

Shaw
Francis

Slaves Andy and Sally shall in free at my decease as to the residue and remainder of my estate. It is my will that if he divided between my wife, Betsey and all my children as the law directs. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 9th day of April 1829.
 Proven in presence of
 Witness present John Coggeson
 John Burgess

Singleton
Rebecca

I Rebecca Singleton do make and publish this my last will and testament as follows I bequeath unto my son James my negro woman named Betsey and my wagon and tools of all description also all of my live stock of all kinds and all of my household furniture except my beds and bed clothing which I have already distributed to give to my son John Eight dollars in money and unto my daughter Caroline Anna Ague Eight dollars in money the balance of my money I divide equally between my three daughters Jane M. Bath, Eliza Reuben and Mary M. Causewell the intent of a note of hand that I hold against R. S. Warner. I give unto my daughter Evaline Warren such my son James to collect all debts and distribute the same without any administration or cost of Court published signed and sealed this 5th day of October 1827 before these
 Witnesses: witness Mary Knibbs
 Mary J. L. Howland

Thomas
William

State of Alabama Be it remembered that at an Jackson County Ephraim Court began and held at the Court House in the town of Bellfont on the eleventh day of November 1829 for the County of Jackson present the Hon William S. Crompton Judge of the County Court the following order was entered in the minutes of the Orphans Court to wit: Ordered by the Court that citation issue to the heirs of him to William Thomas deceased returnable on the twenty third day of this last requiring them to show cause if any they have or can why a paper purporting to be the nuncupative will of William Thomas should not be admitted to record according to law, that afterwards to wit on the thirteenth day of November 1829 a citation issued from the Office of the Clerk of the County Court in the words and figures following to wit: State of Alabama to the Sheriff of Jackson County Greeting you are hereby commanded to summon all persons near of kin to Doctor William Thomas if any to be found in your County to be and appear before the Judge of our County Court at the Court House in the town of Bellfont on the twenty third day of this instant and show cause if any they have or can why a paper

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purporting to be the nuncupative will of William Thomas deceased should not be admitted to record according to law, appear fail not and have you then there this citation witness Richard B. Clayton Clerk of our said Court at Office this 11th day of November 1829 and of any cause upon demand the fifth fourth year.
 Witness 11th day of November 1829. Upon which is the following undersigned to wit, Rich same day Second

Keumst Woodward Esq.
 Returned no persons near of kin to the deceased found in my County November 23rd 1829. Keumst Woodward Esq.
 And on the 23rd day of November 1829 the following entry and order entered on the minutes of the Orphans Court to wit: — The nuncupative Will of William Thomas deceased was this given by the casting of Beans, J. S. Craggs Reuben Smith and Elijah Harbrough and ordered by the Judge that the same be admitted to record. A. The nuncupative of William Thomas who died in Bellfont on Tuesday evening September 28th 1829. And requested in his last moments the following distribution of his property 1st I give and bequeath unto John Wilkerson all my books and Madison for ever and the use of my ships and furniture for five years I also desire that John Wilkerson my horse watch and Holston farm, 2nd I give and bequeath unto Martin Mansfield my house and farm forever.
 3rd at the expiration of five years for which time I have given my horse and furniture in Mary wife I give and bequeath the said house and furniture to my brothers and Sisters and all other property which may not be otherwise disposed of to be equally divided between them. I wish John M. Gaba and John Wilkerson to be my executors to settle all my business
 Witness J. S. Craggs
 R. S. Smith
 E. Harbrough

State of Alabama
 Jackson County Before me Lyman James Justice of the Peace in and for the County of said person and his appearance Henry S. Craggs Reuben Smith and Elijah Harbrough and made oath severally that they were present at the house of James Taylor Esq. in the town of Bellfont Alabama where William Thomas as did said, during his last sickness of which sickness the said Thomas died on the 28th day of September 1829 that the said deceased before his death and while he was of a sound mind and disposing memory called upon those officious to take notice and to bear testimony that it was his wish and will that his property should be disposed of in the manner stated in the annexed nuncupation which was made and read to him before his death and by his subscription warranted A. and that John M. Gaba and John Wilkerson

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in the words and figures following to wit. State of Alabama
in the Sheriff of Jackson County. Greeting you and hereby Comen-
ded to shew all persons near of kin to Deceased William
Thomas if any to be found in your County to be and appear
before the Judge of our County Court at the Court to be in
the town of ~~Montgomery~~ on the twenty third day of this
instant and show cause if any they have or claim why a
paper purporting to be the emancipative Will of William
Thomas Deceased should not be admitted to record
according to Law, herein said not to have you then
then this citation, witness Richard Polkayton before our
said Court at Office this 11th day of November 1829
and of our said Independence the fifty fourth year
Past, R. Polkayton Clerk

Issued 11th day of November 1829,
upon which is the following indentment to wit. Recd.
same day is recd. Ransom and Eliza. Returned
no persons near of kin to the deceased found in my
County Nov. 23, 1829, Henry A. and Eliza. Staff.
And on the 23rd day of November 1829, the following
entry and order entered in the minutes of the
Orphans Court to wit. — The emancipative will of
William Thomas Deceased was this proven by the oaths
of Henry Darriggs, Ransom A. Smith and Elijah
Kousbrough and ordered by the Judge that the same
be admitted to record. A. The emancipative will of
William Thomas who died in Bellefont on Tuesday
evening September the twenty eighth 1829, and re-
sided in his last years the following distribution
of his property 1st of give and bequeath unto John Polk
seven silver bottles and Medicines, furs, and the use
of my sheep and furniture for five years 2nd also to give
that John Polk and his wife have my horse mule and
hunting gun — 2nd of give and bequeath unto Martha
Winfield my house and farm forever — 3rd of give
portion of five years for usual time of have a year
my household goods and in Montgomery, Ala. and
assign to the said house and furniture to my son
and sister and all other property which may
not be otherwise disposed of to be equally divided among
Martha John Polk and John Polkayton by my executors
to settle all my business, witness Henry Darriggs R. A. Smith
E. Kousbrough.

State of Alabama. Before me Lynna Jones Justice of
Jackson County. The space in and for the County
affairs and personally appeared Henry D. Darriggs
Ransom A. Smith and Elijah Kousbrough and made
oath severally that they were present at the burial of
James Polk Esq. in the town of Bellefont Alabama
when William Thomas Deceased laid down his last breath
of which witnesses to said Thomas died on the 28th day
of September 1829, that the said deceased before his
death and while he was of sound mind and disposing

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were named by the ^{said} deceased as persons whom he desired to be
his Executors. Henry D. Darriggs
Ransom A. Smith
E. Kousbrough
I have seen and subscribed
before me this 14th day of October
1829. Lynna Jones Justice of the Peace
State of Alabama. Personally appeared before me William
S. Compton Judge of the County Court in and for said
County. Ransom A. Darriggs, Ransom A. Smith and Elijah
Kousbrough who solemnly appear to the foregoing affidavit
and made oath that the same is substantially true
Given under my hand and seal this 28th day of
November 1829. William S. Compton Seal
Judge Jackson Co. Court

State of Alabama. In Jackson County. Before me Richard B. Clayton Clerk
of the County Court for the said County of Jackson
in writing that the foregoing is a true and faithful
transcript from the record of the Orphans Court of
the emancipative will of Deceased William Thomas Deceased
and order of Court and all the papers belonging to the same
in my Office given under my hand and private seal
Witness my official seal at Office this 23rd day of January
1830. R. B. Clayton Clerk

State of Alabama. William S. Compton Judge of
Jackson County. The County Court in and for said
County do hereby certify that Richard B. Clayton
whose name appears to the foregoing Certificate is and
was at the time of his signing the same Clerk of our
County Court of said County that his Certificate is in
due form of Law, and that full faith and credit is
and ought to be given to all his official acts as such.
Given under my hand and seal this 23rd day of January
1830. W. S. Compton Seal
Judge Jackson Co. Court

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of September 1829, that the said deceased before his
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running back upon these affiants to take notice and to hear testimony that it was his wish and will that his property should be disposed of in the manner stated, in the hundred and sixteenth which was made and read to him before his death and for us Subscribing Notaries and that John M. Vaha and John Wilkinson were named by the said deceased as persons whom he desired to be present in person to have subscribed. *Wm. D. Compton*
before me this 14th day of *Wm. D. Compton*
October 1829. *E. H. Housbrough*

State of Alabama, I, James Justice of the Peace for the County of Jackson, personally appeared before me Jackson County, I, William D. Compton Judge of the County Court of the said Jackson County, Richard H. Smith and Elijah Housbrough, whose names appear to the foregoing affidavit and made oath that the same is substantially true and under my hand and seal this 23rd day of November 1829. *Wm. D. Compton*

State of Alabama, I, Richard H. Bayton Clerk of the County Court for the said County of Jackson do Certify that the foregoing is a true and faithful transcript from the record of the probate of the will of the said deceased and all the papers belonging to the same in my office under my hand and official seal this 2nd day of January 1830. *R. H. Bayton*

State of Alabama

Thompson
Andrew

I, Andrew Thompson of the State of Tennessee and County of Blount and town of Knoxville do hereby make my last will and testament in the manner and form following: 1st I desire that as soon as the same may be convenient or practicable after my decease all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid and for that purpose that my perishable property or a part thereof may be exposed to sale should it be necessary - 2^d after the payment of my just debts and funeral expenses I give to my wife Elizabeth Thompson the one half of my plantation the other half to my son Jesse Thompson, the plantation to be divided according to quantity and quality. The half that falls to my wife Elizabeth to be disposed of at her death as she may think fit so as to go to the benefit of my children. It is also my desire that my son Jesse Thompson take the management of said farm and run it or cause it to be tilled, so as to raise grain sufficient for the support of my family and his own. 3rd I give unto my wife Elizabeth Thompson all my town property the household furniture and kitchen

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furniture to be hers until her death and then to go to her daughters to wit Mary Claiborne, Esther Leach and Elizabeth Brinkman and Jane Thompson and Prissy Montgomery and Hughina Stroulen the three youngest daughters to get their portion and Barbara and Jane Thompson and Angelina Thompson to get each of them a dining table and Hannah Price as the oldest got when they married and I allow my son Jesse Thompson to furnish them with the dining tables and Hannah Prissy alone mentioned, and for him furnishing them I give him all my shoe tools and the plough for to make him whole. 4th I give unto my son William Thompson my library of books and book case and unto my daughter Prissy Montgomery I give a horse to be worth twenty five dollars which horse is to be furnished to her by my son Jesse Thompson in the fall of 1829, or in the Spring of 1830 as she may desire - 5th I give to my wife Elizabeth Thompson a note that I hold in James Clark for one hundred twenty five dollars and fifty cents for her support and the support of the children that may live single with her, also a note on Jesse Thompson for twenty three dollars and fifty cents to go to the payment of debts in the store also twelve dollars that Samuel M. Colloch owes me to go to pay the store debts, also a note on Cladiah Bray for eight dollars to go to the same use if necessary. 6th The note that I hold on my son Jesse Thompson after him furnishing my daughter Prissy Montgomery the horse mentioned before this I allow him to have the balance of the same - 7th I appoint my wife Elizabeth Thompson and Jesse Thompson as my executors to my estate in full power to act in all things according to Law, bequeathed sealed and published and declared to be my last will and testament of the above named Andrew Thompson in presence of us who at his request and in his presence have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses to the same, this 15th day of June 1829. *J. Montgomery*
Barthol. Miller
March 2nd 1825

Bulford
John

I, John Bulford, being perfectly sensible that I must resign myself to God and being in perfect mind and memory do make this my last will and testament respecting my personal Estate namely I leave to my beloved wife Jane, her living in my land, during her life time together with all my household furniture to be disposed of as she may think proper at her death my son, my son William and Joseph Bulley as my heirs and I leave farming lands and off the said tract of land my son George to have one hundred and twenty acres of the upper land including two improvements it being land to be part of the Negro family my son William one hundred acres of the lower land including