

Brown  
William

taking care not to pay thus more than two thirds of their respective shares or less to which they will be entitled or said distribution and such amount shall be taken into this estimate or said distribution and be charged against such child or children as may have received the sum off my funds to be apportioned as hereinbefore stated my wife still living I direct my executors to pay my wife such sum as may be necessary for her support as that they do not pay her more than will be due her in said distribution as herein before stated & I hereby appoint my friends David C. Bragg and Peter Davis guardians of my children William R. Brown & Edred H. Brown John H. Brown David A. Brown and Elizabeth Ann Brown and it is my will and desire that said guardians or the survivors hereof each of my children educated. It is my desire that each of my children receive a complete English education in every branch. And said guardian or survivors be directed to draw on my executors for the funds necessary to educate my said children, and my executors are hereby required to pay the same. If my family be separated I desire said guardians or survivors may provide a home for my children and draw where my executors for funds necessary to maintain them & it is my will that my wife & children be supported and my children educated out of the proceeds of my will and farm which now live till the same are to be sold as far as practicable and if any of my negroes turn out to be refractory or disobedient or if in the opinion of my executors it will be best to sell them they have the power to sell such slave or slaves and are directed to divide one half of the purchase money as the monies belonging to my estate I direct my executors to pay all taxes due or to become due on my property etc will the same be sold & I die on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 1832 enter into a written contract with Nathaniel Harris about his land that may be encumbered by my wife down on Stock Brook and I direct my executors to convey with said contract on my part and to pay him what I have agreed to pay. Lastly I hereby appoint my friends William C. Ward and Shaw I am give the executors of this my last will and testament and if either shall die the survivor to be my sole executor and have power to do any and every thing that my executors are authorized and directed to do in and by this will.

In testimony of all which I have written set my hand and seal this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and thirty.  
William Brown Seal

Signed sealed and published as the last will and testament of William Brown in our presence we saw the testator sign and seal the same and were requested by him to sign the same as attesting witness which was done in his presence and in the presence of each other on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 1832 David B. Stifton

Elijah Knapp  
John Stark  
Spencer K. Ward

Bill  
George

In the name of God Amen I Doe Recite Bill of the County of Belmont and State of Tennessee being infirm of body but of sound mind and memory taking into consideration the certainty of my dissolution in manner and deposit this my last will and testament. And first I resign my body to the Lord whome it came and my soul to God who gave it my funeral

By  
George

1832  
March 11<sup>th</sup>

expenses to be paid out of my estate and all my just debts of any to be paid in like manner. In disposition of my worldly estate is as follows To my beloved Children John Brown & Eliza Brown Margaret Headman I give and bequeath all that which they have received of my estate. To my son Thomas Bill in addition to what he has received I give and bequeath the grey horse named Bill now in my possession.

It is my will and desire that my son Samuel S. Bill continue to occupy the place where he now resides and that my daughters Mary Elizabeth and Sarah Bill continue to occupy the place which they now reside in and they respectively occupying the houses which they now occupy and in case they continue to live thus together especially my will and testament is as follows to my son Samuel S. Bill I give and bequeath two horse beasts my waggon and all my farming utensils except my Windmill and while my above named son and daughter continue to occupy as aforesaid my son Samuel S. Bill is to farm the plantation and to give my said daughter one third of the above product.

Other I give and bequeath to my three daughters last named all my household and kitchen furniture and further I give and bequeath to my said daughter one Piggy man named Estate and one colt all my stock of cattle and horses except one white heifer which I will and bequeath to my colored man Joe Penn I do will by this my last testament that the said James Bill be have for work and forever free. But in case my son Samuel S. Bill and my daughters Mary Elizabeth and Sarah Bill do not continue to live agreeably as aforesaid then my said plantation and my Windmill to be sold and my son Samuel S. Bill to have the half of the price thereof. And my said daughters the other half I make the following dispositions of my books to my son of the 1<sup>st</sup> Bill I give and bequeath Peale's Ameliorations to my daughter Catherine Johnson my large Bible and Psalm book to my daughters Mary Elizabeth and Sarah Sevier communicating the balance of my books to be equally divided among my children Samuel S. Bill Mary P. Bill Elizabeth Bill Thomas Bill and the heirs of Margaret Headman etc And at first I made and bequeath my copy of the P. Bill and Andrew Murray Sir Executing of this my last will and testament signed and sealed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine John Eggleston George Bill Seal Attest) David Stifton

Brayd  
William

1832  
April 11<sup>th</sup>

In the name of God Amen I Doe Recite Bill of the State of Tennessee and County of Blount being weak in Body though of perfect mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of my body do make and appoint this as my last will and testament and first I give and bequeath my estate to God that give it and my body to the dust from whence it was taken to be buried in a Christian decency at the discretion of my Executors and as to the property into that it has pleased god to bless me with it is my will

Boyd  
William

that it be disposed of in the following manner  
 1<sup>st</sup> it is my will that all my just debts be paid  
 2<sup>nd</sup> it is my will that all my personal property be sold by my Executors and the proceeds of the same applied to redeem my land and the sum of £500 to be given to redeem my land to the best advantage as their power in the term of Six years and the proceeds of the same shall be divided in the following manner my Executor James Boyd having the profits of said land until by them sold  
 3<sup>rd</sup> it is my will that my brother James Boyd shall have one half of the price of said land when sold  
 4<sup>th</sup> it is my will that William Porter & paid forty dollars in a reasonable time after the sale of said land  
 5<sup>th</sup> it is my will that Nancy Allen shall receive Twenty five dollars also Alice Black's heirs fifteen dollars with the addition of the fifteen dollars I stand bound for as Executor of my father's will  
 6<sup>th</sup> it is my will that my sister Margaret Kirkpatrick shall have the bed & bedding in and one leather Quilt and ten dollars also one tyro Pen & the price of the one half of the land when sold  
 7<sup>th</sup> it is my will that my sister Margaret McLaughy shall have my bed and bedding and one fifth part of one half of the land  
 8<sup>th</sup> it is my will that my sister Sarah Porter and Polly Shaw and my brother Robert Bruce shall have each an equal share in the price of the land with Nancy Kirkpatrick and Margaret McLaughy and it is my will that my black boy Hardy be set free at the age of twenty one and that my executors shall make whatever arrangements they may think advantageous with him to be twenty one and learn him to read the Bible it is my will that Zachariah Bird shall have my bed and the striped tick paster also the loom  
 As to the executors I also pay for their trouble I appoint my friends James Boyd and William McPhee to execute this my last will and testament in the presence of  
 John Birnes  
 Samuel Boyd June 17<sup>th</sup> 1825

In the name of God Amen I William Boyd of the State of Tennessee and County of Blount being weak in body though of perfect mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of my body do make and appoint this as my last will and testament and first of all give myself to God that gave it and my body to the dust from whence it is taken to be buried as a Christian deserves at the discretion of my Executors and as to the property that I have hereon left to bless me with it is my will that it be disposed of in the following manner

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 3<sup>rd</sup> it is my will that my brother James Boyd shall have the one half of the price of said land when sold

1825 June 1<sup>st</sup>

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 7<sup>th</sup> it is my will that Margaret McLaughy shall have Cow and my fifth part of the one half of the land  
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 All the executors I also pay for their trouble  
 I appoint my friends James Boyd and William McPhee to execute this my last will and acknowledge at the presence of

Cotter  
Mary

I Mary Cotter of the County of Blount and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and disposing memory but hear of bodily affliction to mind the uncertainty of life as well as publish this as my last will and testament hereby revoking and cancelling all wills by me heretofore made and first I direct that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid as soon as possible after my decease out of any monies that may be seized or possessed of or that may get come into the hands of my executors heritable to be named Secondly I give and bequeath to Andrew White my Saddle Thirdly I give and bequeath to Nancy Cotter and Nancy White my two beds and furniture and all my clothing to be equally divided between them Fourthly I give and bequeath to Andrew Cotter on Chest Fifthly I give and bequeath to John W. Cotter all the residue of my estate of whatever description it may consist land money house chold and kitchen furniture during his natural life and at his death to be equally divided between Andrew Cotter and Nancy White or their heirs and lastly I do constitute and appoint John W. Cotter and Andrew Cotter the executors of this my last will and testament witness my hand and seal this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November 1851

Mary Cotter Sub  
Signed sealed and published in presence of us who at his request and in his presence and presence of each other here signed it

J. Grayson  
John Peagam