary relief, this little fellow remarked that if I would let him sleep at my feet that he would keep them warm, which I consented to and derived much comfort from the experiment, I therefore desire that when I am laid in my last bed that he may occupy the same position that he was allowed to do when we were living — all the above I commit to the attention of my brother and sole heir Samuel Pickens — Given under my hand & seal this 5th day of August 1842

In C. Pickens (read)

The State of Alabama, Orphans Court May 13th 1844
 Greene County } This day the last will and testament of John C. Pickens deceased was presented to the court for probate by Samuel Pickens the Executor named, and all the heirs at law of said deceased, residing in this State having had due and legal notice by citation, proof of the acceptance of the service of the citation by the heirs at law of said deceased being duly made, and no objection being made, Thereupon the court proceeded to examine on oath, the said Walter and Thomas T. Page, and the court being fully satisfied from the testimony of the said witnesses, that the said last will of the said testator — Whereupon it is ordered

by the Court that the said will be admitted to probate, that the same be received established and recorded as the last will and testament of the said John L. Pickens deceased, and personal property.

(Attest A. R. Davis) Clerk

In the name of God Amen: I, Lewis Stephens of the County of Greene State of Alabama, being frail in body but of sound and disposing mind and memory, do publish and declare this to be my last will and testament in the manner following, to wit: Article first, I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Susanna Stephens the place where I now reside, containing forty acres more or less with all the improvements thereon and appertaining thereto to have and to hold the same during her natural life & I also give and bequeath to my said wife my negro boy white and my negro girl named Caroline to have and hold during her natural life, after her death I direct the said property embraced within this article to be disposed of in the following manner viz. I give the two negroes white and Caroline with her future increase to my son-in-law Alfred Callaway and his wife Sarah, to have and to hold the same, them and their heirs forever. My desire and will is that the said forty acres of land in which I now live and named above shall be sold at the death of my said wife and the proceeds divided in four equal parts, one fourth part I give to the children of my deceased daughter Polly Mary, and one fourth part to the heirs of my deceased son James Stevens, and one fourth part to the children of my deceased son Joel Stevens, and the remaining fourth part to my son David I Stevens. Article second. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Susanna I Stephens my negro woman Marnie and her three children, Lucy and Robert and David, together with her future increase, to have and to hold the same to her and her heirs forever. Item 3. I also give and bequeath unto my wife above named my Piana Pole, one Horse, my will is that she may have choice of my stock of horses on hand at my death in relation to the horse - Two Cows and calves, the choice of my stock, I also give and give (Choice) also three beds and furniture, also my sideboard and bureau, and my kitchen furniture, also my Bannock and, Hammers, all of the settling chair, and all of my table furniture to have and to hold the same her and her heirs forever. Article 4th I direct that my wife Susan I Stevens have one year liberal support out of such crop as I may have on hand at my death, the amount of support to be determined by three discreet sensible men, such as she may think proper to select, I further direct that my executor pay over to my said wife one or two dollars out of such moneys as I may have on hand. Item 5. I direct the proceeds of the sale of my cotton or other effects at it, after my death as can be done without sacrificing property or anything else.

Article Smith. I give and bequeath unto my son-in-law Alfred Callaway and his wife Sarah, my following named negroes, that is Hain, Green, Verner, Amy and Amelia, with their future increase, to have and to hold the same, them and their heirs forever. Item - I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Callaway one Bed and furniture to her and her heirs forever. Article fifth - I give and bequeath unto my two grand children, William I Stevens and John I Stevens, sons of my deceased son William, my negro man George commonly called Big George, also one eighth of a section of land, known and described as follows, viz. The East half of the South East quarter of section thirty three township 20 Range 2 East. Article sixth - I give and bequeath unto my Grandson James I Antistown my negro boy named Little George to him and his heirs forever. Article seventh. I direct that my one eighth of a section of land lying in the opposite side of the main public road from my residence, bounded by Paul Hutchins land on the west, Dr Randolph on the East, W. A. Thomas South, and lands of the estate of B. K. Murrell on the South; also my two negroes Ginnin and his wife Tamer, together with all such property as I may be possessed of at my death not disposed of in this my will be sold and the proceeds after paying all my just debts be divided into four equal parts, one fourth part I give and bequeath to the children of my deceased daughter Polly Mary and one fourth part to the heirs of my deceased son James Stevens, and one fourth part to the children of my deceased son Joel Stevens and the remaining fourth part to my son David I Stevens. My desire is that should there be remaining unsold at my death the whole or any part of my crop of cotton, that my executor shall sell the same at their discretion. Article eighth I hereby constitute and appoint my son David I Stevens, and my son-in-law Alfred Callaway, Executors to this my last will and testament. Signed sealed and delivered this the ninth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred and forty three in the presence of

Lewis Stevens (Snr)

J. A. Hendon
W. W. Thomas
Anson Acord

The State of Alabama, Orphans Court July 8th 1864
Greene County. This day the last will and testament of Lewis Stevens deceased was presented to the Court for probate by David I Stevens one of the Executors therein named, and the Court being satisfied that all the heirs and legates have had due notice of the application to prove said will, and no objection being made thereto, whereupon the Court examined or called Anson Acord one of the subscribing witnesses to said will, and the Court being satisfied from the testimony of the said witness that it is

therefore ordered by the court that the said will be received established and recorded as the last will and testament of the said James McCarter deceased.

Attest A.R. Davis Clerk

James McCarter The State of Alabama, In the name of God Amen, I James McCarter, Green County of the County & State aforesaid being of sound disposing mind & memory, and from my advanced age and consequent infirmities, sensible of my rapidly approaching dissolution, do make and ordain this my last will and testament of all my estate real personal and mixed (viz) Item 1st I will and bequeath to my beloved and affectionate wife Nancy all my estate whether real personal or mixed, not herein afterwards expressly otherwise disposed of to my children, to have and to hold to her during her natural life or widow hood, and at her death or intermarriage as hereafter to be devised. Item 2nd. To the following named children, I will and bequeath to each one dollar, they having already received their portion & as much as I design them to have of my estate (viz) Margaret Martin (wife consort of William Martin) Mary Glasgow (widow of John Glasgow deceased) Nancy Crawford (wife consort of James Crawford) Sarah Idem (widow of Jacob Idem deceased) Catharine Landrel (wife of Francis Landrel) Ann Jack (wife of Samuel Jack) Susan B Gray (wife of Arthur A Gray) To these seven daughters I will and bequeath but one dollar each as aforesaid - and to my daughter Martha (widow of my son Moses McCarter, John and William D Smith and bequeath but one dollar each, Item 3rd I will and bequeath to my son Robert A B McCarter a tract of land which is my present dwelling, lying between road leading from Euie to Livingston and the Tombigbee river containing about ninety acres more or less together with all and singular the building improvements rights liberties privileges hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever thereto belonging or in any wise appurtenant, to have and to hold the said premises I also bequeath to him a negro girl named Jane and her child Caroline, and a negro man named Dave, the possession of said mortgage and negro: is to remain in my wife's possession during her widowhood, after that the vest absolutely in him and his heirs forever. The debt of the estate is to be paid by said R A B McCarter. Item 4. I will and bequeath to my son Philip S McCarter fifty dollars to be received at my wife's death, out of the legacy, bequeath to Robert D McCarter - Item 5th I will and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Jane McDaniel a tract of land containing 60 acres more or less lying north of the big road leading from Euie to Livingston, also a negro woman named Harriet and her two children Henry & Melly together with the future increase of said woman. Said negro: are to remain in possession of my wife during her life or widowhood, then my said daughter Elizabeth Jane McDaniel

to have said negro: and the title to vest absolutely in her, and the him of her body begotten forever. Item 6th I appoint my wife Nancy executrix and Robert A B McCarter and Isaac S Chance executors of this my last will and testament, and I do hereby revoke and disannul all other and previous wills by me made or executed, and hereby declaring this to be my last will and testament. In due testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 20th day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of us who have subscribed our names hereto at the request of James McCarter the testator on the date of said will
Mad R Taylor
R W Parker
James Speed

James McCarter (initials)
mark

The State of Alabama, Orphans Court September 9th 1844
Green County. This day the last will and testament of James McCarter deceased was presented to the court by Nancy McCarter Robert B McCarter and Isaac S Chance the Executors and Executors therein named, and the him at law of said deceased, having had due and legal notice by citation, proof thereof being duly made, whereupon the court proceeded to examine on oath Madam B Taylor, Richard W Darden and James Speed the subscribing witnesses thereto, touching the legal execution of said will, and the court being fully satisfied from the testimony of said witnesses - It is therefore ordered by the court that the said will be received established and recorded as the last will and testament of the said James McCarter deceased.

Attest A.R. Davis Clerk

Attest In the name of God Amen, I Sancta J Hill of Green County and State of Alabama, do make and ordain & publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all wills heretofore by me made, And first I direct that my body be decently interred in some suitable place to be selected by my son George W Hill and Rebecca E DeGraffenried. And whereas I hath pleased God to bless me with a portion of this world's goods I give and dispose of the same in the following manner First, it is my will that my son George W Hill & my son-in-law Doct J DeGraffenried do each purchase a likely young negro woman for my daughter Elizabeth Jane, which negro: they are to secure by deed of trust to some proper person for

person for the exclusive right and behoof of my said daughter during her natural life and till her youngest child shall attain to legal age, at the laps of which time said negroes and their entire increase to be sold and equally divided between the children of my said daughter. Secondly I do hereby by legalize and confirm a bill of sale given by myself to my son George W. Hill about the twentieth of July 1827 in said bill of sale the right to Sam. Anthony and Jim is confirmed. I do also legalize and confirm the receipt and power of attorney given to my said son for my full distributive share of the real estate of my husband Moses Hill late of Randolph Dist and State of South Carolina deceased; which amounts to me third of said real estate as will appear by reference to the statute of said State. Said papers were executed about the year 1824 or 1825 to the best of my recollection. I gave an other instrument of writing to my said son confirming said papers on the 15th day of December eighteen hundred and thirty four, witnessed by J. DeGraffenried, John C. Tucker and Rebecca C. DeGraffenried, as will appear by reference to said instrument in the possession of my said son, all of which said instruments were given for the exclusive right and behoof of my said son, and are hereby made and confirmed perfectly valid both in law and equity. Thirdly I do hereby confirm and make valid a bill of sale made by myself to my son George W. Hill as guardian for my daughter Rebecca C. Hill now Rebecca C. DeGraffenried said bill of sale embraces, Mahala Quick, Warner Tom and Ellen and their entire increase, the right and title of said negroes is hereby confirmed to my said daughter Rebecca C. DeGraffenried, the bill of sale was given on the twentieth of July eighteen hundred and twenty seven, and is hereby made perfectly valid both in law & equity. Fourthly I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Rebecca Sanilla Hill daughter of my son George W. Hill, my Bedstead bed and furniture, three coats attached. Fifthly I give and bequeath the whole of the balance of my estate after my just debts are paid, should there be any, to my said son George W. Hill, receiving only one bed and furniture seven counterpane and my wearing apparel. All of the balance of my property of which I may have any actual or incidental right I give and bequeath as above to my son George W. Hill provided he will appropriate the amount of five hundred dollars to the purchase of a negro girl for my said grand-daughter Rebecca Sanilla Hill to be secured to her by some proper instrument of writing, and I do hereby make and ordain my son in law Doctor J. DeGraffenried & my esteemed friend Rev. R. C. Christopher Executors of this my last will & testament. In witness whereof I Sanilla A. Hill the Testatrix have, to this my will, written on one sheet of paper, set my hand and seal this fifteenth day of June in the year

of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty eight
Signed Sealed and acknowledged
in presence of us who have subscribed
in presence of each other as witnesses
Buckard W. White
Luther C. Johnson
Amey T. White
Sanilla A. Hill
Mark

The State of Alabama, Orphan Court September 9th 1840
Greene County, This day the last will and testament of Sanilla A. Hill deceased was presented to the court for probate by Foreman DeGraffenried one of the executors therein named, and it appearing to the court that all the heirs at law of the said deceased residing in this state have had due and legal notice by citation, they having acknowledged service of the citation, except William W. Hill, and it appearing to the court by proof now here made, that he has had due notice of the application to establish said will, and no objection being offered the court proceeded to examine on oath Buckard W. White and Luther C. Johnson two of the subscribing witnesses then touching the legal execution of said will, and the court being fully satisfied from the testimony of the said witnesses - It is therefore order by the court that the said will be received established and recorded as the last will and testament of the said Sanilla A. Hill deceased.
Attest A. R. Davis clerk

In the name of God, Amen! I, Harris Tucker of the County of Greene and State of Alabama, being dangerously ill at the Hot Springs in the State of Virginia, but of sound mind and memory do make & publish this my last will & testament as follows: Item 1st I direct that my Executors herein after named shall keep up my farms or plantations by working myself or them as they have been managed heretofore by myself & the proceeds arising from the crops grown upon my lands managed as aforesaid. I direct to be applied first to the support of my Widow & minor children, and the liberal education of each of the latter as have not yet received one; Secondly to the purchase of two hundred forty acres of the Prina & Harris tract of land, adjoining my land of the same can be bought for a reasonable price, & thirdly to the payment of my just debts. The provision herein contained for the support of my minor children to cease as they respectfully arrive to the age of twenty one years. Item 2nd I give and bequeath unto my son Robert S. Tucker the sum of twenty thousand dollars

paid to him out of the proceeds of the first crops which may be raised next immediately after the purchase of the land the payment of the debts aforesaid. Item 3^d I give & bequeath unto my children Susan Tinker, Maria Tinker, William Tinker & Julia Tinker the sum of twenty thousand dollars each to be paid to them respectively as they severally arrive to the age of twenty one years out of the proceeds of the crops given upon my estate or as soon thereafter as the same can be raised without conflicting with the provisions herein before contained. Item 4th Immediately after my youngest child shall have attained the age of twenty one & provided her legacy as provided in Item 3^d I direct that my entire estate shall be divided as follows - Viz - I give & devise unto my son Harris Tinker my Tract of land adjoining my home tract & containing about seven hundred & twenty acres, also twenty working hands to be allotted to him by Commissioners appointed as the law directs. The residue of my Estate of every description to be equally divided between my widow & children other than the said Harris, share & share alike, the share of my daughter to be secured to their sole and separate use respectively during their lives & after their deaths to their next of kin respectively & for that purpose I do hereby devise & bequeath unto my son Robert Tinker his heirs Executors & Administrators the share which may respectively fall in the division aforesaid to my daughter Sarah A. Waller Susan Tinker, Maria Tinker & Julia Tinker, in Trust however to hold the same for the sole separate & exclusive use of my said daughter respectively during their natural lives free from any liability to their husbands debts or contracts, & after their respective deaths convey the share of each equally to her children and grand children, such grand children however to be the children of a deceased child & to take only such share as their parent would have been entitled to, had he or she been living. Item 5th I give and bequeath unto my widow during her life or widowhood the use of my Mansion house & out house connected therewith also my carriage & harness, the dwelling house & kitchen furniture &c. Item 6th Should my widow marry again all the provisions in this will heretofore contained for her benefit are to cease & in lieu thereof I give & bequeath to her the sum of Five Thousand Dollars to be paid to her when the same shall be demanded out of any funds which may be in the hands of my Executors notwithstanding the other legacies herein contained may thereby be delayed as to their payment, which said sum of Five thousand dollars is to be received by her in bar of any claim she may have upon my Estate. Item 7th I hereby nominate constitute

& appoint my son in law Robert B. Waller, my wife Susan Tinker, my son Robert Tinker & Maria Tinker when he shall attain the age of twenty one, Executors & Executrix of this my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name & set my seal this 3rd day of August A.D. 1844
In presence of
Henry Anderson (of Miss)
J. Coleman of Miss
Mrs. Norfolk
E. C. Tinker
Harris Tinker Esq

Bath County Court August Term 1844.

This last will and testament of Harris Tinker Dec^d of the County of Greene in the State of Alabama was presented in Court and proved by the oath of Henry Anderson, J. Coleman, Wm. Norfolk & E. C. Tinker subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Test J. A. Porter, Clerk

State of Virginia Bath County to wit,

I Stephen A. Porter Clerk of the County Court of said County in the State aforesaid do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the will of Harris Tinker dec^d of the County of Greene in the State of Alabama with all things touching the same as fully and wholly as they now exist among the records of the said Court.

(S)

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and annex the seal of the said Court this 7th day of October 1844

J. A. Porter Clerk of
Bath County Court

State of Virginia Bath County to wit,

I James Hamilton presiding Magistrate of the County Court of the said County of Bath in the State aforesaid do hereby certify that Stephen A. Porter whose name appears subscribed to the foregoing Certificate is now and was at the time of signing the same, Clerk of the County Court of said County, that full faith & credit are due to all his official acts as such, that his said attestation is in due form and by the proper officer, and that his signature is genuine Given under my hand & seal this 10th day of October 1844
James Hamilton J.P. Esq

State of Virginia Bath County to wit,

I Stephen A. Porter Clerk of the County Court of said County in the State aforesaid do hereby certify that James Hamilton whose name appears subscribed to the foregoing

certificate is new and was at the time of signing the same, the preceding magistrate of the county chief of said county duly commissioned & qualified & that full faith & credit be due to all his official acts as such.

(S)

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office at my office the 11th day of October 1849

J. A. Porter Clerk of
Bath County Court

The State of Alabama

Greene County

Orphans Court November 11th 1849

This day a certified copy of the last will and testament of Harro Dinkler deceased from Bath County in the state of Virginia was presented to this court for record, and it appearing to the court, that the said will has been duly admitted to probate and recorded in the county court of Bath County in the State of Virginia aforesaid, and the court being fully satisfied of the authentication - It is therefore ordered by the court that the same be received and recorded.

Attest A. T. Davis Clerk

R. Wedgworth & Rachel Wedgworth widow of the late James Wedgworth do hereby certify that we are the lawful heirs and legal representatives of the county of Greene and State of Alabama do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say I wish it to be distinctly known that I am possessed of no property or effects whatever, except what I am entitled to as the widow of the said James Wedgworth; and that I deem it but right, that at my death all my estate whatever it may be and however acquired should belong to his descendants or those with whom they have intermarried, in the manner and under the condition following, to wit: - First I will and bequeath that at the end of eighteen months after my decease, my executor pay out of my estate to Rachel W. Wedgworth and daughter of my said late husband & wife of John Leavitt to Sally McGee another daughter of my said late husband & wife of Jonathan McGee and to Leviticus Wedgworth a son of my said late husband, each two hundred dollars in money. Secondly, I will and bequeath unto Lucinda Lewis another daughter of my said late husband & wife of John M. Lewis and to Sally Ann James Bonner a grand daughter of said late husband & wife of Meriwether S. Bonner each two hundred dollars in money to their respective sole and separate use, free from the control of their present or any future husbands, and in no way to be appropriated to the payment of the debts of said husband and in order to prevent said bequest from being wasted or

misapplied, I direct that at the expiration of eighteen months from my death, that Stephen Wedgworth and Thomas J. Edmiston or the survivor of them loan out each of said legacies annually for the respective benefit of said Lucinda and said Sally Ann, paying the interest which may be collected from time to time to the said legacies but not to their husbands, and keeping the principal loaned out on good security. In the event of the death of both said Stephen and said Thomas then I direct that the said legacies procure suitable trustees of their respective funds to be appointed; but that their present husbands not to be appointed in any event; I further will and direct that at the death of either the said Lucinda or Sally Ann James Bonner, that their respective legacies to go to and be divided between the respective children of their respective mother share and share alike, the children of the said Lucinda to have no share in the legacy of the said Sally Ann nor those of the latter of the former. Thirdly, all the surplus of my estate at my death in whatever it may consist I will I bequeath to said Stephen Wedgworth and Thomas J. Edmiston the former of which is a son of my late husband & the latter, the husband of a daughter of my said late husband to be equally divided between them, who I do hereby constitute and appoint executor of this my last will and testament. At witness my hand and seal this thirtieth day of January A.D. 1849

Signed & published in our presence & in the presence of each other & of the testatrix witnessed by us at her request
Wm. L. Logan
J. J. Adams
William J. Edmiston

her
Rachel X Wedgworth
mark

The State of Alabama

Greene County

Thomas J. Edmiston &

Stephen Wedgworth

against

John Warden & Rachel his wife

Leviticus Wedgworth, Jonathan

McGee & Lucinda Lewis and

Sarah Ann Wedgworth, Alpha

Wedgworth, Middleton Wedgworth

John Wedgworth, Martha

Wedgworth, Jonathan Wedgworth

By William P. Webb

their Guardian Ad Litem

who being elected empannelled

Orphans Court
December 9th 1849.

This day came on to be heard and determined the matter of the probate of the last will and testament of Rachel Wedgworth deceased, the said will having been contested and a jury ordered to be empannelled, and the said parties appearing by their attorneys and issue being joined thereupon came a jury of twelve good and lawful men, to wit: John S. Charles and the Stellens who being elected empannelled Edward and Randolph

and truly to enquire and by the issue joined in the matter of the
contested will of the said Rachel Woodworth deceased, whether the
paper writing here presented purporting to be the last will and
testament of Rachel Woodworth deceased, be a valid will or not
according to the evidence, and after hearing the evidence and charges
of the court, upon their oaths do say that they find the said paper writing
here presented is the last will and testament of the said Rachel
Woodworth deceased, Whereupon It is now here ordered by the court
that the said paper writing purporting to be the last will and
testament of the said Rachel Woodworth deceased be received
established and recorded as the last will and
testament of the said Rachel Woodworth deceased,
and that the said contestants pay the costs.

Attest A. M. Davis Clerk.

I Sarah Johnson of the County of Greene
State of Alabama do hereby make my last will and testament
in manner following that is to say - 1st It is my will and desire
that my executor hereinafter named pay all my just debts and
funeral expenses with as little delay as possible after my death.
2nd I give and bequeath to my grand son Andrew Jackson Dunn
one hundred dollars to assist in educating & supporting him -
3rd It is my will and desire that the residue of my estate shall
be divided into four equal parts, one of which I give to my daughter
Ann Ratty, and one to my daughter Matthew M. Dunn - of the
two remaining four parts, it is my will and desire that my executor
hold one of them for the sole use of my daughter Sally Johnson
for and during the time of her natural life free from the debts
and control of her husband James Johnson, and after her death to be
equally divided between her children and that my said executor
hold the remaining fourth part in trust for the sole use of my daughter
Julia Ratty for and during the term of her natural life free from the
debts or control of her husband Anthony Ratty, and after her death
to be equally divided between her children - 4th I do hereby certify
and appoint Robert D. Waller of the County aforesaid Executor
of this my last will - Signed sealed, published and declared
as the last will and testament of Sarah Johnson this 15th day of
September 1864
Signed sealed and published
in the presence of
Stephen D. Owen
Solomon George
C. S. M. Comico

her
Sarah X Johnson
mark

the State of Alabama
is to Greene County
before my the last will and testament of Sarah Johnson deceased

Orphans Court
December 9th 1864

was presented to the court for probate, and it appearing to the
court that the heirs at law of the said deceased have had due
notice of this application, and no objection being offered the
court proceeded to examine on oath Stephen D. Owen and Solomon George
two of the subscribing witnesses to said will touching the legal
execution thereof and the court being fully satisfied from the testimony
of the said witnesses, Whereupon It is ordered by the court that
the said will be received established and recorded as the
last will and testament of the said Sarah Johnson deceased.

Attest A. M. Davis Clerk

In the name of God Amen, I James C. Locke being of sound
mind and memory do make and publish this as my last will
and testament, that, First I give and bequeath the following
named negroes to my brother John Locke Town, Isaac Lee,
Polly and her children Sarah, John Mary and Elizabeth, Melly
and her child Kristin, Rachel and Sephie - Also and Billy -
And I give also to my brother John Locke the following negroes on
my plantation, Louie, Mat, Janway, Sam, Hiram, William, Harry
and his wife Sally and her children Abram, Nelson and her two
young children whose names are not recollected, Kate and his
wife Meeky and her children names not known, Mary and
her children Lizzy, John, Eliza and her baby - Rachel
Ellen and child, Leindy and Ed. & another child - Angeline
little Joe, old Joe, Anderson - Andy & Abner - Second I
give \$1000 to Thomas J. Locke and his brother Matthew Locke
and give to my half sister Mary E. and Catharine Locke
Six Hundred dollars each to be paid out of my estate
Third I give to my nephews Richard Leary eight hundred dollars
and to John Leary seven hundred dollars to be paid out of my
estate - Fourth I give a negro girl named Mary to my
niece Margaret Boardman - and also the sum of two thousand
seven hundred dollars to be paid to her father Volney Boardman
and John Locke in trust for my said niece, out of any money
belonging to my estate - Fifth In the event that my
brother William survive me, I give and bequeath to him one
half of the negroes which I have given to my brother John as
named in the first clause of this will, - Sixth I give and
bequeath and devise to my brother John and William Locke
equally my house and lot in the town of Cullow and also 12
acres of land bearing same more or less which I purchased from
the Doughridge estate near Cullow, - Seventh I give devise
and bequeath to my brother John and William Locke the tract
of land lying in this county below Greensboro containing
five hundred & 20 acres, which I purchased from the Hollenback
and adjoining the lands of Samuel D. Reed and Randolph

and the Stillmeadow land, together with which I give and bequeath to them the present crops of all kinds, and all the stock of horses and mules and oxen and hogs, which I now have and furniture and farming utensils of every kind. Eighthly it is my will and desire that my Executor shall pay each of my negro men out of my crop ten dollars apiece to the sum of Eighty dollars each, and to each one of the heads of families one dollar for each child. Ninth I give and bequeath my negro woman Nancy and her children Elizabeth and Murren to my brother John and William Locke to be kept and disposed of by them according to a request made by my sister Margaret which is that they shall be set free if the same can be done according to the laws of this State. Tenth I request my Executor to deliver to Allen, a servant belonging to Wm C Jones his money labelled and marked in my book about one Hundred dollars. Also to Nancy her money about fifty dollars. Eleventh I give and bequeath to my nephew James S Boardman a negro woman named Betty now in the possession of W Boardman and also to him the sum of Six Hundred dollars to be paid by my Executor to his father in trust for him. Twelfth After paying the above legacies it is my wish that my Executor shall divide any other money or assets or property which may be left in his hands equally amongst all my heirs according to law. Thirteenth I do hereby nominate and appoint my brother John Locke Executor of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 23rd day of October A.D. 1844

Signed & sealed in the presence of
J. Anderson
P. D. Beasley
Wm S Webb

James C Locke

The State of Alabama - Chancery Court January 13th 1845

Greene County 3 This day the writing purporting to be the last will and testament of James C Locke deceased was presented to the court for probate by John Locke the Executor therein named, and it appearing to the court that all the heirs at law of the said James C Locke deceased have had due and legal notice of this application and no objection being offered, the court proceeded to examine in oath John C Anderson, Philip D Beasley, William P Webb the subscribing witnesses thereto, touching the legal execution of said will, and the court being fully satisfied from the testimony of the said witnesses, it is therefore ordered by the court that the said will be and is hereby admitted to probate, received, established and ordered to be recorded as the last will and testament of James C Locke deceased.

Attest A. R. Anderson Clerk

Hills The State of Alabama - I Mary Hill of the State and County of Greene County 3 aforesaid, do make and publish this my last will and testament. And first I direct that my body be decently interred and that my funeral be conducted in a christian like manner. And as to such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to intrust me with I dispose of the same as follows. First I direct that the following described negro slaves be sold to pay all my just debts first paying my funeral expenses, and all other expenses incurred during my last sickness, viz. Frank a negro man, Lem, a negro man, Betty a negro woman, Eliza a negro woman and her child Mary Jane, William a boy, Mary a girl, Robert a boy and girl and old man, together with the future increase (if any) and if it should be found that a sale of all the above described negroes should make a sum more than sufficient to satisfy and pay all my just debts, and there should be an overplus either in negroes or money, I do dispose of the overplus or remainder in the following manner viz. I give to my daughter Ann R. Saylor one half of the said overplus to belong to her during her life and at her death to be the property of and belong to her children born of her since her last marriage. I give to my son John S. Hill the other half of the said overplus to belong to him during his life and at his death to be the property of and belong to his children. Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my son John Joseph Hill all the following described property to wit my negro man Guy and Jane his wife and her four children viz. Mary Ann, Fira McDuff and Feline Miller and her three children viz. Sarah Kemp and Albert, Emily, Virginia, William Jackson & Anthony together with their future increase, also my entire stock of horses cattle and hogs also all my plantation tools and road wagon and all my household furniture and other moveables hereafter disposed of, to be the property of and belong to him the said John Joseph Hill with full power at any and all time to sell or dispose of the same or any part thereof as to him may seem to best calculated to provide for himself, but at his death to be the property of and belong to his children in absolute right. Item 3rd I give to Celestia A Hill, the wife of John Joseph Hill my pleasure carriage and harness. Item 4th I give to my grand daughter Mary Louisa Barton my large mahogany bedstead, one mahogany bureau, one feather bed, one hair mattress and the other furniture belonging to me. Bed. - I also give to Mary Louisa Barton, all the property I may inherit from my mother at her death, and in case the said Mary Louisa Barton should die leaving no children at her death, I give all the foregoing property bequeathed to her to my grand children the children of my son John Joseph Hill. Item 5th My will and desire is that my negro

Signed and sealed in
the presence of
Rachel A. Collins
C. C. Gurn
Dwight A. Wilson

T. A. Wilson

The State of Alabama - Orphans' Court January 13th 1845.
Greene County. This day the last will and testament
of Thomas A. Wilson deceased was presented to the court for probate
by Catharine C. Wilson the widow of said deceased and executor
thereof appointed. Whereupon the court examined on oath Rachel
A. Collins, Christopher C. Gurn and Dwight A. Wilson the sub-
scribing witnesses thereto, touching the legal execution of said
will, and the court being fully satisfied from the testimony
of the said witnesses - Whereupon it is ordered by the court that
the said will be received, established and recorded as the last
will and testament of the said Thomas A. Wilson deceased.
Attest A. R. Davis, Clerk

woman Any shall be allowed to make choice of her place of
residence between my daughter Anne R. Sexton and my son
John Joseph Hill, and I give her to either of them that she
may choose to live with after my death. Lastly I do hereby
make ordain constitute and appoint my son John Joseph Hill
and Lorenzo S. Sexton Executor of this my last will and testament
and do declare this to be my last will and testament. In
witness whereof I have hereunto set my hands and affixed my
seal this thirty first day of July 1840 one thousand eight hundred
and forty four and after the words one Mahogany Barrens
included in the fourth item were intubed
Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence
of us who subscribed in presence of each
other
Anne R. Sexton
Greene A. Martin
Lorenzo S. Sexton

Mary Hill

The State of Alabama - Orphans' Court January 13th 1845
Greene County. This day the last will and testament of Mary
Hill deceased was presented to the court for probate, whereupon the court
appointed Lewis S. Bellard Guardian ad litem for the minor heirs of Nicholas
Hill and Cabell S. Hill for the purpose of appearing for the said minors
in the matter of the said application, and the said Lewis S. Bellard ap-
pearing for said minors, whereupon the court proceeded to examine on
oath Lorenzo S. Sexton one of the subscribing witnesses thereto touching the
legal execution of said will, and the court being satisfied from
the testimony of the said witness - It is therefore ordered that the
said will be received, established and recorded as the last will
and testament of the said Mary Hill deceased.
Attest A. R. Davis, Clerk

The State of Alabama - I know all men by these presents that
Greene County. Thomas A. Wilson planter of this
county and State aforesaid being in a low state of health
but in my perfect mind and senses and being conscious that
it is appointed near so near to die do by these presents make
this my last will and testament. And I want my wife
Catharine C. Wilson to have the control of all my property, I
want all of my just debts paid and if my wife Catharine
C. Wilson see fit or care spare any of my property, she
can give it off to my children as they shall need, and if
not she can have the whole control of it all so long as she
shall live and at her death I want it equally divided
between my children William Pinckney, Nancy Jane
Mary Ann, Daniel Allen, John Winnow Lewis Griffin
Sulla Catharine, Georgiann Sonett

I James S. Jones of Greene County State of Alabama make
my will as follows: this 20th of August 1844. - I give Five
thousand dollars to my aunt Sally Jones of Tennessee, and her
children to be equally divided among them & one share to the
children of her deceased daughter Mary Spivey. - I give Five
thousand dollars & negroes, Rachel & children Maria Betty
Dave & Miley & such as she may have, Josiah & sons, to my
brother Dr. Wm Jones & my friends Eli M. Driver of Pontotoc
Mississippi & to the survivor of them, I say the said Five
thousand dollars & negroes Rachel & children, Maria Josiah
& sons to them & to the survivor of them. - I give one thousand
dollars to my old friend Wm S. Thompson, all the rest
of my estate of every kind, I give to my brother Dr. Wm Jones
& Eli M. Driver, with the estate in fee in the lands & absolute
property in slaves & other property to them the survivor and the
executor of such survivor upon the trusts & for the uses hereinafter
declared. - In trust 1st to carry on the farm after taking
all the property into immediate possession & charges until a
sum is raised to pay my debts and the legacies of eleven
thousand dollars shall be made, these legacies not to draw
interest until paid, - In trust then to carry on the farm with
every thing on them as they are for four years, - I wish Mr
Wm S. Thompson to live on the farm as steward & take care of the
negroes, to have fair wages. - The net profit of the business
once in each year to be paid to my brother & sister Ann, Harrell
Mary Moore, and Eli a better word, to my sister Belia (if
she lives) to the infant children of my deceased sister Sarah

William viz, James & Mary & to my sister Letitia son James
 Wilson if she die, - In the division I wish my brother & sister
 Mary, Elizabeth & Ann & the two children James & Mary
 Walton, children of sister Sarah, to have an equal share (James
 & Mary receiving one share & representing their mother) and Leti-
 tia son James to receive half of one share or half as much, as my
 brother & each of my living sisters - my brother to receive his
 part & my sister Letitia her part, The shares of sister Mary
 & Ann to be paid into their own hands, or be laid out in
 purchase of property for their ^{separate} use, all or in part as
 one or both may wish. The portion of James & Mary Walton
 to be laid out in purchase of property & this property to come
 back to my brother. - sister in case they die James & Mary
 both die not leaving issue or die before marriage - if either
 live to have issue or marry the will to be absolute, or if one
 die before, his share to survive to the other subject to the
 limitation of marrying or having issue - I mean if one die a
 minor before the other has issue or has married, the share of such
 one deceased to survive to the other. The share of sister Letitia
 to be paid her if alive & if not to be laid out in the purchase
 of negroes for the benefit of her son James Wilson & the property
 is ^{to be laid out} as to come back to my brother & sister if he die
 under age & shall not have married, unless the money
 be ^{used} for his education in which case all if necessary to
 be applied to that purpose - Should my sister now living
 die before the expiration of the four year such sister as shall
 die, her share to be paid over to her children & if sister Letitia
 should die during that time her share to be paid to her son
 Howell Jones - In trust further after the expiration of the four
 years the farm to be kept up one year & the profits of that
 year to be applied to the removal of all my negroes & who
 from that time my trustees will hold in trust, to cause
 them, the negroes, to be sent to some place where slavery
 does not exist & where they can be free, and after paying
 the expense of such removal the balance of the profits of
 that year, to be divided among the grown negroes on their
 reaching their new home - such as are & old infirm &c, I
 make a charge upon my estate to be well taken care of.
 If the laws of the Country admit it I hope my slaves may
 be liberated, I believe the British West India Islands
 would be the suitable place, or Liberia - If it shall not
 be allowed by the policy of the Country, then my trustees or
 the survivor shall still carry on the farm & divide the
 profits in the same way & proportions & subject to the
 same limitations as the profits of the four years in this
 will before set forth - If however my brother or Mr

Jones either or both be then alive, & the negroes can not
 be liberated, the farm to be continued as above, and as long
 either one or the other may be alive, shall think best for the ben-
 efit of the negroes, & if one or both think it works well to
 continue the system as long as I have a brother or sister living
 to stop it then altogether - If the slaves be liberated, or
 case they be not, & whenever the farm is no longer to be kept
 up then I wish the lands divided equally as may be between
 my brother and sister Mary Anne Elizabeth Ward & Ann
 Howell & the children of my sister Sarah viz James & Ma-
 ry & the latter to have one share, that as much land as
 was as my brother or a new living sister, and in the division
 of the land I wish I wish my sister Ann Howell to have
 the Nelson lands 480 acres, & the Hunter quarter south
 of the 40 acres I recently bought of Henry Semmons, with
 2000 feet for a way, I bought of the Peterd farm, 2 acres &
 I wish my sister Letitia to have the Bryant lands 400 acres for
 my share & one quarter in Perry, this would give each of
 them a home in sandy land - The balance of the land to
 my brother (not subject to be devised on by his wife
 or any of these lands that may fall to him from me) &
 sister Mary & (Sarah's two children). I only wish my sister
 Ann & Elizabeth to have these particular lands in case
 one or both shall come to Alabama to live & should it not
 be so, the lands can be divided without any regard to these
 suggestions. As I give my sister Letitia son (James Wilson)
 no lands, believing & pastor as many as the lands can be
 divided into so as to make every little farmer, I charge upon
 all my devisees of this land to pay a sum equal to three
 thousand dollars to be paid within 1, 2, & 3 years from the
 time the lands are divided & that money to be laid out
 for his use in the same way & subject to the same
 limitations as I have directed his part of the 4 years &
 profits of the farm to go, I mean given on the whole, not
 withstanding in case my brother shall be alive at the time
 and believe a sale of the lands be better, he can have the
 sold, provided however sister Nancy to have the lands I have
 given her if she can come to Alabama to live - I give all
 my negroes (in case they can not be liberated) (except those given
 in the first clause of my will) with the exception of little
 boy Williams Henry (big Mary & Ryan child) who I give to
 my brother & Mr Jones intending to have done it in the first
 clause) to be equally divided between my brother, sister
 Mary Anne, Elizabeth Ward & Ann Howell and the two
 children James & Mary Walton children of sister Sarah,
 after selling a part one twelfth part of the whole, to

Walton viz, James & Mary & to my sister Letitia son James
 Wilson if she die, - In the division I wish my brother & sister
 Mary, Elizabeth & Ann & the two Children James & Mary
 Walton, Children of sister Sarah, to have an equal share (James
 & Mary receiving one share & representing their mother) And Letitia
 son James to receive half of one share or half as much, as my
 brother & each of my living sisters - my brother to receive his
 part & my sister Letitia her part, The shares of sister Mary
 & Ann to be paid into their own hands, or be laid out in
 purchase of property for their ^{separate} use, all or in part as
 one or both may wish. The portion of James & Mary Walton
 to be laid out in purchase of property & this property to come
 back to my brother. - sister in case they said James & Mary
 both die not leaving issue or die before marriage - If either
 live to have issue or marry the wife to be absolute, or if one
 die before, his share to survive to the other subject to the
 limitation of marrying or having issue - I mean if one die a
 minor before the other has issue or has married, the share of such
 one deceased to survive to the other. The share of sister Letitia
 to be paid her if alive & if not to be laid out in the purchase
 of negroes for the benefit of her son James Wilson & the property
 so ^{limited} as to come back to my brother & sister, if he die
 under age or shall not have married, unless the money
 be ^{used} for his education in which case all if necessary to
 be applied to that purpose - Should my sister Mary living
 die before the expiration of the four years such sister as shall
 die, her share to be paid over to her Children & if sister Letitia
 should die during that time her share to be paid to her son
 Howell Jones - In brief further after the expiration of the four
 years the farm to be kept up one year & the profits of that
 year to be applied to the removal of all my negroes & who
 from that time my trustees will hold in trust, to cause
 them, the negroes, to be sent to some place where slavery
 does not exist & where they can be free, and after paying
 the expense of such removal the balance of the profits of
 that year, to be divided among the grown negroes on their
 reaching their new home - such as are & old infirm &c, I
 make a charge upon my estate to be well taken care of.
 If the laws of the Country admit it I hope my slaves may
 be liberated, I believe the Dutch West India Islands
 would be the suitable place, or Liberia - If it shall not
 be allowed by the policy of the Country, then my trustees or
 the survivor shall still carry on the farm & divide the
 profits in the same way & proportions & subject to the
 same limitations as the profits of the four years in the
 will before set forth - If however my brother or Mr

Driver either or both be then alive, & the negroes can not
 be liberated, the farm to be continued as above, and as long as
 either one or both may be alive, shall think best for the hap-
 piness of the negroes, & if one or both think it worth while to
 continue the plantation as long as I have a brother or sister living, or
 to stop & sell the plantation altogether - If the slaves be liberated, or in
 case they shall not be, & whenever the farm is no longer to be kept
 up the land which the lands divided equally as may be between
 my brother and sister Mary Anne Elizabeth Ward & Ann
 Howell the Children of my sister Sarah viz James & Mary
 Walton of the latter to have one share, that as much land or
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 the 40 acres I recently bought of Henry Semmons, with
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 in Greene & one quarter in Perry, This would give each of
 them a home on sandy land - The balance of the land to
 my brother (not subject to be dowered on by his wife) &
 no any of these lands that may fall to him from me) &
 sister Mary, & (Sarah's two Children). I only wish my sister
 Ann & Elizabeth to have those particular lands in case
 one or both shall come to Alabama to live & should it not
 be so, the lands can be divided without any regard to their
 suggestions. As I give my sister Letitia son (James Wilson)
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 divided into so as to make every little farmer, I charge upon
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 thousand dollars to be paid within 1, 2, & 3 years from the
 time the lands are divided & that money to be laid out
 for his use in the same way & subject to the same
 limitations as I have directed his part of the 4 years &
 profits of the farm to go, I mean \$3000. on the whole, not-
 withstanding in case my brother shall be alive at the time
 and believe a sale of the lands be better, he can have them
 sold, provided however sister Nancy to have the lands I have
 given her if she can come to Alabama to live & I give all
 my negroes (in case they can not be liberated) (except those given
 in the first clause of my Will) with the exception of little
 boy Williams Henry (big Mingo & Ryan Child) who I give to
 my brother & Mr Driver intending to have done it in the first
 clause) to be equally divided between my brother, sister
 Mary Anne, Elizabeth Ward & Ann Howell and the two
 Children James & Mary Walton Children of sister Sarah,
 after selling a part one twelfth part of the whole, to

(James Wilson testas son of alive - This division of the negroes (in case they can not be liberated to take place when the lands are sold or divided). It is my wish & intention that whenever this will I have given my brother or a now living sister any property, they shall have the absolute right to dispose of it, my sister husband to have no right to it, if done during his or her life. But I hereby declare my wish & intention to be that any such brother or sister now living shall die not having disposed of this property or wherein I have given to James Wilson or the children of my sister Sarah any these lands or slaves, it is my intention in all & every case both in regard to my now living brother & now living sister & James Wilson & sister Sarah children James & Mary in case in any one shall die not leaving issue or unmarried, or in case any of the children or child of my brother or of any of my sister now living shall come into possessions in right of their parents & under this will, of property & shall die not leaving issue or unmarried, I say it is my will & intention ^{in every such possible case} to carry such possible case, the property shall revert & come back to my brother & sister their children, per stirpes - I wish my negroes to have \$5. each each year, 2 pair of shoes, 1 lb. meat & well treated - well clothed, blankets, good Cabbins - The house & lot in Greensboro to be sold or not as my brother thinks best, If my negroes can not be liberated, in the division I want, Noah, yellow John, old man Ben (who ought never to work out) old man Arthur Cader, Ulysses & Anthony & Harry & Henry to go - my brother & sister living, they will take care of them - I wish my trustee well paid for trouble, I give them absolute power to do what they think best, my main object being to liberate my negroes or such as are fit for it & in case it can not be done to prevent cruelty - I authorize them to sell bad negroes & buy more, if thought necessary - I give my brother absolute power to say when he will sell or divide the land after the four years have elapsed - I hereby nominate & appoint my brother & Eli M. Driver my trustee & executor in case of the death of my brother & Mr Driver I appoint William Waller of N.C. & Lewis Moore of N.C. John W. Waller & Wm. Jones son of Dr. Jones my executors, hereby revoking all wills by me heretofore made - In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal & declared this my last will & testament Signed, sealed & published as his last will in our presence this 30 Aug 1844

John T. Jackson
John S. Hays
R. W. Waller
John T. Lawson

James S. Jones

I James S. Jones make the following codicil to this my last will & testament - It is my wish that my trustee Dr. Wm. Jones & Eli M. Driver give no bond & security for the execution of my will, wishing one & both to have the same powers & authority in every respect as though bond & security had been given - (When I speak in my will of it being my wish Mr. Wm. S. Thompson should live on the farm, I mean he is to do so with the consent & approbation of my brother & his Mr. Thompson's wages to be settled & agreed on by my brother & him - The legacy of one thousand dollars to be paid one half after he shall have remained on the farm 2 years & the other half at the expiration of 4 or 6 years as my brother may think proper, & in case of his Mr. Thompson's death, or he shall not remain on the farm, no part of the legacy to be paid him, My brother may buy enough slaves to work the Bryant land say 20 hands, this would postpone the payment of all legacies & dividends until these slaves were paid for, then I wish the \$5000 to be paid my wife's family & the \$5000 to my brother & Mr. Driver (& the negroes Rachel & children, Josiah & sons) to be paid out of the first money made & the negroes (taken into possession by my brother at once - The buying these negroes would require the farm be kept up some more years to raise the funds to pay for them, these negroes if bought to be divided equally among my brother & sister (& their children when dead) as the bulk of the negroes in the will in case they cannot be liberated as provided for in the will - these last negroes not to be liberated - I do not wish James Wilson have any of these last negroes if bought, whatever my brother does in any thing relating to my will to bind all parties - signed sealed & published as a codicil part of his last will & testament this 30th Nov 1844

In our presence
Walter Waller
John T. Jackson
John T. Lawson

James S. Jones

I James S. Jones of Greene Co. Ala make the following additional codicil & alteration to my will made some time in August last & which I wish attached to & be a part of said will the 15th May 1845. My house & lot near Greensboro of about 7 or 8 acres I give to my brother Dr. Wm. Jones in fee - I revoke in my said codicil to said will & the codicil attached to it my thing said about Wm. S. Thompson being entitled to a legacy of \$1000 & he being employed as steward for the reason that his business prevents his attending to it - The 75 acres of land I bought in Perry County, I wish to go in every respect as my

the bulk of real estate - The land was bought after the date of the Codicil to my said will of Martin Moody - I wish it considered attached to a part of the land I bought of Joseph A. Bryant & as that land goes, with the additions of sister Betty, should come to also & receive the Bryant's land she shall pay a fair valuation for the Moody land - I give to my Brother Dr. Wm Jones all my Books, house hold & kitchen furniture (except what he may think necessary to stay on the farm) my riding wagon & harness & watch - I wish my two white horses, Dogs, well taken care of - and in fine every other thing on the farm that he does not consider necessary to carry on the farm - In testimony whereof I have signed sealed & published this Codicil & alteration as part of my said will.

In the presence of us this 14th May 1845

Walter Hottel

Williams A. Swander

John Hoppper

James S. Jones

The State of Alabama, Orange County, July 14th 1845

This day the last will and testament of James S. Jones deceased was presented to the Court for probate together with two Codicils thereto attached by William Jones one of the Executors therein named and it appearing to the Court that the heirs at law of the said deceased residing in this State, have had due and legal notice of this application, (Whereupon the Court appointed James R. Evans Guardian ad litem, for the minor heirs of the said deceased, to appear for them in this matter of the said application, and the said Guardian ad litem being present in Court appeared accordingly, and no objection being offered, thereupon the Court proceeded to examine on oath John T. Jackson and Schuchlaun, two of the subscribing witnesses to said will and to the first Codicil, and Walter Hottel one of the subscribing witnesses to the second Codicil, touching the legal execution of the said will and Codicils, and the said witnesses having testified fully to the satisfaction of the Court, it is therefore ordered by the Court that the said will and Codicils be read, established and recorded as the last will and testament of the said James S. Jones deceased.

Wm. H. Jones, Clerk

McBarry, I Charles Barry of the County of Greene and State of Alabama being of sound mind, memory and understanding, do make order and publish this my last will and testament - I give devise and bequeath to my son Andrew P. Barry, the following named negroes to wit, Margaret, Angeline Robt & Robert and all the real estate purchased by me at Sheriff's sale in Greene County, as the property of the said A. P. Barry, to have and to hold to him his heirs and assigns forever, and this bequest and devise is not to be construed or considered as part of my estate in any of the subsequent

clauses of this my will - I give, devise and bequeath to my beloved wife Anne all the lands and their appurtenances in which I now live, and one third part of my personal property, to be selected by herself, for and during the term of her natural life, and after her death, the same shall be disposed of as is hereinafter stated - I give to my two daughters Elizabeth Jones, and Martha Incendar, my Piano forte, to have and to hold to them their heirs and assigns forever - 4 The balance of my estate undisposed of by this will, I give, devise and bequeath to my friends William A. Rogers and Abner McMillan and the survivor of them his executors and administrators, in trust nevertheless and to and for the separate use, behoof and benefit of my four children, to wit, Andrew P. Barry, Mary Ann Means, Elizabeth Jones, and Martha Incendar Barry for and during the term of their natural lives, and at their death or the death of either and each of them, then to divide the same equally amongst their children then living, the children of a deceased child, to take the share the parent would take if living - And if any one of my said children should die leaving no children or the issue of a child living, then his or her share to go over and be divided and distributed as the balance of my estate, this provision is intended to apply to each of my children that may die leaving no issue - The said William A. Rogers and Abner McMillan & the survivor of them his executors and administrators are hereby authorized and required to divide and set apart to each of my children their respective shares of my estate, and in that division, they shall compute and consider what I have heretofore given to each of my children, as an advancement, and the advancement so made, shall be made part of his or her share, and when my estate shall be so divided and set apart, the shares so divided and set apart, shall be the shares to which my said children shall each be entitled, so that each may hold his or her own share severally and separately & not jointly and in mass; My intention is to make an equal distribution of my estate amongst my children computing advancements made to them, - I nominate, constitute and appoint my son Andrew P. Barry executor of this my last will and I do hereby expressly revoke and annul all other and former wills by me made - In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the tenth day of February A.D. 1845

Signed, sealed published and declared by the said testator to be his last will and testament in our presence, who by his request in his presence and in the presence of each other

Chas. McBarry

subscribed our names as witnesses
 this on the day & date above written
 Chas P Sanders
 James Strad
 I W Strad

separate interlined before execution
 above the third line from the bottom
 of first page

The State of Alabama: Orphans Court July 14th 1845
 Greene County: This day the Last Will and Testament
 of Charles Mc Warrmy deceased was presented to the Court by Andrew
 P Barry the Executor therein named for probate, and it appearing to the
 Court, that the widow and heirs at law of the said deceased have
 had due and legal notice of this application and no objection being
 offered whereupon the Court proceeded to examine on oath Charles
 P Sanders, James Strad and Samuel W Strad the subscribing
 witnesses therein touching the legal execution of the said Will
 and the Court being fully satisfied from the testimony of said
 witnesses, It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said Will be
 received established and recorded as the last Will and Testament
 of the said Charles Mc Warrmy deceased
 Attest A R David Clerk.

W A Locke In the name of God Amen, I William A Locke of the County
 of Greene and State of Alabama, being in feeble health but of
 sound and disposing mind and memory do make and publish this
 my last will and testament in manner following hereby revoking
 all other wills heretofore made by me. Item 1st I give and
 devise unto my nephew James P Boardman and my niece
 Margaret Boardman, Children of Volney Boardman, my neg-
 ro man named Caesar and four thousand dollars in money to be
 equally divided between them. Item 2nd I give and bequeath
 unto my two nephews John L Lowry and Richard Lowry
 Children of Isaac Lowry, my negro man John and two thousand
 dollars in money to be equally divided between them. Item 3rd
 I give and bequeath unto my two half sisters Catharine and
 Mary Locke, the sum of one thousand dollar each in money.
 Item 4th I give and bequeath unto my half brother M M Locke
 the sum of one thousand dollar in money. Item 5th I
 give and bequeath unto my half brother Thomas Locke a
 negro man named Henry one thousand dollars in money
 and my gold watch and chain. Item 6 I give and
 bequeath unto my friend Shadrus W Lipscomb my horse
 saddle and bridle. Item 7th all the rest and residue
 of my estate both real and personal which may remain
 after the payment of the foregoing legacies and my just debts
 and also all the property, Willed and devised to me by

my deceased brother James L Locke, I do hereby give, bequeath
 and devise unto my brother John Locke to him and his heirs
 forever. Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my brother
 John Locke and my friend Volney Boardman as Executors of
 this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I
 have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 14th day of June 1845
 W A Locke
 Charles A Sheldon }
 John Atkins }

The State of Alabama: Orphans Court July 14th 1845
 Greene County: This day the Last Will and Testament of
 William A Locke deceased was presented to the Court by John Locke and
 Volney Boardman the Executors therein named for probate and it appearing
 to the Court that all the heirs at law of the said William A Locke
 deceased, who are of lawful age and the Guardian ad litem of the minor
 heirs have had due and legal notice of this application and no
 objection being offered, the Court proceeded to examine on oath Charles A Sheldon
 and John Atkins two of the subscribing witnesses to said Will
 touching the legal execution thereof, and the Court being fully satisfied from
 the testimony of the said witnesses, It is therefore ordered by the Court
 that the said Will be received established and recorded as the last will
 and Testament of the said William A Locke deceased.
 Attest A R David Clerk

W A Locke The State of Alabama: Above all men by these presents that I
 Greene County: William L Logan of the County & State
 aforesaid being sound in mind and being mindful of my mortality
 do hereby publish and declare this to be my last Will and
 Testament. It is my wish and desire, and I do hereby direct &
 require my executor herein-after mentioned to make the following
 disposition of my property, viz, 1st I wish & desire, my widow
 consenting thereto that all my property be kept together under
 the direction and superintendence of my executor for the support
 of my widow & Children and for the schooling of the Children
 so long as the widow remains unmarried or single. I should
 my widow marry again, then & in that case I direct & desire my
 executor to give her off in absolute right, such dower as is now
 allowed by law of the personal property, which amount of
 personal property shall be allotted to her at a fair & equal valuation
 and also one third of the lands to be held during her lifetime
 and that the balance of the property after aforesaid allotment
 to my widow be kept together, hired out or sold as my Executor
 may think best for the benefit and interest of my Children
 during their minority. 3rd Should my widow and I marry again
 but remain single until the oldest, or one of my Children

becomes of age say twenty one years of age it is my will and desire that my Executors give off to such child so becoming of age so much property as they may think they can spare; at a fair valuation which amt of property so given off shall be counted a part of said child's portion in the final division of my estate and so in like manner shall they do as the other children becomes of age. 4th It is my will & desire that my debts be paid as speedily as possible & at the end of the present year if my crop is not sufficient for that purpose; I hereby empower & authorize them my Executors to sell any part of my personal estate that they may think proper for that purpose. I do hereby constitute and appoint Clement Logan and Elizabeth Logan my wife, my Executor and Executrix to carry this my last will & testament into effect. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the twelfth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty five.

Signed and sealed
in presence of
Test) James Jones.
Test) John M. Coleman
Test) Zach. J. Minnister Jr.

William C Logan (Sd)

The State of Alabama, Probate Court July 14th 1845
Greene County. This day the Last will and testament of William C Logan deceased was presented to the Court for probate by Clement Logan the Executor therein named, and the wisdom of the said deceased having had due notice and consented to the said will being admitted to probate, whereupon the Court proceeded to examine and call James Jones one of the subscribing witnesses thereto touching the legal execution of said will, and the Court being fully satisfied from the testimony of the said witness. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said will be received established and recorded as the last will and testament of the said William C Logan deceased.

Attest A. R. David Clerk

I Pope
will

In the name of God Amen; I Sarah Pope of the County of Greene and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and perfect memory blessed be God, do this day the 11th of February in the year of our Lord 1835 make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following: my 1st My negro boy Jack I want sold and the proceeds to be applied to the payment of all my just debts, and the balance if any to be equally divided between my sons

William and Robert Pope and my Grand-daughters, Sarah Frances daughter of Thomas and Priscilla Bagg, Sarah Penelope daughter of Blaney and Winnifred Brand, and Sarah Winnifred Williams wife of my two sons and three grand daughters as above named, to each one bid and furniture. Item 2^d The residue of my estate I will to be sold for cash, and the proceeds to be equally divided between my two sons and three grand daughters as above named. Item 3^d And I hereby make and ordain my beloved son William Pope Executor of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I the said Sarah Pope have, to this my last will and testament, set my hand and seal the day and date above written. Signed sealed published and delivered by the said Sarah Pope the testator as her last will and testament in the presence of
Newben Wallace (Sd)

Sarah X Pope (Sd)
mark

State of N^o Carolina, May Term 1845.
Greene County. There was the foregoing Last will and testament of Sarah Pope dec^d exhibited in open Court and the execution thereof duly proven to the satisfaction of Newben Wallace the subscribing witness thereto and ordered to be recorded.
Attest Wm Williams Clerk

State of N^o Carolina, I James Williams Clerk of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Greene and State aforesaid do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy from the original will of Sarah Pope dec^d as recorded and filed in said office. In witness of which I have hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said Court at office the 22nd of March 1845.
James Williams Clerk

State of N^o Carolina, I Henry Miller Chairman of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Greene & State aforesaid, do hereby certify that James Williams whose name appears to the above Certificate is Clerk of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions in and for the County of Greene & State aforesaid, and was at the time of his affixing his signature thereto, and that due faith and credit ought and should be given to his official acts as such. In witness of which I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 22^d day of March 1845.
H Miller J P (Sd)

State of *North Carolina*

I, James Williams Clerk of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the County of Greene and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Henry Kettler Esqr whose name appears to the above certificate is duly Commissioned and qualified as an acting Justice of the Peace in and for said County, and is Chairman of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for said County & State aforesaid, and was at the time of his affixing his signature to the above certificate, and that due faith and credit ought and should be given to his official acts as such - In witness of which I have hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said Court at office this 25th of March 1845.

James Williams Clerk

The State of Alabama - Orphans Court July 24th 1845

Greene County & This day the last will and testament of Sarah Pope deceased, was presented to this Court for record and the Court being fully satisfied of the authentication thereof from the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Greene County in the State of North Carolina - It is therefore ordered by the Court that the same be received and recorded.

Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

Attest State of Alabama - June 17th 1845

will Greene County & I Robert Archibald being at this time much distressed with several bodily afflictions, but sound of mind - Desire to record this as my last will and testament as it regards the disposition of my worldly affairs - And first it is my desire that all my just debts be paid, and next it is my earnest wish and desire that my beloved wife Mary Archibald do keep all the little accounts of property of which I am now possessed (after the payment of my just debts) and that she have all the entire possession and management of all my estate, real and personal until the youngest child that may be living shall come to be of lawful age, and do appoint my beloved wife Mary Archibald Executrix to have this my last will & testament carried into effect, according to the intention herein expressed.

Signed, sealed and delivered
this day and date above written

In presence of
J. W. H. H. H. H.
W. H. H. H.

Robt Archibald (Seal)

The State of Alabama - Orphans Court September 8th 1845
Greene County & This day the last will and

testament of Robert Archibald deceased, was presented to the Court for private by Henry Archibald. The widow of the said deceased and the Executors Thence appointed, and it appearing to the Court that the heirs at law of the said deceased have had due and legal notice of this said application and the heirs at law of the said deceased who are of full age being present in Court and no objection being offered, Thereupon the Court proceeded to examine in oath George W. H. H. and William H. H. H. the subscribing witnesses to said will, and the Court being fully satisfied from the testimony of the said witnesses, the said will is admitted to probate - And It is ordered that the said will be received established and recorded as the last will and testament of the said Robert Archibald deceased unto personal property there only being two subscribing witnesses.

Attest A. R. Davis Clerk

I, Absalom W. Alston of the County of Greene and State of Alabama do make, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament. Item 1st It is my will my just debts and funeral expenses shall be paid and for the payment thereof I subject the bequest made to Duncan W. Alston as herein after stated. Item 2nd I hereby give & bequeath grant bargain & sell unto Duncan W. Alston a certain horse and lot, and all my undivided interest in a certain other horse & lot of ground, both said lots of ground being situate in the town of Guntown in the State of Alabama and being all my lands & tenements in said town, in trust nevertheless and for the sole use benefit and profit of my beloved sister Mary C. Taylor the wife of John W. Taylor and the issue of her body, and upon the further trust that the said Duncan W. Alston shall on the first day of January next after my decease sell all said above specified real estate on such terms as he may deem most conducive to the profit of said sister & her said issue, and with proceeds of said sale proceed with all proper dispatch to purchase young negro women or negro women & children, which said negroes with their increase when so purchased I hereby give & bequeath to my said sister and the issue of her body it being my intention that my said sister & her children shall be the sole objects of my benevolence in the above bequest - Item 3rd I hereby give & bequeath to my Cousin Absalom W. Alston the son of (John W. Alston my) negro man David and all my books, but it is my will that the above named Duncan W. Alston shall have the control and management of said negro David for the benefit of said Absalom Alston until he the said Absalom shall arrive at the age of twenty one year applying the profits of the labor of said negro David to the maintenance and education of the said Absalom Alston, Item 4th I give and