

Beale

Elizabeth <sup>Signature</sup>  
Signed Sealed and published  
in the presence of us who have  
Subscribed in the presence of the testator and each other  
Witnesses  
William T. Doyle  
John Black

Gress  
Arthur

In the name of God Amen & by these Gres of the  
County of Belmont and State of Tennessee being of  
sound mind but infirm of body do make and ordain  
this my last will and testament and first I commit my  
Soul to God who gave it and my body to be decently buried  
and the expenses thereof with all my just debts to be  
paid out of my property And secondly I give and bequeath  
unto to my two Sons Charles & George and Ashton Evans  
all my land with the condition that they are to support  
my wife Jane over their mother comfortably and  
decently during her natural life and timely I give  
and bequeath all my personally property to be equally  
divided among all my other children without distinc-  
tion I appoint and constitute my Son Charles  
& George and Ashton Evans executors of this my last  
will. Put my hand and seal 1st Sept 1842  
Attest William T. Doyle John Black Seal  
William T. Doyle

Black  
John

I John T. Black do make and publish this as my  
last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills  
by me made. First I direct that my wife Nancy Black  
and my son James Black and they are hereby fully  
authorized to dispose of a sufficient portion of my prop-  
erty to pay all my just debts funeral expenses &c as  
soon after my death as convenient. Secondly I give  
and bequeath the residue of my property real and personal  
to my beloved wife Nancy Black to be used and  
or applied by her during my natural life and after my  
death I give and bequeath to my son James Black  
the tract of land on which I now live and the residue  
of the remaining property I will equally divide among  
my children Elizabeth Legan Joseph Black John  
Black Lure John Black Nancy Black  
and Patsey Legan Each one of them according to the  
thous for all they may have less or more or for anything I  
have paid out for them at any time which ordinary  
or payment are to be deducted from their portions  
of any division of my estate among them and lastly  
I do hereby appoint my wife Nancy Black and my  
son James Black to execute this my last will as  
witnessed and sealed and sealed this 2d February 1842  
Signed & published in John Black's presence  
in presence of John Black

Metzger  
Elizabeth

I Elizabeth Metzger do make and publish this as my last will and  
testament hereby revoking and rendering void all other wills by me  
at any time made First I direct that my funeral expenses and  
all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out  
of any money that I may die possessed of & or in any  
first come into the hands of my executors Secondly I  
give and bequeath to my Son John Metzger all my money  
and effects that may remain after my death and all  
that I come into & may appropriate all other hands and  
further more this bequest is for the maintenance for my life time  
thirdly and lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint George  
Metzger my Executor in witness whereof I do to this my  
will set my hand and Seal this 4<sup>th</sup> of May 1842  
After dinner

Elizabeth Metzger Seal  
mark

Christian Louis  
Signed Sealed and published in our presence and  
we have subscribed our names thereto in the presence  
of the testator this day 4<sup>th</sup> of May 1842

Blackburn  
Thomas

To all to whom these presents shall come greeting  
Know you that I Thomas Blackburn of Belmont County  
and State of Tennessee by these presents do make sign  
and Seal this as (and) for my last will and testament  
not to witness I first give and bequeath unto Elizabeth  
Blackburn my daughter the sum of One Thousand dollars  
as her personal estate of every description except  
my black swan and the wallet and the personal estate  
of my wife & partner which she owned before she  
married her to have and to hold use and enjoy  
forever. Secondly I give and bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth  
Blackburn all the debt due me when my note or  
otherwise except a note on John Blount and I also give  
unto the said Elizabeth all the personal estate which  
she owned before she married her and brought to my house  
Thirdly I give my wife and the Rev. John Dyke and  
my black swan due me son Matthew Blackburn  
of which I give unto the Abner Board. I give also  
unto me thousand dollar note on John Blount dated  
June 26<sup>th</sup> 1845 for the purpose of spreading the gospel  
among the heathen. And last of all it is my will and  
request that John Dyke and Timothy Everett be the  
executors of this my last will and testament hereby  
disclaiming any other but this to which I have and  
do subscribe my proper signature and affix my seal.  
But in the presence of us and testifying so to file  
the same among my useful papers there to remain until  
after my departure from life upon which I expect the same  
to be held good and valid either in Law or equity  
Given under my hand and seal July 10<sup>th</sup> 1845

Thomas Blackburn Seal

witnessed by John G. Abernathy  
John Blount