

GILBERT HART'S WILL

In view of declining health and feeling conscious that my stay here will not be long and feeling some degree of interest in making some disposition of my effects or of what has fallen into my hands and this being the first and last will that I have at any time made thought fit and proper while in the right exercise of my mind to commit my wishes and desires to writing for the benefit of all those whom I leave behind that is or may become interested in the distribution and settlement of said estate. Therefore in the first place after my death I recommend that my body be returned to the earth from whence it came with such funeral services as the family may think proper. I would then and therefore recommend that my Executors take charge of my will with all the effects that I have or is entitled to either in law or in Equity and dispose of them as herein after directed and agreeable to the will. In the first place I direct that two hundred and twenty acres by beginning on the east boundary line at a point so as by running a line due west to Wm. C. Mitchum's east boundary line and with his line and my east lines round to the beginning so as to include two hundred & twenty acres where I now live with all the improvements on same two hundred & twenty acres or that appertain thereto. I allot to my wife Nancy Hart during her natural life also such part of all the stock horses, cattle hoggs, sheep, farming utensils, household and kitchen furniture, also as many of the blacks or servants as she and my Executors may in their judgement think amply sufficient to make her a support and under her easy and quiet so long as she lives and at her death all of the above named property belonging to the estate that has been allotted to my wife Nancy Hart during her life. The land excepted, Then and after her death as soon as practicable be sold or divided as my Executors may think best and for purposes herein after named or set forth in the will. The land as above named say two hundred and twenty acres at the death of my wife I allot to my son, H. G. Hart and would request that he take charge of his mothers business and see that it is managed so as to make her as easy and quiet through life as possible. The balance or north part of the tract of land on which I now live supposed to be about 480 acres including all on the north of the part I allotted to my wife and at her death to my son, M. J. Hart,

I allot to my two sons Favill G. Hart and Wm. P. Hart, and I would recommend a divide of the same by running a line due north and south so as to throw two Hundred and thirty acres into the east part and two Hundred & fifty into the west part believing it will make the three lots about equal with the encumbrance on the first lot D. C. Hart and Wm. P. Hart can choose lots or sell all together and divide the proceeds as will suit them and purchases best. I then give and allot to my son in law James H. Patton 550 acres of land lying on Rutherford's fork of Obion immediately up land down the creek and adjoining my old mill tract no other lands included in these allotments. I then give and allot to Benj. R. Campbell's three children Alexander James and Fanny a tract of land containing 100.3 acres lying on the Mississippi River in Dyer County this tract of land I request that B. R. Campbell the father of the three children take charge and the oversight of said land for the benefit of said children until they come of age then to be sold and equally divided between them Alexander, James and Fanny. I then give and allot to my two sons Robert S. Hart and J. M. Hart all of my lands lying on the south fork of Obion River and on both sides of the river inclusivs altht I hold either by Deed or grant also the undivided interest that I hold in the G. I. Rochelle estate including both of my mills saw & grist with all appertaining thereto for instance the wagon and steers log chains awls & such tools as is considered belonging to the mills also the stock of hogs and cow and calves. The lumber sawed on the yard excepted. I then give and allot and direct that the proceeds of sale after what is allotted to my wife Nancy during life including all the affects that I may have then either in money notes or open accounts equally divided between my two youngest daughters Harriett and Robenia and I also direct that the blacks that may not be allotted to my wife during life at time be hired out from year to year untill the death of my wife and at her death then all of them both what has been hired and what was allotted to my wife with their increase also all of the stock horses cattle hogs sheep farming utensils household and kitchen furniture that may have been allotted to my wife Nancy be sold and the proceeds equally divided between Harriet & Robenia untill their divides including what is named above shall amount to six thousand dollars each then if there should be a ballance either from sales as above or from the sale of any lands not above disposed of I direct that the same be equally divided among all the legatees and in addition to the above divided I allot to my sons R. L. Hart my old man Lewis the miller so that

he is not to be taken into the above heiring divding or sale as the case may be. In addition to what I have allotted to James Patton I allot to him 1000 Dollars in cash to make him equal with the rest of the legatees which is to be paid out of the estate.

Last and again I allot to John M. Hart the tract of land known as the Binj's Hase tract being on or near the south fork of Obion which I consider worth fifteen Hundred Doliars also one other tract on theheart of my old mill fence opposite Brumely 's which I consider worth one Thousand Dollars in addition to this I allot that my son N. T. Hart pay him Twenty Five Hundred Dollars out of the mills which will make it five Thousand Dollars which I consider equal to the other legatees.

I constitute and appoint John M. Hart, Robert S. Hart and China Wilder Executors to this my first and last will and Testament.

Signed sealed and delivered this 21st day of July, 1855

In presence of

A. T. M Woolen

Gilbert Hart (Seal)

John Simons

STATE OF TENNESSEE At the August term 1855 was proceeded in open Court  
CARROLL COUNTY  
the last will and testament of Gilbert Hart, deceased and the same was  
duly proven by the testimony of A. T. M. Woolen & John Simons subscribing  
witnesses thereto . And the same ordered to be recorded & the above is a  
copy thereof.

W. H. Graves, Clerk

STATE OF TENNESSEE  
Carroll County

I, Bill Park, Clerk of the above and aforesaid state and county do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the last Will and Testament of Gilbert Hart, Taken from Will Book A Pages 241-244.

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In the name of god Amen I John Cox of the  
County of Carroll and State of Maryland being weak of  
body but of perfect mind and memory knowing the uncer-  
tainty of this life do make and Ordain this my last will  
and testament first I recommend my soule to almighty  
god that gave it and my body to the grave to be interred  
in Christian like manner as to my worldly estate which  
it has pleased god to bles me with I do will in manner  
and form as follows (viz) I will that my beloved wife Purity  
Cox have all my estate during of her natural life I also  
will that my Executors do sell my Waggon hingee rifle  
gun and Ball horse and Grey mare and with the profits  
arising from the sale of the above and the money I have  
on hand I will that they purchase land for the benefit  
of my beloved wife Purity Cox during her natural life  
and at her decease the said land to be purchased to be  
Equally divided between my beloved Sons William & James  
Cox I do also will that my beloved Daughter Sally Cox have one  
good bed one cow and Calf one side Saddle one flax wheel  
I also will my beloved Daughter Rhoda Barnhart have  
Twenty five dollars. I also will that my Son in Law Peter  
have One dollar. I also will that at the decease of my beloved  
wife Cox that my negro Girl Fancey and all the balance  
of my property not here before mentioned be equally divided between my  
Daughter Sally Cox and Sally Bull and Fancey & making my  
Niece I do hereby make and Ordain this my last will & Testament  
Covering all others by me made or written my hand & seal this  
fourth day of February in the Year of Our Lord one thousand  
Eight hundred & twenty three

John Cox Seal  
mark

Samuel G Sayle, Jr.

William Robison, Jr.

State of Maryland September the 18<sup>th</sup> 1833.

Carroll County Court Edward Davis Clerk of said Court do certify  
that the last will & testament of John Cox deceased was duly proved in  
open court by the oaths of Samuel G Sayle & William Robison  
the subscribing witness & ordered to be recorded

Edward Davis Clerk.

# David Clark's Will

In the name of God I Name I David Clark of the State of  
Mississippi and County of Carroll being of sound and perfect mind &  
memory blessed be god do this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March in the Year of  
Our Lord Eighteen hundred & Sixty Four make and publish this  
my last will & Testament in manner following that is to say—  
First I give & bequeath unto my dear beloved wife Hannah all  
the negroes I own after paying all my just debts then—  
after her decease the property to be equally divided between all my  
children and I hereby make and chuse my wife Hannah  
and Isaac Harlin Executors of this my last will and Testament  
in writing hereon. The said David Clark have to this my last  
will and Testimony set my hand and seal this day and year  
above written.

David Clark  
mark

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Isaac Harlin Jr.

Woodson Clark Jr.

State of Mississippi

Attala County 1834

Carroll County Court—The Execution of the above will was duly  
proven in open court in the office of Isaac Harlin & Woodson  
Clark Esq. of the subscriber witness

West Edward Grinn Clark.

## David Gee's Will

In the name of God I Name I David Gee of  
Carroll County State of Mississippi being weak of body but  
of sound and perfect memory do make and publish this my  
last will and Testament in manner and form following that  
is to say first I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Agrip  
Gee all my land Negroes Stock of every kind house hold and  
Kitchen furniture for the term of her natural life and at  
her decease to be decided in the following manner that is to say  
to my youngest son David Gee gave and bequeath all my  
land and Stock of every kind that I may possess at this  
time with all the house hold and Kitchen furniture of every  
kind whatsoever to him the said David Gee his  
heirs and assigns for ever also all the slaves I may possess  
at my death or at the death of my wife Agrip Gee I  
wish disposed of in the following manner that is to say to be  
sold to the highest bidder and the money to be equally

divided between all my natural born children & to wit  
Polly Malquin, Susannah Corwin, Edmund Lee, Thomas Lee,  
Henry Lee, Fidley Seals, David Lee Nancy can be to have and to hold  
the same them or their heirs assigns for ever I also appoint my son  
Henry Lee and David Lee my executors of this my last will & Testament  
hereby revoking all former wills by me made in writing whereof I  
have hereunto set my hand and seal this Eleventh day of September  
in the Year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred & forty three  
Signed sealed published and declared by the above David Lee  
seen to be his last will and Testament in the presence of us  
who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence  
of the testator List

David Lee Seal

John Dougherty

Lery Charlton

Ralphia <sup>mark</sup> Charlton

State of Tennessee

September 11<sup>th</sup> 1824.

Carroll County Court—The Execution of the within will was duly  
proven in open court by the Oaths of Tim Charlton & Ralphia  
Charlton two of the subscribers witness

Copy List Edward Grinn Clark

## William Sutor's Will

In the name of God amie I William Sutor Junior of the County of  
Carroll and State of Mississippi being weak in body but of sound  
and perfect mind and memory blessed be Almighty God for the  
same do make and publish this my last will and Testament that  
I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth Sutor one third  
part of the tract of land wherow<sup>t</sup> I now live during her life or  
widowhood which said third shall include the farm dwelling  
house and spring and the benefit arising from said farm  
shall be under the controul and for the benefit of my said  
wife Elizabeth Sutor and the three youngest children as long  
as she may continue to live on said farm in widowhood  
and in case my wife should see cause to leave said farm  
I hereby direct that said farm be rented out to the best  
advantage giving my son Perry the preference and that  
it be rented from Year to Year in succession until my  
son Ely be of age and the benefit of said tent shall be  
for the said three youngest children (Sovit) Edward, Sally &  
Ely. I further give and bequeath to my wife one third of  
all the live Stock that I possess provided she continues to live

In said farm and keep the above named three Younger Children with her provided also that she lives in  
widowhood I also give her one bed and furniture and one  
third of the kitchen furniture also one plough, hoe and ax  
and pair of Geer to my daughter Sally and Nancy I give  
and bequeath to each of them one bed and furniture one  
cow and calf and to each of them one horse beast  
I further will and order that if my son Perry continues to  
live with and do for the family until he be twenty-one  
years of age that he have two cows and sows and pigs  
but in case he should not continue to live with the  
family he is only to share equal with the others  
To my two sons Edward and Ely I give and bequeath  
to each of them one horse beast to the value of from  
seventy five to eighty five dollars when they shall  
arrive at the age of Twenty one years It is further  
my will that there be a <sup>spacious</sup> bed left with the family  
for the use of the three youngest children so long  
as the family live together and at the time of the  
separation of the family or when the youngest become  
of age as the case may be the said bed and furniture  
shall be equally among my children I further wish  
that my son William have the care of the bed and  
furniture which I gave to my daughter Sally and  
that he return it to her when she arrives at the age  
of eighteen years as good as when he gets it or in  
case she should marry before she comes of age the bed  
and furniture then to be returned.

I further will and order that the other two thirds of my stocks  
the two thirds of my kitchen furniture and all other loose  
plunder not before mentioned be sold on a credit of eighteen  
months at public vendue to the highest bidder and the  
money arising from such sale be equally divided amongst  
my children to wit Permy Leonard William Perry Nancy  
Edward Sally and Ely Further I will and order that  
the other two thirds of my land not disposed of before  
be leased to some one of the Legatees for the term of  
six Years for the clearing of fifteen acres of ground &  
making of suitable buildings and that the profits of said  
lease after the expiration of said term be equally divided

among the eight legatees and at the decease or intermarriage  
of my wife my children divide the whole <sup>the land</sup> among them if  
they can do it to their satisfaction if not the land to be sold & the  
money to be divided equally It is my further will and desire  
that my two Negroes Violet and Mardy divide their time equally  
among the Legatees until the Legatees find it convenient to  
make an equal division of them and their increase among themselves  
and in case my wife should be affected or in distress so as to stand  
no need of assistance while living in widowhood she is to have  
Violet to assist her and the said Negroes are hereby declared  
to be the property of my children and of the heirs of their body  
I further will and bequeath all my right title and claims to  
My children not to dispossess my wife of any of her right or  
any of the above property Elizabeth Foster Further I hereby  
appoint my son Leonard Foster and Thomas Hamilton Executors  
of my last will and testament hereby revoking all others  
by me made in witness whereof I here unto set my hand and  
affix my seal this 25<sup>th</sup> day of December 1824 Signed sealed  
and delivered in presence of

Wm L Butler

Thomas Finley

In addition to the above mentioned it is my will that the  
vendue of the before mentioned property shall be under the  
directions of the before mentioned Executors namely Thomas Hamilton  
and Leonard Foster

State of Tennessee March Sixteen 1825

Carroll County Court The execution of the above will was duly  
proved in open Court by the oaths Wm L Butler & Thomas Finley  
two of the subscribing witnesses A copy sent Edw Lewis Esq

Benjamin Busey's will  
In the name of God Amen I Benjamin Busey of  
Carroll and State of Tennessee do make and Ordain this  
Indenture to be my last will and testament revoking all others  
First my will and desire is that my Grand Daughter Agnes  
Lamberson shall have one of my Negro girls named Charlotte  
together with one feather bed and furniture likewise one pot  
one Peter dish and Basin and that Nancy Gilbert shall  
have one hundred dollars at my decease all the residue

6 of my estate my will desire is that my wife Lucy Busey shall keep during her natural life except the stock should get too large and troublesome in that case my desire is for the stock sold or so much is not needed for family use at the death of my wife Lucy Busey the property left with her be sold and equal dividend made between my children first Edward Busey & Sally Brown & Bilsby Bellhill & Nancy Wheeler Lucy Kirkwood and Henry Gilbert my further desire is that Edward Busey and Henry Wheeler do execute the above deed as witness my hand the 30<sup>th</sup> day of May 1822  
I attest  
Elias A. Culvert  
Thru. Moroz  
John Humphrey

Benjamin Busey

State of Minnesota June 1825  
Carroll County Court the execution of the above will was duly proven in open court by the oaths of the above witnesses. Copy Test Edward Gwin Elk

### Bartholemew White's Will

This Indenture made in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty five this with my last and dying breath I make my last will and testament wherein and hereby bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth all my household furniture and my farming utensials together with my part of the Corp and one Brown mare and saddle together with my cattle six head and five head of sheep and twenty seven head of hogs and one Rifle gun and six Bee hives together with my improvement I now live on to act with as she sees cause as long as she may live or remain my widow the remaining no more my widow then the property to be divided between Bartholemew & Elizabeth my son and daughter excepting one dollar to Bryan my son and one dollar to Jackson my son & dollar to my son at the will of executor and William my son one dollar and Mariah my daughter one dollar in one year after my departure from this time world it may be recovered from this my executor which I leave my beloved wife and Levi McWhorter to recover debts and make payments to creditors whereunto I authorise

them to act and execute my last will and testament, and now I command my spirit to God who first gave it and my body to its mother dust again amen whereunto I have fixed my hand and seal this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May 1825 in presence of, Robt. Armour

Jackson White

John Finchley

State of Minnesota September Term 1825

Carroll County Court the execution of the within will was duly proven in open court by the oaths of Robert Armour & Jackson White two of the subscribing witnesses test Edward Gwin Elk I release my interest in this will given under my hand and seal this 5<sup>th</sup> September 1825

test Edward Gwin

Jackson White

John Martin's will

I John Martin of the County of Carroll and State of Minnesota do this seventeenth day of October one thousand eight hundred and twenty five being of sound mind and memory thanks be to God for the same but calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men to obey I make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following to wit First I recommend my soul to God who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent manner nothing doubtful but I shall receive the same again at the general resurrection as touching my worldly estate which it hath pleased God to bless me with in this time world I dispose of in the manner and form as follows I give unto my beloved wife Nancy Martin all that I th possess during her life or widowhood and then to my youngest son James Martin all of my lands the rest of my estate to be all sold and equally divided amongst all my children namely Polly Jones, Jane Green, William Martin, Jacob Martin & Eliath Martin, Thomas Martin, James Martin I also make or design my trusty & beloved son William Martin, Executor to execute this my last will & testament in witness whereof I have unto set my hand and affixed my seal to this my last will and testament the day and date above written signed sealed in presence of us who were present at the time of signing sealing thereof, John Martin his mark Richard Green, Jr., Bradford Edward, Jr., Horatio Edward, Jr. his mark State of Minnesota Carroll County Court December before 1825

The execution of the above will was proven open Court by the above witnesses test Edward Gwin Clerk

Honesty H. Enochs Will

In the Name of God I Amend Honesty H. Enochs being sound in memory blessed be god to make and publish this my Last will and Testament in the words following to wit first I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife Jane Enochs a negro Girl named Maiah, and her further increase during her Natural life or widowhood then to be equally divided between my heirs Miles Enochs Thomas Enochs Jason & Enochs Matjory A Enochs also one Bay Mare three Beds and furniture are Beauroys I give to Jane Enochs my wife Second I further will that all the rest of my Property be sold at Public auction on a credit of twelve months for the use of my Heirs above named after paying all my Just Debts I also nominate and appoint Jane Enochs my wife and Thompson Enochs as Executors to this my Last will and Testament Signed Sealed and delivered in the presence of us this the fifteenth day of November in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & Twenty six

Witness  
Robert Nicholson sur  
Sope Walter sur  
Amos Beldy sur

Honesty H. Enochs

Benjamin Ladds Will.

In the name of God Amen I Benjamin Ladd being weak in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in the manner and form following that is to say my soul to God & my body to be decently buried, first I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah Ladd one Negro Girl named Mary Ann and one mare called Peggy and one Colt Nancy one Cow & Geor one feather Bed and furniture three cows & Calves that is now in possession of, and one hundred Acres of Land in Terrepe that I now live on in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Range of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Section also Forty three dollars and 50 cents in specie all the Kitchen and Cupboard furniture during her Natural life and then to be sold and divided Equally amongst all the legal Heirs of the said

Ladd I also will unto my son Elijah Ladd eighty dollars due by David Ladd, also one hundred that I have given to him in Land also one hundred & twenty five dollars to make him Equal with the other children I also bequeath unto Susannah from daughter Martha one negro Girl named Mourning I also give Nancy Cammel one negro man named Lewis and Forty three dollars and 50 cents I also give to Edward S. Ladd one negro Girl named Susannah, I also give my negro Girl named Susannah her freedom and her children to be raised by Edward as long as the their mother Susannah Lives and then he to be paid for the raising of the children out of the value of said children and the balance of the value to be divided Equally among my legal heirs with all the balance of my property, I appoint Elisha Ladd and Wm H. Bigham Executors of this my Last will and Testament as witness I set my hand and seal this 19<sup>th</sup> day of January 1827 in the presence of

Mathias Digham - sur  
S. H. Bigham - sur

Benjamin Ladd  
mark

State of Tennessee January 21<sup>st</sup> 1827.  
I Benjamin Ladd being of weak body but sound mind- after the conclusion my last will and Testament have omitted some of the property which I bequeath and allow and give to my wife Sarah to wit all the corn, Cork, Flower & which it is my will and desire that she shall have the above named articles

Mathews Digham - seal  
S. H. Bigham - seal

Personally appeared before me William Patton one of the Justices of the peace in and for the County of Carroll and State aforesaid; S. H. Bigham and Mathews Digham, and made oath that the above instrument of writing was the last wish and desire of the said Benjamin Ladd deceased

Given under my hand and seal this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January 1827.

William Patton JP

In the name of God I Samuel Allen  
of the county of Carroll and State of Tennessee do this fifteenth  
day of May One thousand eight hundred twenty seven being  
of sound mind & memory. Thanks be to god for the same but calling  
to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appor-  
tiated for all men once to die. I make and ordain this my  
Last will and testament in manner and form following viz  
first I will and bequeath unto my Daughter Fanny Allen  
One Cow and calf One feather bed furniture  
In my will and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Allen  
One cow and calf One feather bed and furniture  
3<sup>rd</sup> I will and bequeath unto my Daughter Hannah Allen  
One cow and calf One feather bed & furniture  
4<sup>th</sup> I will and bequeath unto my Daughter Purity Allen  
One cow and calf one feather bed furniture  
5<sup>th</sup> I will and bequeath unto my Daughter Sally Allen  
One cow and calf and bed and furniture  
6<sup>th</sup> I will and bequeath unto my Daughter Dolly H.  
Allen One cow and calf and feather bed and furniture  
Suble and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Allen the balance  
of my estate during her natural life time or widowhood to dispose  
of in any way that she thinks proper at the end of her  
life or widowhood all to be sold and equally divided amongst  
my children namely Isaac Allen, Levi Allen, John Allen, Fanny  
Allen, Thomas Allen, Elizabeth Allen, Polly Allen, Nancy Allen  
Hannah Allen, Purity Allen, Sarah Allen, Dolly Harris Allen  
I make or design my Trusty & beloved Son Levi Allen to Executor  
of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have  
unto set my hand and seal to this my last will & testament  
the day and above written signed sealed in presence of  
us who were present at the time of signing and sealing  
therof

R. Green.  
John M. Hammett.

Samuel Allen his  
mark

October 16<sup>th</sup> 1827

In the name of God Amen. Knowing the uncertainty of  
Human of life and that it is appointed unto men once  
to die I Aron Green of Carroll County and State of Tennessee  
per living weak in body but perfect in mind and is  
prompt to make this my last will and testament  
nothing all others. I give unto my beloved wife Elizabeth  
Green during her natural life or widowhood Fifty acres of  
land part of the tract on which I now live. Begun  
ing on the range line and including the Spring and House  
and after her death or widowhood I give the same to  
My son Thomas Green, Item, I give unto my beloved wife  
Elizabeth Green five negroes namely Sena, Tony, Ned  
and Jack and Bob, for her benefit until my youngest  
child becomes of age or during her widowhood and then  
to be equally divided among my children namely—  
Nedham Green, Patty Allen, Polly Pipe, Minty Rogers,  
Rowland Green, Elizabeth Cop, Aron Green, Thomas Green,  
Sarah Green, Nancy Green, Susannah Green, two of  
them is to remain with my wife during her life or  
widowhood, giving her the right of choice, Item,  
I give unto Elizs wife all of my stock except which  
parts as are hereafter mentioned, Item I give unto my  
son Rowland Green eighty acres of land lying on the  
East part of the tract I now live in. Item I give unto  
my son Aron Green eighty acres of land lying adjoining the  
above tract or lot of Rowland Green also one horse to be  
worth Eighty dollars One Saddle and Bridle one Cow & Calf  
and one sow and piggs, Item, I give unto my beloved son Thomas  
Green Fifty fifty five acres of land in addition to and any  
soining to dinner before mentioned also one horse to be worth  
Eighty dollars Bridle and Saddle One Cow and Calf and one  
piggy, Item, I give unto my son Nedam Green  
Acres of land lying on south side of the section line  
beginning at the west corner of the tract of land  
I now live on, I give unto my daughter Sarah Green, Amy  
Green, Susannah Green, each of them one Cow and Calf  
One feather bed furniture bed std, one pot, one  
wheel, one pair of cards Sarah & Nancy, Twenty five

dollars in money and Susannah Green, to have fifty dollars in money, Item, I give unto my above mentioned eleven children four hundred acres of land in one tract and fifty acres in another tract lying being in the County of Montgomery and State of North Carolina on Big Bear Creek my executors may sell the same where ever they think proper for the benefit of the legatees, Item, I give in addition to my son Howland Green, One acre of land lying on the south side of the section line beginning on the south east corner running so as to conclude his string, Item, I give unto my daughter Edy Pickler, or her bodily heirs one bay mare and colt, One cow and herf Mervling One Bed & furniture & whale and one pair of Cards 1 peat & oven, and Skillet, One saddle, Item, I want a negroe man by the name of Wilson sold and four hundred dollars of the money to be equally divided among, my above named sons, and balance of the money that arises from the sale of the above named negro to go to the of my estate, I appoint and constitute my beloved wife Elizabeth Green, & my son Howland Green to be my sole executors Where unto I have set my hand & affixed my seal in presence of us.

Richard Green,  
Loyd Howland,

Aron <sup>his</sup> Green <sup>dead</sup>  
mark

Liddy Garrett's Will

State of Tennessee This day came into open Court Carroll County, James Darpley and Elizabeth Hicks and have proven in open Court the following words or prepositions as being the noncapacitive will of Liddy Garrett, deceased they and each of them affix their state and swear that she the said Liddy Garrett, at or before days before the time of her death, which took place some time about the 25<sup>th</sup> day of July 1827, stated left and devised to our Malinda Christian by a non capacitive will, or by her word that she the said Malinda Christian sometimes known by the name of Melinda McCormick should have and was entitled to one feather Bed & furniture One Cow & calf and the clearing apparel of her the said Liddy after her death which took place a very few days after making this instrument, the aforesaid Malinda Christian hath been raised from her childhood, by the said Liddy Garrett, they each of them state that they have at several times heard the said Liddy call over the foregoing articles and state that they belonged to the said Malinda Christian

James Darpley  
Elizabeth Hicks  
Carroll County Court December 1st 1827

The above noncapacitive will of Liddy Garrett was this day produced in open Court and proven by the oaths of James Darpley and Elizabeth Hicks to be the act & deed of the said Liddy Garrett, for the purposes therein contained & ordered by the Court to be recorded

A copy first  
Edw? Gwin clk

14. Leviell Bagbys Will

I Leviell Bagby of the County of Carroll and State of Tennessee do make this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows:—  
 1<sup>o</sup> Item, I give to the hinc of the body of my daughter Harriett William one negro girl named Lucy with her full increase (if any) also give to said Lucy a negro man named Wilson both the said negroes with the increase of Lucy if she have any to be equally divided amongst said Lucy & of also my wife and desire that my daughter Harriett should not be deprived of the benefit of said negroes during my life. 2<sup>o</sup> Item I give to my daughter Harriett William one acre of land or good quantity.

3<sup>o</sup> Item I give to my beloved wife Lucy H. Bagby and the following children Namely, William A. Bagby, and George H. Bagby, Ballard C. Bagby, Mary A. Bagby, Thomas A. Bagby, Daniel C. Bagby, the residue of my estate with personal and real with the exception of One half of a hounken acre tract of land and also an acre of the branch of a mile on said tract which bounded East on land and now belongs to John C. Clements to be equally divided between myself and said children so that with standing it is now well and desire that my beloved wife should reside in possession the plantation on which I now live with a sufficient tract of land to attend the same during her life. It is my will and desire that the above named children in this case when their wives or become of age should have an equal portion of the several shares of my estate until a final division take place among them equally at the death of my wife.

I direct that when I constitute & appoint my eldest son William A. Bagby and George A. Bagby my executors to this my last will and testament of record in testimony of which I have dictated this named this nineteenth day August 1828.

In presence of us  
 Jno C. Smith  
 Thomas Hamilton

John Bagby *Sealed*

15. Nathan Vestbills Will

State of Tennessee Carroll County

I Nathan Vestbills being of sound mind and in perfect health do constitute this my last will and testament in words following namely I leave my wife Ann Vestbills the plantation where I now live and all the farming tools of every kind and all the stock of horses cattle hogs and sheep and one hound and Hounds the above property I leave her during her natural life or widowhood. Also I leave her of her Alex's Crouch & Yo Site that I. S. Vestbills comes of age also I leave in her care Mary & Ann two other slaves till Sarah and Angelina my two daughters marry or come of age I leave my son Samuel Vestbills a lot of land beginning on a Stake the south west corner of seven hundred acres of 160 acre together with what I have already given him I leave to my daughter Jean New jare Ann the one negro boy called Rendol also one cow and calf one ewe and lamb together with what I have already given her.

I leave my son Wilson Vestbills one lot of land beginning on a Stake the south east corner of said 160 acre tract to whom he becomes of age I leave him a horse

I leave me two other lots to Robert & Joseph Nathan Vestbills the two middle lots of said 160 acre Robert the north & to them the south of either of them should one die before the time to age the other has both lots also when the come to age the afores have a horse saddle and Bridle a piece.

I leave to Benjamin H. Vestbills one lot of land beginning on a Stake the south west corner of said 160 acre also a horse saddle and Bridle or a steed & Sarah D. Vestbills one negro girl called Mary a horse saddle and Bridle a bed of furniture

I leave Annagene Vestbills one negro girl called Ann a horse saddle and Bridle a bed and furniture

I leave John C. Vestbills one lot of land beginning at a Stake the north east corner of said 160 acre tract runs South and West to have a horse saddle and Bridle

William C. Vestbills I leave all the land that lies on the east side of the branch where I now live & a horse saddle and Bridle And last of all I leave Thomas A. C. Vestbills at the death of his mother all the land west side of the branch and a horse and saddle and Bridle

16 Be it remembered that none of the before mentioned children  
is to have a horse till the arrive to twenty one, the horses is to  
be raised out of the products of the farm  
I also leave my wife Ann Vestitt Samuel & Nestitt and  
Wilson Nestitt my executors of this my last will and testam-  
ent. Given under my hand and seal the 20 Sept 1827.

Nathan Nestitt.

A.P.S. the young Negroes Jeptha, Lida, Eliz. French & Son, and as  
much of the Stock as my wife can spare is to be sold or divided  
so the all those Children can have an equal share (say)  
Sam'l. Wilson, Robert, Nathan, Benjamin, Sarah, Angelina  
John, William, and Thomas.

Acknowledged in presence of us Nathan Nestitt,

This 14<sup>th</sup> Oct 1828

Robert Nicholson

Sam'l Benton

State of Tennessee

Carroll County Court

December Term 1828.

The last will and testament of Nathan Nestitt  
deceased was produced in open Court and proved by the oaths  
of Robert Nicholson and Samuel Benton witnesses thereto  
and ordered to be recorded.

A copy set

Edward Gwin Clark

### State of Tennessee Carroll County

In the name of God of jesus, Baker sent. knowing that I am mortal  
and must die and being weak in body but in my perfect proper  
mind do make this my last will and testament

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I bequeath my soul to god humbly relying on the atoning  
blood and righteousness of the Lord Jesus Christ as the only  
ground of my justification and acceptance before him

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> in hope of a joyful resurrection to everlasting life  
I bequeath my body to be decently interred

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> My wish is that all my just debts shall be  
paid and discharged out of the proceeds of the sales of  
my possible property

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I will and bequeath to my wife Mary Baker

the tract of land on which I now reside during her natural  
life and that my son Thomas C. Baker live with his mother  
and cultivate the farm or so much of it as he may be able  
for the support of himself and his mother also that my son  
John Baker live with them so long as he remains single and  
when he marries if he sees proper to do so he may build on  
some part of the land and cultivate a part of the farm no  
w opened and add to it if he wishes to do so. If my son Peter  
or Porter or both of them see proper to improve & settle on the  
same tract of land my will is that they do so

Item 5<sup>th</sup> at the death of my wife my will is that the tract  
of land be equally divided between my five sons (us)

Robert, James, John, Porter and Thomas

Item 6<sup>th</sup> My will is that my daughters who are married and  
my daughter Happy keep and hold their beds and furni-  
ture. If others desire that my daughters Happy & Margaret  
to reside and live with their mother so long as they remain  
single and that Margaret be furnished with a good saddle seat  
of the proceeds of my property

Item 7<sup>th</sup> My desire is that my sons Robert and James and my  
son-in-law John Simons be my executors to this my last will  
and testament as attorney they know whereof I hereunto set my hand  
and seal this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January One Thousand eight hundred  
and twenty nine

signed & sealed in presence of

Elijah Whuli

Abram White

State of Tennessee

Carroll County Court March Term 1829.

The last will and testament of James Baker late  
deceased was this day produced in open Court and the execution  
thereof was duly proven by the oaths of Elijah Whuli & Abram  
White the attesters thereto and ordered to be recorded

A copy set

Edward Gwin Clark

State of Tennessee Carroll County March the sixteenth in the  
Year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and Twenty nine  
in the name of god amen I Phillip Barrow Considering the  
uncertainty of this mortal life and of sound mind and  
memory blessed be god for the same I Phillip Barrow do  
hereby make and publish this my last will and testament in  
the manner and form following first I do will and bequeath  
that my body be decently buried I also will that all my  
just debts be paid first debts will and bequeath to my son  
Abraham Barrow Two dollars that is to say his legal representatives  
and no more I also will and bequeath my son James Barrow  
Two dollars and no more I also will and bequeath my son Sterling  
Barrow One seventh part of my estate I also will bequeath my son  
Sterling Barrow One other seventh part of my estate making two  
equal sevenths and no more I also will and bequeath my son  
Ukraim Barrow of seventh part of my estate and no more  
I also will and bequeath my son Phillip Barrow One note of hand  
of forty dollars to James Kelly transferred to me from my son  
Banks M Barrow and no more I also will and bequeath my  
Daughter Patsy Cobb Two dollars and no more I also  
will and bequeath my Daughter Polly Barrow One seventh  
part of my estate and no more I also will and bequeath my  
son Banks M Barrow One seventh part of my estate I also will  
and bequeath my son Banks M Barrow One other seventh making  
in all two equal sevenths of my estate also One bed and furniture  
and no more I also will and bequeath my son in Law Robert Wood  
Two dollars and no more I also will and bequeath One seventh part  
of my estate to be equally divided between Frances Woods four  
children and no more I also will and bequeath that all my estate  
personal and real be sold at twelve months credit and divided  
according to any above devised will I hereby appoint my Son  
Banks M Barrow my sole executor of this my last will and  
testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made in  
writing whereof I have herunto set my hand and fixed my seal  
published and declared in and by the above named Bank M Barrow  
to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who  
have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the Notary  
John A Barrow  
Banks M Barrow Jnr

Phillip Barrow

State of Tennessee Carroll County Court December Term 1829.  
On the last Will and Testament of Phillip Barrow deceased  
also produced in open Court and the execution thereof proven by  
the Deaths of Banks M Barrow Jr and John M Barrow the witness  
thirst and ordered to be recorded

A Copy Test

Edward Givin Clerk

Recorded 28<sup>th</sup> day of January A.D. 1830.

Edward Givin Clerk

### James McConnell's Will

In the name of God Amen

I James M. Connell of the County of Carroll and  
State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory blessed be god  
do make and publish this my last will and testament in mani-  
er and form following that is to say

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I give unto my beloved wife Nancy M Connell the land  
and Mill where I now live and my Mare and the thirds of  
all my perishable property during her widowhood & the  
title one year.

Item 2<sup>d</sup> After paying my just debts I give unto my son Thomas  
M Connell One hundred acres of land lying in Hickman County  
Kentucky wherein he now lives

Item 3<sup>d</sup> I give unto my son Archibald M Connell sixty acres of  
land joining the above tract of Thomas M Connells and suffi-  
cient to make him equal to with Thomas M Connells hundred  
acres the whole hundred sixty acres costing one hundred forty dollars

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I give unto John Davis married my Daughter Phebe &  
Isaac Brown my Daughter Mary after giving my Daughter  
Mary Brown a common side saddle to divide the balance  
of my estate equally with the above named John Davis &  
Isaac Brown and their heirs for ever. I nominate and appo-  
int my Son in law John Davis my Executor to this my last  
will and testament In testimony whereof I have hereunto  
set my hand and seal in the presence of those witnesses this the  
twenty second of September in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred  
thirty

John P. Mathews (Jus)

B. Lawrence (Jus) James M. Connell (Jus)

State of Tennessee

Carroll County Court December sessions 1830

The within Will and Testament of James McConnell deceased was this day produced in open Court and the execution thereof was duly proven by the Oathes of John P. Weather & H. B. Lawrence witnesses thereto to be the act & deed of the said James McConnell for the purposes therein contained & Ordered to be recorded

A Copy List

Edward Gwin Clerk

Recorded 19<sup>th</sup> day of Oct. 1830

List Edward Gwin Clerk

Jonathan Wiley Sec<sup>d</sup> Will

In the name of God Amen Jonathan Wiley being weak in body but of sound and perfect memory Consideration the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of sound and well helped by almighty god for the same make and publish this my last Will & Testament in the manner and form following that is to say in the first place I give and bequeath my soul to god and my body to its Mother earth I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Ruthy Wiley all my land and farm with all its interest & summons during her life or widowhood and at his death or marriage my will is that the land with all its interest and summons be equally divided between my children until my son Joseph Gaston become twenty years of age and at that time I do give and bequeath unto my son Joseph Gaston two hundred & six acres of land on the south end of my land for ever I do also give and bequeath to my three daughters Abby Ann Polly and Caroline one hundred acres of land on the north end of my land and at the time my daughter Abby Ann is of age my will is that the land shall be sold and the money to be equally divided between my three daughters Abby Ann Polly and Caroline I do also give and bequeath to my three daughters and son a fifty acre tract of land lying in Dickson County on Bare Creek the place that my Father now resides on and my will is that at his death or removal that the land shall be sold on a credit of one year and the money to be equally divided between my four children I do also give and bequeath to my beloved wife Ruthy Wiley all my stock of every kind to be at

her disposal and as she may think best for her and the family John Johnson and Amos Joiner Senior whom I hereby appoint Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me made or witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day the first day of October in the year of our Lord 1830.

Test

Jonathan Wiley *(Signature)*William Stacey (Jr.)  
Polly <sup>bc</sup> Stacey (Jr.)  
mark

State of Tennessee

Carroll County Court March sessions 1831

The last Will & Testament of Jonathan Wiley deceased was produced in open Court and proven according to law by the Oathes of William Stacey & Polly Stacey witnesses thereto and Ordered to be Recorded and the executors named in the said Will having refused to take upon themselves the burthen of the execution thereof on motion of John Johnson and Joel R Smith with their securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the sum of Fifteen hundred Dollars conditioned as the law directs it was ordered that a certificate be granted them for obtaining letters of administration with the said will annexed on due form

A Copy List

Edward Gwin Clerk

Recorded 9<sup>th</sup> June A.D. 1831.

Witness Edward Gwin Clerk

James M Henderson's Will

State of Tennessee  
In the name of God Amen!

I James M Henderson of the County of Carroll and State aforesaid, being of sound mind and disposing memory, but fully sensible of the uncertainty of life, do make and constitute this my last will and Testament.

In the first place it is my will and desire that my estate shall be kept together for the more convenient purpose of educating my children that as they successively come of age their portions shall be given off to them if they desire it, and in the event of my deceased daughter Margaret's marriage that her portion shall then be given to her as herein after directed; It is further my will and desire that my father and mother be supported out of my estate as long as they choose to live on it and <sup>that</sup> they be considered as the joint managers of my property and the guardians of my children; It is my will and desire that my son James Martin shall have my gold hunting lever watch, and that his portion of my estate shall be charged with the value of it, £150. 00 and that if he die before he comes of age, that my son Pleasant shall have the watch on the same conditions, and if he dies before he is of age that my son William Henry Frederick and Marion be successively entitled to it on the same conditions.

The gold lever watch which was my late wife's I give to my daughter Margaret, and her portion of my estate is to be charged with its value £90. 00 My large shot gun I give to my son James and leave my rifle in trust to him to give to my son Marion when he is large enough to use it, and to tell him it is his father's gift. My small silver mounted shot gun I give to my son Pleasant. It is my will and desire that none of my negroes shall be separated from their wives. It is my will and desire that Andrew and his wife Betty, and their children be kept in the family to assist my their labour in the support, and that Andrew carry on the business of his shop as he is now doing and whether he his wife or children shall be apportioned off until my youngest child is of age. To my youngest son Marion I give and bequeath a part of his portion my negro boy Henry because they were foster children. I do hereby appoint my father Pleasant Henderson and my brother Tippie Saib Henderson & Mark M. Henderson

and my friend James W. Gee executors of this my last will and testament to execute my said will, and I do hereby empower my said executors to sell any portion of my estate real or personal if they think it be for the advantage of my estate, and to continue arrangements and manage my affairs and my estate both real and personal in any manner which to them may seem best calculated to subserve and promote the interest and welfare of my children. It is my wish that my executors will obtain from my step daughter Sarah Stone Ann Stone the portraits of myself and my late wife that my children may retain a recollection of our features. My land shall be divided off to my sons as they successively come of age, if they desire it, according to quantity and quality, and if they choose to leave the portion of property to which they are entitled with the family they shall be allowed a reasonable hire or rent. Therefor, It is my wish that my children shall be charged with what money may be necessary for their advancement and that my executors keep a regular account with each of my children. If my daughter Margaret marry before she is of age <sup>her</sup> portion of land and other property may be divided off to her, but no absolute title shall accrue to her husband until she is of age nor then if my executors shall have reason to believe that her husband is likely to squander the property, in that case I hereby require of my executors to execute such an instrument or conveyance as shall secure <sup>her</sup> portion of my property & estate to her and her heirs.

The home place shall be retained for and valued to Marion when he is of age as his portion and in the event of his death to the one next above him in age, and it is further my desire that it be the permanent residence of my Father and mother and they or the survivor retain it during their natural lives the title to the family negroes Lewis and George is in Alexander Henderson, and I hereby direct my executors to purchase them even if they have to sell land to do so, and that they then be considered as part of my estate and subject to the provisions of this will. Signed Sealed & C. This 16<sup>th</sup> day of July in the year of our Lord 1831, in presence of

R. L. Mc Cogg  
J. H. Jennings, Jr.  
Wm. Gwin, Jr.

Jas. M. Henderson <sup>Seal</sup>

State of Tennessee  
Carroll County Court, } September Term 1831.

The last will and testament of James H. Henderson deceased was produced in open court & proven by the oaths of Isaac M. Jennings and William Gurn two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and on motion of Pleasant Henderson Tippo said Henderson and Mark McHenderson three of the executors named in the said will who took the oath required by law and together with Barry Gillispie and Samuel Binton their securities entered into and acknowledged their bonds in the penalty of fifteen dollars, conditioned as the law directs certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate thereof in due form

A copy test

C. Gurn Clerk

Registered 25<sup>th</sup> October 1831.

Witness

Edward Gurn Clerk

### James Hamilton's Will.

In the name of God amen I James Hamilton of the County of Carroll  
And State of Tennessee considering the uncertainty of this my estate  
Life and being of sound mind and memory blessed be god almighty  
God for the same do make and publish this my last will and testament  
in manner and form following viz First I give and bequeath  
Unto my beloved wife Jane Hamilton all the money that I may be  
possessed of at the time of my decease together with all monies or prop-  
erty that may be due me at the time of my decease by notes or other  
wile also first choice of the horse beasts that I may own also one  
cow and calf to be chosen by herself also two sheep to be chosen  
In the same manner and as many hoggs as she may think proper  
To keep together with the household and kitchen furniture the bed-  
and their furniture to be entirely at her disposal the balance  
of the plunder above bequeathed after supporting her at her decease to  
be sold to the best advantage and the monys arising therefrom  
to be equally divided among my children and the children of  
Jacob and Betsy McKee deceased giving to the last mentioned  
children one share which share is to be equally divided among  
them also give and bequeath to my son John the horse that he now  
has in possession which he recd from John Madan Esq in part pay-  
of my land which he sold to said Madan together with all the  
profits arising from the sale of said land To my grandson  
Thos. Hamilton now living with me I give and bequeath one  
Sorrell colt and my rifle gun and one aye also give and bequeath  
to my wife such of my farming tools as she may stand  
in need of also a saddle and bridle my waggon and gear  
and all other plunders not before mentioned it is my wish  
that it be sold to the best advantage and the profits of said  
Sale be equally divided among my children giving to  
the children of my deceased Daughter Betsy McKee one share  
which share is to be equally divided among them  
I hereby appoint James Latimer and Thos. Hamilton Executors  
of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other  
wills by me made in witness whereof I have hereunto set  
my hand and seal this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February 1826  
Signed sealed & delivered in presence of

us Robert Wilson our  
Thos. Latimer our

James H. Hamilton  
mark

State of Tennessee  
Carroll County Court September Term 1831.

The last will and Testament of James Hamilton deceased  
was this day produced in open Court and proved by Robert Eliot,  
one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and at December  
Term 1831. It was proven by Thorlatimer the other subscribing  
witness thereto to be the act and deed of the said James Hamilton  
deceased and ordered to be recorded. A. co. St.

Edmund Brown Clark

Recorded 9<sup>th</sup> day of February 1832.

In the name of god amen. I William Woods of the County  
of Carroll and State of Tennessee being weak in body but of sound  
and perfect mind and memory do this twelfth day of November  
in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and one  
thirty one make and publish this my last will and testament  
in the manner and form following; that is to say, First I  
allow all my just debts to be paid. 2<sup>nd</sup> I give and bequeath  
unto my beloved wife Nancy Woods my old negro cook  
man Silvy Hannah and her offspring my negro girl Mary  
with her offspring one negro boy called Sam, one negro boy  
called Bedford and at her death with all their offspring said  
Negroes are to be divided amongst the children and grand  
children of my Brother John Woods my brother in law Thos. Bla  
ck my brother in law John Holmes, but more especially between  
John Woods son William <sup>son of John Woods son William</sup> Samuel Black son William  
L.S. Woods daughter <sup>now of</sup> Dugart Woods daughter Nancy  
Rachel, the above named property shall be divided among  
the above named persons, by one son of John Woods one  
of John Holmes and one of Thomas Blacks and my wife  
Nancy Woods, I allow my wife any clock during her life  
also my silver watch, at her death I allow the watch for  
L.S. Woods I also allow her the two bedsteads that stand  
in our room, I allow her all my silver ware at her death  
the silver ware to be equally divided between W.W. Hermon  
and Nancy Hermon or his bodily heirs and if more than  
to go to her brothers and sisters I also allow my wife my ap  
Waggon with the six oxen that work on it waggon I also  
I also allow her my riding horse Nepony I also allow

Near five hundred dollars out of any estate as she may think  
proper to purchase at the sale, I also allow her two good beds with  
furniture. I allow W.W. Hermon my nephew one negro boy  
Peter one negro girl Lucy, I allow John Woods son William  
one negro boy called Clark and should William die without  
bodily issue I allow sd Clark to belong to Margaret  
Woods and her bodily heirs the daughter of John Woods  
My Brother I allow her Margaret Woods one negro girl  
called Martha if she dies without bodily issue sd Martha  
shall be disposed of by John Woods and his son L.S. Woods  
I allow my Sister Martha the proceeds of a negro boy called  
Cyrus the boy Cyrus shall be sold to the highest bidder  
in twelve months credit, no person shall have the power  
of bidding for sd boy except John Woods my brother,  
Thos. Black my brother in law, L.S. Woods Sam Black John Hermon  
W.W. Hermon I allow L.S. Woods and W.W. Hermon to make  
Sale of sd boy and collect and pay over the money to my  
Sister Martha on conditions of her giving bond and security  
at her death to have the money equally divided between  
John Dugart his son or his heirs and John Steel that married  
Nelly Black or his heirs, I allow Nancy Hermon John Hermon  
wife one negro girl called Edney one called negro one  
negro boy called Gabriel there are their offspring to the  
said Nancy Hermon during her lifetime and her bodily  
issue and should the said Nancy die without bodily heirs  
then and in that case sd negroes with their offspring shall  
be disposed of as L.S. Woods & W.W. Hermon may think  
equitable and just as it respects Peter and Lucy that W.W.  
Hermon has should said Hermon die without bodily issue  
then and in that case sd Negroes shall be disposed of  
as my brother John Woods L.S. Woods Hermon Woods  
may think equitable and just. I allow Nancy Hermon  
two good beds and furniture I allow her one mare  
called Wild goose also one hundred and fifty dollars  
out of my house hold furniture stock and farming  
tools as sd Nancy and John May may think proper  
to purchase at the sale I also allow Nancy Hermon her  
bedstead that stands in her own room I also allow my wife  
all the benefit of a certain tract of land on which I

live to begin on the top of the ridge west of what we call  
the Sulphur Spring where the South boundary of a tract  
of land goes and to John Akers then west to the north  
west corner of an entry in the name of John Stone for  
200 acres then north to the district line then west so far  
as my line of trees then north with L. S. Woods land  
and eastwardly to a point due west of the plantation  
on which I live then east to the north east corner  
of sd improvement then southwardly with the fence  
of said improvement to a point five pole due south  
of a spring called Survey's Thence east to a point  
due north of the beginning thence to the beginning  
which land and proceeds I allow his the benefit of  
during his life lifetime or widowhood and if in  
case she marries then and in that case I allow the above  
tract of land or the proceeds thereof and all her negroes to be  
at the <sup>intire</sup> disposal of W. W. Herren Lee Woods and Henry Woods  
I allow the above named tract of land or the proceeds thereof  
at my wife's death to belong to Nancy Herren and her bodily  
share if she has any and if none then and in that case the  
above named tract of land or proceeds shall be divided eq.  
ally between L. S. Woods Henry Woods Margaret Woods and  
W. W. Herren, but said land shall never be sold or disposed  
of in any way only under the contract and concurrence  
of L. S. Woods Henry Woods & W. W. Herren I also allow my  
W. W. Herren all the land down north of the before mentioned  
tract beginning at a point due west of the north west corner  
of the improvement on which I now live then north with  
Linn Woods land to the north boundary of all the land  
I claim thence east with said line to a Stake and  
Pointers, on the west boundary line of Linn Woods and  
John Herren's claim thence south to their corner thence east  
to the tangard branch supposed to be about twenty poles  
from st corner thence south with the branch so as to in-  
clude all the land down on the west side of branch  
not above disposed of I allow the Moswell place in-  
cluding all the land held by grant or occupancy shall be  
disposed of by John Woods and John Holmes for the  
benefit of Oliver Woods my brother and his family

And lastly as to all the rest residue and remainder of my  
Personal estate goods and chattles of what kind and  
nature soever I allow to be sold and the proceeds thereof  
to be applied in settling the debts of the estate and  
After all claims against the estate are settled then shalbe  
be a remainder of money than I allow the executors to make  
such disposess of the same as they may think right and  
just and I hereby appoint my Brothers John Woods  
my nephew L. Woods and my nephew W. W. Herren my  
executors of this my last will and testament hereby  
dismissing all former wills by me made or witness  
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the  
Day and date above written  
Signed and sealed in the presence of us  
the Subscribing witnesses and the William Woods Esq.  
testator

C. M. Hodges, Jr.  
James Huddleston, Jr.  
Burnell Robertson

State of Georgia  
Carroll County Courthouse December Term 1831.

The last will and testament of William Woods deceased was  
this day produced in open court and the execution thereof was  
duly proved by the oaths of John C. M. Hodges and James  
Huddleston two of the subscribers witness thereto and on  
motion of John Woods Levi S. Woods and W. W. Herren  
the executors named in the said will who took the oath  
required by law and together with Andrew Stuy &  
Henry Bright their securities interest intoacknowledged  
their bond in the sum of twenty thousand dollars con-  
ditioned as the law directs a certificate is granted  
them for obtaining a probate thereof in due form  
of law

A copy Cert.

Colwd. Curri Clark

Received 10th day February 1832.

State of Tennessee — In the name of God amen I Thomas Carroll County Cook Seno of State and City aforesaid taking into consideration my mortality and that it is appointed unto all men to die do ordain this my last will and Testament revoking all others being of sound mind and recollection, do will in manner and form following (viz) Item 1<sup>st</sup> That all my just debts be punctually and honestly paid, Item 2<sup>d</sup> that I have my beloved wife Anna one cow and calf and the one half of the stock of Hogs I now have on hands, besides the one half of the house hold and kitchen furniture, one feather bed and furniture, a spinning wheel and check Rul, likewise the one half of either the sales or labours (as the case may be) of my negro man named Ben, during his widowhood or otherwise and of her life if continuing single and at the end of either her widowhood or life, her entire interest in said negro to revert to my youngest son Joseph Cook

Item 3<sup>d</sup> I will to my son Joseph Cook the remaining half of my negro man named Ben, likewise all my ~~belongings~~ utensils and one half of my house hold and Kitchen furniture, and likewise one feather bed and furniture

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I will that all the legates of my estate at the death of my wife Anna shall be paid one dollar each whose names are not ~~expressed~~ in this will requesting my executors to fulfil the above in manner and form as above stated Executed and signed this eighteenth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty nine

in the presence of  
John Holmes (swn)  
Green Letty (swn)  
mark

Thos. Cook Seal

Joseph Cook  
John Holmes Executors

State of Tennessee —  
Carroll County Court, March Term 1832.

The last will and testament of Thomas Cook dec'd was this day produced in open court, and the execution thereof was duly proved by the oaths of John Holmes and Green Letty to be the act and deed of the said Thomas Cook and ordered to be record ed and on motion of Joseph Cook and John Holmes two of the executors named in the said will who took the oaths required by law and together with their securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the sum of dollars — conditioned as the law directs certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate there of in due form.

A copy Test.

Registered 26<sup>th</sup> July 1832

Attest Edward Gwin Clerk of Carroll County Court

In the name of God amen I Savannah Taylor in the County of Carroll and State of Tennessee do make and declare this my last will and Testament in manner and form following. First, I resign my soul in to the hands of almighty god, Hoping and believing in a Remission of my sins by the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, and my body I commit to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian like manner at the directions of my executors herein after ~~hereinafter~~ named and my worldly estate I give and divide as follows. First, I give and bequeath to my brother in law James Barker one hundred & Fifty dollars, the estate left me by my uncle John Barker in North Carolina Caswell County and no more, also I give and bequeath to my wife Jane Barker my Bed & Furniture of every description and all the residue of my personal estate after paying all my just debts and I do hereby constitute and appoint my Brother in law J

James Barker sole Executor of this my last will & Testament  
to witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and  
seal this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February 1832.  
Signed sealed and attested by the testator in  
the presence of  
John Barker (his) Susannah, Taylors (her)  
G. Barker (his)

State of Tennessee  
Carroll County Court, } March Term 1832  
The last will and Testament of his amah Taylo-  
r dec'd was this day returned into open court and  
the execution thereof was duly prossed by  
the auth. of James Barker and George W. Barker  
subscribing witnesses thereto to be her act and  
used and ordord to be Recorded and at  
Term 1832. of Carroll County Court.  
James Barker the Executor named in the said Will came  
into Court and entered into bond & security conditioned  
as the Law directs & took the necessary Oaths  
prescribed by Law.

A copy test.

Edward Gwin Clerk

Registered 26<sup>th</sup> July 1832

Attest,

Edward Gwin Clerk  
of Carroll County Courts

State of Tennessee Carroll County  
Being weak & low in body but sound in mind I John Carter  
do make & Ordain this my last will & Testament. In the name of  
God amen. Art 1. I will that all my just debts shall be paid  
2<sup>nd</sup> my plantation wheron I now live I will to my wife Rebecca  
Carter during her life or widow hood 3<sup>rd</sup> at the expiration  
of either I will the said plantation to my son Jonathan & him  
to pay to the rest of my legal heirs collectively one thousand  
dollars 4<sup>th</sup> all my other property I will to my wife Rebecca  
so long as she continues my widow or during life should  
she never marry except the sumers of good economy should  
appear & property be in a waisting situation, in either  
case I allow an equal division take place among my  
children making my wife Rebecca equal with any one  
of them 5<sup>th</sup> I will that part of my property that falls to  
my son William H. Carter to him during his natural  
life & then to the heirs of his body 6<sup>th</sup> I also will that  
part of my property that falls to my daughter Nicy G. Lee  
to her during her natural life & then to the heirs of her  
body 7<sup>th</sup> I will that part of my property that falls to my  
daughter Eliza J. Montgomery to her during her  
natural life & then to the heirs of her body & should  
she die without bodily heirs I allow her part to be equally  
distributed among the rest of my heirs 8<sup>th</sup> I will that my  
son Jonathan shall be equal with the rest of my heirs  
in all my perishable property 9<sup>th</sup> I will that in case  
of my son Jonathan dying without bodily heirs I allow  
one half of his estate to my daughter Tattha C. Carter  
& the other half to be equally divided among the rest  
of my heirs I allow my wife Rebecca Carter & my  
nephew Alexander Carter to execute this will In confir-  
mation of which I have hereunto set my hand and  
seal this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July 1832  
test.

Robert B. Porter jun  
George Cherry jun  
Phinehas Holmes jun

John Carter

State of Tennessee  
Carroll County Court September Term 1832

Then the last will and Testament of John Carter was this day produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proven by the oaths of Robert B. Porter George Cherry and Phinehas Holmes the subscribing witnesses thereto to be the act and deed of the said John Carter for the purposes therein contained and ordered to be certified for registration and on motion of Rebecca Carter and Alexander Carter the executors named in the said will who took the oath required by law and together with George Parker and Cullen McMullen their securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the sum of two thousand dollars conditioned as the law directs. It is therefore ordered by the court that letters of their said executorship be granted to them on the estate of the said John Carter deceased.

A copy first

Edward Gwin Clerk

Recorded 10th August 1832

Misery

Edward Gwin Clerk

Bennett Bancum being of sound and perfect mind and memory do make and publish this my last will & Testament in manner and form following First I give to my my beloved wife Melila the following property thith one negro boy Davy one negro Boy Bob one girl Lucy and five hundred dollars in Cash. the Cash to be laid out in land when she may think proper and at her death the land to belong to Sidney Bancum in case the land should not be sold. Then the said Sidney to have the five hundred dollars. Second I give to my Daughter Matilda Bancum one negro woman Charly one negro girl Abby, Third I give my Daughter Candis Bancum one negro boy Abel one negro woman Eveline, fourth I gave my Daughter Charity Bancum one negro boy Peter one girl Eliza 5<sup>th</sup> I gave to my Son Sidney Bancum one negro boy Britton one boy square one negro woman Charlotte one girl Nancy, the remainder of my property to be equally divided between my children to wit Hamet Busby, Matilda, Candis, Charity & Sidney Bancums after giving each one of my girls except Hamet Busby one bed and furniture one horse Bridle & saddle, and also my son Sidney one bed & furniture one horse bridle & saddle each horse saddle and bridle to be worth about Twenty five dollars, when they become of age or majority at the death or marriage of my wife all the property to be divided as above between my children, I also appoint my wife Hilla Ann Bancum & Thomas Banks Executrix & Executor of this my last will & Testament given under my hand and seal the 25<sup>th</sup> August A.D. 1832.

Bennett Bancum  
Signed & Sealed in the presence of us

Sam'l J. Herkitt jun  
P. Gwin Clerk

State of Tennessee

Carroll County 3 November 1832

The last will & Testament of Bennett Bancum deceased was this day produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proven by the oaths of Samuel J. Herkitt and J. A. Gwin the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and on behalf of Melila Bancum and myself both

State of Minnesota

Carroll County Court September Term 1832

Then the last will and Testament of John Carter was this day produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proven by the oaths of Robert W. Porter George Cherry and Phinehas Holmes the Subscribing witnesses thereto to Be the act and deed of the Said John Carter for the Purposes therein contained and ordered to be certified for Registration and on motion of Rebecca Carter and Alexander Carter the executors named in the said will who took the oath required by law and together with George Parker and Luther M. Muller their securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the sum of two thousand dollars conditioned as the law directs. It is therefore ordered by the court that letters of their said executorship be granted to them on the estate of the said John Carter deceased.

A copy first

Edward Gwin Clerk

Recorded 10th Novr 1832

Melony

Edward Gwin Clerk

Bennett Baucum being of sound and perfect mind and memory do make and publish this my last will & Testament in manner and form following first I give to my my beloved wife Helila the following property to wit one negro boy Bas one negro boy Bob one girl Rippy and five hundred dollars in cash the cash to be laid out in land when she may think proper and at her death the land to belong to Sidney Baucum in case the land should not be sold then the said Sidney to have the five hundred dollars. Second I give to my Daughter Matilda Baucum one negro woman Charly one negro girl Abby, third I gave my Daughter Candis Baucum one negro boy Abel one negro woman Caline, fourth I gave my Daughter Charity Baucum one negro boy Peter one girl Eliza 5<sup>th</sup> I gave to my Son Sidney Baucum one negro boy Britton one boy Squire one negro woman Charlotte one girl Anancy, the remainder of my property to be equally divided between my children to wit Harriet Busby Matilda, Candis, Charity & Sidney Baucums after giving each one of my girls except Harriet Busby one bed and furniture one horse & saddle & bridle, and also my son Sidney one bed & furniture one horse bridle & saddle each horse saddle and bridle to be worth about Twenty five dollars; when they become of age or maturity at the death or marriage of my wife all the property to be divided as above between my children, I also appoint my wife Helia Ann Baucum & Thomas Banks Executrix & Testator of this my last will & Testament given under my hand and seal this 25<sup>th</sup> August A.D. 1832. Bennett Baucum

signed & dated in the present of us

Sam'l J. Nibitt jun

P. Garton Jas

State of Minnesota

Carroll County - 3 December. 1832.

The last will & Testament of Bennett Baucum deceased was the day produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proven by the oaths of Samuel J. Nibitt and P. Garton Subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded and on motion of Helila Baucum and Thomas Baucum

Concertors named in the tht last will and testament of Ben  
Bacon deceased who took the oath Required by law and  
together with Hogwood Shadoc and John Prince their friends  
being entered into and acknowledged their bond in the sum  
of six thousand dollars conditioned as the law directs  
Letters of Contraire is granted them in due form as  
the law directs.

A copy Test.

Edward Green clk

Recorded at Feby 1st 1833.

Attest Edward Green Clerk

### David Marshall's Will

In the name of God Amen. I David Marshall son of the County  
of Carroll and State of Minnesota being of sound mind and dispe-  
osing memory do make and ordain this my last will & Testament  
in the manner & form following to wit. In the first place I give  
unto my daughter Nancy (wife of Morris Hallum) one certain tract  
or parcel of land containing three hundred & two acres lying in the  
County of Carroll & adjoining the lands of Henry Wright, on which  
said Hallum now lies during her natural life and at her death  
I give the same to her children to be equally divided among them  
to them & their heirs forever. The same I designed to have willed to  
my daughter Polly (wife of Robert Smith) at her request. I have  
deeded it to her Husband & therefore it is unnecessary to will it.  
Item I bind unto my son-in-law William Knudtsborough the  
tract of land whereon he now lies containing four hundred & fifty  
acres & half acres, also one negro woman named Nancy & Boys  
Audison Peter & son & girl Mary. her children with her future  
increase, during her natural life, and at his death the land & negroes  
to him I give to the children of his deceased wife & to the children  
of his present wife by him, to be equally divided among them to  
them & their heirs forever. Having given a certain tract  
of land containing by estimation four hundred & eight acres

to my Daughter Patsy (wife of James H. Hunt) by and executed on the  
22<sup>nd</sup> of July one thousand eight hundred & twenty nine it is there-  
fore unnecessary to make further mention of it. Having given  
to my Daughter Michal (wife of Albert H. Myrick) a certain  
tract of Land adjoining the north Boundary of the Town tract  
of Lebanon in the County of Wilson & State of Minnesota esti-  
mated to contain one hundred & four acres it is therefore unne-  
cessary to make further mention of it. I give & bequeath unto my  
Said Daughter Michal one negro boy Michael to her & her  
heirs forever. Item I give to my Daughter Kitty (wife of Wm  
Seary) one certain tract or parcel of land lying in the  
County of Henry & State of Minnesota containing one hundred  
& seventy five acres, which the said Seary has sold, and  
if the purchaser calls on me I will make him a deed to the  
same. Item I give to my Said Daughter Kitty, negro boy  
Nick & Edward & girl Luiza to her & her heirs forever  
Item I give & bequeath unto my Son David one certain tract or parcel  
of Land commonly called the Summer tract containing by estimate  
one hundred & twenty acres also a part of the tract commonly called  
the Mahane tract beginning at the north west corner of Robert  
Hunts tract he purchased of Peter Clugman on a gun & white oak  
Point then running with the line of the tract given to my Son  
Peter Patsy till it strikes the hard wood creek thence as the creek  
meanders till it gets below the road leading from Robert Hunt  
to his brother James Hunts to a white oak & Dogwood point  
thence east one hundred & two poles to corner Red oak in  
the branch leading from Son Davids thence as that branch  
meanders until it unites with Stockards creek & thence down  
that to a maple corner & Dogwood pointers thence east to the  
west boundary line of the Hill tract thence south with said  
line to the north boundary line of the Summer tract thence  
west to the north west corner of the Summer tract to a corner  
Hickory & pointer thence south to the north east corner of  
Robert Hunts tract bought of Peter Clugman thence  
west with his & the section line to the beginning. I also  
give to my Son David one negro woman Maria & her  
son James with her future increase & a mulatto  
boy named Michael to him & his heirs forever. Item I give  
to my Son William A. D. the tract of land on which I now

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line containing five hundred and forty five acres and a half subject to the peaceable possession of my wife Rebecca during natural life I also give & bequeath to my son W<sup>m</sup> N. B. the remainder of the tract commonly called the Mabon tract that is to say that tract is divided between my daughter Patsy & my two sons David & Milleam N. B. so that the two first named have the portion herein before described & my son W<sup>m</sup> N. B. the remainder of the tract also I give & bequeath to my son William N. B. about fifteen acres adjoining the north bounding line of the tract I now live on it being a purchase made of Gilbert Hart Also one negro woman named Mary with her future increase also a negro boy grigory & a mulatto boy Coleman also a choice young Horse of my stock and a good bridle & saddle also a good feather bed & furniture and a young yoke of oxen to him this heirs forever Item I give & bequeath unto my two sons David & W<sup>m</sup> N. B. the lots in the town of McLemoresville on which the brick building stands in which my son W<sup>m</sup> N. B. keeps store as joint property to them & their heirs forever But that my son W<sup>m</sup> N. B. is to have peaceable possession of the same until the death of my wife Rebecca provided he pay his brother David annnly forty Dollars a year rent Item I give & bequeath to my grand Daughters Francis & Martha Jane & Eliza Barter children of my late Daughter Rebecca one hundred dollars in cash to be equally divided among them I furthermore hereby direct & authorize my executors hereinafter to be armed to sell upon such land it as they may think proper a certain tract or parcel of land containing two hundred & twenty two acres of land lying upon the waters of Hick Creek and it is my will that my three grand Daughters Francis & Martha Jane & Rebecca Barter receive as they become of age or marry the proceeds of such sale with the interest of the same equally divided among them I give my grand Daughter Francis & Barter one negro boy Peter to my grand Daughter Martha Jane Barter one negro boy Ransom to my grand daughter Eliza Barter one negro boy George & to each of the last named grand daughters a good Horse bridle & saddle & a good feather bed & furniture when they Marry or come at lawfull age In relation to all the property willed

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to my three grand Daughters Francis & Martha Jane & Eliza Barter that should either die before they Marry or arrive at lawfull age that the survivor or survivors should receive the portion which would have fallen to the dead I give to the Anabaptists to the Catholics of Rome & to the universalists three acres of land for a place of publick worship to be taken off of a ~~lot~~ <sup>in</sup> my ~~one~~ acre tract I had located on the waters of crooked Creek to laid off in an oblong square west of the Spring so as to have free access to the water Item I give to my Beloved wife Rebecca three hundred dollars in cash Item I bind to her during her natural life the tract of land on which I live also ten negroes to wit Peter, Robin, Stephen, Jack Washington, Jude, Patt, Manauna, Daffney & Christiana also two yokes of oxen one waggon & the one half of all my stock of every description also all my plantation tools & those pair of the best gees & all of my Kitchen & house hold furniture and also the crop of every description on hand at my death All the residue of my estate not herein before disposed of I give to my following children & grand children that is to say to my Daughter Nancy, Polly, Patsy Michael & Kelly & to my three grand Daughters Francis & Martha Jane & Eliza Barter as one legate in the room & place of their decease moreover to all the children of my Son in law William Hainsborough which was born of my late Daughter Elizabeth and also the child Born and which may be born to him of his present wife as one legate in the room & place of my late Daughter Elizabeth to be equally divided among them & their heirs forever that is to say to my Daughter Nancy wife of Morris Hallums one fourth part, to my Daughter Polly wife of Robert Smith one seventh part, to my Daughter Patsy wife of James M. Scott, one seventh part, to my Daughter Michael wife of Albert H. Wyone one seventh part, to my Daughter Kelly (wife of Wm. Harvey) one seventh part & to my grand Daughters Francis Ann, Martha Jane & Eliza Barter, one seventh part to be equally divided between them and to the children of Wm. Hainsborough by both of his first & present wife one tenth part to be equally divided between them & their heirs forever and after the death of any wife Rebecca that portion of my estate leaved her (except the same) I give & bequeath

To the last named legatees in the manner of the last named beget  
that is to say to my Daughter Nancy one seventh part  
of the whole Estate to be divided to my Daughter Polly one seventh  
part to my Daughter Patty one seventh part to my Daughter Michael  
one seventh part to my Daughter Katty one seventh part to them  
& their Heirs forever to my three Grand Daughters Francis Ann  
Martha Jane & Eliza Barter one seventh part to be equally divided  
between them & to the children of William Housborough born  
of his first wife & of his second wife or which may be born  
to him one seventh part to be equally divided between them  
to them & their Heirs forever. In the division of my estate hereaf-  
ter to be made no reference is to be had to advancements  
I have made to my children & which property they are in pos-  
session of lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my Sons  
David & William N.B. & my Son-in-law William Housborough  
executors of this my last will & Testament hereby revoking  
all other wills by me made. In witness whereof I have here-  
unto set my hand & affixed my seal this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February  
in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred & Thirty  
three

Test.

Robert Hurt junr  
A. H. Smith junr  
J. J. N. Bridges junr

D. Marshall Esq

State of Tennessee  
Carroll County Court March 29<sup>th</sup> 1838.

The last will and Testament of David Marshall deceased was  
this day produced in open court and the execution thereof was  
duly proven by the oaths of Robert Hurt Anderson H. Smith  
and J. J. N. Bridges subscribing witnesses thereto to be  
the act and deed of said Marshall and ordered to be record-  
ed whereupon came into open court David Marshall M<sup>r</sup> A. B.  
Marshall and William Housborough the executors named in the  
said will and entered into and acknowledged their bond in the  
sum of Ten thousand Dollars with James M. Hunt and George Bar-  
ber their securities and took the necessary oaths prescribed  
by law

Registered 14 May 1838

Edward Gwin clk

Robert B. Paynes will

In the name of God our Saviour & Robert B. Paynes of the County of  
Carroll State of Tennessee living in a weak state of health but of  
perfect mind & memory calling to mind that it is appointed for all  
men to die do make and publish this my last will & Testament  
nowking & making void all former wills by me at any time  
herefore made Principally and first of all I recommend my  
soul unto God who gave it & my body to be buried in a decent  
Christian manner at the discretion of my executors as touching  
the worldly estate which God has pleased to bless me with  
I give and dispose of in the following manner viz  
First I direct that all my debts of funeral expenses be paid  
as soon as possible after my decease out of the first money  
that may come into the hands of my executors from any  
portion of my estate real or personal. &c. It is my will  
that my beloved wife Sally Paynes have the Plantation  
whereon I now live my negro man Brandy with all  
my Farming Utentials house hold & Kitchen furniture  
the Provisions nowe on hand, all Stock of Horses, Hogs  
Cattle & Sheep (except so much as may be necessary  
to be sold to pay my lawfull & just debts) sufficient  
to carry on the farm for the purpose of raising my  
Children off the proceeds of the farm &c and when  
my Children become of mature age then each Child  
to have a Horse bridle Saddle & Bridle bed & necessary  
furniture &c to be appraised by two disinterested  
men to be of an equitability to what the situation of  
my estate may reasonably require and William P. Hill  
son of my wife to share an equal part with all my  
heirs in the division of my estate, real & personal  
the balance of the above property to be at the discre-  
tion of my wife Sally Paynes during her natural  
life & at her death to be equally divided between all my  
children William P. Hill son of my wife to bear an equal  
share & it is my will that three hundred dollars which I  
have in money on hand at this time be appropriated to  
the purpose of buying a negro Girl for the benefit  
of my estate and that my wife Sally Paynes be authorized  
hereby to select such a Girl as she may think proper  
and most suitable for the benefit of my estate to be

12. Price for out of said money now on hand & I do hereby  
constitute and appoint my wife Sallie Payne and others  
here to sole Executor & Executrix of this my last will and  
testament, and do hereby utterly revoke all other wills or  
bequests heretofore by me made in any manner formed &  
declare this to be my last will & testament. In witness  
whereof I Robert B. Payne have hereunto set my hand  
Seal this seventh day of March 1833.

James A. Wilson (jur)

Robert B. Payne (jur)

Harrison Ezell.

Martin Maxwell (jur)

I Robert B. Payne of the state of Minnesota County of Carrol doth this  
3<sup>rd</sup> day of May 1833 make and publish this Codicil to my last  
will & Testament in the following manner and form taking into  
consideration the situation of my estate. It is my last will that the  
three hundred dollars set apart for the purpose of buying a  
Negro girl be applied by my executors to the payment of  
my just debts (as what money may be left in hand after my  
decease) believing it to be of more advantage to my estate than  
to sell off part my purchasable property to pay said demands  
and if any balance left by my wife Sallie Payne to use  
it for the benefit of raising my children in the way she  
may think to the most advantage to my estate and it is  
also my will and desire that my executors be not bound  
to give security to execute this my last will and testam.  
It is my desire that this my present Codicil be annexed  
to & made a part of my last will & Testament to all intents  
and purposes. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand  
and affixed my seal this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May 1833.

Test. James A. Wilson (jur)

Robert B. Payne (jur)

Martin Maxwell (jur)

State of Minnesota

Carroll County Court 3 June deponens 1833.

The last will and Testament & Codicil thereto of  
Robert B. Payne deceased was this day produced in open Court  
and the execution thereof was duly proven by the oaths of James  
A. Wilson and Martin Maxwell subscribing thereto to be  
the act and deed of the said Robert B. Payne & proved to be recorded.

A Copy thereto, Edward Lewis Clark

Registered 31st August 1883.

E. Lewis Clark

James Greer Will

In the Name of God Amens I James Greer of Carroll County  
in the state of Minnesota being in health of body & of sound mind  
Memory & understanding thanks be to god for the same do make  
this my last Will & Testament in manner following viz  
that all my debts & funeral charges be justly paid. My further  
will is that my beloved wife Sarah Greer shall have as  
comfortable a living on the Plantation I now live on as the  
same will admit of. Should she not think proper to live  
with my son James Greer then he said Greer shall pay  
for her maintenance wherever she may choose to reside what  
ever two disinterested judicious men may think is right  
Should she prefer a house of her own I will and bequeath  
to her (Sarah Greer) fifty acres of land joining Whiteside Dough-  
erty Martel & Croppit. also one of my negroes any one she  
may select with a necessary portion of Farming utensils  
house hold and Kitchen furniture and as much stock  
of all kinds that I possess as two or three honest discon-  
tinued men may deem necessary for her support during  
her natural life or widow-hood, all the property real  
and personal bequeathed to my wife Sarah Greer with  
the increase of the same at her decease. I will & bequeath  
to my son James Greer, I further will & bequeath to my  
five Daughters viz Susannah, Elizabeth, Margaret Emily  
& Elmer five dollars. I also will & bequeath to my son  
Robert five dollars. I further will & bequeath to my four  
Grand ~~Daughters~~ Children of the children of John & Mary  
Hamill Rec<sup>d</sup>. five hundred dollars &c. the two eldest each  
one hundred the balance equally divided between the other two  
Wmson & Hamill with whom these orphans now live may lay  
out said money for or as children as they may think most  
beneficial for them. All the rest residue & remainder of my  
Money Negras goods Chattels estate & effects of what nature  
or kind so ever here or else where that I do or may hold  
not before given bequeathed or disposed of. I give and  
bequeath to my son James Greer. And do hereby nominate  
constitute & appoint my son James Greer aforesaid sole  
executor of this my last Will & Testament hereby revoking &  
making void all other wills testaments & legacies made  
in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand

and seal this sixteenth day of October eighteen hundred & twenty  
six, sealed, signed & delivered in presence of  
Hugh Whitesides (per James Green, *test.*)  
John Cooper (per)  
State of Tennessee  
Carroll County Court June Year 1833.

The last Will & Testament of James Green deceased was  
this day produced in open Court and the execution thereof duly  
proven by the oaths of Hugh Whitesides & John Cooper subscriber  
being witness thereto to be the act & deed of the said James Green  
for record to be recorded.

A copy left Edward Gwin Clerk  
Registered 31<sup>st</sup> August 1833.

### Nancy Woods Will

In the name of God Amen I Nancy Woods of the  
County of Carroll and State of Tennessee being weak in body  
but of sound Mind & Memory do this Eleventh day of  
November eighteen hundred & thirty four make and  
publish this my last will & Testament in the manner  
form following to wit first I allow all my just duty  
to be paid I give and bequeath to my friends & relatives  
the following property & money I allow John Woods  
Daughter Margaret my bedstead Curtains cupboard  
ware and my Pewter, I allow John Woods son John  
forty Dollars, I allow Deyert Woods daughter Nancy  
Rachael fifty Dollars, I allow John Herron daughter  
Hester fifty Dollars, I allow Nancy Herron  
all my Kitchen furniture except the Waffle Irons  
and Brap Kettle which I allow for Jane Woods  
I allow Archibald Adams Daughter Nancy  
One hundred Dollars, I allow Thomas Drydens daughter  
Nancy One hundred Dollars, I allow S. S.  
Woods daughter Nancy One hundred Dollars  
my new Saddle blanket and bridles my Large  
red bed quilt one of my new Calico quilts I  
allow my other bed for Dr. Woods daughter Nancy  
and one of my new Calico quilts, I allow all the  
rest of my bed Cloths to be equally divided  
between William W. Herron, S. S. Woods daughter  
Nancy and Dr Woods daughter Nancy, I allow  
S. S. Woods son William fifty dollars, I allow Polly Colby  
my small rowling bedstead, I allow S. S. Woods my part  
of the Carriage, Chairs Shovel & Tonge fire Irons and  
Jack Screw, I allow S. S. Woods my Large Bible &  
all the rest of my books I allow to be equally divi-  
ded between S. S. Woods Margaret Woods and William  
W. Herron, I allow Sally Woods my little Whel, I  
allow Deyert Woods my folding Deaf Table, I allow  
all the rest of my property not herein disposed of  
to be sold on a credit of twelve months now if in  
case after the affairs of the estate are settled there should  
not be money enough to comply with the within appropriation  
each shall receive in proportion to their several amounts

be authorized and should there be a remainder after  
the within appropriations are completed with  
it shall be applied to some charitable purpose  
by S G Woods & John Woods sent as they may  
think best & right. it is my wish and request that  
my friends be satisfied with the division I have  
made of my property and friendly in its distribu-  
tion which will be attended by my Executor  
whom I hereby appoint and request to be my  
friends S G Woods signed in the presence of the  
Subscribing witnesses

James W. Drake (jr)  
David Spain (jr)

Nancy Woods  
her mark

State of Tennessee  
Carroll County Court December Term 1834.  
The last will and Testament of Nancy Woods  
deceased was this day produced in Open Court and  
the execution thereof duly proven by the oaths of  
James W. Drake and David Spain Subscribing  
Witnesses thereto & on motion of Lewis G. Woods the  
Executor named in the said Will who took the oath  
required by Law.

A Copy of Test  
Edward Green Clark

Recorded 7<sup>th</sup> March A.D. 1835.

Test. Edward Green Clark

Solomon Putman's Will

State of Tennessee August the 18<sup>th</sup>, 1834  
Carroll County Solomon Putman being in a low  
state of Health but being of a sound mind and  
possessing all my reason & judgment do make and  
ordain this my Last Will & Testament first it is  
my Will and desire that my Daughter Nancy Glop  
have given to her in money or property out of my estate  
One hundred dollars Valuing what she has already of  
at forty three dollars (that is \$57 more making with what  
she has got \$100) as soon as practicable after my death and  
that each of my other five Daughters have each One hund-  
red dollars in money or property made up to them as  
they marry or come of age as a part of their several Lega-  
cies secondly it is my will and desire that my son  
John Thomas Putman have One hundred and fifty dollars  
in money or property as may be most convenient for the Estate  
at the age of Twenty One years as a part of his Legacy  
Thirdly it is my Will & desire that all my estate be kept together  
Only so much as shall be sufficient to comply with this my  
Will and for the benefit of the Estate which shall be sold  
or disposed of for said purposes as my Executor shall deem most  
expedient all the balance to be kept together in the hands of  
my wife for the purpose of raising and schooling my  
children provided she remains my Widow, or less until  
my younger Son William Howard Putman comes of age at  
which time the whole to be sold and after a portion of One  
hundred Dollars to each of my Sons the balance to be  
Equally divided among all my children making my beloved  
Son Garret an equal Heir with my Daughters (Counting  
each portion recd. as a part in said division so as to make all  
equal Heirs Only the boys \$100 each the most in a general  
division Fourthly I constitute ordain & appoint John Howard  
Snr. my executor investing him with full power to manage  
my said Estate to the best advantage in a compliance of  
this my Last Will & Testament giving him power to sell  
the same and buy more else where or to sell property  
belonging to the Estate and buy more or to act in  
any way thrown to profit said Estate for the completion

18 of my will & benefit of my Estate was as full a  
Manner as prudent. Lastly I desire my body to the tomb  
and my spirit into the hands of God that gave it Am  
Amen.

Solomon Putman

Absalom Knop (jr)

W.B. Howard (jr)

Collis McNeillius

State of Tennessee  
Carroll County Court 3 December Term 1834

The last will and Testament of Solomon  
Putman deceased was this day produced in open Court  
and the execution thereof duly proven by the Oathes  
of W.B. Howard & Absalon Knop. Two of the  
Subscribing witnesses thereto to be his act and deed  
& ordered to be recorded

A. Copy List

Edward Givins Clark

Recorded 7<sup>th</sup> March A.D. 1835

Edward Givins Clark

William T. Collins Will & Codicil 1834  
In the Name of God Amen  
I William T. Collins of the County of Carroll and State of  
Tennessee being sick in body and Considering the uncertainty  
of this mortal life and being of sound mind & memory  
(blessed be Almighty god for the same) do make and publish  
this my last will and Testament in manner and form  
following (that is to say). First I will that all my just  
duty be paid out of my estate, I also will and  
bequeath to my son Shadrack Clewellius the negro  
girl Harriet which I have heretofore given him  
also my negro boy Henry and my negro boy John  
at my decease, I also will and bequeath to my  
daughter Elizabeth Bores my negro girl Mary  
and my negro boy Alfred which I have heretofore  
given her, I also give and bequeath to my daughter  
Mary my slave my negro girl Charity which I have  
heretofore given her, I also give and bequeath  
to my beloved wife Ann Clewellius all the balance  
of my negro's labor House hold and Kitchen fern  
item with all my stock of farming Utensils with  
all my other property & money not above valued during  
her natural life and at her decease to be sold by my  
executor on a credit of twelve months and out of the  
money arising from said sale, I will that my son  
Habert Clewellius have one hundred dollars and my  
Grandson Nicholas Mc Barnell have seventy five dollars  
and my Grand Daughter Milberry Shackelford have  
seventy five dollars and I will that all the balance  
or residue arising from said sale be equally divided  
into three equal shares parts of which I will that my  
son Shadrack Clewellius have one part of said division  
and I also will that my daughter Elizabeth Boon  
have one other part of said division and I also will  
that my Grandson Nicholas Mc Barnell and my Grand  
Daughter Milberry Shackelford have the other part of  
said division equally divided between them. I also will  
that the hundred dollars which I have above will'd  
to my son Habert Clewellius if he should be dead  
or never apply the same to me the

to and use of my son Shadrack Glouellin, I hereby  
appoint (my said Shadrack Glouellin) my sole executor  
of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all  
former Wills by me made, by whereof I have  
hereunto set my hand & seal this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July  
A.D. 1827.

Intertined with the words (Wm Glouellin)

Glouellin & my son before signed  
Signed Sealed & declared in the presence of us

S. G. Gayle  
W. D. Gayle (jr.)  
Olivia W. Gayle (jr.)

State of Semipal May the 30<sup>th</sup> day 1834.

Carroll County. William Glouellin deceased some four or five  
years past made my last will and in that  
will I left Mr. Barnard and his sister Millery Shackleford  
about one hundred fifty dollars or thereabouts which some  
of money or gift I have paid to said Barnard sister Millery  
Shackleford by giving them about six hundred fifty dollars  
cash two years ago the I have no charges against  
them Only the money I left them in my will as I dont  
want to alter my will no charge as to the six hundred  
and fifty dollars I gave them

Attest Wm Glouellin

R. B. Gordon (jr.)  
John Morgan (jr.)

State of Semipal June Term 1835.

Carroll County. The last will and Testament of William  
Glouellin deceased And the Codicil thereto made this day  
produced in Open Court and the said will was proven by  
the oaths of Mr. P. Gayle & Olivia W. Gayle Subrof the  
Subscribing witnesses thereto to be the act & deed of the said  
William Glouellin deceased the Codicil to said will was produced  
in Open Court and proven by the Oaths of Robert B. Gordon &  
John Morgan Subscribing witnesses thereto to be the act & deed of  
the said William Glouellin deceased Whereupon it is Ordered  
by the Court that the same be Recorded

Ast. Edward Grinn Clark

Recorded 18<sup>th</sup> August 1835.

E. Grinn Clark

Joseph B Adams 1835 Will

51.  
In the name of god Amen I John B Adams of Carroll  
County and State of Georgia being weak in body, but of perfect  
Mind and memory, thanks be given unto God, calling into  
Mind the mortality of (my body) and knowing that it is  
appointed for all men due to die do make & ordain  
this my last will & Testament, that is to say principally  
and first of all I give and recommend my soul into  
the hands of almighty God that gave it and my body  
I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent  
Christian burial at the discretion of my executor.  
nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection  
I shall receive the same again by the mighty power  
of god and as touching such worldly estate where  
with it has pleased god to bless me in this life I  
give and dispose of the same in the following  
Manner Dowt. I give and bequeath to Rebecca  
Adams my dearly beloved wife the whole of (my estate)  
during her widow hood, and in the event that she  
should marry then in that case It is my will that  
the one half of said Property or the Value thereof be  
delivered to Delila Belcher my only sister and I  
hereby appoint & constitute my self and ordain  
William Neighbours my sole executor of this my last  
will & Testament and he is hereby to take the management  
of all and singular the said estate for my beloved  
wife according to the true intent and meaning of said  
will, and I hereby utterly disallow revoke & disanule  
all and every other former testament will legacy  
bequeath and executor by me in any wise before  
named killed and bequeathed ratifying & confirming  
this and no other to be my last will & Testament  
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and  
Seal this 31<sup>st</sup> day of May 1835.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said John B Adams as his last will  
and Testament in the presence of us who in  
his presence & in the presence of each other  
have hereunto subscribed our names  
Attest Charles D Kennedy - (Sub.)