

Will of Wm. R. Lawson Continued,  
by the above named testator, in our presence, who have at his request, and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, signed our names as witnesses thereto.

Witnesses,  
W. J. Humbert,  
Isaac W. Lawson.

Probate Term, Monday June the 1st. 1908.

Be it remembered that on this the first day of June, 1908, it being the first Monday of said month, Henry Collet present to the court a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Wm. R. Lawson deceased, dated Jan'y the 29th. 1908, having the name of Wm. R. Lawson signed thereto, and being subscribed by W. J. Humbert and Isaac W. Lawson as subscribing and attesting witnesses; and came into open court, W. J. Humbert and Isaac W. Lawson, who, after being duly sworn deposed and said that they were present or that the said Wm. R. Lawson acknowledged signing said paper writing as and for his last will and testament, and that they, in his presence, at his request, and in the presence of each other, signed said paper writing as subscribing and attesting witnesses and that said testator was of sound mind and memory at the time. On motion it is therefore ordered, declared, and adjudged by the court that said paper writing is as it purports to be, the whole, true, and last will and testament of the said Wm. R. Lawson, deceased, and the clerk is ordered to file and record the same in the will book of this court, together with this order of probate. And it appearing to the court that James F. Lawson is named as executor by the said testator of said will, it is therefore ordered by the court that the said James F. Lawson be and he is hereby appointed executor of the last will and testament of the said Wm. R. Lawson, deceased, he giving bond in the penal sum of \$ , and qualifying as the law directs in such cases, and that Letters Testamentary be issued to the said James F. Lawson by the clerk of this court.

WILL OF NANCY J. HAMBRIGHT.

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I Nancy J. Hambright, a single woman, residing in McMinn Co., Tenn., and, now enjoying my usual degree physical health and strength and full possession of my reasoning faculties, do make and publish this as my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making 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 monies that I die possessed of, or may first come into the hands of my Executor. Secondly, I give, devise and bequeath to my niece Eliza Manetta Eldredge, my niece Mrs. Mary Lane, now a widow, and to my Nephew William J. Eldredge, children of my deceased sister, Mary M. Eldredge and her deceased husband, James Eldredge, all the property I now have or may die possessed of, of ever kind and description whatever, be the same real, personal or mixed property, to be received by them share and share a like; but the estate herein and hereby given and bequeathed to my nieces and nephew named is expressly charged with the payment of eight hundred dollars in cash to my sister, Sarah Minerva Biggs to the exclusion of the marital rights of her husband, James Biggs, I direct this eight hundred dollars to be out of the aggregate of my estate. Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint my Nephew, William J. Eldredge, the executor of this my will and request that he be excused from giving bond, for the execution thereof.

IN witness whereof I do, to this my will set my hand SEAL.

This 29th. day of January, 1894.

Nancy J. Hambright, SEAL  
Signed, sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereon, in the presence of the testator and at her request and as witnesses in the presence of each other.

This 29th day of January, 1894.

John B. Hoyle S

Gussie Hoyle

Sarah C. Lane.

Probate Term, Sept. Friday, the 11th. 1908.  
CAME into open court, William J. Eldredge, the person named as executor therein, and presented to the court a paper writing having the name of Nancy J. Hambright signed thereto, and bearing date of

January, 29th. day, 1894, and purporting to be the last will and testament of the said Nancy J. Hambright, deceased, and asked that the same be admitted to probate and record as and for the last will and testament of the said Nancy J. Hambright, deceased, and came along with him, Gussie Hoyle and Sarah C. Labe, two of the attesting and subscribing witnesses thereto, who, after being duly sworn depose and said that they were present when the said Nancy J. Hambright signed said paper writing as and for her last will and testament, and that she was of sound mind and memory at that time, and that they, at the request of the said Nancy J. Hambright, and in her presence and in the presence of each other, signed said paper writing as subscribing and attesting witnesses thereto; and it further appearing to the court from the testimony of the said witnesses that the said Nancy J. Hambright lately died at her usual place of residence in Bradley County, Tennessee, it is ordered and adjudged by the court, that the said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said Nancy J. Hambright, deceased and the clerk is ordered to file and record the same in the will book, together with this order of probate.

And it further appearing to the court that the said William J. Eldredge is named in the said will as executor without bond, it is so ordered. And the clerk will issue letters of Administration to the said William J. Eldredge, he taking an oath to faithfully perform the duties as such executor.

## WILL OF A. J. DUNCAN.

State of Tennessee, Bradley County.

I Andrew J. Duncan a resident citizen of the town of Cleveland and County aforesaid, being of sound and disposing memory, hereby revoking all other wills ever made by me do make, declare, and publish this my last will and testament.

Item 1st. I will and direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my death as may be practicable.

Item 2nd. I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Rebecca Duncan all my personal effects of ever description.

Item 3rd. I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Rebecca Duncan all my real estate, in and adjoining the town of Calhoun McMinn County Tennessee, with full power and authority to sell the same and make a fee simple title to the purchaser and that she reinvest the proceeds in other real estate as she may see fit. In case of her death before she should sell said real estate or in case of her death after she should sell the same, I desire One-Thousand-Dollars of of said proceeds of said land when sold at her death to be turned over to the trustees of the First Baptist Church in Cleveland Tennessee to be used by said Trustees in the purchase of a comfortable house and lot in Cleveland Tennessee or its suburbs for a parsonage for said Baptist Church.

I desire three-hundred dollars of the proceeds of the sale of the said lands to be turned over to J. T. Ferguson a boy I raised who now resides in Hickley County Missouri, I desire my beloved wife to have a support during her life out of the rents of said real estate in and adjoining the town of Calhoun and when sold by her I desire the income from said sale if reinvested to be used by her for her support, or if loaned on good safe security the interest on same to go to her support, and at her death I desire all of the proceeds of the sale of said real estate in and near Calhoun except the One-Thousand-Dollars and the Three-Hundred-Dollars hereinbefore mentioned to be turned over to the Trustees of the Baptist Orphan's Home Home located at Nashville Tennessee to be invested by them in safe Securities and the income from same used for the benefits of said Orphanage.

Item 4th. I will devise and bequeath to my beloved wife Rebecca Duncan, my residence in the town of Cleveland Tennessee where I now reside, with full power and authority to dispose of the same in any manner she may see fit

Item 5th. It is my desire that the money heretofore donated by me toward the building of the First Baptist Church in the town of Cleveland Tennessee, in the case the membership of said church should

so far forget their religious duty as to use said house for holding Easter Services or festivals of any kind for raising money for the Lords cause contrary to the scriptures or for worldly amusements, I desire that the fund donated by me toward the building of said church revert to my estate and that the proceeds so reverted be turned over to the Baptist Orphans Home at Nashville for a permanent fund . . . And in case said First Baptist Church should from any cause cease to be used as the First Baptist in Cleveland Tennessee as a church for baptists, it is my desire that the property be sold and that the amount donated by me toward the building of the same and also the parsonage be sold and the proceeds contributed by me toward their purchase & erection be turned over to the Trustees of the Baptist Orphans Home at Nashville for a permanent investment, and the income from same used for the benefit of the Orphans.

I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my wife Rebecca Duncan, Executrix and her brother William Trehwitt and Levi Trehwitt his son, Executors of this my last will and testament not requiring them to give bond and hereby authorize and empower them to execute this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof on this day of April A. D. 1905

I have hereunto set my hand & seal in the presence of the undersigned witnesses who at my request and in my presence and in the presence of each other sign their names as attesting witnesses to this my last will & testament

Test

A. J. Duncan

E. J. Pirkle

C. G. Samuel.

M. P. Samuel.

Probate Term, October 5th. 1908.

Came into open court, Rebecca Duncan and William Trehwitt, two of the parties that were named as Executrix and Executor thereto, Levi Trehwitt, the other party named as Executor, refusing to serve and presented to the court a paper writing, signed by A. J. Duncan, and purporting to be the last will and testament of A. J. Duncan, and asked that the said paper writing be admitted to probate and record, as and for the last will and testament of A. J. Duncan: And came into open court, E. J. Pirkle, C. G. Samuel, and M. P. Samuel, the attesting and subscribing witnesses to said paper writing, Who, after being duly sworn, said that they were present when the said A. J. Duncan signed said paper writing as and for his last will and testament, and that he was of sound mind and memory at the time; and that they, at his request, in his presence, and in the presence of each other, signed said paper writing as attesting and subscribing witnesses thereto.

And it appearing from the testimony of said witnesses, that the said A. J. Duncan lately died at his residence in the town of Cleveland, Bradley county, Tenn., it is therefore ordered by the court, that the said paper writing is as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said A. J. Duncan, deceased, and the clerk is directed to file and record the same together with this order of probate in the will book of this court.

And it further appearing from said paper writing that Rebecca Duncan is named as Executrix and William Trehwitt is named as Executor without bond it is so ordered and Letters Testamentary are ordered issued to Rebecca Duncan and William Trehwitt, Levi Trehwitt refusing to serve.

Will of Lewis McKissoc,

The last will and testament of Lewis McKissoc, Cleveland, Tennessee.

I, Lewis McKissoc now in feeble health of body but in sound and disposing memory, and knowing that death is certain and life uncertain do make and publish this as my last will and testament hereby revoking all others by me at any time made,

1st. I will that all my just debts be paid out of the first money coming into the hands of my executors.

2. I will give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary McKissoc the home place where we now live for and during ( being the tracts of land which I bought from Fannie Jane Johnson, and the tract that I bought at public sale by Henderson King Admr. of Isaac Cates Heirs. For a full description of said tract reference is here made to said deeds) Her natural life, and at her death, to go to my beloved children, Venia McKissoc, Jessie McKissoc, Manuel McKissoc, Ruth McKissoc Evan McKissoc Hannah McKissoc and to my three grand children, Erreth Pettett, Ruie Pettett, Esteck Mc-----, share and share a like except my three grand children above named, They will share as one child, they being the children of my daughter Katie McKissoc, now deceased, However should I die before my wife and she should afterwards marry then she will loose all her rights in and to said home place, and it shal go to said children and grand children as above set out .

3 I desire that all my personal property shal remain as it is and the work stock shal be used by wife in making and cultivating the farm; but if should work stock still be living at the death of m wife or should she remarry then I desire that it together with all the other personal property now own by me , be sold and be equally divided between my children.

3 I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary McKissoc the 2 cows and calves now owned by me to be her sole and separte proprrty to do with as wishes, I also give her the four head of hogs which is now owned by me, in same as cows, & calves.

4 I give to my 2 children Evan McKissoc and Hannah McKissoc, the little black mare, to use and keep as their own property but they are not to sell ~~###~~ or dispose of said mare until Hannah McKissoc arrives at the age of eighteen years,

5. I direct that all my farming tools, Mowers rakes and plows be sold by said executors and the money derived from said sale or sales, be placed in the Bank at Benton Tennessee, to be deposited subject to check and to be checked out by my executors, as same may be needed by wife Mary McKissoc, to enable or help her in bying necessary clothing for herself and two childrin Evan McKissoc and Hannah McKissoc.

6. I name as my executors to carry out this will, my wife Mary

McKissoc and John Ratcliff,

IN Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 10th. day of Sept. 1903.

Lewis X. McKissoc  
mark

Signed by the said Lewis McKissoc as and for his last will and testament in the presence of the undersigned, who at his request and in his sight and presence subscribed our names thereto as attesting witnesses the day and date above.

Alex Green

Sol Bivens

PROBATE TERM OCTOBER THE 5th. 1903.

Came into open court Mary McKissoc, one of the parties named as executrix therein, and presented to the court an instrument signed by Lewis McKissoc by mark, and dated 10th. day of Sept. 1903, purporting to be the last will and testament of the said Lewis McKissoc and asked that the said instrument be admitted to probate and record as and for the last will and testament of the said Lewis McKissoc. And, also, came into open court, Alex Green and Sol Bivens, attesting and suscribing witnesses thereto, who, after being duly sworn, said that they were present when the said Lewis McKissoc signed said instrument by mark, as and for his last will and testament, and that the said Lewis McKissoc was of sound mind and memory at the time of signing said instrument; and that they, at his request, in his presence, and in the presence of each other, signed said instrument as attesting and suscribing witnesses thereto, it is therefore, ordered by the court, that said instrument, is, as it purports to be, the last will and testament of the said Lewis McKissoc, deceased, and the clerk is ordered to file and record the same, together with this order of probate in the will book of this court. And it further appearing to the court from the testimony of said witnesses, that the said Lewis McKissoc lately died at his residence in Bradley County, Tennessee, and it appearing from said will that Mary McKissoc is named as executrix of said will, it is ordered that the said Mary McKissoc be and she is hereby appointed executrix of said will, she giving bond in the sum of \$-----, ~~#####~~ which was done, and it further appearing from said will that John Ratcliff is named as executor, together with the said Mary McKissoc, but who refuses to serve or act as such executor. It is further ordered by the court that Letters Testamentary be issued to said Mary McKissoc.



Will of F. P. Kelly  
I, F. P. Kelly of Cleveland, Bradley County Tennessee, do hereby make, publish and declare this my last will and testament hereby revoking all wills by me heretofore made;

First. I desire that my just debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my death as is practicable.

Second. I have already conveyed by deed to my daughter

Gussie K. Stong the house and lot in Cleveland Tennessee, in which I now live, and I do not therefore dispose of said house and lot by this will.

Third. I will devise and bequeath to my son Lea S. Kelly, his heirs and assigns forever, the following described real estate, to wit: A house and lot in the 2nd ward of the City of Cleveland Tennessee, bounded on the East by the Southern Railway; North by a lot owned by Popham; West by Edwards Street and on South by lot owned by Kelly and Cooper.

Also a house and lot in the 1st ward of said City of Cleveland, being the North East corner of lot No. 79, as laid down in the plan of said City, and fronting on Calloway Street, being the Lot I purchased from W. W. Willhoite on Feb 20th, 1884, and reference is made to said deed for a full description of said lot.

Also all my right title and interest in and to the land known as the Kelly farm in the 4th Civil District of Polk County Tenn. my said interest being undivided.

To have and to hold the same to my said son Lea S. Kelly his heirs and assigns forever, in fee simple.

Third. I now have a one-half interest in the property and business of the firm of Kelly and Cooper of Cleveland, said firm, being composed of myself and J. P. Cooper. I desire that the business and affairs of the firm be wound up and settled as soon after my death as is practicable. Said firm owns considerable real estate in the City of Cleveland and elsewhere, and where all the property of the firm has been sold and the debts paid, I desire and direct that the one-half interest in the property and assets then remaining, be divided equally between my daughter Gussie K. Stong and my son Lea S. Kelly, share and share alike, and the same to be owned by them absolutely and in fee simple.

Fourth. I desire and direct that all other property that I may own, real, personal and mixed, be divided equally between my daughter Gussie K. Stong and my son Lea S. Kelly, share and share alike, the same to be owned by them absolutely and in fee simple.

Fifth. I hereby nominate and appoint my daughter Gussie K. Stong Executrix of this my last will and testament and I direct that she be excused from entering into bond as such executrix.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto subscribed my name in the presence

of the subscribing witnesses hereto, who signed the same at my request, in my presence, and in the presence of each other, on this May 31 st. 1902.

F. P. Kelly

Witnesses

J. E. Mayfield

J. L. Poust

Probate Term, Monday Oct. 5th, 1903.

Came into open court Gussie K. Stong, the person named therein as executrix, and presented to the court an instrument, having the name of F. P. Kelly signed thereto, and bearing the date of May 31, 1902, and asked that the said instrument be admitted to probate and record as and for the last will and testament of F. P. Kelly: And also, came into open court, J. E. Mayfield and J. L. Poust, the attesting and subscribing witnesses to said instrument, who, after being duly sworn, deposed and said that they were present when the said F. P. Kelly signed the said instrument as and for his last will and testament, and that said testator was of sound mind and memory at the time; and that they, at his request, in his presence, and in the presence of each other, signed said instrument as attesting and subscribing witnesses thereto. And it appearing from the testimony of the said witnesses that the said F. P. Kelly lately died at his usual place of residence in Cleveland, Bradley County, Tennessee, it is ordered, adjudged, and declared by the court, that said instrument is, as it purports to be, the last and whole will and testament of the said F. P. Kelly, deceased, and the clerk is directed to file and record the same; together with this order of probate in the will book of this court. And it further appearing from said will that Gussie K. Stong is named executrix of said will without bond, it is so ordered, and the clerk will issue Letters Testamentary to the said Gussie K. Stong.

The last will & testament of J. K. Powell.

I J. K. Powell of Cleveland Bradley County Tennessee, being ## in feeble health, but of sound mind & disposing memory aware of the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death do make and publis this my last will & testament hereby revoking all former wills by me at any time made.

First. I direct that all my just debts including funeral expens & expenses of administration be paid by executors as soon after my death as is practicle.

Second. I give devise and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary E. Powell all the personal property that I may die seized and possessed of including all house-hold & kitchen furniture all money, notes, accounts, & stock of any kind.

Third. I will and devise that after my death my wife have all my real estate which I may die seized and possessed of-said real ## estate consisting of lands or farms in Meigs & Bradley Counties in the State of Tennessee, and it is my desire that she will keep said real estate intact or as it now is and use the rents & profits of the same for the benefit of herself & family and for the education of our children. And it is especially my will and desire that this should be done at least until our youngest child Frank or in case of his death, Bessie should become of the age of 21 years; at which time my said wife can if she ##### deems proper and expedient divide said real estate with our living children in such shares or parts as she may then think they should be entitled and I wish her to be the sole judge of their respective demands and distribute in such way and manner as she may deem best or as their respective interests may demand.

Fourth. In view of the fact that several years ago I advanced to my son L. P. Powell (being a son by my first wife) the sum of Twenty-Five-Hundred-Dollars to enable him to start business for himself in the State of Texas where he now resides, which said sum with interest to date being equal if not more than any of the rest of my children will receive, it is therefore my will tha the said sum of Twenty-Five-Hundred-Dollars & interest, shall constitute in full his part of my estate, and my executors hereafter named are herein instructed not to pay him any more or recognize any claims or demands he may present.

Fifth. I hereby nominate & appoint my beloved wife Mary E. Powell and our dear son John D. Powell sole executors of this my last will & testament & they will be excused from making bond.

IN Witness Whereof I hereunto set my hand, this May 23rd. 1908.

J. K. Powell.

Signed by the said J. K. Powell as and for his last Will and testament, in the presence of us the undersigned who at his request & in his sight & presence have subscribed our names hereto as attesting witnesses, the day & date above written.

L. D. Arnold,  
Fred H. Waterhouse  
S. T. Talley.

Probate Term, November, the 27th. 1908.

Came into open court, Mary E. Powell and John D. Powell, the parties named as executors therein, and presented to the court a paper writing dated May the 23rd. day, 1908, and having the name of J. K. Powell signed thereto, and asked that the said pape r writing be admitted to probate and record as and for the last will and testament of the said J. K. Powell; and came into court L. D. Arnold, Fred H. Waterhouse, and S. T. Talley, the attesting

and subscribing witnesses thereto, who, after being duly sworn depose and said that they were present when the said J. K. Powell signed the said paper writing as and for his last will and testament, and that he was of sound mind and disposing memory at the time; and that they, at his request, in his presence, and in the presence of each other signed said paper writing as attesting and subscribing witnesses. And it further appearing from the testimony of the said witnesses that the said J. K. Powell lately departed this life in Cleveland, Bradley County, Tennessee, at his usual place of residence, it is therefore adjudged, declared, and decreed by the court, that the said paper writing is, as it purports to be, the whole and last will and testament of the said J. K. Powell, deceased, and the clerk is ordered to file and record the same, together with this order of probate, in the will book of this court. And it further appearing from said instrument that Mary E. Powell and John D. Powell are named as executors of said will, it is ordered by the court that the said Mary E. and John D. Powell, be and they are hereby appointed executors of said will without bond, they being excused from bond by the terms of said will.

