

I John H. Enson of Carter Co Tenn. being of sound mind and of disposing memory do make ordain and publish this to be my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills or wills by me at any time made

I give my land to Ed Enson and ask that my body be buried in a common and decent manner. such as my children live on the farm may see proper to be put me away in.

I will that my funeral expenses and any other debts that I may owe be paid out of my money or personal effects I may have on hand at the time of my death.

I give and bequeath to my son Preston A. Enson a certain boundary of land beginning on a stream in the bank of the Creek. Little above the little peach Orchard running up the hollow to a cedar tree at the north corner of the grass yard. and thence a straight line to a black oak with the top broke out just out side of the fence. Thence north & pole, and thence running a little north of East to Simmons line, thence with Simmons line to the said Preston A. Enson line thence with the same to the Creek thence with thence with Bond & the beginning.

I give and bequeath to my three children now at hand with me to wit A. P. Enson Edny Enson and Sophora Enson all the remaining of my real estate including when I now live and the same being the lands upon which I have been living for a number of years (except the portion just bequeathed to my son Preston in the third clause of this will) to share equally alike and to be equal in quantity and quantity in said lands and I will also that the children A. P. Enson and Sophora Enson shall remain together on said lands and live for the interest of each other as much as possible. But should it become necessary for a division of said lands between my son A. P. and the two girls. I will that the same be so divided that the girls may have the buildings when we now live. I also will give and bequeath to my three children A. P. Edny, and Sophora Enson all the personal property and effects that I may at the death of including horse hold and kitchen furniture of share equally alike except the horse hold which I will give to my son A. P. Enson at my death as he has had all the trouble with said horse and raised the same. I therefore give my horse

my said horse stock to my said son and ask that the same be kept on the farm for the benefit of the same and family left.

I will I will give and bequeath to my son W. D. Enson and my daughter Lucretia Enson and my daughter Evelyn Hargensom or her heirs five dollars each to be paid by my sons A. P. and Preston Enson and my daughter Edny and Sophora Enson equally to be paid in three years from my death in cash or good trade.

I also will that my sons A. P. and Preston Enson and my daughter Edny and Sophora Enson pay to my son W. D. Enson and my daughter Lucretia Enson and the heirs of my daughter Evelyn Hargensom forty six dollars each which is their equal pro rata of their mother's interest from her father's estate. And that each one pay equal amounts and payable in cash or good trade & that they have three years from my death to pay said amounts.

I do nominate and appoint my son A. P. Enson my Executor of this my last will and testament signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of the subscribing witnesses and in the presence of each other on this the 29<sup>th</sup> day of January 1857.  
 A. P. Enson  
 Witness W. D. Enson  
 G. A. Enson

I George Piringer considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of sound mind and memory do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following.

I give and bequeath to my son George Lewis Piringer all of my farm with all the improvements and it and all of my horse hold and kitchen furniture I have no stock of any kind and no farming tools except one wagon and one sawmill and I give them Lewis, my wagon and sawmill.

And in consideration my said George Lewis Piringer is to pay to the balance of my heirs (about \$500) four hundred dollars and it is to be paid without interest equally between them. That is \$166.<sup>66</sup>/<sub>3</sub> one hundred and sixty six dollars and sixty six and two thirds cents to each one of them within five years from the date of my death which is \$333.<sup>33</sup>/<sub>3</sub> three three and one third dollars per year alike to Margaret Ann Kelly & the W. Piringer and James Edward Piringer. I do appoint A. L. Piringer my Executor and Controul Bond.  
 Aug 27 1854  
 George Piringer

Attest  
J. B. Rouse  
R. W. Swalling

In consideration of the above that my son George Lewis Peringer did work for me for two years that I owe a debt to him for it of two hundred dollars for work that he done after he was twenty one years old. And also in consideration Lewis has spent about two hundred dollars in improvements on my buildings. My son Lewis is to take care of work and pay all funeral expenses.

Aug 8<sup>th</sup> 1887

Attest  
J. B. Rouse  
R. W. Swalling

George Peringer

I Celia Hess being of sound mind and memory but weak and feeble of body do make and ordain this my last will and testament hereby revoking and annulling void all those heretofore made by me at any time

1<sup>st</sup> I resign my soul to God who gave it and my body to the earth from whence it came, to be buried in the old burying ground near my home beside my husband, the expenses for which, I want my executor hereafter named to pay out of any money on hand or to be collected.

2<sup>nd</sup> I give and bequeath my safe, to my niece Margaret Smith.

3<sup>rd</sup> I give and bequeath my harness and bed to my niece Mary Ann Smith, wife of Taylor Smith.

4<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath my fall leaf table Celia Whitehead, daughter of W. C. & Nancy Whitehead, also to the last named person my needle stand and one bedstead and necessary bed clothes to constitute a good bed.

5<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to Margaret Smith with my own with my one bedstead and bedding sufficient to make a good bed.

6<sup>th</sup> Given under my hand in presence of the subscribing witnesses on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 1887.

J. P. Vanhook

J. L. Bourne

J. L. Bourne

Codicil to my will heretofore made.

In addition to my former bequest, I give and bequeath to Celia Whitehead two extra plates one large dish and one

set knives and forks

1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath to Jennie Whitehead my large brass kettle and my small brass kettle

2<sup>nd</sup> I give and bequeath to Bettie Bourne daughter of Rev. J. L. Bourne my Ladies small cabinet

3<sup>rd</sup> I give and bequeath to Mr. P. C. Shaw my kitchen cupboard

4<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to Rev. J. L. Bourne my kitchen commode

5<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to J. P. Vanhook my dining table. I nominate and appoint J. P. Vanhook executor of the will and the will of which there is an addition, also to take charge of any and all property that I may be possessed of and not disposed of by will, and discharge of it according to law.

Given under my hand on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1887.

Witness

J. P. Vanhook

J. L. Bourne

Celia Hess  
mark

I Celia Jane Campbell do make and publish this as my last will and testament hereby revoking and annulling void all other wills by me at any time made.

1<sup>st</sup> I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I may have or be possessed of or may hereafter come into the hands of my executor.

2<sup>nd</sup> I give and bequeath to my nephew Daniel P. Piner all my real estate consisting of about thirty two acres of land in the same town or lot bounded as follows on the north by Watsons river, South by Cordons street by Julia A. Campbell East by Leardins Campbell, to have and do as he pleases with

3<sup>rd</sup> My said nephew Daniel P. Piner is to pay all my lawful debts. Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint Mr. P. Piner my executor in preference whereof I do hereby to this my will set my hand and seal this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1887.

Given under my hand and seal and published in presence of the subscribing witnesses and my hand on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March 1887.

Celia Jane Campbell  
mark

In the name of God Amen.

I Samuel McKimney of the County of Carter State of Tennessee calling to mind the frailty and uncertainty of human life and being desirous of settling my worldly affairs and directing how the estate with which it has pleased God to bless me shall be disposed of after my decease while I have strength and capacity to do so make this my last will and testament and first I command my mortal being to him who gave it, and my body to the earth to be buried with ordinary expenses and to my worldly estate and all the property real personal and mixed of which I shall be seized and possessed or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease, I devise and bequeath and dispose thereof in the manner following to wit My Will is that all my just debts and funeral charges shall by my Executors hereinafter named be paid out of my estate as soon after my decease as shall be thought proper by said Executors  
I give devise and bequeath to my sons and daughters Henry McKimney Samuel McKimney David B. McKimney Wm McKimney William McKimney John McKimney Caroline Morton Sally McKimney Judge Sumner Mary Stevens Ollie Styles & to their heirs and Catey McKimney as a third woman she has been waiting on me upwards of ten years and I want her to have one bed finished off and two pillows and bolster and one half of the quilts and blankets and all she has made since she has been here & all of her clothing and one sheep and six chickens and provision enough to do her until she makes if I have got it, and a small pot and baker and bed two chairs one set of plates a set of tea cups and saucers one half a set of knives and forks and half and half dozen of dishes two Justice.  
I Samuel McKimney printe Henry McKimney and D. M. Simms to be my administrators after my decease.  
I want her to be paid off first. John McKimney heirs \$100 a piece to be paid in any kind of trade or property the manner I did not make them full heirs his wife oaks and for land and would not pay for Wm McKimney heirs two hundred and he stands back until the rest records the same and then share with the rest Mary Stevens has

received twenty four dollars she stands back until the rest gets corn and share with the rest and the House furniture and plow to be divided equally and the farming tools to be divided the same way and what stock there is to be divided the same way The lower tract of land I want Benjamin McKimney to have it if he wants it and pay the rest of the heirs the remainder after his dowry comes out and he is to have two years to pay it in and to be paid in any kind of good trade or property or money if he wants to, and the Home tract any of the Heirs that can buy it or want it or will give the most for it I want them to have it if they want it and they can pay the rest of the heirs the remainder after their dowry comes out and they are to have two years to pay it in to be paid in good trade or property or money if they want to and if none of the heirs don't want it sell to the highest bidder and divide equally I give devise and bequeath all of the above named of my sons and daughters with Sally McKimney for them to have and to hold the same forever I seal this 30 day of December 1880.  
Test  
Marshall Day  
A. G. Hender  
Samuel McKimney  
mark

State of Tennessee & Calist Morrill of the County of Carter State of Tennessee do hereby make this my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made  
It is my will that my just debts and funeral expenses be paid of the first money that may come into the hands of the Executors that I hereafter appoint my Executors  
I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Lucy Morrill one tract of land lying in the State of Tenn. and County of Hancock Dist 9 joins the land of Martha Rich on the East and Jane Callis on the west where Joseph Morrill now lives also I will and bequeath to the aforesaid Lucy Morrill my wife all my personal property of every kind and description horses, Cattle, Hogs all grain on land or growing all house and kitchen furniture of all kinds, I hereby appoint my son John J. Morrill my Executor to this my Last Will and Testament given under my hand this the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 1887  
Signed  
Calist Morrill  
C. M. Emmert  
J. O. Morrill

In the name of God Amen!

I Alexander Hughes, of the County of Carter and State of Tennessee, being aged and infirm in body but of sound mind and memory do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament, that the event that my beloved wife Lucinda Hughes shall survive me, I give and bequeath unto her all my house hold effects and personal property of whatever nature and description to have use and enjoy during life and to dispose of at her death in any manner she may deem best.

I also give and bequeath unto her my said beloved wife Lucinda Hughes, in case she survives me, a lip set into in my farm & house - the same being now parcel land, to be held, occupied and controlled by her during the remainder of her life time.

At the death of my said wife Lucy Hughes, I direct that my farm shall be disposed of in the following manner to wit: My said farm shall be divided by my executor and the County Surveyor into six equal lots, the lines of division to run across the tract at right angles to the river on West Road front, the lots to be numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, beginning numbers with lower lot next to Green's The cleared land to be divided into 3 lots and the timber land into 3 lots, I give and bequeath the lots so divided and numbered to my three children Lena Green, Samuel Love, and Noah Love in the following order to wit, to Lena Green and her children by Elvethy Green, cleared lot No. 1 and timber lot No. 4, to Noah Love and his heirs & legal representatives cleared lot with house No. 2 and timber lot No. 5, and to Samuel Love his heirs and legal representatives cleared lot No. 3 and timber lot No. 6. And I further direct that my executor and the County Surveyor shall set apart and establish the most convenient road possible through the lots named so that each party may have full and free access to their respective lots and ingoes and egress to & from the public highway. Unto Hannah Hyder, I give and bequeath out of my estate the sum of six dollars (\$6<sup>00</sup>) to be paid in the following manner: two dollars to be paid her by Lena Green, two dollars by Noah Love, and two dollars by Samuel Love. Now I make the foregoing bequests on the following conditions to wit, that three of the legations herein named, that is to say, Lena Green, Noah Love and Jeremiah Love shall assume and pay off equal shares of a note this day executed to Martin Crow for the sum of fifty six dollars (\$56<sup>00</sup>) and interest payable eighteen months after date, and secured by deed in trust this day executed to Solomon Crow Trustee, embracing the land thus divided among the said legates. If any of the said legates shall refuse to comply with the said condition, then he or she shall have no lot or part in said land and these remaining lots do accept the aforementioned condition may assume places of those refusing, pay the share of indebtedness and take the lots in case they all refuse or fail to comply with the said condition, then the land shall be sold by my Executor

to the highest bidder either by private or public sale, all expenses to be paid out of the proceeds of the above named note and all account in-  
 tract fully paid and satisfied and the balance, if any, paid over in equal share to Lena Green or her heirs, to Noah Love and Jeremiah Love or their heirs or legal representatives. And I do hereby make constituted and appoint Solomon Crow as my executor to carry out the provisions of this my last Will and Testament, who shall not be required to give bond in its execution. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 28<sup>th</sup> day of November 1858.

Alex  
 James P. Paylor  
 Solomon Crow  
 Isaac Brooks  
 Martin Crow &c.

Alexander H. Hughes

Last Will and Testament of Nancy Lewis  
 I Nancy Lewis of the County of Carter and State of Tennessee being of sound mind do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament. I give my body to the dust wherof it is made and my soul unto the hands of God who give it hoping and assuredly believing that through the merits of his son Jesus Christ I shall be made partaker of life everlasting.

It is my will and I do hereby give and bequeath unto my sister Sophina Lewis and her son William Lewis the house wherein they now do now reside together with all my lands lying and being in the Sixth Civil District of Carter Co. together with all rights titles bonds documents and habiliments thereunto appertaining to have and to hold they and their heirs and assigns forever. And as he special bond that said Sophina Lewis and William Lewis do make payment of the sum of \$25<sup>00</sup> of twenty five dollars to my sister Mary Glover and her husband Richard Glover and the worshipful County Court do hereby requested to make title to said lands to said Sophina and William Lewis immediately upon their showing receipt for said sum signed by said Mary and Richard Glover.

It is further my will that all my household & household fitted beds and bed clothing and all articles of furniture of which I shall die seized and possessed shall be given to my said sister Sophina and nephew William Lewis.

It is my will that unto my said sister Mary Glover shall be given all my wearing apparel.

It is further my will that unto my brother Hampton Lewis that he be released from paying unto my Executor the sum of \$25<sup>00</sup> of twenty five dollars borrowed from my years ago and this instrument shall be a receipt in full to him for said sum.

It is further my will that my Executor pay all my just and lawful debts including doctor bills or any such debts incidental to my sickness or burial. It is my will and I do hereby give and ordain any receipt said Will given

Lewis as Executor to this my last will and Testament  
In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name on this  
the 3<sup>d</sup> day of March 1888.

Witness

James H. Keating  
G. H. Hendrix.

Henry <sup>for Lewis</sup>  
Mott

The Last Will and Testament of George Mottson of  
Carter County and State of Tennessee  
I George Mottson considering the uncertainty of this  
mortal life and being of sound mind and memory do  
make and publish this my last will and Testament in  
presence and form following.

First, I give to my son Isaac H. Mottson the farm that  
he now lives on and also a tract of land adjoining  
George Little & Henry Little containing in the two by estimation  
nearly four Acres in all.

Second, I give to my son William H. Mottson the farm he  
now lives on adjoining William Mottson and Susan Vest  
and also containing about forty eight Acres.

Third, I give to my son John H. Mottson the farm he now  
lives on known as Palmett farm of about forty nine Acres  
and also another piece adjoining the same and here  
nearly of about four Acres of which I have marked off  
and made corners and boundaries it, And also another  
piece of land of about ten Acres on the west corner of  
my farm adjoining Joseph Morrell and Andrew Ross  
Davis and others of which I have made corners and  
marked off.

Fourth, I give to my son Samuel S. Mottson one tract  
of land lying on the North side of my farm beginning  
on a rock on the line between Jacob Ranges and myself  
with corners made among it and marked to show where  
it lies adjoining William & William H. Mottson and John  
Hendrix supposed to be about fifty Acres of land.

Fifth, I give to my son George W. Mottson, I give to  
him all my ~~whatevers~~ the balance of my lands  
including all my buildings of the farm place supposed  
to be about one hundred Acres and also all of my  
farming tools and my wagg and saw mill and cutting  
Box &c. and all my stock sheep, Cattle horses, Hogs &c.  
and all the household and kitchen furniture except one  
good bed and one milk cow to which I give to  
my wife Catherine Edline Mottson and I give to my  
wife Edline my large Bible, I also give to my son  
George W. Mottson one large Bible and one large Pel  
I give to my son George W. Mottson all of the grain that

as an house at my death

I now give my reason for giving my son George W. Mottson  
the above mentioned property that is he is to take good care of  
me and Edline my wife while we live and after my death  
George W. Mottson my son is to take good care of my wife Edline  
Edline so long as she remains my widow or she remains single  
I now give to Harriet Range my daughter one hundred and fifty  
dollars.

I now give to my daughter Sarah Morrell one hundred & fifty  
dollars.

I now give to my daughter Matilda Ann Ellis one hundred & fifty  
dollars.

Now in consideration of the above each of my sons is to give to  
each of my daughters above named the sum of thirty dollars  
in trade value at cash price to be paid within three years after  
my death. If I have any money on hand at my death it must  
go to burial expenses of my wife Edline. If there should be  
any money left after all my debts being paid it shall be  
divided equally among all my heirs. I give now to John H.  
Mottson and George W. Mottson all of my black Smith tools  
to be equally between them and not to deprive the other boys  
with the privilege to the boys to work on them but not to move  
the tools from their present place.

I hereby appoint William H. Mottson and Samuel S. Mottson  
my Executors of this my last will and Testament. In witness  
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 3<sup>d</sup> day of  
February 1888.

George Mottson

The above instrument consisting of one sheet of paper was read  
here subscribed by George Mottson the testator in the presence of  
each of us and was at the same time declared by him to be his  
last will and Testament and we at his request we sign our names  
hereto as attesting witnesses.

Jerramiah B. Keating  
John Hendrix

State of North Carolina  
Yancey County

A paper purporting purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Phineas Williams deceased is exhibited in Open Court for Probate by Joshua Williams the Executor therein named in the following words and figures to wit:

In the name of God Amen

I Phineas Williams being now in my forty third year and being in feeble health but of sound mind and memory and knowing the uncertainty of human life and the certainty of death, and being desirous to dispose of the Property both Real and Personal that God hath blessed me with therefore I make and Publish this my last Will and Testament that is to say

- I. I give and bequeath my soul to God who gave it me and my body to the earth from whence it came and that my burial shall be such as my kindred may desire
- II That my Executors hereinafter named pay my funeral expenses together with all my just debts of any kind
- III I will devise and bequeath unto my beloved brother Joshua Williams and my beloved Sister Lucretia Dixon my farm situated lying and being in the State of Tennessee all County of Carter the waters of Buffalo Creek and known as the Cove Spring farm containing one hundred and ninety acres more or less then James M. Williams now Clerk adjoining lands of George Haynes and George Haines on the South and W. M. Brown on the N. E. & Little Samuel Williams N. E. and part of A. M. and mine of Samuel Williams deceased on the West at a pole of the lands of the heirs of Samuel Williams dead then South 65 poles to a corner made in the then South 65 poles to the line of George Haynes colored to the 1<sup>st</sup> corner line.
- IV I will devise and bequeath unto my beloved brother Edmund Williams all and every of my undivided interest in & to a certain piece or parcel of land situated lying and being in the County of Yancey State of North Carolina East of Rumney with old land side of Public Road joining lands of J. & C. Williams J. M. Carlisle & others beginning on a State land rock at Public road North of J. & C. Williams corner and runs East with the Public road to J. M. Carlisle line then South with said Carlisle line to a Cucumber then a West corner along a Ridge to J. & C. Williams line then with said line to the beginning containing Eleven acres or thereabouts more or less.
- V I will devise and bequeath unto my beloved Brother Edmund Williams all and every of my undivided interest in and to a second tract of land

lying and being in the County of Yancey State of North Carolina situated in a North East Corner from Runnerville adjoining lands of S. M. Bernitt & others, beginning at a corner in a line of a piece of land purchased from John S. H. Fleming by S. M. Bernitt and Runn as per deed made by S. H. Fleming to Joshua Phineas Williams containing six and one half acres more or less

- VI I give and bequeath to my beloved Sister L. A. Dixon and Orphan of the Betty make also one sewing Machine of the Singer Make
- VII I will and give to my beloved Brother Joshua Williams one Cornell Man
- VIII I will and give to my beloved nephew John L. Dixon my Rifle Gun & Pair of
- IX I hereby constitute & appoint Joshua Williams my true and lawful Executor and Trustee upon him the duty of carrying out and putting this my last Will and Testament in Execution whereof I Phineas Williams have made set my hand and seal this first day of May A. D. 1881

In witness whereof I have signed my name and seal this first day of May A. D. 1881

In presence of each other  
Phineas Williams  
W. M. Brown  
A. R. Bay

In the Matter of the Probate of the Will of Phineas Williams deceased William M. Brown being by me duly sworn deposes and says that he is a subscribing witness to the Will of Phineas Williams and that he has seen the said Phineas Williams subscribe, declare and published said paper writing as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of himself and has also subscribed the same at his request in my presence who was in my opinion of sound mind and disposing memory

W. M. Brown  
I swear to and subscribed before me October 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May A. D. 1881.



I, A. R. Bay, Clerk of the Superior Court, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears in my files and records in the matter of the Probate of the Will of Phineas Williams deceased. A. R. Bay, Clerk of the Superior Court.

Subscribed signed sworn to before me October 2<sup>nd</sup> day 1881  
A. R. Bay  
Clerk Superior Court

North Carolina  
 Yancey County Upon the foregoing affidavit and it is Ordained that said paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Thomas Williams deceased be admitted to Probate and that the said with these affidavits be recorded in the Book of Wills for said County October the 2<sup>nd</sup> day A.D. 1885

S. B. Briggs  
 Clerk Superior Court

North Carolina  
 Yancey County I, S. B. Briggs Clerk of the Superior Court for said County and State hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and perfect copy from the Book of Wills in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court for said County. In Witness hereunto set my hand and seal of said Office this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October A.D. 1886

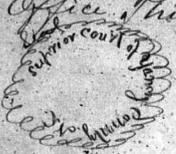
S. B. Briggs  
 Clerk Superior Court  
 Yancey County

I W<sup>m</sup> S. Thomas of Carter County, Deen Deing of sound mind & memory, but weak of body do make ordain publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament revoking any former Wills by me at any time made.

1<sup>st</sup> My humble acknowledgment of my faith in God. I give my soul to him to be disposed of as he may see proper in his great mercy

2<sup>nd</sup> It is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid by my Executor herein after to be appointed as soon after my death as he can do so from my funds coming to his hands and in this connection I especially desire that the amount due to and from the estate of my late brother John W. Thomas or as appearing thereof may be specially set apart for the payment of a debt I owe to John W. Norling & to secure which he has a deed of trust on my farm

3<sup>rd</sup> It is my wish, will and desire that my wife Jane Thomas have an interest for life or during her widowhood in my home farm upon which I have live or so much of the proceeds thereof as may be necessary for her comfortable support together with the other provisions in favor of widow made by the Statute of distribution now in force in Tennessee.



4<sup>th</sup> My son John S. Thomas is already well provided for and in fair circumstances, I therefore will give and bequeath to my said son John S. Thomas the sum of \$500 Dollars as his full share and interest in my estate said sum of \$500 Dollars to be paid to him by my Executor when convenient in clearing up my estate I will give, devise & bequeath my home farm at the termination of the estate for life or widowhood herein before to my wife to my three children Andrew Thomas, Henderson, J. Thomas and Ada Thomas equally share and share alike

5<sup>th</sup> I do will give bequeath and devise to my said three children Andrew, Henderson, and Ada all the balance & residue of my estate of every kind & description whatever.

6<sup>th</sup> I hereby nominate and appoint my friend W. C. E. Thomas as the Executor of this my last Will & Testament and request that he act as such.

7<sup>th</sup> Given under my hand this April 4<sup>th</sup> 1886  
 W. S. Thomas  
 Attest  
 W. M. Goleman  
 C. M. Coniment

Codicil No 1.

After more mature consideration I deem to make this codicil to my last Will and Testament above written and desire that the same be made apart thereof, that is to say instead of the absolute devise of my home farm to my three children Andrew, Henderson, J. and Ada, as provided by the 6<sup>th</sup> clause of my said Will, it is my will and desire and I do hereby give & devise my said home farm, at the expiration of the estate therein devised to my wife Jane Thomas, as provided by the third clause to my Executor W. C. E. Thomas in trust for my said three children Andrew, Henderson, J. and Ada for life, equally share and share alike to be freely used & enjoyed by them, and at their death to go to their heirs at law in fee and this I do as a prohibition to my said children two of them bring of tender years, & the balance of my said Will I do in all things hereby affirm

Given under my hand this April 9<sup>th</sup> 1886  
 Attest  
 W. M. Goleman  
 W. H. Vanhook  
 Geo. D. Roberts  
 William S. Thomas

I Sarah Carozig being feeble in body but sound in  
mind desiring nothing do make & publish this my last will  
and testament hereby resolving all other testaments made by  
me at any time,

1st I resign my soul to God who gave it & my body to the  
earth from whence it came to be buried in my own premises  
whom my children are buried, the expenses of which to be paid  
by my Executor hereinafter named.

2nd I give and bequeath to my daughter Margaret wife of  
Alexander Conditoff during her natural life & after her death  
to be equally divided between my surviving children all the  
lands I may die seized and possessed with to have and  
enjoy the same but shall not have the right to carry the  
title.

3rd I give and bequeath to my daughter Louisa Legow wife of  
John Legow the bedstead and one new Coverlet two  
bottom chairs and two frame pictures.

4th I give and bequeath to my daughter Algema my feather  
bed should she stay with me until my death.

5th After my death should my husband and her own it is  
my will and desire that my husband remain with  
Margaret and have a support off of my farm during  
his natural life.

6th If I should have any money on hand or due me from any  
person it is my will that it be equally divided between  
my children.

7th I nominate and appoint Sarah Vaubier wife of Dr Vaubier  
my executrix of this will given under my hand within  
the day of June 1888

Sarah Carozig

Witness  
Thomas J. Williams

State of Pennsylvania January 3rd. 1884  
Carter County

I Henry Range of said County  
considering the uncertainty of this mortal life do  
make this my last will and testament as follows  
that is to say 1st The land that I am in possession  
of by my wife Elizabeth that came by her in Washington  
County Delaware, I do will it to my wife Elizabeth  
Range.

2nd I do will that I own in Washington County Penna.  
of about 44 acres that I bought if my heirs or  
it is to the advantage of them to sell the said land  
of Washington they have the privilege through the  
Executor to sell by ~~providing~~ <sup>providing</sup> the same at any  
time that they want to sell by ~~providing~~ <sup>providing</sup> the same  
heirs of the Executor and myself of this that I do will

1st The boy John Watson that I look to raise and keep until  
he was twenty one years old, I want the contract completed  
with that is of John Watson says till he is twenty one years  
old he is to have a horse saddle and bridle and a good  
& clothes at the age of twenty one. But if the said Watson  
dies before he is twenty years of age then this contract to be  
null and void.

2nd The house place that I now live on in Carter County Penna.  
I will to my wife Elizabeth Range and all personal property  
during her natural life or so long as she is my widow then  
to be sold at her death provided my children is all of age if  
they are not all of age not to be sold till all of them is of age but  
my children is all to live on the house place while single or until  
it is sold whenever the house place and property is sold the  
money to be equally divided between my heirs and also my  
land in Washington County when it is sold to be equally divided  
after paying all debts between my heirs as follows Barbara  
Ann, Mary E. Range Sarah Eliza Range Dick Allen  
Range Rutha Cordelia Range Witha Robinson heirs I further  
gave to Mary E. Range and Dick saddle and bridle, six shod  
stead and bad clothes and shirt and one bed and dishes  
to the amount of what Barbara Ann or Ditha got, now I also  
want my 3 younger heirs when they become of age fitted out  
with the same amount that my daughter Mary got before  
the proceeds of my lands and property are equally divided  
so as to make them equal as Barbara Ann & Ditha had  
got they amount before. I now appoint R. M. Smalling  
and J. B. Range my Executors of this my last will and  
testament, signed and seal in my presence  
Witness  
J. B. Range  
R. M. Smalling  
Henry Range

I Nancy Diphon of the County of Carter and State of Penna being  
of sound mind but weak in body do make and publish this  
my last will and testament

1st I give my soul into the hands of God my creator hoping  
and desiring believing that through the merits of his son  
Jesus Christ to be made partaker of life everlasting and my  
body I resign to the dust wherof it is made.  
2nd It is my will and I do hereby give and bequeath to my  
two daughters Martha C. Watson & Keeler M. Robinson  
wife of Mass P. Robinson their and their heirs to have  
and to hold forever all the right title and interest I have  
in and to six tracts of land in what is called the Drums Cove  
containing 33 1/2 acres together with all appurtenances thereto  
appertaining. It is my will further that all property both personal  
and real I shall die seized or possessed of shall revert to my said  
daughters Martha C. Watson and Keeler M. Robinson except

provided. It is further well that my said daughter  
 Martha C. Hatcher and Hester M. Robinson be the subscribers  
 of my whole property because in my old age the trouble of  
 taking care of me in any instances fall to me and it is  
 my will that they inherit any property on this account as  
 hereinbefore provided to the exclusion of all my other children  
 and kin of any other children as follows John W. Dutton Joseph  
 P. Dutton James Dutton James Dutton Nancy Ann Dutton &  
 their heirs or assigns nor to have nothing in this my will.  
 It is my will and I do hereby appoint and name my  
 Krausman James A. Hatcher as executor to this my last  
 will and Testament, and to worshipful County Court is hereby  
 instructed to make letters to all my lands unto my said  
 daughter, Martha C. Hatcher and Hester M. Robinson  
 when under my hand on this the 11<sup>th</sup> April 1888  
 J. A. Hatcher  
 D. S. Hatcher  
 J. D. Little

In the name of God Amen.

I find my body of sound mind and  
 disposing memory, but feeble in health and knowing the uncertainty  
 of life and the certainty of death and being desirous to dispose  
 of my property with God has blessed me, do make ordain and publish  
 this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former  
 wills by me at anytime made  
 I do hereby give and bequeath to my said daughter  
 Martha C. Hatcher my land to her and her heirs and my body  
 to the earth from whence it came, to be buried in a decent manner  
 but with as little expense as possible. All expense of my  
 burial to be paid by my executor.  
 I do hereby give and bequeath to my said daughter  
 Martha C. Hatcher to be comfortably taken  
 care of as long as she lives, and the expenses as aforesaid to  
 be paid out my estate. If her individual debts fail to be  
 satisfied by my executor herein after named.  
 I do hereby give and bequeath to Hester M. Robinson and Alexander  
 D. Hatcher all the tract of land lying in the 8<sup>th</sup> Dist. of  
 Carter County Tennessee and known as the five thousand acre  
 tract except what I have deeded away who care for return  
 the J. A. Bradley heirs holds an older grant than the one I  
 have, & the lot given for a Baptist Church known as the  
 Chapel, and on which tract there is an encumbrance of  
 one David A. Gray of Dallas Co. Texas  
 I also give and bequeath to the said Hester M. Robinson & wife  
 & Alexander Gray three lots of land in Turkey town in the 8<sup>th</sup> Dist.  
 of Carter County and known as the Gray tract, I also  
 give to them a note secured by a deed of trust with  
 McMillan as trustee on William D. Little's property  
 interest in the more farm for \$500 and one note on

Jacob Miller, some notes on Coan Miller both amounting to about  
 \$60 in consideration of which extraordinary bequest such to them  
 they are to receive a pay off the account due David A. Gray, and  
 my other indebtedness  
 I do all the heirs at law I give and bequeath the notes I hold  
 that are good and valid to be collected by my executor of said  
 estate after my executor have paid my indebtedness and any  
 burial expenses shall be paid by my executor with any money of  
 which I may be seized or possessed  
 I hereby appoint and ordain Thomas M. Moore and Alexander Gray my  
 executors to wind up my business affairs & estate, signed sealed  
 delivered on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January 1889

J. A. Hatcher  
 D. S. Hatcher  
 J. D. Little  
 J. W. Dutton  
 J. P. Dutton  
 J. A. Hatcher  
 Hester M. Robinson  
 Alexander Gray  
 Thomas M. Moore  
 The Jan 1st 1889

Will

In the name of God Amen,  
 I J. J. Simmons of Carter County Tenn being of sound mind  
 and memory do hereby make publish and declare this to be  
 my last will and Testament hereby revoking and making  
 void all former wills by me at any time heretofore made.  
 I do hereby give and bequeath to my son Wm Edgar Simmons  
 all the debts and liabilities that may exist against me at the time of my decease  
 except such as is hereinbefore provided for by this will.  
 I do hereby give and bequeath to my son Wm Edgar Simmons  
 a certain boundary of land where he now lives, also bounded as  
 follows beginning by a green corner to J. J. & L. L. Simmons  
 now Edgar's corner, thence a bearing of due north course to the old line  
 between shell and Simmons, thence with the line of shell & Simmons  
 back to the extent of my line to the bay station, thence with the said  
 tract around on the line as now established to the beginning  
 of my line. Containing all the lands in said boundary belonging  
 to me. But the said Wm Edgar Simmons is required to pay to  
 Elizabeth Rair wife of J. G. Rair, \$100 and sundry and fifty  
 dollars for which he has executed his notes for the same to said  
 Elizabeth Rair.

I do hereby give and bequeath to my son James M. Simmons all  
 the remainder of the heirs from the lands when I now live  
 and require of him in this bequeath that he shall take care and  
 support me and my wife Susanna during our natural  
 lives in a Christian like manner and at her death to put  
 us away in the same Christian like manner and that he  
 pay the balance of my children and heathen care for in the

L. J. Simmons's Will Contained

2<sup>nd</sup> Clause of this will, Eight & 300 Three hundred dollars without interest paid in Eight years from the date of this instrument to wit, George Simmons 1000<sup>00</sup> Three hundred dollars Mary & W. Campbell 300 Three hundred dollars Anne M. Simmons 300 Three hundred dollars and to Emory Henry Simmons 300 Three hundred dollars also that he pay to Elizabeth Howr wife of J. J. Howr the balance I am due her except the two hundred and fifty dollars to be paid by Mrs. Edgar as mentioned in the 1<sup>st</sup> Clause and for which notes are executed. Also he is required to pay all my other outstanding debts, and that he pay any part all of said accounts at any time he may for all before my decease and that he take receipts for any payments he may make before my decease other than to a credit to him.

Fourthly,

I will and bequeath to my son Emory Henry Simmons my stock or share in Whittigan College & Co. fifty dollars to use and be beneficial of the same during his natural life and then to his heirs

Fifthly

It is my will and bequest that each one of my children as they may stand in need it have about an equal share of the house hold goods as Mr. Edgar received

Sixthly. I hereby nominate and appoint James M. Simmons Executor of this my last will and Testament.

On witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, and acknowledged this instrument in the presence of the subscribing witnesses to be my last will and Testament on this the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October 1877

Signed and acknowledged

L. J. Simmons

in the presence of  
 A. A. Simmons  
 Geo. S. Williams

In the name of God Amen. I Edw. Carter being of sound & disposing mind & memory do make this as my last will & Testament, hereby revoking & making null and void all other Wills by me at any time made.

First. I give my land to be disposed of according to the pleasure as to my legal estate I dispose of it as follows

I appoint my Executor herein after named to pay all of my

Just debts & funeral expenses as soon after my death as possible out of any money or land or by sale of any of my property if necessary

Second I give to my grand daughter the Barry daughter of my son

W. B. Carter and out of Chamber fundation it being the same set out used by me in my room

Third. I give & bequeath to my son Samuel O. Carter and my Grand daughter William A. Carter and fourth each of all my personal Real estate to them their heirs & assigns forever. The legal and devise to my Grand son William A. Carter is having made to W. B. Carter in trust for the said William A. Carter & his heirs & it is my will that if the said William A. Carter shall become restless or disposed to waste & squander the property that they the entire amount just here go to wit in my son Samuel O. Carter & his heirs

Fourth

I give & bequeath the remainder of my estate not disposed of to William B. Carter in trust for the benefit of his wife Elizabeth & Carter during her natural life free from the debts of the said William B. Carter & subject & apart from them as Executor that he do not hold the same as trustee for her benefit

After the death of the said Elizabeth I give said one half of my estate to the said William B. Carter in trust for the benefit of my grand children Edgar B. Mary B. & Carlina Carter their heirs & assigns forever

This bequest is to include the dwelling house in which I now live the best mill & all the lots in & about Elizabethton except the ground on which the new store house stands & the water power connected with the mill & the house hold & kitchen furniture which are to be set aside to W. B. Carter in trust. In the division & Valued in fitting the amount due each of the legatees divided under my bequest

It is my will also that the said W. B. Carter have a full power & authority as trustee to sell any or all the land given him in trust for the benefit of his wife & children if he should think it to their interest to do or receive the same in any way he may chose for their benefit. I nominate constitute & appoint W. B. Carter as the Executor of this my last will & Testament & require that no bond be required of him by the Court as Executor or as Trustee

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 16<sup>th</sup> of March 1877  
 Subscribed on the second page as Evelyn B. Carter to state house before signed

Attest  
 N. M. Taylor  
 Adelle's Clerk



of my last Will & Testament Consisting of one sheet of paper The above instrument was sworn her & subscribed to by the testatrix Julia Ann Campbell in our presence and was declared to be her last Will and Testament & at her request we signed our names as attesting witnesses This 28<sup>th</sup> day May 1887

Attest  
G. L. Bessinger  
G. J. Levy

Julia Ann <sup>no</sup> Campbell  
<sub>miss</sub>

- I John R. Carrigar being of sound mind and knowing the uncertainty of this life and being desirous of disposing of my property in a way satisfactory to myself do make & order this my last Will & Testament hereby revoking & making null & void all others heretofore made by me at any other time. 1<sup>st</sup> I resign my soul to God who gave it and my body to the earth from whence it came to be buried at the old family burying ground near my wife. 2<sup>d</sup> I desire all my debts paid including my burial expenses out of any money or property I may dispose of. 3<sup>d</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Lovina Crow wife of John Crow all the residue of my property including money notes accounts house & kitchen furniture bedstead & bedding and any other articles not here named that I may be seized & possessed of to have and do as she may see fit with. 4<sup>th</sup> I nominate and appoint John Crow to be executor of this my last Will & Testament signed in the presence of the subscribing witnesses on the first day of January 1890

Attest  
J. P. Vanhook  
J. Bonzo

John R. Carrigar

I John Lucy knowing the uncertainty of life & the certainty of death do make this my last Will & Testament of 1<sup>st</sup> I desire my body buried in a decent Christian like manner. 2<sup>d</sup> I bequeath all that I possess both real estate & personally to my brother A. J. Lucy Carter County Tennessee

Attest  
H. E. Hyder  
M. J. Lucy  
S. P. Hendrix

John <sup>no</sup> Lucy  
<sub>miss</sub>

In the name of God Amen. I Robt Hayes of Carter County Tennessee being of sound mind & memory out feeble in body and knowing the uncertainty of this life do hereby make public and declare this to be my last Will & Testament Hereby revoking and making null & void all former wills or Wills by me at any time here to fore made. First I give soul to God who gave it second I order and direct my Executors herein after named as soon after my Decease as practicable to pay off and discharge all the just debts & dues and liabilities that may exist against me at the time of my Decease out of any money personal effects that I may have at the time of Decease Third I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Rebecca L Hayes all the money or moneys & personal effects of any description including our hundred dollars due me for Jacob Campbell and his Wife Sarah Campbell on the land I gave Sarah Campbell my daughter and they may to pay me our hundred dollars on said land that I may have at the time of my Decease or may be due from any source to dispose of at her good pleasure except as provided in the second clause of this will Fourth I nominate and appoint my wife Rebecca L Hayes Executrix of this my last Will & Testament signed and acknowledged in the presence of the subscribing witnesses on this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of November 1889

Attest  
Geo. Williams  
J. M. Hayes

State of Tennessee Carter County Feb 1 1889  
The following instrument is the last Will and Testament of Pleasant Williams and Lovina Williams his wife We commit our spirits to Almightly God who gave them We desire only a most decent Christian burial by our children and friends without any unnecessary extravagance out of the proceeds of our estate We will that our funeral expenses be paid pain fully We will that at the death of either of us that our lawful heirs shall take possession of the land assign to each of them except the house we now live in & orchard and garden we reserve for the our may survive. We will and bequeath to Adaline A. McInnis the following lots viz 401 and 402 401 Beginning on a road planted on the Williams & Vandevoort line thence south 78 1/2 poles to a stake on the Bowen & Williams line thence west 16 poles to a stake on Davis thence north 79 1/2 poles to a stump on Bowen & Williams line thence east 16 poles to the beginning Except the school house lot which has been previously set apart for public school and also lot no 7 we set

apart for a da line a Mc Queen Beginning on a  
 a stake on Rutledge + Williams line Thence South 6 1/4  
 to a Stake Thence East 74 Poles to a Stake on Boners line  
 Thence North 4 to a Stake with Boners corner to Boners  
 Thence with Boners line East 32 Poles to a Stake Thence  
 north 24 East 6 1/2 Poles to a Stake Thence west 101 Poles  
 to the Beginning And to Ida J Mc Queen we bequeath  
 2 lots land viz No 2 + No 6 which she has sold to H E Mc Queen  
 Lot no 2 Beginning on a Stake corner to lot no 1 Thence  
 South 7 1/4 Poles to a Stake on Boners + Williams line Thence  
 west 15 poles to a Stake on same Thence north 7 1/4 Poles to  
 a Stake on Brooks + Williams line Thence East 15  
 poles to the Beginning Also lot no 6 Beginning on a Stake  
 on Rutledge + Williams line Thence South 5 1/2 Poles to a Stake  
 on same line Thence East 101 Poles to a Stake at Public  
 road Thence north 24 East 6 Poles to a Stake Thence west  
 110 Poles to the Beginning Also we bequeath unto  
 Harry Williams lot 3 which he has sold to H E Mc Queen  
 Beginning on a Stake corner to lot no 2 Thence South  
 7 1/4 Poles to a Stake on Boners + Williams line Thence west  
 15 Poles to a Stake on same line Thence North 7 1/4 Poles  
 to a Stake on Brooks + Williams line Thence East 15 poles  
 to the Beginning corner  
 Also we bequeath unto Nancy J Wiedepfer lot no 4 and  
 timber lot no 2 Lot no 4 Beginning on a Stake corner  
 to lot no 3 Thence South 7 1/4 to a Stake on Boners +  
 Williams line Thence west 14 Poles to a cedar on same  
 line Thence North 7 1/4 Poles to a Stake on Brooks +  
 Williams line Thence East 14 Poles to the Beginning on a  
 Stake on Berry + Williams line Thence South 15 poles  
 to a Stake on same line Thence East 46 poles to a  
 Stake Thence North 13 East 5 1/2 Poles to a Stake Thence  
 North 20 West 9 Poles to a Stake Thence west 38 poles  
 to the beginning  
 Also we bequeath unto Selah Bullitt lot no 5  
 and timber lot no 3 Lot no 5 Beginning on a Stake  
 corner to lot no 4 Thence South 7 1/4 Poles to a Cedar  
 on Boners + Williams line Thence west 14 Poles to a Stake  
 on Boners + Williams line Thence North 7 1/4 Poles to a  
 Stake on Berry + Williams line Thence East 13 Poles to the  
 Beginning on a Stake on Berry Williams line Thence  
 South 14 1/2 Poles to a Stake Thence East 37 Poles to a Stake  
 Thence North 52 East 4 Poles to a Stake Thence north 5  
 East 13 poles to a Stake Thence west 40 poles to the Beginning  
 Also we bequeath unto Henry J Williams Lot no 6 and  
 timber lot no 4 Lot no 6 Beginning on a Stake corner  
 to lot no 5 Thence South 7 1/4 Poles to a Stake on Boners  
 + Williams line Thence west 10 Poles to a Stake on  
 same line Thence North 7 1/4 Poles to a Stake on  
 Berry + Williams line Thence East 10 Poles to the Beginning

Also Lot 4 Beginning on a Stake on Berry + Williams  
 line Thence South 11 1/4 Poles to a Stake corner to Berry  
 Thence west with Berry line 27 1/2 Poles to a Sugar tree  
 Thence South 13 1/2 Poles to a Stake Thence East 110 Poles to a  
 Stake Thence North 5 East 13 Poles to a Stake Thence west  
 37 poles to the Beginning  
 Also we bequeath unto Samuel G Williams Lot no 7  
 and timber lot 5 Lot no 7 Beginning on a Stake  
 corner to lot no 6 Thence South 7 1/4 Poles to a Stake on  
 Boners + Williams line Thence west 10 Poles to a Stake  
 on same line Thence North 7 1/4 Poles to a Stake on  
 Berry + Williams line Thence East 10 Poles to the Beginning  
 Lot no 6 Beginning on a Stake on Rutledge + Williams  
 line Thence South 5 1/2 Poles to a Stake Thence East 104 Poles  
 to a Stake Thence North 24 East 5 1/2 to a Stake Thence  
 west 110 Poles to the Beginning  
 Also we bequeath unto Alfred Magge Williams Lot  
 no 8 Beginning on a Stake corner to lot no 7 Thence  
 South 7 1/4 Poles to a Stake on Boners + Williams line  
 Thence west 12 Poles to a Stake on same line Thence North  
 7 1/4 Poles to a Stake on Berry + Williams line Thence East  
 12 Poles to the Beginning  
 Also we bequeath unto Edwin + William Lot no 9  
 and timber lot no 10 Lot no 9 Beginning on a Stake corner  
 to lot no 6 Thence South 7 1/4 Poles to a Stake on Boners  
 + Williams line Thence west 12 Poles to a Stake on same  
 line Thence North 7 1/4 to a Stake on Berry + Williams  
 line Thence East 12 Poles to the Beginning  
 Also lot 10 Beginning on a Stake on Wiedepfer +  
 Williams line Thence South 32 poles to a young ash  
 Thence North 58 East 56 poles to a Stake and pointer  
 Thence west 46 1/2 Poles to the Beginning  
 Also we bequeath unto Ervitt G Williams 2 Lots  
 lot no 10 and timber lot no 1 Lot no 10 Beginning  
 on a Stake corner to Lot no 9 Thence South 7 1/4 Poles  
 to a Stake on Boners + Williams line Thence west  
 18 Poles to a Stake at public road Thence North 24 East  
 13 poles to a Walnut Coplant Thence North 5 East 18  
 Poles to a Stake Thence North 13 East 16 poles to a Stake  
 Thence North 20 West 29 Poles to a Stake on Berry + Willi-  
 ams line Thence East 17 Poles to the Beginning  
 Also lot no 1 Beginning at the mouth of a line  
 Thence west 19 Poles to a Stake Thence South 13 1/2 Poles  
 to a Stake Thence west 10 Poles to a Stake Thence South  
 8 1/2 poles to a Stake Thence East 38 Poles to a Stake  
 Thence North 20 West 26 Poles to the Beginning  
 We also will that at the death of each of us that our  
 per sonal property be sold and equally divided  
 among our lawful heirs Except 1 Bed + bed clothes

for Henry J. Williams and 1 sea + sea clothes for  
Samuel E. Williams and 1 sea + sea clothes for our Grand  
daughter Margaret Jane Williams provided she lives  
with us until our death We Pleasant Williams and  
Lewisa Williams his wife agree on that matter  
in our right mind and make this will at our own  
accord and without restraint

We appoint E. J. Williams our son as our executor  
to this will and we require him to give a solvent  
bond for the faithful performance of his duty before  
entering into said business before signed  
We further wish that if any of our legal heirs shall neglect  
or refuse to pay his or her proportionable part of our funeral  
expenses or our just debts the our Executor shall be required  
to make it out of his part of the estate real or personal  
We further will that there as we are indebted to the  
Aultman Taylor Co of Mansfield Ohio for our note to the  
amount of \$108.75 with interest from date of said note  
which was given in October 1886 and four of our legal  
heirs is principal to said note viz Samuel E. Williams  
Henry J. Williams Hood Bunchelot Harvey E. McQueen  
and also security to a note given to Howell & Co of  
Green castle P. O. wherein Henry J. Williams and Samuel  
E. Williams is principals and judgment being taken thereon  
before E. J. Dungan to the amount of \$15.00 with interest  
+ cost and also the balance due on a \$40.00 note issued  
to A. J. W. in the Spring of 1888 wherein H. E.  
McQueen is principal and also security to  
W. P. Dungan for E. E. Williams for fertilizer bought  
in Oct 1888 the amount of \$13.06 and also  
security to a ten dollar note to W. P. Dungan  
for E. E. Williams said note was given in  
November 1888 and we further will that if  
the principals to said note shall neglect or  
refuse to pay of the same that our Executor shall  
make the full amount remaining unpaid  
out of the above mentioned heirs portion of our  
estate

Attest  
Joseph P. Vandevanter  
J. J. Barry

Pleasant Williams  
Lewisa Williams  
witness

State of Dungen  
Carter County

I know you all persons to whom this presents  
may come that this is my first and last will  
and testament to which I have subscribed at my hand this  
December the 26<sup>th</sup> 1887

I will all I now possess both Real and personal property also  
my store goods to my wife Margaret Smith after paying all my  
debts to have and to hold the same and dispose of at her option  
I have one son and one daughter that I have already provided  
Previous to this writing their names are Lew Smith Eliza Vance  
and therefore make no further provision

Witnesses  
J. P. Dungan  
A. P. Shell

William Smith Test

I Eubul Smith of Carter Co. Tenn. being advanced in years and some what sick and weak of body but of sound mind and memory do make, ordain and declare this to be my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me at any time made or published.

First It is my will and desire and I hereby direct that all my just debts and liabilities be paid by my Executors hereinafter to be named as soon after my death as practicable and from any funds that may first come to their hands belonging to my estate.

Second. My home Farm known as the Fish Spring place which I have resided for many years past & excepting Ten Acres of the same which was assigned and set apart to me as home stead, having been sold at execution sale some years ago for debts due from my former son in law Thos C White to G. H. Rust & Co & T. S. Smith & Co and for which I was his security and my sons N. S. Smith and W. S. B. Smith having redeemed said land or repurchased the same from said firm who was the purchasers at said execution sales at cost to them of nearly or about Twelve hundred dollars it is my will and desire that my said two sons W. S. Smith & N. S. Smith jointly have said tract of Land containing about Three hundred and Four acres not including the said ten Ten acres Homestead which is not included in this bequest and so far as I have any interest of any in the same I will give down the same to my said two sons but with the distinct proviso as aforesaid that this does not include the said Homestead of ten acres which will be hereafter disposed of.

Third The homestead of Ten Acres assigned to me as aforesaid and upon which my dwelling house and out house is situated including also the spring I will give and devise to my son W. S. B. Smith in fee and forever.

Fourth I will give and devise to my grand son William Hamilton Smith son of my Daughter Sallie Smith deceased my tract of land of a bout Forty Two acres on the north side of Watauga River opposite and below Fish Springs and also my two pieces or parcels of land on or near the Watauga River known as the Hampton - Foster land and containing the two pieces together something over one hundred acres.

Fifth I am the owner of two Lots of what is known as the White lands near the mouth of Elk Creek which ~~was divided into~~ two lots as now and have been for some years in the possession of Pleasant Hazelwood and wife I will give and devise the said two lots to my daughter Jane Hazelwood to her sole and separate use or any other husband she may hereafter have.

Sixth My late son in law Thos C White was indebted to me in something over three hundred and seventy Two Dollars for the security of which I held a deed of Trust on his land now no suit in the Chancery Court at Elizabethton in the case of E. J. Smith and others vs Mary Ann White and others I will give and bequeath the said debt with the interest that has and may accrue on the same together with the said deed of Trust for its security to my Daughter Mary Ann White widow of said Th. C. White for her sole and separate use, separate and apart from and husband she may hereafter have or Mary.

Seventh I am the owner of a tract of about one hundred acres of land known as the David Dugger place adjoining the farm upon which my son N. S. Smith now lives I will give and devise this tract to my said son N. S. Smith in fee simple absolute.

Eighth I do not desire any public or private sale of any of personal effects but it is my will and desire and I therefore direct that any personal goods or effects that I may own at the time of my death may be divided among my Children including my Grand Son William Hamilton Smith my Executors in such way as to give

Fourth I will give and devise to my grand son William Hamilton Smith son of my Daughter Sallie Smith deceased my tract of land of a bout Forty Two acres on the north side of Watauga River opposite and below Fish Springs and also my two pieces or parcels of land on or near the Watauga River known as the Hampton - Foster land and containing the two pieces together something over one hundred acres.

Fifth I am the owner of two Lots of what is known as the White lands near the mouth of Elk Creek which ~~was divided into~~ two lots as now and have been for some years in the possession of Pleasant Hazelwood and wife I will give and devise the said two lots to my daughter Jane Hazelwood to her sole and separate use or any other husband she may hereafter have.

Sixth My late son in law Thos C White was indebted to me in something over three hundred and seventy Two Dollars for the security of which I held a deed of Trust on his land now no suit in the Chancery Court at Elizabethton in the case of E. J. Smith and others vs Mary Ann White and others I will give and bequeath the said debt with the interest that has and may accrue on the same together with the said deed of Trust for its security to my Daughter Mary Ann White widow of said Th. C. White for her sole and separate use, separate and apart from and husband she may hereafter have or Mary.

Seventh I am the owner of a tract of about one hundred acres of land known as the David Dugger place adjoining the farm upon which my son N. S. Smith now lives I will give and devise this tract to my said son N. S. Smith in fee simple absolute.

Eighth I do not desire any public or private sale of any of personal effects but it is my will and desire and I therefore direct that any personal goods or effects that I may own at the time of my death may be divided among my Children including my Grand Son William Hamilton Smith my Executors in such way as to give

satisfaction to them all this provision however, not to apply to any money or bonds or choses in action but they to go to my Executors as assets of my estate  
North I am the owner of a half interest in a Ten Thousand acre tract of land in the First District of Carter County entered by and granted to my self and Jacob Cameron It is my will and I hereby direct that my Executors herein after to be appointed sell my said interest at public or private sale as they may elect and upon such terms as in their judgment may be best for my estate and that they apply the proceeds of said sale to the payment of any and every just debts or liabilities against me or my estate and if after all such just debts and liabilities are paid any balance should remain in their hands arising from said sale or from any other source, such balance will be divided equally among all devisees and legatees named in this Will, share and share alike.

South My late Wife Elizabeth Smith was the owner of several tracts of land in Carter County in her own right all which are in the possession and under the control of her children I do NOT intend or attempt to make any disposition of any such lands in this instrument Those who are entitled to shares in the same must make such disposition of them as will be right and just and the only expression I make as to them is, that I want them to make such adjustments of their Mothers business as will be right and, if possible satisfactory to them all, without any trouble or litigation between them about it.

Eleventh I do nominate constitute and appoint my two sons N. S. Smith and W. S. B. Smith as Executors of this My last will and testament and request them to act as such.

Given under my hand this January 12<sup>th</sup> 1858

Witness  
 H. M. Folsome  
 W. R. Butler

E. J. Smith

In the name of God, Amen

I Solomon A. Stover of the County of Carter and state of Tennessee being of sound mind and Memory and considering the uncertainty of this transitory and frail life do therefore make certain public and declare this to be my last will and testament, that is to say first, after all my lawful debts are paid and discharged, out of any personal property I may die seized of, then the residue of my personal property and all my real estate, I wish to be disposed of as follows, to wit

I give and bequeath to my wife Mary A. Stover during her natural life or so long as she remains a widow, and to Jane Emma my two single daughters who reside with me one tract or parcel of land lying in the 9<sup>th</sup> civil dist of Carter County Tenn and bounded as follows, Beginning on a Locust tree on the right bank of the of the Watauga River and at that place just above my barn, thence due north to a point opposite Isaac Stovers heirs corner, thence to said corner thence with Isaac Stovers heirs line to the Haves line thence with the Haves line to the Watauga River, thence with the meanderings of said river to the beginning corner containing thirty acres be the same more or less, with all the buildings and appurtenances therunto belonging which I desire them to have, and to hold ad coterminis except one half of My barn which I give and request unto my son David Stover to use so long as he lives when he now resides but if he move away then that half of the barn so said by him next to my Wife Mary A. Stover and My two Daughters Emma and Jane ad coterminis.

I give and bequeath unto my wife Mary A. Stover and my two single daughters Emma & Jane five acres of wood land to be laid off in a square plat next to the Haves line and the Lee Ellis line.

The residue of the lands I may die seized of I give and bequeath unto my heirs Mary Smith Martha Hart Eoline Jenkins and David Stover to be equally divided between them, share like and like to have to hold to them and their heirs forever in fee simple.

As to the personal property that I may die seized of after the payment of all my lawful debts out of it I give and bequeath the same to be divided unto my heirs Emma Jane David Martha Hart Mary Smith Eoline Jenkins to be equally divided between them share like and like

or their heirs.

As to my son William Stover I have paid him seven hundred & fifty dollars for his interest in his mother's lands and his half of Lewis Stover's interest his having died without issue which will make him more than equal with the rest of my children I cannot give or bequeath him any thing more

except Ten Dollars Cash. As to Isaac Stover I gave him of his Mother's land his interest in land which was 30 thirty acres and his half of Lewis interest I gave him fifteen acres being five acres in all which is in his or his heirs possession now and I cannot give or bequeath him or his heirs anything more, Ten Dollars in cash. The Ten Dollars Willed and bequeathed to Isaac and William Stover shall be paid out of any money remaining after My lawful debts are paid and to be paid by the executors hereafter appointed.

Like wise I hereby make constitute and appoint My son David Stover to be Executor of this my Last will and testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have here unto affixed My hand and seal. This the 30th day of November A.D. 1887.

Solomon H. Stover



The above instrument subscribed in my presence & acknowledged to be the last will and testament of the subscriber Solomon H. Stover the day and date above written.

J. F. M. Smoot Ely abattoir Tenn.

The above instrument was signed by me as witness on the 4th day of February 1888 after having read the instrument over in the presence of testator who acknowledged the signature above to be his and that he signed & executed the same for the purpose therein contained.

J. P. Vanhass Watauga Tenn. 30 acres more or less for Mary Stover Isaac Stover and James Stover Name here

I George W. Maston being of sound mind and disposing memory and realizing the uncertainty of this life. Do make publish and obtain this to be my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all other Wills or wills by me at any time heretofore made.

First I give and bequeath unto my son Joseph's wife Julia Ann Maston & her heirs by my son Joseph six acres of land in addition to the land I have heretofore given and her by Deed Beginning on a post on Chas. Link and running parallel with the line dedeed to her to the back line at Geo. Williams line so as to make the six acres leaving a road for the use of the land hereafter bequeathed, from the branch to the line as added.

Second I give and bequeath the remainder of my estate in equal shares unto my other four children (to wit) James Franklin Maston Nollie C. Hilliard wife of John Hilliard Louisa A Hilliard wife of John Hilliard and Julia C Turner wife of H. S. Turner to share equal and alike in said premises which contains about 57 acres.

Third I require my son James Franklin Maston to pay to Julia Ann Maston and her heirs by my son Joseph \$50 fifty dollars and my daughter Nollie C. Hilliard to the said Julia Ann &c \$25 twenty five dollars and my daughter Louisa A Hilliard to pay to the said Julia Ann &c \$25 twenty five dollars and my daughter Julia C Turner to pay to the said Julia Ann &c \$25 twenty five dollars

and each one share of said land herein bequeathed there is bound for the payment of his or her share they having 8 years from the date of my death to pay the said amounts each one is assessed with.

Fourth I desire such personal property as I may die possessed of as is not necessary for the support & comfort of my wife Mary Maston should she survive me be sold and applied on the payment of my just debts and should they not be enough

proceeds arising from the proceeds of said personally liquidate what may be justly against me that each heir shall bear his or her equal share or part in liquidating the remainder of such debts. And should any or all of my heirs fail or refuse to meet their respective amounts that their share of the land herein bequeathed them shall be bound for the same for their part.

Fifth, It is my desire that my wife Mary Maston should she survive me retain and hold my real estate and such personalty as is necessary for the support and comfort of her during her natural life, and at her death to be divided is herein set forth and bequeathed.

Sixth, And lastly I appoint Joseph Maston Executor of this my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, in the presence of the subscribing witnesses, and acknowledge the same in their presence and in the presence of each other to be my last Will and Testament this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of February 1842

Attest Geo. F. Williams  
W. C. Minton  
S. J. Williams

George W. Maston

### Will

The last will and testament of W. F. H. Hyden of Carter County Tennessee I W. F. H. Hyden being of sound mind and memory, do make, ordain and publish and declare this to be my last will and testament making all former wills at any time by me made or made first. It is my will and desire that all my <sup>final</sup> debts and expenses be paid out of any money I may die seized and possessed of.

Second, I will give and bequeath to and for my beloved wife Margaret Hyden, my account against my son N. E. Hyden due me as ~~interest~~ <sup>rental</sup> for lands reserved by me during life which I renter to him at the price of \$50. per month ~~annum~~ <sup>annum</sup> over and above the bond of my self and my wife Margaret the said lands being all the lands below & part of the same where we now live, the ~~whole~~ <sup>part</sup> being

between my self and my son N. E. Hyden that I was to retain said land during life, and he renter this land at said price of \$50. per annum and bond of my self and said Margaret and said N. E. Hyden over me now \$184. which along with any future rents which may accrue to me I give as aforesaid to said Margaret Hyden. Third, I will give and bequeath to my beloved wife Margaret in addition to the above, The interest accruing on all monies, notes, choses in action and other interest bearing funds which I may die seized and possessed of during her natural life, I mean intend accruing after my death, and until her death.

Fourth, I will to my Grand daughter Leanna E. Hyden daughter of my son N. E. Hyden and his first wife Nancy Hyden Deacon, The principal of all notes, accounts monies choses in action, and any other kind and description of property, I may die seized and possessed of except my house hold and kitchen property after the above bequests have been satisfied, and I desire that she the said Leanna E. Hyden be placed in the full possession and enjoyment of said property as soon as the life interest are terminated.

Fifth, I will and bequeath to my son N. E. Hyden all my house hold and kitchen property during his life time and at his death, said property to be distributed among his children then living equally. Fifth I hereby nominate and appoint my son N. E. Hyden my executor and request him to act as such.

Given under my hand this 12 day of April 1840  
Attest signature.  
W. F. H. Hyden  
James A. Hove

### Will

O. H. Campbell being of sound mind but weak in body make this my last will. I commit my soul to the God who gave it and my body to the earth from whence it came. I give desire and bequeath my estate and property real and personal as follows, that is to say, I desire to my daughter E. J. Shaw the farm on which I now live to retain with all the improvements thereon. It is my will that my wife shall have a life time estate on said farm and at her death I will bequeath and desire the said farm to my daughter E. J. Shaw. It is my will that enough of said farm be sold off of upper end of said farm along the line adjoining O. H. Halls heirs to pay my doctor bills and funeral expenses. I will and desire to John R. Campbell, my carrier

near the top of the dividing ridge known as  
the Lane I bought from John Smith containing  
thirteen acres adjoining A. R. Picee and others the  
John C. Campbell is to pay all debts on said piece  
or tract of land, it is my will that my executor  
collect all debts and moneys owing to me and apply  
the proceeds to paying off my debts and pay  
the balance if any to my wife Fanning Campbell  
It is my will and desire that J. C. Campbell be  
my executor for this my last will in witness whereof  
I have signed sealed and published and  
declared this Subscribed as my last will, at my  
house in Alleghonia Lewis County Tennessee  
March the 6 1892

H. N. Campbell

The said H. N. Campbell at his home in  
Alleghonia Lewis County Tennessee on the 6 day  
of March 1892 signed and sealed this instrument  
and published and declared the same to be  
and for his last will and in at his request  
and in his presence and in the presence of  
each of them have hereto written our names  
as witnesses.

William Blackland  
E. H. Bennett

September 20 1894

Will of John C. Campbell Dec

John C. Campbell of the County of  
of Carter and State of Tennessee,  
being of sound mind and disposing memory,  
being in the full possession of my mental  
faculties to make ordain and publish this  
my last will and Testament hereby making  
void any and all other wills memorandums  
of wills by me at any time made

First  
It is my will and desire that after my demise  
by body be carried buried in Christian like manner  
according to the tenets of the Christian religion  
and that my funeral expenses be paid out of  
my money I may be possessed of, or that may  
come into the hands of my executor here in after named

Second  
It is my will and desire that all my just  
debts remaining unpaid at my death be paid  
as soon thereafter as practicable by my executor.

Third  
Whereas it has pleased Almighty God to bless me  
with a reasonable portion of this world's goods consisting  
of personal property and real estate, I do hereby will devise  
and bequeath unto my loved wife Sarah C. Hampton  
out of my personal estate two head of horses or  
mules and necessary harness and all my farming  
implements on hand at my death of every kind  
two milk cows and all the hogs on  
hand at my death and all the house hold and  
kitchen furniture on hand for her use and benefit  
during her natural life and after her death all  
remaining on hand to be sold by my executor and  
the proceeds to be applied as hereinafter directed that is  
that is divided equally between my heirs the  
remaining personal property to be sold by my executor  
except as hereinafter stated or divided.

Fourth  
I will give devise and bequeath unto my daughter  
Lois C. Jones my Organ I having purchased said  
Organ for her under her agreement between her and  
myself that she would remain at home single  
one year after a given date and she having faithfully  
performed her part of said agreement.

## Fifth

Whereas my son Elijah S Hampton and myself own a threshing machine jointly I will give devise and bequeath my interest in said machine unto my said son Elijah S Hampton

## Sixth

Whereas I am the owner of about two hundred thirty acres more or less (230) of land situated in the second civil district of Carter County Tennessee the place where I now live adjoining the lands of the heirs of H. H. Key on east and the west of Landon Allison, on the North Henry Keasore Now it is my will and desire that my wife Sarah B. Hampton have the maintenance and support out of the products of said farm during her natural life and that her support be suitable to her station in life and necessary to her comfort and after death then it is my will and desire that my executor herein after named after abode ending for 30 days sell on the premises all my lands that I may die seized and possessed of to the highest bidder on the following terms to wit one third cash in hand at time of sale, the remainder in one and two year terms from date of sale in equal installments bearing interest from date, and he will take note from the purchaser or purchasers with good solvent personal security and retain a lien on the hereditaments for the deferred payments untill paid. And it is my will and desire to clothe my executor with full power to sell said land and make deed or deeds to the purchaser or purchasers.

## Seventh

It is further my will and desire that my executor collect all debts due me and when the funds are into his hands disburse from the sales of my personal property and the land herein provided to be sold and from all other sources after paying all my just debts and the expenses of collecting said sales and collecting said funds, he divide the same equally between my six children to wit Belia Jane O. Mary C. Allison Matilda Shell Lou B. Jones, Elijah S Hampton and William B Hampton, and to make this bequest effective I will devise and bequeath unto my five first named children and equal part of said fund the one sixth part due my son W. B. Hampton, I will devise and bequeath to J. B. Storey in trust for said son, this devise is made in trust that my said son is addicted to strong drink and reckless with his means the said trustee for my

Son William may if he believe it to the best interest of my son invest the funds in real estate for a home for my said son and his family and the said trustee take title to the land so purchased in his name as trustee storey trust for my said son and in case he does not to invest said fund then he will expend the same for the actual necessities of life for the use of my son and his family but in no case is one cent to be expended for strong drink and said trustee is to have a reasonable compensation for his services and he will enter into bond in double the amount paid him with good solvent security said bond to be given my executor and approved by him before he ~~shall~~ give over said fund to said trustee. And said trustee herein named should fail or refuse to act or run off from the country then my executor is hereby empowered to name a trustee for my said son and when the trustee so named shall execute bond as herein set out then my executor pay over said fund to him to be applied as herein before directed.

## Eighth

It is my further will and desire that my executor herein after named employ John H. Simeley an attorney at law to advise him in the discharge of his duties and do all legal work necessary for him under this will and that he pay said attorney reasonable compensation for the services performed out of the funds arising from my estate as herein provided.

## Ninth

I do hereby name constitute and appoint my son Elijah S Hampton executor of this my last will.

## Tenth

The bequest and devise made to my daughter Belia Jane O. May C. Allison Matilda Shell and Lou B. Jones I will devise and bequeath to them for their sole and separate use and enjoyment and free from the debts or any ~~charges~~ <sup>encumbrances</sup> in any manner whatever of their husbands, to wit James M. O. Landon Allison James Shell John C. Jones or from and control of any future husbands, should any of them be left widows and marry.

All evasions in this my will were made in my presents before signing by me this May 27-1894.

F. M. Hampton

Signed and acknowledged in our presents on the day above said date

J. D. Woodruff

J. B. Storey

The evasions and entire signature in clause 10

of this will were made in my presents by directions

Palmer June 27-1894 James M. O.

September Term 1894

Will of J. H. Moreland Dec.

In the name of God Amen

I John H. Moreland being of sound mind and disposing memory but feeble of body and conscious of the frailty and uncertainty of this mortal life do hereby make and publish this my last will and Testament revoking and making null and void all other wills by me at any time made. First - I am resigned to commit my soul to God who gave it, conscious of the great truth that he hath all things will and I commit my body to the grave, and request that when I am dead I may be accorded a decent burial the funeral expenses to be paid out of my estate.

Second - I will and direct that all my just debts be paid out of my estate by my executor hereinafter to be made as soon after my death as practicable.

Third - I hereby bequeath unto my beloved sister Martha E. Waldwell twenty five acres of land on the south side of Doe River adjoining her tract on the east running from the river to the back line so as to get that amount of land which is to be her share of my estate.

Fourth - I hereby bequeath to my niece Martha E. Moreland the daughter of my dead brother Wright Moreland by Elizabeth Foster and whom I ~~have~~ have raised from a little child. All the rest and remainder of my land lying South of Doe River being a portion of the old Wright Moreland tract in the 2nd Civil District of Carter County Tennessee, I further give and bequeath unto said Martha E. Moreland all my household and kitchen furniture every kind and description to her only use and behoof to have and enjoy in fullest possible manner and to dispose of as she may see fit.

Fifth - The rest of my land including my home being the old Moreland homestead I will and bequeath unto Martha E. Miller formerly known as Smith and sometimes known by that name but I require of her that she remain with me and care for me as long as I may live.

Sixth - It is my will and intention that the interest in the several bequest of land herein made shall a few simple title in that said devise for that respective interests bequeathed to them and each of them.

Seventh - I hereby nominate and appoint Martha E. Miller my executor and also guardian of my said niece Martha E. Moreland who is a minor of tender years and I request the Court may carry out my will.

September Term 1894

and wishes in this regard

Witness my hand and seal This Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> 1894

Attest - J. C. Collins and M. S. Hall

In the name of God Amen - (October Term 1893)

I William M. Keenan of the County of Carter and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of my life do make and bequeath this my last will and Testament hereby revoking any and all wills heretofore made by me at any time. First - My will and devise is that my soul return to God who gave it and that my body be buried in a Christian like manner and that my funeral expenses be paid by my executor hereinafter named out of any money I may die possessed of or may first come into his hands.

Second - I give and bequeath to my beloved son James S. McKeenan 12 1/2 acres of land where he now lives and also 10 acres on the fine hill next to the road not to include any cleared land he is to pay \$100.00 one hundred dollars of my indebtedness.

Third - I give and bequeath to my beloved son David P. McKeenan 17 1/2 acres of land by me purchased by from David Patton through David P. McKeenan to pay \$100.00 one hundred dollars of my indebtedness.

Fourth - I will and bequeath my beloved daughter Minnie to McKeenan 25 acres of land beginning on a Chestnut tree running North to a Gate at upper end of rear ground field thence West with the fence to an Apple tree North with the fence to a Walnut tree South West to a Hoyer line South to a corner and Hoyer line to a black gum North to the beginning and one sewing machine and one side saddle the best one and one bedstead and bed clothing.

Fifth - I will and bequeath to my beloved daughter Sarah E. Keener formerly Sarah E. McKeenan 25 acres of land beginning at the Walnut tree corner to Minnie with to a Chestnut tree in the field East to the wagon road with the road to a Chestnut tree at the gate West to the corner of the fence South with the fence to a Sycamore West to Hoyer red oak corner with Hoyer line South to Minnie corner on Hoyer line East to the beginning and one side saddle with the horse ladder.

Sixth - I will and bequeath to my beloved son John M. McKeenan 25 acres of land beginning on a Chestnut tree corner to Hoyer running South East to the branch with Hoyer line South West with Hoyer line corner to Elder Chance.

Sept. Term. 1894

1<sup>st</sup> I will and bequeath to my beloved daughter  
Nora M. Mc Keehan 25 acres of land beginning  
at a Walnut tree corner to Mimie north with  
Mary line to a Chestnut tree east to the road.  
North to the road at the gate East to Woods  
South East to a poplar tree South East to  
a Hickory bush same corner to ash with a  
grape vine on it South to Mimie corner at the  
gate and one bedstead bed and necessary bed  
clothing for the same

8<sup>th</sup> I will and bequeath to my beloved daughter  
Martha R Mc Keehan 18 acres of land beginning  
at a sassafras stump east through the pines to  
a Walnut stump north to a Hickory tree east  
to an apple tree one length to the chain north  
to the fence East to a dogwood corner to  
James S Mc Keehan and all of my lands  
North of this line to Babes and also 10 acres of  
land beginning at a ash bush and grape vine  
East to the registered line with the same to the  
top of the hill west to Mimie corner one bed  
stead and bed and necessary bed clothing

9<sup>th</sup> I will and bequeath to my beloved  
son Henry D. Mc Keehan 30 acres of land beginning  
at a sassafras bush east to a Walnut stump north  
to a Hickory tree east to an apple tree north east  
to an apple tree one chain to an apple tree east  
to a dogwood East with James line to his  
corner South to a white oak in the lane below  
below the road west with the road to the gate  
with the fence to the corner of the fence South  
to a sassafras corner west to red oak corner to  
Hoyder with his line to a planted rock north  
with with Hyder line to the beginning with to divide  
Larna North with his line West to Mary line  
West to Hoyder corner with East to Mimie corner  
South East to a rock near the real estate north  
to a hollow poplar east to Simmon tree on a  
cliff of rock same corner to a lot held by H. D. Hoyder  
Hoyder made a deed of trust with the same  
to a Walnut stump south west to the beginning  
also 2 mules and harness and 2 wagons for him  
and the minor children John M. to pay \$1000  
for my indelptness one set of black Smith  
tools 1 dark colored bureau.

10<sup>th</sup> and one bureau one bedstead and bed and bed clothing  
rifle gun 1 windmill 1 man saddle 1 cook stove and  
one pair of grindstone 1 two horse plow and harness  
my boys and ship are to remain for the use of my

Sept. Term. 1894

minor children John M. to have 1 dark colored bureau  
one mare and mule to be sold by my executor to pay on  
my indebtedness

11<sup>th</sup> I will and bequeath my saw mill to my sons  
three oldest to wit James W. Keehan David T. Mc Keehan  
John M. Mc Keehan David T. Mc Keehan to have the  
sawyer where he now lives to remove to his lot now  
occupied by James S. Mc Keehan

Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint Thomas  
Patton my executor in witness whereof I do to this  
my will set my hand seal. This the 25<sup>th</sup> day of September 1893  
William D. Mc Keehan

Signed sealed and published in our presence and  
we have subscribed our names unto in the presence of  
The Testator This the 25<sup>th</sup> day of Sept. 1893.

Adams Gouley  
M. W. Caspell

I Odrey Enson being of sound mind and disposing  
memory but feeble in body and realizing the uncertainty  
of this life do make publish and declare this to be my  
last will and Testament.

First I give and bequeath unto my sister Elizabeth Enson  
and my brother A. P. Enson my Cob.

Secondly I give and bequeath unto my niece Julia  
A. Williams one bedstead and usual bedding.

Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my Brother A. P. Enson  
one bedstead and usual bedding.

Fourth I give and bequeath unto my sister Elizabeth  
Enson my one half interest in the Sewing machine.

Fifthly I give and bequeath to my niece Bell Enson one  
picture called Blue Jay.

Sixth I give and bequeath unto my sister Elizabeth  
Enson my interest in the cooking stove and utensils  
and 20 gallon brass kettle.

Seventh I give and bequeath unto my sister Elizabeth  
Enson and my niece Julia A. Williams the remainder of my  
little personal property effects belonging to the house hold.

Eighth I give and bequeath unto my brother Preston  
Enson (S.) 10 acres of land off of my share of the land  
owned by me by deed from A. P. Enson Elizabeth Enson  
and to be laid off unto him next to Simmons  
line.

Ninth I give and bequeath unto my brother A. P. Enson  
and my sister Elizabeth Enson the remainder of my  
land as run off and decided to me by them in the  
division of our lands as shown by the deed made.

in the division of our lands as shown by the  
made to each other to share equally and a like  
in said land.  
I acknowledge the foregoing to be my will and  
testament - as above set forth in the presence of the  
subscribing witnesses and in the presence of each  
other and sign the same in the presence on this  
18<sup>th</sup> day of Sept 1894. Colney Eason

Attest - Geo. T. Williams  
W. S. Boen

Proven in open Court - by the subscribing Witness  
Nov 12, 1894.

Chairman of County Court  
May Term 1895

I J. P. Vanhuse being of sound mind discretion do make  
and ordain this to be my last will and testament hereby  
repealing and making null and void all others made  
by me at any time.

1<sup>st</sup> I hereby give and bequeath to my beloved wife Rebecca  
all the lands included in my river tract - to have and enjoy  
during her natural life and at her death to be sold and  
divided into six shares to the following: My wife of  
Isaac Marrell J. W. Vanhuse of B. Vanhuse Barbara wife of  
Menno Treasday W. L. Vanhuse and J. A. Vanhuse.

2<sup>nd</sup> I hereby direct the said lands to be held for distribution between  
the said six heirs named above at the death of my wife, but  
should any of the said six heirs desire their portion before  
that time then I direct my executor to have it laid off for  
them.

3<sup>rd</sup> I hereby direct my executor to make a title to my son  
J. M. Vanhuse for three acres of land as laid off upon which  
he has built. Also H. M. Williams the boundary he has under  
fence a acre unknown.

4<sup>th</sup> I hereby give and bequeath to my beloved wife my  
buggy and harness.

5<sup>th</sup> I hereby give and bequeath to my daughter Flora  
wife of H. M. Chambers (\$1000) to be paid out of the assets of  
the estate at the death of my wife which shall be her full  
share of my estate both real and personal.

6<sup>th</sup> I hereby give and bequeath to my two sons W. L.  
and J. A. Twenty five dollars each in stead of a Col-

given to each of the older boys.  
I hereby nominate and appoint W. L. Vanhuse to be my  
executor of this my last will and testament.

This Jan'y 21<sup>st</sup> 1893.

Signed before the subscribing witnesses  
J. P. Vanhuse

Witnesses  
M. D. Ecken  
W. S. Boen

This Jan'y 21<sup>st</sup> 1893.

Proven in open Court - by the subscribing Witnesses

Chairman

June Term 1895

The last will and Testament of W. S. Boen of Carter County Tenn.

2<sup>nd</sup> of the name of God amen.  
I W. S. Boen, being of sound mind and memory but somewhat  
weak of body knowing the uncertainty of this life and the certainty  
of death, do make a will and publish and declare this to be my  
last will and testament hereby releasing any former will by me at  
any time made or published.

Having full faith and confidence in the mercy and goodness  
of God, I give myself to him to be disposed of by him  
according to his own good pleasure. My body to be plainly but  
comely interred and my may be directed by my family,  
Trusting the worldly goods and property with God has blessed me  
I desire of the same be follow

First, I direct that all my just debts if I owe any, and my  
funeral expenses be paid by my executor immediately to be repaid  
as soon after my death as may be practicable and convenient  
to them and out of my funds belonging to my estate that may  
first come into their hands.

Second to my faithful and beloved wife Cecilia J. Boen I will  
give and devise an estate for life equal to her husband and cover  
at law in my home farm in Carter Co Tenn. said home farm  
consisting of the home place proper containing about eighty eight  
acres the said acres on the east side of the creek I purchased from  
Eason and the tract of about fifty acres bought of S. W. Williams  
making about one hundred and fifty acres in all or so much thereof  
as she may desire and need for an ample and comfortable support  
or long as she may live.

I also give and bequeath to her all my household and kitchen furniture  
and effects of every kind and description to be paid or disposed  
of as she may see proper. I also give and bequeath to her as well I  
hold against C. C. Taylor and B. C. Amberson for about four hundred  
dollars to be disposed of as she may see proper.

These legacies to my wife are intended to secure to her an easy and comfortable maintenance support and home for her during her lifetime and to this end I hope and expect that she and my son William & Boren may find it mutually pleasant and agreeable to continue to occupy the homestead together as we have hitherto done Third - On the further disposition of my estate, I desire to attain as nearly as possible perfect equality between my two sons Geo. C. Boren and William & Boren To this I will give and bequeath to my said said son William & Boren my home farm in Carter County, Tenn. containing about one hundred and fifty acres subject to the life estate of my wife Mrs. Cigilla J. Boren in the same as her-ant in the indentures above in this will and at the termination of said life estate he to take said home farm in fee simple in making this devise to my said son William I have valued said home farm encumbered with said life estate at the sum of Four thousand dollars which I regard as fair and reasonable Fourth - I have heretofore advanced to my son Geo. C. Boren the sum of nineteen hundred dollars and fifty dollars from my estate in several times the sum advanced I will give and bequeath to him the further sum of two thousand and fifty dollars to be paid to him as soon as practicable after my decease from any funds and monies that may come to the hands of my executors belonging to my estate.

Fifth - Having thus far equalized my devise and bequests to my said sons Geo. C. and William & Boren I further hereby give and bequeath to my said sons them all the balance and residue of my estate real personal and mixed to be divided between them equally share and share alike and this devise and bequest specifically includes the undivided one half interest I have in about one hundred and fifty acres of land at local level Tenn. my brother being the owner of the other half thereof -

Sixth - I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my two sons Geo. C. and William & Boren executors of this my last will and having full confidence in their honesty and integrity excuse them from giving security as such executors and request the Court to act accordingly.

Witness my hand and seal this 21<sup>st</sup> day of Mch. 1895

Witness  
No. M. F. Loom  
H. A. Brown

July, Term, 1895.

I Nancy Roberts of Elizabethton Tenn. being of sound and disposing mind and memory and shewing the certainty of death and the uncertainty of life especially of one of my age and in order to settle and arrange my worldly matters do declare this to be my last will and testament. That is to say,

I will that all my just debts if any I may owe be paid and that my body be decently buried.

I will to my daughter Agnes Roberts who has so faithfully and long waited on and cared for me in my declining years my household and kitchen furniture and all and give to my said daughter Hanes Roberts my house and lot where I now sit and live situated on Main Street in the town of Elizabethton Tenn. and bounded on the west by said Main Street on the north by the public square and the Snyder (Block), on the east by Johnson lot and on the south by the yard fence.

I give all my remaining property money goods effects of all kind and description both personal and real that I may die seized and possessed of to my other six children equally to share alike that is to say to Geo. C. Roberts H. C. Roberts H. J. Roberts, Trishie Cunnell, Elmira C. Smith & Nestor C. Toneray or in case of their death or deaths then to their heirs, the share of their ancestor and direct my legal representative to dispose of all my said property disposed of in the 4<sup>th</sup> clause hereof to my said six remaining children and divide the money equally among them The said last six mentioned said property to be sold either at public or private sale whichever said representative may think best

This will is made in lieu of all or any other will or wills I may have heretofore made or attempted to make.

In testimony hereof I hereunto subscribe my name in the presence of the subscribing witnesses hereunto on this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September 1892

Attest  
S. J. Cawyer  
John B. Cawyer

Nancy Roberts  
[Signature]

August Term 1895

The last will and testament of Martha A. Hyde dec.

Martha A. Hyde a citizen of Carter County Tennessee, Being weak of body but strong in mind and desirous of disposing of my property in an equitable and just manner do make this my last will and testament

I will that when I am gone that my body be buried in a modest and gentle manner in the home bearing grounds with my husband and children and that said burial should be a respectful grave paid to be enclosed by a nice fence a parking fund at the expense of my estate

(2)

That my just debts if any I may owe together with my funeral expenses be paid

(3)

I will and bequeath to my beloved grand daughter Mary J. Hyde all my personalty of every kind and description both personal and real especially my home farm when I now live except one hogpen tract as well as my one fourth undivided interest in a large tract of mountain land known as the Queen Station tract near Valley Forge in Carter County Tennessee and all of my stock including horses cattle hogs and other property as well as my debts due or to be due in action and all other property except a horse as heretofore mentioned.

(4)

I will and bequeath to James H. Berry twenty one acres of land off of my home farm to be run off of the part I purchased from Taylor and Brown as the Storm Spring tract to be run off adjoining the land heretofore owned so as to form a long square. I also will them one bay mare if the same is living and mine at my death if not I will him one horse these gifts of land and a horse to be in full of or in lieu of any debt he may claim against me at my death.

(5)

That all contracts of lease or rental I have heretofore made by me with parties whether the same be in writing or verbal I will that they be annulled by my representative in full

(6)

It is against my will for my said grand daughter Mary J. Hyde to marry or to marry with any man of any denomination and I do hereby prohibit it and if she does marry with any man I will that all my property be divided between her and my said grand daughter Mary J. Hyde all that part of my said will giving to her my said property a copy of same and in that event I will and bequeath all my estate both real and personal except what is then reserved to the said James H. Berry to the Trustees and their successors of the First at the Big Spring Church of the Gospel to be used for said church in erecting a nice Church house for the worship of God by the congregation of said church said house of worship to be built at a cost of a mile or more a matter of some high price

But if I die I Hyde never makes said Thomas Ritchie then this part of said will will be void otherwise it will be in force in testimony whereof I have written and subscribed my name on this the 27th of April 1890 in the presence of the subscribing witnesses

Attest  
A. N. White  
W. A. Gurr  
R. A. Smith

Martha A. Hyde

September Term 1895

The Last Will of Robert Miller, decd.

I Robert Miller of the 5th district of Carter County Tennessee, being of sound and disposing mind and memory but feeble in body do make this my last will and testament.

1st I will that my body be given a decent Christian burial and the expenses thereof be payment of any money or property that I may be possessed and seized of and that all my just debts if any I may owe at the time of my death be paid

2nd It is my will that my real estate where I now live be divided into 3 shares equal in value and in such a manner as to make them and each of them convenient to wood and water as they can be well made and within a reasonably short time after I am gone that they the whole the three divisions of land be sold at public sale separately and then to be sold as a whole first then separately and then after due advertisement on a credit of six months and 24 months and which ever manner of sale brings the most to be adopted the payments to be evidenced by note with good personal security and a lien retained on sale of land as additional security and the proceeds of sale or sales of said land be divided equally between my said children to wit:

Martha Miller Edward E. Miller Annie J. Hampton his Miller and Maudie Miller and my wife Catherine J. Miller and my personal property money horses in action and every thing that I may be seized and possessed of a proceeds of same be divided equally between my said four children.

3rd I give to my beloved wife Catherine J. Miller the said one fifth interest in the proceeds of the sale of all my real estate as I claim it for the best of all concerned that she take a child's part in the real estate in lieu of homestead and dower and exemptions she to have years support.

4th I make this disposition of my worldly goods because I verily believe it to be fair equal and just and I expect that this disposition of my property be in lieu of all and any claims any or of my said children may claim against me or my estate and if any of them seek to set up a claim and recover a judgment against my said estate

and if one of them then he or she or they seeking to recover will forfeit all benefit under this will and the same will revert to those who acquire in same.

2<sup>d</sup> It is my will and I hereby appoint R. G. Smith of Elizabethtown Tennessee my executor who will I trust faithfully execute this my last will and in doing so and to prevent a mistake I direct that in the sale of my lands that he sell it first as a whole and then in three parts & let every hearer I hereunto subscribe my name in the presence of the subscribing witnesses on this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of June 1875.

Signed in and present on the

Robert Miller

J. B. Williams

J. H. Pharr.

November Term 1875.

In the name of God Amen.

I Alfred Johnson of the county of Barton and the State of Tennessee, being of sound mind but weak of body and conscious of the frailty and uncertainty of this mortal life do make and publish this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking annulling and making void all other wills by me at any time made.

First - I will my soul to God who gave it in perfect faith and resignation to His divine Will, and in humble trust in the merits of the Lord Jesus Christ, who redeemed it with his blood, and I commit my body to the dust from whence it came.

Second - As touching my worldly estate I do hereby will that all of my lands, personal and just debts be paid by my executor hereinafter named, as soon as possible after my death. At present however I do not owe one cent in the world.

Third - I do hereby will and bequeath unto my beloved wife Sallie Johnson, all my house hold and kitchen furniture, farming utensils, and stock of all kinds on my farm, and all other kind of personal property of every kind and description whatever of which I may be seized and possessed together with any kind all money, debts, claims, and actions of any kind and other personal effects of value to have use, control, keep and enjoy for and during her natural life. I do further will and bequeath unto my said wife, one hundred and twenty acres attached thereto as follows: Beginning on a Chestnut in the division line between my land and the land of William Blackwell or William Miller as he is sometimes known thence running west with said division line thirty five poles to a sharp stance eight poles South to a sharp stance west 20 poles to a stance thence South 160 poles to a stance thence due East 135 poles to a stance thence North 168 poles to the Beginning including one hundred and thirty acres more or less for said boundary and to include all buildings belonging to our household and to hold the same absolutely for and during her natural life. I do this in recognition of the rights of my lawful wife and to make ample provision for her in her declining years and in future recognition of her claims upon me by reason of the fact that during sixty years of married life she has been my faithful devoted wife, constant helpmate and partner in life.

Fourth - At the death of my said wife I do hereby will and bequeath unto Samuel Johnson my youngest son the lands in which I have above willed to my wife for life to him the said Samuel Johnson, his heirs and assigns in fee simple forever, which is to be all of the real estate he has to have out of my estate. The intention of this bequest is that my said wife Samuel Johnson