

Levin Gray Will

Be it remembered that I Levin Gray of the County of
 Canaan and State of Tennessee being in good mind and memory
 and knowing that it is once appointed for all men to die. Do
 by these presents make and ordain this instrument my last Will and
 Testament Revoking all others and confirming this my lawful will
 a law in the following manner to wit - First after paying all
 my Just Debts I give bequeath to my beloved wife Caroline
 Gray all my lands Real estate with my two Negroes my negro
 boy Daniel to be the property of my beloved wife during his
 life, at my wife's death Daniel to have his freedom. The
 girl Ruth my beloved wife to dispose of as she pleases at
 her death. Item the second I give and bequeath to Hannah W
 Blake one bed and furniture also one Cow and Calf the balance
 of all my estate I give and bequeath to my beloved wife all
 out standing debts Including all my property for my wife
 in use and benefit. This the 1st day of June 1836

Signs Seal and delivery in presence of us Just
 Robert Strader & Acknowledges in open Court Levin Gray
 William Lile Isaac Bratten
 18th August 1836

I also appoint my beloved wife my executrix in conform-
 -ity with William Lile and Isaac Bratten



Witnessed this 18th August 1836

State of Tennessee & Hall County. personally appearing in
 open Court it being German Court for said County Robert Strader
 William Lile and Isaac Bratten subscribing witnesses to the within
 will who being duly sworn depose and say that they know Levin
 Gray and that he was a man of sound mind and memory and that he acknowledged the same in their presence to be his act and deed upon the day
 here date to wit 1st June 1836 J. M. Wade Clerk of the Court
 being Court at office this the 6th of August 1836

Levin Gray Will

Be it remembered that I Levin Gray of the County of
 Adams and State of Tennessee being in good mind and memory
 and knowing that it is once appointed for all men to die, do
 by these presents make and ordain this Instrument my last Will and
 Testament Revoking all others and Confirming this my lawful will
 in the following manner to wit - First after paying all
 my Just Debts I give bequeath to my beloved wife Caroline
 Gray all my lands Real estate with my two Negroes my negro
 boy Daniel to be the property of my beloved wife during her
 life at my wife's death Daniel to have his freedom, the
 girl ~~Justine~~ my beloved wife to dispose of as she pleases at
 her death I then the second I give and bequeath to Hannah W.
 Blake and her heirs and furniture also one Cow and Cattle the balance
 of all my estate I give and bequeath to my beloved wife all
 out standing debts Including all my property for my wife's
 use and benefit. This the 1st day of June 1836

I give sealed and deliver in presence of the Just
 Robert Strasser Jr. Acknowledged in open Court with August 1836
 William Tate
 Isaac Bratten

I also appoint my beloved wife my executrix in conform-
 ity with William Tate and ~~Isaac Bratten~~ ^{Philip} ~~Isaac Bratten~~
 Witnesses the 15th August 1838



State of Tennessee, Adams County, personally appearing in
 open Court it being German Court for said County Robert Strasser
 William Tate and Isaac Bratten subscribing witnesses to the within
 will who being duly sworn depose and say that they know Levin
 Gray and that he was a man of sound mind and memory and that he did make
 and the same in their presence to be his act and deed upon the day
 hereunto written J M Wade Clerk of the Court
 being Court at office this the 6th
 of August 1838

I will and bequeath to my son Edward one several Coll- that he now
 Possesseth, I will that my wife have a sufficiency to maintain
 her and her Children until they are Married or put to a trade
 produces provided for her and her children, the lands all to be unto
 only except the tract where my son Willm and now live on. I will that
 he keep in half of that improvement until gone as long as he and
 Edward live on it, by his keeping up the fence, I will also that the
 negroes all be turned out after gathering all the Crops except all
 Isaac and he to have his freedom on his good behavior but on the
 first offence my son Willm to take him and drive him out
 as the others, the rents of the lands to be paid to the maintaining
 of my wife and Children, I also appoint my son Willm and
 William Adams, and Abraham Mullins my executors of my will
 If son Willm see cause to keep the place where he lives and
 pay it himself, he may do so and pay no more only the year
 and here five years to pay it in finally I want all my children
 to have an equal part of my estate

Attest
 Isaac Adams
 State of New York
 In the County of Dutchess
 October 3rd 1835 On and from the last will and testament of
 Willm Adams (Deceased) was produced in of a Court for probate and
 was duly proved in open Court by the oaths of Joseph Adams
 and James M. West subscribing witnesses to the same who being sworn
 depose and say that they were acquainted with Willm Adams
 and that he was a man of sound mind and memory and that he
 also acknowledged that he executed the within will upon the
 day it bears date for the purposes therein contained in
 an Motion made to be received into my hand at
 office this 1st day of October 1835

P. R. Howe Clerk
 of Dutchess County Court

Isaac Hoag Last and Testament

In the name of God Amen. I Isaac Hoag of the County of Dutchess
 in the state of New York being weak and low in body but of sound and
 perfect mind and memory and considering the frailty and
 of this natural life, do make and publish this my last will and testament
 in the manner and form following, that is to say: I Give and bequeath
 unto my wife Rebecca wife Mary Hoag the whole real and personal estate
 former which I reside during her natural life also the use and improve-
 -ment of all my Stock Household and personal and personal
 tools and goods and property of all descriptions I now possess and
 Hoag during her natural life, with and excepting the sum of
 Dollars given and bequeathed unto my son Isaac & Isaac Jr Hoag
 the form in which the said sum is to be paid as a satisfaction
 the Order of my new form for and accept thereof to a line of a
 new Copy I have made and the said new copy to be divided equally
 between the said two sons. I also give unto my son Isaac
 and share to be equally divided between them I also give unto my son Isaac
 I keep the set of blacksmith tools that he has now in his possession
 & in that that he now uses, I also give unto my daughter Ann Hoag
 one pair of new saddle & bridle one Cow and Calf that she formerly owned
 two also has now had her Stock of furniture also her Clock also fifty
 dollars in money, I also give and bequeath unto my son (Daughter) Elizabeth
 M. Smith, Mary Clark Margery Hoag & Rebecca Williams to each
 the sum of five Dollars to be paid out of the proceeds of my debts and
 due to me & if any should be wanting to make up the amount of the
 bequeathing to my son (Daughter) the deficiency is to be made up by my
 two sons equally, I also give unto my grand son Isaac & Hoag Jr
 the Calf that the formerly owned as his own. It is also my last will
 and desire that at the decease of my wife the form on which I now
 live reside shall belong in full sample to my aforementioned Daughter
 Ann Hoag Finally I hereby appoint my trustees Isaac & Isaac
 Jr Hoag as executors to this my last will and testament

In testimony of which I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this 10th day of October 1835, subscribed in presence of
us as witnesses

E. Wright

Thomas Black

State of Tennessee, DeKalb County November Term 1835
A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Isaac Hogg
was produced in open Court for probate the will not being contested
by the heirs it was accordingly proved and admitted by Thomas Black one of
the subscribing witnesses to the same will being duly sworn and
deposed that he was personally acquainted with Isaac Hogg and that he
knew him as a man of sound mind and memory, and was at the time he made
the within will and that he also acknowledged he executed the within
will for the purposes therein contained upon the day it bears date and
ground by the Court that said will be recorded together with the probate
thereon. Although my hand is off in this the 5th day of November 1835
Copy from Minutes Book of
Judge J. S. Hinton the 15th day of Nov 1835 Of said County Court

William Hullett W. 16

I William Hullett do make and publish this my last will
and testament hereby revoking and annulling every other will
by me at any time made, first I direct that my funeral
expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death
as possible out of my money that I may die possessed of
or may first my debts come into the hands of my executor as may
I give and bequeath to my wife the use of all my lands
her life time and at her death I give and bequeath unto
Joseph Hullett my son, William Hullett my son all the
land that I purchased of John Henson & James
White to be equally divided between them and I
give and bequeath unto my daughter Caroline one

parcel more and one acre I give and bequeath unto
my daughter Lucretia Parkerson one acre, I give and bequeath
unto my daughter Caroline one plantation land and furniture
I give and bequeath unto my Rachel all of the Cyprian merr
and the brass of furniture and all the rest of the things that
belong to my house lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint John
Horsford as my executor in my last will and testament I do to this my will
set my hand and seal this 10th day of Nov 1835
Witness my hand and seal
John Horsford Jr

Joseph Hullett

A paper read and published in our presence and the same was read
and the same was in the presence of the testator thus the 9th
day of May 1835

State of Tennessee DeKalb County Dec Term 1835
On petition and motion a paper purporting to be the last will and
testament of William Hullett Dec was produced in open Court for
probate and the will not being contested it was duly proved in open
Court by the oath of John Horsford Jr who being duly sworn
deposed and dep that he was acquainted with William Hullett
and that he acknowledged the within will to be his act
and deed for the purposes therein contained upon the day
it bears date, and on motion ordered to be recorded together
with the probate thereon. Witness J. S. Hinton Clerk of said
County Court at office 7th January 1839
Recorded 16th of January 1839

J. S. Hinton Clerk

Niles Jones Will

In the name of god amen. Niles Jones being weak
in body and loaded in mind and knowing the end
and of life, do make and publish this my last will
and Testament first directing that my burial expenses
and Just debts be paid. I Give and bequeath
to my beloved wife Elizabeth Jones my former when
I was leaving her mother to life for the support and
maintenance of my son William. Susan
Lydia Caroline John and Mahalia all and
William D. Barstow second son, also one horse,
1110, two cows and calves, fifteen head of sheep,
ten sheep, the Gese and pen, all our farming
tools and Wheat Fan Blacksmiths Tools, four hoes,
stoves and furniture, Cupboard, Table, and Table furniture
Kitchen furniture, except a large kettle, two big stoves
two side Saddle, one wheel and cords & floor wheel sufficient
Of the bacon and Grain on hand to do till 25th October
Next and for the next year provision 40 barrels Corn 35
bushels Wheat two thousand bundles salt. I Give and
bequeath to my son William Jones his saddle horse
case blanket and four horses worth 63 Collars, the balance
of my estate to be sold at 12 months credit and the proceeds after
paying my debts to be placed in the hands of the Guardian
of our Children before named and also our Grandson
William D. Barstow who is to be equal and to count him
in my estate and if it should so happen that my beloved
wife Elizabeth should not be able to furnish each of the
above named Children with an equal part of property as
will be to William when they come to mature age or
marry that each of them shall first be made equal
and then the balance equally divided, it is further my

wish after the death of my beloved wife that the
said be sold on a credit of twelve months and divided
equally among my heirs before named. I hereby appoint
Jacob Fite my executor to my last will and Testament
and at the expiration of the time as executor it is my
wish that he will take the Guardian ship of my
Children and Grand Child. I now commend my
spirit to god who I request my body to be
buried in plain but in a decent manner in the
I do make this the 11th day of June 1839
Niles Jones

In the presence of
John Yergon

Jeremiah Henderson
State of Tennessee Dekalb County August Term 1839
personally appeared before me a Justice Clerk of
Dekalb County Court in office Court John Yergon
and Jeremiah Henderson subscribing in stripes
to the within will who being first sworn in open
Court depose and say that they were acquainted
with Niles Jones the maker of the within will
and that he signed the same in their presence
upon the day it purports to be on date 11th June 1839
My hand at office this the 3th day of August 1839
John Yergon Clerk
of Dekalb County Court

State of Tennessee, County of Shelby, 18th March 1840. The last will and testament of William Childers deceased was presented in open court for probate the will not being contested within the objection. One of the subscribing witnesses, who being duly sworn in open court deposed and said that he had seen and read a declaration of the will in presence of the testator and that he could not deny his signature thereto. James Davis was therefore duly sworn and deposed that the said will was in fact the last will and testament of the testator, and that he was present when William Robinson and William Davis signed the same, and that the said will was in the presence of the testator at his request upon which testimony said will was admitted to record and ordered that Letting Davis and James Davis be of the executor. Testimony completed with the law. Witness my hand at office the 6th March 1840.
J. M. Wade Clerk
Of Shelby County Court.

Silas Cooper's Will

I Silas Cooper being of sound mind and perfect memory do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following. I Give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Rachel my plantation wherein I now live during her natural life or widowhood and after her death or marriage I want the proceeds of the said plantation to the use of my daughter Martha during her life. I do also Give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Rachel all my personal property except my sword and my clock my carpenter tools and my shoe last except so much of them as the family may need and my farming tools except what my family

needs which I want sold and applied to the payment of my debts and if there shall be a balance after paying the debts I will and bequeath the said balance to my wife Rachel. I further will and bequeath the above named plantation after the death or marriage of my wife and death of my daughter Martha to be equally divided between my daughter Nancy and my son Joseph and Isaac and my daughter Corian and Jond. I further will and bequeath to my daughter William and Betsey and my daughter Elizabeth and my daughter Mary Davis one dollar each and lastly as to all the residue and remainder of what I owe and or am due I Give and bequeath to my said wife Rachel wherein I hereby appoint my executor together with the Simuel to be my executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the 10th day of July 1840 in the presence of us.
J. B. Wick Silas Cooper

Simuel Pastor

State of Tennessee, Shelby County August Term 1840. I appear personally to be the last and testament of Silas Cooper and I appear personally in open court for probate and was duly sworn in open court by the oath of J. B. Wick and Samuel Winton subscribing witnesses who being duly sworn in open court deposed and say that they were acquainted with Silas Cooper the testator and that they signed the within will in his presence by his request and in presence of the said witnesses J. M. Wade Clerk of said County Court at office 3rd day of August 1840.
J. M. Wade

Benjamin Strick with

State of Tennessee De Kalb County Sept under the first day
 in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
 thirty eight. In the name of God Amen I Benjamin Strick of the County and State above men-
 tioned in body but bound in Mind and Memory
 Considering the uncertainty of all Time Things and our
 particularly that I myself may not live for that much and
 feeling anxious to provide for my beloved and children
 to make this my last will and testament in such a
 happy disposal of my estate in Manner and form following
 that is to say I thus wish that so much of my
 considerable property as I do so will pay all my last
 debts if otherwise arranged cannot be made to pay them
 Item 2^d It is my will and desire that my lands with my plantation
 and buildings be for the use of my wife and to raise my children
 on during her natural life or widowhood provided meantime
 If my wife Gemina should marry again then and in that
 case it is my will and desire that my wife Gemina Strick
 have a child support of my lands and other property that
 may be on the premises - Item 3^d It is my will and desire
 that the following named children (to wit) Stephen
 Jacob John and Enock Boys - Mary Elizabeth Pollyanna
 Gemina and Sindy Girls being children of my first
 wife Gemina Strick have as follows that is to say
 each one of the boys to have a horse Bitch equal to one
 given to each one of my older sons (to wit) Joseph Alexander
 and Benjamin also it is my will and desire that the above
 named Stephen Jacob John and Enock my sons Enock have a
 cow Bitch equal in value to one given to Joseph
 and also given to Alexander Item 4th It is my
 will and desire that my Daughters (to wit)

Mary Elizabeth Pollyanna Gemina and Sindy have
 property or money to make them equal with the above named
 boys Item 5th It is my will and desire that in case of
 the death or marriage of my wife Gemina Strick that
 after giving to my children as herein before directed all
 the Balance left (to my) land and all the property to be sold
 and equally divided among the following named sons
 and Daughters Joseph Strick Alexander Benjamin
 Stephen Jacob John and Enock my sons and Mary
 Elizabeth Pollyanna Gemina and Sindy my daughters
 and as much do ordain this my last will and testament
 hereby revoking all former wills If any thing shall
 be and I do here in apparent my Trusty friend Thomas
 Simpson Esq of this County my lawful Executor
 to carry the above said will into effect in trust my hand
 and seal the day and year first above written signed
 sealed and delivered in the presence of the subscribing
 Witnesses
 Benjamin Strick
 Thomas Curkum Esq. named signed by request of said Benjamin Strick
 John Wilmett
 State of Tennessee De Kalb County August Term 1846 a paper
 purporting to be the last will and testament of Benjamin
 Strick Esq was presented in open court for probate and was
 duly proved in open court by the oaths of Thomas Curkum and
 John Wilmett subscribing witnesses to the same who being
 first sworn depose and say that they now acquiesce in
 Benjamin Strick the testator and that they signed the
 said will in his presence by his request and on motion
 and that said will be recorded with the Clerk of our said County Court at office the day
 of August 1846

Samuel Craff Will

State of Tennessee Pickens County. I Samuel Craff do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made. First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my decease as possible out of my money that I may see proper and my estate come into the hands of my executor. Secondly I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth Craff all my real and personal estate that I do hereby constitute and appoint my wife Elizabeth Craff my executor in and to this my will set my hand and seal this 13th day of August 1840 signed sealed and published in our presence and we here subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the Testator this 13th day of August 1840. Samuel Craff (and) William Lloyd

Robinson Sigens

State of Tennessee Pickens County Sept. Term 1840
a paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Samuel Craff deceased was presented in open Court for probate and was duly perused in open Court by the acts of William Lloyd and Robinson Sigens subscribing witnesses thereto who being first duly sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with Samuel Craff the Testator and that he signed the said will in their presence at his request and on motion ordered that said will be recorded together with the probat thereon. Done under my hand at office. R. M. Wade and P. M. Wade of Pickens County

P. M. Wade and
of Pickens County

William Kirby Will

State of Tennessee Pickens County. I William Kirby of the County of said do make and ordain this piece of writing to be my last will and testament in manner and form as following to wit: I Give or loan to my beloved wife Polly all my real and personal estate consisting of my River tract of land containing one hundred and twenty acres, the Real tract containing ninety five acres, and my stock of cattle hogs sheep &c to be to her own during her natural life or widowhood. Then It is my desire that at the death or marriage of my wife that all the personal estate then in her hands be divided equally among my daughter and my daughter's children. And the said Polly and her children of the blood of said Kirby (my Grandson) then the balance of my said estate to be equally divided among my daughter Martha H. Kirby Elizabeth M. Kirby Nancy W. Kirby Mary C. Kirby and my Grandson Thomas S. Kirby at the death or marriage of my wife Polly I ordain that my son Isaac Kirby the Real tract before mentioned containing ninety five acres to him and his heirs forever at the same time or under the above circumstances I ordain that my sons William Neal Kirby and John G. Kirby the river tract before mentioned containing one hundred and twenty five acres to be equally divided between them to them and their heirs forever. Then I appoint William H. Leitch my Executor to carry into effect and fully to execute the above and to sign my hand and seal the 12th day of October 1840. Witness my hand and seal. William Kirby (and) John G. Kirby (and) Isaac Kirby (and) David Kirby

State of Tennessee Pickens County November Term 1840 a paper purporting to be the last will and testament of William Kirby deceased was produced in open Court for probate and was duly perused in open Court by the acts of William M. Lane and David A. DeLoach subscribing witnesses thereto who being first duly sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with the Testator and that they signed the said will in the presence of the said Testator at his request and on motion ordered that be recorded together with the probat thereon. Witness P. M. Wade Clerk of said Court at office the 12th day of November 1840.

Copy of Will

Liiv Bogoths Will

In the name of God amen I Liiv Bogoths in being low in health
but sound in mind knowing that it is appointed for all men once
to die and it may desire to make some disposition of my property before
I die therefore I do make and ordain this my last will and testament
first it is my desire after my death that my body be buried in
the usual manner. And secondly it is my will and desire that my
dear and beloved wife shall have and possess the above plantation
and my negro man during her lifetime. And that she
shall have for her own use and benefit as much of my stock
of hogs cattle and hogs as will be necessary for her maintenance
also I give unto her all my house hold and kitchen furniture
and thirdly it is my will and desire that my executor shall
settle as soon as possible after my death all the debts due
to me and pay it over to some other whom I shall direct to or as much
as I am owing. and fourthly it is my will and desire that my executor
shall after settling a part what I have bequeathed a bond to my
wife Sally sell at some credit what they may agree upon
all my real and personal property and divide the money into
collective among my children in the following manner (to wit)
that my sons Joseph and Williams have each an equal share
after deducting from each of them share forty dollars that Bire
shall have from his share deducted one hundred and fifty
dollars that Lorne shall have deducted from his share one
hundred dollars and that N. G. that the husband of my daughter
Olga both shall have from his share all but fifty dollars
and further it is my wish and desire that Nathan and Siri
and Loney who have their full share without any deduction
whatsoever and lastly I do hereby nominate my sons Joseph
and William Bogoths executor to this my last will and testament
witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this
1st day of November 1840
Liiv Bogoths
And also John Liiv Bogoths (witness)

In addition to the above will it is my desire that none of the
lands shall be sold until the death of my wife Sally and that
the house and land and improvements on this side of the creek
is to be understood as part of the above plantation left
to my wife as above stated. Witness my hand and seal this
10th day of November 1840
And it is further my will that the above plantation shall be
laid off in lots of equal value by my executor and is one of
of the Legatus as unto to be divided and each shall have
a lot of 100 acres each to keep up his part
of the remains of said plantation. Witness my hand
and seal the day and date above written
Liiv Bogoths
James Davis David Rogers Andrew Johnson John Allen

Subscribed and sworn to before me in and for the County of Lincoln
on motion a paper purporting to be the last will and testament
of Liiv Bogoths deceased was produced in open court and my
duty proven in open court by the oaths of James Davis and
Andrew Johnson two of the subscribing witnesses thereto
who being first duly sworn to do so and say they were
acquainted with Liiv Bogoths two Testators and that
they signed the the said will in the presence of the
Testator at his request and on motion ordered
to be Recorded together with the probit thereof
Witness J. A. Woods Clerk of said Court
at Office the day of December 1840
J. A. Woods

Thomas G Davis will

In Thomas G Davis feeling that my end is nigh and that I shall soon be advised to all worldly considerations being very weak in body do make and publish this my last will and testament. My desire that my burial expenses and all my just debts paid then give and bequeath to my beloved wife Rebecca Davis the balance of my estate consisting of house and lot whereon the house stands and kitchen furniture French Cask and the like. I do bequeath to her the use of it until the approach of and choice of my beloved wife and myself. Peter Davis of said Peter will pay the debts which I justly owe on the care of his Mother the balance of her life. It my wish that my son Peter have all and singular my small estate to be disposed of as he may think most reasonable to be paid. I do bequeath to him my last will and testament. I do bequeath my spirit to God who is my Father and my body to be buried in a Christian Church. This I witness as correct in full and unaltered mind the 11th day of September 1811.

Test Thomas G Davis

Subscribed before me George B. G.

Attest my official duties as Justice of the Peace for the County of York in the County of York on the 11th day of September 1811.

George B. G.

acquainted with Thomas G Davis the testator and that he served the within will in his presence before a just and legal person in writing in view to be signed by the testator and the said Justice of the Peace in the County of York on the 11th day of September 1811.

Attest my hand and office the said Justice of the Peace in the County of York on the 11th day of September 1811.

George B. G.

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George B. G.

James & Davis 1846

He Thomas & Davis feeling that my end is near and that I shall soon be advised to all earthly concerns, I have being my soul in body do make and publish this my last will and testament. As my desire that my final expense and all my just debts paid I then give and bequeath to my beloved wife Rebecca Davis the balance of my estate consisting of house and lot in the town of New York and Kitchen furniture & such other and the same I give and bequeath to her and she and her heirs and assigns forever. And I direct that she and her heirs and assigns should not be troubled with the payment of any of my debts and I direct that she and her heirs and assigns should not be troubled with the payment of any of my debts and I direct that she and her heirs and assigns should not be troubled with the payment of any of my debts.

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And I direct that she and her heirs and assigns should not be troubled with the payment of any of my debts and I direct that she and her heirs and assigns should not be troubled with the payment of any of my debts and I direct that she and her heirs and assigns should not be troubled with the payment of any of my debts.

Witness my hand and seal this 1st day of June 1846

signed with Thomas & Davis the 1st day of June 1846 and that he signed the within will in his private & proper presence and in the presence of the undersigned and in the presence of the undersigned and in the presence of the undersigned and in the presence of the undersigned.

Elizabeth Davis

Elizabeth Davis the wife of Thomas Davis and she and her heirs and assigns forever. And I direct that she and her heirs and assigns should not be troubled with the payment of any of my debts and I direct that she and her heirs and assigns should not be troubled with the payment of any of my debts.

shall thank her and her heirs and assigns forever. And I direct that she and her heirs and assigns should not be troubled with the payment of any of my debts and I direct that she and her heirs and assigns should not be troubled with the payment of any of my debts.

Witness my hand and seal this 1st day of June 1846

James Simpson his last will and testament
his executor is to make a house and garden
in the parish of St. Andrew in the county of St. Andrew
and to sell the same house and garden

James

Attest that James Simpson Jan 1 1741
in his last will and testament
has made his last will and testament
in the presence of three witnesses in open court
before the Court of Session in the County of St. Andrew
and that he has signed the said will in his presence
by his Clerk and in the presence of the said
witnesses and that he has signed the said will in his presence
by his Clerk and in the presence of the said
witnesses in the County of St. Andrew
J. A. Clerk

James Simpson's will

I James Simpson of the County of St. Andrew
in the State of Tennessee feeling myself fast declining
not knowing how long it may please the
divine providence for me to live and being thus
sensible of my frailty I have in mind to make
and bequeath all my property both real
and personal to my executor to be by him
disposed of in the way and manner he or
after directed. It is my will that after my
decease that my body be buried in a plain
and decent manner and I direct that each of my

personal property as my family can most
conveniently spare to be sold sufficient to pay
all my just debts that the same be sold
upon such terms at public sale as may seem
most to the interest of my estate. I then give
the remainder of my property to my beloved wife
Nothing giving her natural life or more where
with the provision that she is to give each of my
Children one bed and furniture when ever
they may marry and when they come their share
not to be a hindrance for each of them these also may
not receive a hindrance and to have the worth of one
in money or some other property of my estate
5th I will and direct that my beloved wife keep
all the real and remainder of my property both
real and personal for the purpose of raising
my children and at her death that all of
the same both real and personal to be sold publicly
upon such terms as may seem most beneficial
and that the proceeds thereof be divided among all
my children in the following manner that is to
say those of my children who may have been
personally advanced by me or from the proceeds
of my estate are not to receive any part of the
same until all the rest of my estate shall
each receive an amount equal to their
proceeds advanced and then the whole of my
estate is to be equally divided among all
my children 6th I direct my executor to
execute a General warranty deed of conveyance
to Henry Morton for two acres of land in
the South East corner of my tract

John C. Cunden in his last will and testament
 has devised it is to have it sold and the proceeds
 to be divided among the children of the said
 John C. Cunden and his wife.

Simpson

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James Simpson's will

I James Simpson of the County of ...
 State of Tennessee, feeling myself fast declining
 and knowing how long it may please the
 divine providence for me to live and being then
 duly and profitably considered in mind do make
 certain and declare this to be my last will
 and testament revoking all others - first
 I will and bequeath all my property both real
 and personal to my executor to be by him
 disposed of in the way and manner here
 after directed. I do direct that after my
 decease that my body be buried in a plain
 and unassuming manner 3rd I direct that each of my

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personal property as my family can most
 conveniently spare be sold sufficient to pay
 all my just debts that the same be sold
 upon such terms at public sale as may accure
 to the interest of my estate. I then give and
 bequeath the remainder of my property to my beloved wife
 during her natural life or widowhood
 the provision that she is to give each of my
 children one bed and one furniture when ever
 they marry and for the joint then to be
 a bed for each of them those who may
 never be a bed and to have the worth of one
 money or some other property of my estate
 I will and direct that my beloved wife keep
 the real and remainder of my property both
 real and personal for the purpose of raising
 children until at her death that all if
 same both real and personal to be sold publicly
 such terms as may seem most beneficial
 that the proceeds thereof be divided among all
 children in the following manner that is to
 those of my children who may have been
 actually advanced by me or from the proceeds
 of my estate are not to receive any part of the
 same until all the rest of my children shall
 receive an amount equal to their
 by advanced and then the whole of my
 estate to be equally divided among all
 children. I do direct my executor to
 as General masonry died of Consumption
 to Henry Menter for two acres of land on
 the south east corner of my tract

including the house wherein he now lives
 It is my wish if my two Grand children
 Mary Elizabeth and Ruth Ann Persons should
 live to become of lawful age or marry that they
 upon upon the final disposition of my
 estate that they are to receive that portion of the
 same that their Mother would have been entitled
 to if she had been living & I hereby constitute
 an appoint my son Mathew Simpson the
 executor to execute this my last will and
 Testament the intentions here in above words
 of the now family and Ruth Ann is interlined
 before this instrument is signed by me the testator
 this the 19th day of April in the year 1821
 Mathew Simpson
 Signed by us as witnesses in the presence of the
 testator and at his request this 19th day of April 1821

Duggin - Samuel Edmondson
 State of Tennessee 2 May 1821 in County of Carroll
 DeKalb County 3 a paper purporting to be the
 last will and Testament of James Simpson deceased
 was presented in open court for probate and the
 will not being contested it was duly proven by the
 oath of Daniel Coggin one of the one of the subscribing
 witnesses thence to the being first sworn before and say that
 that he was acquainted with the testator James Simpson
 and that he made his mark to said will and acknowledged
 the same to be his will and by his request he became
 a subscribing witness to the same and on motion
 and that said will be received
 Copying Teste Given under my hand at office in the Court
 in May 1821
 J. M. Wade Clerk -

I Mathew Simpson of the County of DeKalb
 State of Tennessee do make and publish this my
 last will and Testament hereby Proclaiming and Making
 void all former wills by me at any time made heretofore
 and first I declare that my body be decently interred in an un-
 suitable to my condition in life and as to such worldly
 estate as it hath pleased god to trust me with I dispose
 of the same as following I wish that my debts and
 burial expenses be paid as soon after my death as possible out
 of any property that I may have so called as I wish and bequeath
 to my beloved wife Elizabeth the house and house hold furniture
 and Plantations that is to say all my land during her natural
 life for her maintenance after her death to be equally divided
 among my children thereby it is my wish and desire that my son
 Mathew live on the place and the farm and as to his Mother
 that she has a great maintenance Given under my hand and seal
 in the presence of us
 Mathew Simpson

My Boys John & Isaac. Note my daughter Annelle to live with her mother
 and do as a dutiful child during her Mother's life
 State of Tennessee DeKalb County August 3rd 1821
 a paper purporting to be the last will and Testament of Mathew Simpson
 deceased was presented in open court for probate and was duly proven
 in open court by the oaths of William Boyd and John Smith
 subscribing witnesses to the same who being first sworn before
 and say that they were acquainted with Mathew Simpson
 the testator and at the time he signed the said will
 was of sound mind and memory and that they signed the
 will by his Request in his presence and it was
 be admitted to Record Given under my hand at office
 3 day of August 1821
 J. M. Wade Clerk -

Isaac Cheatham Will

I am appointed for all men to see and who gave my will to me I give it back to him again I give Cheatham of the State of Tennessee and County of Columbia being made in body through strong in mind do ordain this my last will and testament and do ordain and appoint my son Archer Cheatham my lawful executor to superintend and settle all my affairs & I give the tract of land that I bought of William Rogers the land the land that I own in to my son Archer Cheatham and my son Isaac Cheatham and to his three sons A. B. Cheatham Ephes Cheatham Solomon Cheatham Vestments to be the line Archer Cheatham to have on the west side of said creek the three before mentioned to have on the east side of said creek the creek the meadow of my deceased son Bettyan Cheatham is to live on the Boys part of said land during her life or widow or Natural life if she marries or dies her claims is dead and void reserving my main Township for my wife Rhoda Cheatham her life time at her death or relinquishment the three sons before mentioned of my son of my son Isaac Cheatham and to have the land equally between them. I give unto my son Ed. E. Cheatham the tract of land that I bought of Henry Prager in which is caused the power hallow containing 100 30 acres by survey to him and his heirs forever my wish is for my son Archer Cheatham to collect all the money of my estate and pay all my just debts. I give my daughter Elizabeth Newman the wife of Jonathan Newman five Dollars of my estate the use of her and her and him and her heirs. I give unto my daughter Nancy Prager five Dollars of my estate to the use of him and her heirs. I give unto my daughter Sarah I shall five Dollars of my estate to the use of her and her heirs &c

I give unto my grandson A. Bethel the son of my son Isiah Cheatham debt my Riding saddle to him for ever my wish is for my household and Kitchen furniture and my stock of hogs reserving a support for my wife & my hogs and one cow and calf to her her life time reserving my father beards to my wife at her discretion the money arising after paying all charges to be equally divided between my two sons Edmund and Archer Cheatham and my son Isiah Cheatham and his three sons. I Bethel Ephes and Solomon Cheatham. I give unto my grandson Isiah Cheatham the son of Archer Cheatham my blacksmith tools to the use of him for ever. To be my wish for one son and pig to be reserved of my stock for Bettyan Cheatham the wife of my son Isiah Cheatham according to the wishes of her and her heirs. I also give unto my son Archer Cheatham my mill stones that is in the mill and the groutenals thereof & this I do ordain in my last will and testament reaching all others heretofore made by me given under my hand and seal this 1st day of May 1860
Isaac Cheatham

Wm. J. Williams

State of Tennessee, Columbia County, September Term Court 1860
The last will and testament of Isiah Cheatham & appeared was presented in open Court for probate and was duly proved in open Court by the oath of Richard M. Gentry and Wm. J. Williams subscribing witnesses & the Court who being first duly sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with Isiah Cheatham the testator and at the time they signed the same he was in sound mind and memory and that they signed the same in his presence by his request and on motion ordered to be given and
A. M. Warr
J. M. Warr
J. M. Warr

Isaac Blanton's Will

I Isaac Blanton do make and publish this as my last Will and Testament here by writing and making void all other Wills by me at any time made - First I direct that my funeral Expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my Death as possible out of my money that I may die possessed of or may first come in to the hands of my Executors and if there is not money enough to pay my Debts without I do further direct that enough of my real property be sold to pay my Debts Secondly I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth after my debts is paid all my personal property to have the same to raise my beloved Children also to have all my Land on which I now live on during her natural life - then to be equally divided between my beloved Children lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint B. L. Johnson my Executor. In witness where of I do to this my will set my hand and seal this the 21st day of October 1841 Isaac Blanton Esq. Signed sealed and in our presence and we have subscribed our names thereto in the presence of the Testator this the 21st day of October 1841 at the City of Memphis in Shelby County Tennessee 1842 Joseph Banks Esq. on Motion the last will and Testament of Isaac A. C. Ferrell Esq. Blanton deceased was presented in open Court for probate and was duly proven in open Court by the oath of Joseph Banks and A. C. Ferrell subscribing witnesses thereto who being duly sworn in open Court depose and say that they were acquainted with the Testator and that they signed the said will in his presence by his request in his own Mansion House and on Motion ordered that said will be Recorded

At Copy Test

P. M. Wade Clerk

of Shelby County Court

William H. Allen's Will

The Noncupative Will of William H. Allen Esq. who died at his Residence in Dekalb County Tennessee on the Second day of September Eighteen hundred and forty one. We the undersigned were present with said William H. Allen at his house and during his last illness when he spoke of his wish and will as to what should be done with his estate for he seemed to suppose that he should shortly die and that he wanted his Children to share his property equally. But further said that he wanted his Wife to be well provided for and named his two Slaves Ben and Milly to be for their support and maintenance. He said he had give Mary a Slave to Mr. J. C. Farlane his son in law. He said that Ben and Stanton his Slaves must be sold to pay his debts to Masters of their Choice at a fair price. He said he wanted his Children all broken up and sold and he wanted all his Whiskey on hand sold at whole sale. The above is the purport of his Will or apparent desire from what we heard him say a few days before he died. Given under our hands this day of November 1841

Allen J. Martin
Jesse Allen Secd

Leonard Fite's Will

In the name of God Amen

I Leonard Fite of Dekalb County State of Tennessee being weak in body but of sound mind Blessed to God for the same do make and publish this My last Will and Testament in manner and form following first I Give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Peggy Fite the small Room South end of My Darling House One Negro named Henry to Acres of My farm where she may choose it One half of the garden and One half of the orchard and five hundred Dollars in specie One bed and furniture three chairs cutboard and furniture and as much of the Kitchen furniture as she may choose 200 Barrels of Corn the Desk and one table 60 lbs pork One Cow and Calf and all the groceries on hand I bequeath to my Son John Fite this tract of Land where on I now live except three Acres to be laid off to include the Mill and half of the Dam the other half of the Dam and said Mill being the property of My Sons John and Moses Fite Also at the Request of My Daughters Catherine Moore and her husband Lemuel Moore I have given a Deed to three Children to a tract of Land where on they now live formerly owned by John Fite containing about 2 hundred Acres more or less which tract of Land is the full proportion of my Estate to said Catherine and Lemuel Moore and their children and I here by Release them from all Claims that my Estate may have against them the balance of my Estate is to be equally Divided between my ten Children John Fite Joseph Fite Elizabeth Robinson Leonard Fite Joseph Fite David Fite Moses Fite Sally Fite William Fite Peggy Avent after my Death I

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Wish all my Estate Real and personal to be sold at Twelve Monthly Credit the one account that is not a blank bound Book to constitute part of My Estate and to be Disposed of as each as respects the portion of My Estate that will fall to My Son William I wish it put on Interest by My Executors and the Interest paid Semiannually to him or his wife as existing circumstances will Dictate best at the Discretion of said Executors and where as said Son William is owing to Jacob Fite 57 Dollars paid as security and to David Fite upwards of 200 Dollars by Note should said Debts be Owed paid When said Estate comes to the hands of My Executors they are here by requested to pay said debts and interests first out of My Son William's portion of said Estate and the balance taken care of as above Directed but should it be considered best to purchase Land with it for the support of him and family and he so Require it or in case of his debts at his wife's request then it is my will that it shall be so Managed and the title taken in his Children's name for their common benefit and after the Death of these parents sold and equally Divided between them this precaution is taken that no portion of My Estate shall be applied to the payment of any of his security Debts created or caused by the use of his ardent Spirit but that his family may enjoy it but should it so happen & God grant it may that Son William should abandon the use of ardent Spirit and thereby become capable to pay his debts clear of entrenchment and in the

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Oppinion of My Executors it woul^d be safe to put said Estate in the hands of him its May Will that it be Done Accordingly but Not Otherwise What little I owe to be first pay and I hereby appoint My Sons John Jacob and David & Dale My Executors to this My Last Will and Testament Requesting My Body to be Decently buried in plain Christian like Manner the will to be Enclosed as My Executors Think best. Commanding my Spirit to god who gave it. Given under my hand this 9th Day of June 1840

Attest

Edward Robinson

Thomas Arent

Leonard Fitch

State of Tennessee Dekalb County April Term 1842

On Motion the last Will and Testament of Leonard Fitch was presented in open Court for probate and was duly sworn in open Court by the oath of Edward Robinson and Thomas Arent subscribing witnesses to the same who being first duly sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with Leonard Fitch the Testator ^{and that he} signed the said will in his presence by his request and ordered that said will be Recorded to gether with the probate A copy test

P. M. Wade
of Dekalb County Court

Henry Bennett Will. Recorded Oct 1842

In the name of God amen I Henry Bennett of the County of Dekalb and State of Tennessee being sick in body but of perfect mind and memory and desiring to make the last will of my body, knowing I am appointed for all men to die to make one or more than my last will and testament, first of all I recommend my soul into the hands of almighty god who gave it and my body to his earth to be buried in a Christian like manner and as for what the Lord has entrusted me with in this world I dispose of as follows. Then I leave to my beloved wife Jane Bennett the use of my lands and plantation with all my stock of all kinds and house hold and fixtures and furniture that may remain after paying all my just debts during her natural life or until my death and after her death my will is that what remains may be equally divided amongst my children I do nominate and appoint my dear beloved cousin son for me James Bennett of this my last will and testament making all others heretofore made in respect I have set my hand and seal this the nine month of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two. Signed and delivered in presence of

John Blaylock

George Bennett

James Chapman

Henry Bennett

State of Tennessee 3rd October Term 1842. On Motion the last will of Henry Bennett of Dekalb County was presented in open Court for probate and was duly sworn in open Court by others of John Blaylock and James Chapman two of the subscribing witnesses to the said will being first duly sworn depose and say that they were acquainted Henry Bennett the Testator and that they signed the said will in the presence of the Testator by his request at his dwelling house and ordered by the Court that said will be recorded which is done A copy test

Wm. L. L. Will recorded 7 Nov. 1842

I Wm. L. L. do make and publish this as my last will and testament hereby declaring and making void all other wills by me at any time made. First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I may die possessed of or may first come into the hands of my executor. Secondly I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth L. L. all my earthly goods and property during her widowhood or her natural life and after that all of said to be sold to the best advantage and equally divided among my children.

Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Joseph L. L. and Moses Griffith my Executors in witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and seal this 30th day of May 1842. Wm. L. L.

Signed sealed and published
in the presence of us

Mo. S. West
John Vantrase

State of Tennessee, 18 November 1842

Dekalb County: a paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Wm. L. L. was presented in open Court for probate and was duly proved in open Court by the oaths of Mo. S. West and John Vantrase Subscribing witnesses to the same

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Who being first sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with Wm. L. L. the testator and that they signed the same in his presence by his request at his own dwelling house. Therefore ordered by the Court that said will be recorded which is done. I. M. Wade Clk
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J. P. Oakley Clerk

James Lockhart Will -

I, James Lockhart being of sound and perfect mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form as following to wit: I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Polly all my house hold furniture and all my farming tools. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Polly all my stock of horse, harts, also all my stock cattle also all my stock of hogs also all my stock bees also my 2 horse shoes & my two coats. Item I do will and bequeath unto my wife Polly all my notes of hand & book accounts that is not collected and to have them collected. I give all my best debts and to have full use and benefit of all the above named property her natural life time. Item I then at her death it is my will and wish that two thirds of what may remain be divided among my four daughters, namely Sally, Mary, Nancy, Rebecca Lockhart. The other third to be at the disposal of my wife to do with it as she may think proper. Item I it is my will and desire that my son James Lockhart have all the property

and money that I ever lety having also here one
 Dollar of my estate. Item 6th it is my will and desire
 that my son & money, such part have all the proper
 said money that he ever has had from me also one
 Dollar of my estate. Item 7th it is my will and desire
 that my son Enock Southworth shall have all the
 things and money that he ever has had from me
 & one Dollar of my estate. Item 8th I do will and
 bequeath unto my daughter Nancy Love all the
 property she got when she left me and I also will
 and bequeath unto the said Nancy Love one hundred
 and fifty Dollars which was let her have from me
 for a part of her husband's debt of land lying
 on the South side of the old contract of land also
 also fifty Dollars that I paid to her for one part
 of the said debt. to have the said Nancy Love her
 I assign from I do will and bequeath unto my daughter
 Sally Pease all the property she got when she left me
 also one dollar of my estate annulling all former wills
 declaring this to be my only will and desire. This
 17th day November 1812 James Southworth (Seal)

Witness
 Daniel Smith
 Samuel S. Hooper

Estate of James Southworth Esq. Aug 2nd 1813
 On Motion the last will and testament of James Southworth
 Esq. was presented in open court for probate and was sub-
 sworn in open court by the oaths of Daniel Smith
 and Samuel S. Hooper subscribing witnesses who
 being first duly sworn upon and say that none
 acquainted with James Southworth the testator
 and that they signed the said will

in his presence by his request at his
 mansion house and ordered by Court that
 said will be admitted to records which is done
 & Copy Sent J. M. Wade
 of Adams county

John Heath Will
 I John Heath of the County of Dallas and
 State of Tennessee planter do make and publish
 this my last will and testament hereby revoke
 and making void all former wills by me
 at any time heretofore made I direct
 that my Body be decently Entred at the
 Grave yard in said John Heath the pastor
 and in said County in a manner suitable
 to my condition in life and to such worldly
 Estate as it hath please god to Entrust me with
 I dispose of the same as follows first I
 direct that all my Civil and funeral
 Expenses be as soon paid after my decease
 as possible out of ~~any~~ money that I
 may be possessed of or may first come
 in to the hands of my Executors from
 any portion of my Estate real or personal
 Secondly I Give and bequeath unto my
 beloved wife
 Marget Heath all my House hold and
 Kitchen furniture and all of stock of
 horse hogs and cattle and sheep also
 one negro boy named Henderson one
 of my money and bank notes also I Give

and unto my beloved Daughter Nancy James
and her body heirs a certain tract of
Land on the South of Jamesport river
where in I now live which is to say the upper
part of the bottom down to Conventual line -
Marked by J Kirkland son I Give and
bequeath unto my beloved daughter Martha James the
part my tract of my land from said Conventual
line containing by supposition Eighty-
three acres to said Martha James and her
body heirs I also Give and bequeath
unto my beloved son William Heath
one dollar in Cash I also Give and
bequeath unto my beloved son John Heath
one dollar in Cash -
I also Give and bequeath unto my beloved
son Richard Heath one dollar in Cash
I also Give and bequeath unto my beloved
son Samaras Heath one dollar in Cash
I also Give and bequeath unto my beloved
son Simon J Heath one dollar in Cash
I also Give the rest of my Estate after the
Provision of my Beloved wife to my beloved
Daughters Nancy James and Martha James
whom there is found an Equall portion to
Both I do here by make ordone and
appoint Hampton James and Thomas
James Executors of this my last will
and testament in witness where of I
John Heath the said testator set hand
and seal this 20th of August in the year
of our Lord - 1843

Eighteen hundred and forty two
John ^{his} ^{and} ^{Martha} ^{James}
attest
Hampton James
Thomas James
Jacobson & H. C. Jones
Nicholas Parsley

State of Tennessee
De Kalb County 3 June 1843
In motion a paper purporting to be the last will and testament
of John Heath the deceased - who died in De Kalb County
Tennessee was presented in open court for probate and
was duly proven in open court by the oaths of Benjamin
Kirkland and Nicholas Parsley Subscribing witnesses to the same
who being first duly sworn in open court depose and say
that they were acquainted with John Heath the within
testator and that they signed the said will by his request in
his presence at his dwelling house in said County and
and in motion moved that said will be admitted to record
A copy Is
J. H. Wade Clerk
De Kalb County Court

I Thomas W Duncan of De Kalb County & State of
Tennessee being in delicate health of body but of sound
mind and disposing memory do make and publish this
my last will and testament in the words following To wit
Item 1st It is my will that all my Just Debts shall
be paid out of the proceeds of my estate & that my executor
herein after named will raise sufficient funds for that
purpose by selling such property as he may think best
for the interest of my estate Either at public sale or private

At such time as he may think best for all the parties concerned

Item 2 It is my will and desire that after my debts unpaid or sooner if my Executor shall consider it best he shall at publick sale on a credit of Twelve monthes sell all the ballance of my estate both real & personal eves so such as I may hereafter specifically bequath I

Them & I give and bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth H Cunon
one sixth part of my Estate after my debts are paid to
have & to hold to her & her heirs for ever last

Item 4th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth
I Duncan & his heirs for ever two hundred dollars more
than one sixth part of my Estate ^{my} after debts are paid
deducting out of her ^{husband and all his} share for a negro girl named Minnie
& a negro child named Harriett which I have before given
to her

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and his heirs for ever one sixth part of my estate after my
debts are all paid - I Cummin

debts are ~~all~~ paid. I Durcom
Item 6th I give and bequeath unto my Son Andrew the Sixth
part of my estate after my debts are ~~all~~ paid to have &
his heirs for ever

Item yth I give and bequeath unto my son Erastus B. Duncan my
and his heirs for ever one twelfth part of my estate after
my debts are paid

Item 8th I give and bequeath unto my grandson Thomas George Newkinter provided he lives to the age of twenty one years or his lawful issue one sixth part of my estate after my debts are paid but if he dies under that age & with out issue then this legacy to be divided betwix the above named distributing in the same proportion as above stated.

Strength. It is my will that ^{my} Sonnet shall hold the Legacy
here in Leguett unto my Grandson Thomas Long Newburton

in trust for the use of my said Son-in-law until he shall

arise at the age of Twenty one years or untill he have himself
 seen & it is also my ~~my~~ will that my Executor act as Guardian
 reason to my said Grandson

Item 11th It is my will that the one twelfth part of my
Estate not ~~hereinbefore~~^{before mentioned} of shall be computed in
= the the balance of my estate so that the five Legates
showing one sixth each shall take said twelfth part
in equal portion

in equal portion
Item 11th It is my will that ^{my} Executor herein after named
shall have full power and discretion in selling my
estate to do and act in that way that he in his Judgment may
conceive best & shall not be held liable for omissions that
that he shall think best for the Interest of The Legatee

Item 12th and lastly I do here by a point and constitute my son
 Lewis B Duncan of Maury County Tennessee my sole
 Executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking
 and annulling all former wills by me here to fore made
 ratifying and confirming this and none other and because
 I ^{supernatural} ~~supernatural~~ confidence in the fidelity of my said Executor
 my will is that he execute this my last will without being
 required to give security for the performance of any of the
 duties here in kind on him his testimony where of
 I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 31 day of
 March 1843 signed sealed and published
 by Thomas W Duncan the Thos W Duncan

was pronounced & we sub. sub. looked

our names as witness in

his presence in this 31st Novor 1843

John Mc Clain

John A. Gerson

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At such time as he may think best for all the parties concerned

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his heirs for ever

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that he shall think best for the Interest of the Beneficiary

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Executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking
and annulling all former wills by me here to fore made
ratifying and confirming this and none other and because
of ^{superior} confidence in the fidelity of my said Executor
my will is that he execute this my last will without being
required to give security for the performance of any of the
duties here imposed on him his testimony where of
I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 31 day of
March 1843 signed sealed and published
by Thomas W Duncan the Thos W Duncan

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our names as witnesses in

his presence in this 31st March 1843

John Mc Blair

John A. Gurnea

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DeKalb County July Term 1843

On motion the last will and testament of Thomas W. Duncan Decd. was presented in open Court for probate and was duly proven in open Court by the oaths of John I. Nixon and S. B. Fite Sws of the Subscribing witnesses then ^{who} being duly sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with Thomas W. Duncan the ^{decd.} testator who died in DeKalb County Tennessee and that they signed the will in his presence by his request at his dwelling house and ordered that said will be admitted to record which is done

A Copy Test.

D. M. Wade Clerk
of DeKalb County

I Abraham Durham of DeKalb County and State of Tennessee being here in body but of sound mind make and ordain this as my last will and testament (1) I give my body to the Lord and soul to God that live it (2) I want all my last Debts and funeral expenses to be paid out of my Estate (3) I give and bequeath to my Polly Durham my old mare and Mule cart and one cow and calf all my Sashes all my ~~house~~ hold and kitchen furniture all the above named property is to be to her during her natural life or widow hood at her death or marriage all the above property to be sold and given to my son Eliah Durham (4) I give to my son Eliah Durham my new cloaming churning collar hamez and ~~band~~ and farming tools all the balance of my property to be sold

and my last Debts to be paid ^{and} if there

is any over and above after my Debts are paid is to be given to my son Eliah and to carry this in to effect I have appointed constituted and ordained my Trusty friend Nathaniel Martin as my Executor this 3^d day of 1843 signed sealed in the presence of us
Abraham Durham
A. W. I. Cantrell
Peter Cantrell

State of Tennessee
DeKalb County August Term 1843

On motion the last will and testament of Abraham Durham Decd. was presented in open Court for probate and was duly proven in open Court by the oaths of A. W. I. Cantrell and Peter Cantrell the two subscribing witnesses then ^{who} being duly sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with Abraham Durham the testator and that they signed the said will in his presence by his request at his own dwelling house and on motion ordered that said will be recorded
A Copy Test

D. M. Wade Clerk
of DeKalb County

State of Virginia, Albemarle 1843

I John Hale being weak in body, but sound in mind and memory in the name of God do make and publish this my Last will and Testament revoking all other wills by me made (V) I want all my Last debts to be paid out of the first money that may come to the hands of my Executors. I do give and bequeath to my son John Hale the tract of land that I now have on with all the improvements. To them on I leave my negro woman Agg & her child Mary to my daughter Lavinia Trammell and the lawful heirs of her body. I bequeath my daughter Lintha Driver one note of one hundred dollars that I hold in my possession on Allen Driver and my daughter Lintha Driver all the balance of my property that I may own at my death to be sold and by my Executors and the proceeds of the same to be equally divided between my son John Hale and my daughter Lavinia Trammell.

I make and request my son John Hale and Thomas Trammell my Executors and all the money and notes that may be on hand if any also be divided between my son John Hale and my daughter Lavinia Trammell this the sixteenth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three signed sealed and acknowledged in presence of us
 Matthew Parker
 J. H. Harrison
 John Bennett
 John + Lavinia
 Hale

State of Virginia, DeHalle County
 October Term 1843

on Motion the Last will and Testament of John Hale said was presented in open court for probate and was duly proved in open court by the oaths of J. H. Thomas and William Bennett and Matthew Parker the subscribing witnesses thereto who being duly sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with John Hale the testator who died in DeHalle County, Virginia and that they signed the said will in his presence by his request that his dwelling house order that said will be admitted to record said will provided that John Hale and Thomas Trammell be his Executors who Hale and Thomas Trammell was duly qualified as Executors of John Hale said order that Letters Testamentary issue to them.

a copy test

J. H. Thomas
 J. H. Harrison
 Matthew Parker
 J. H. Bennett

I Henry Turney son of the County of DeKalb
 State of Tennessee do make and publish this
 my last will and Testament hereby revoking
 and making void all other wills by me at any
 other time made first I desire that my funeral
 Expenses and all Debts be paid as soon after
 my Death as possible out of my money that I
 may be possessed of that may first come in to
 the hands of my Executors & I Survive my beloved
 wife Elizabeth my plantation containing her natural
 life also all my Stock of cattle hogs and my
 move house hold and furniture and all the
 money now on hand $3\frac{1}{4}$ at the death of my wife
 Elizabeth I give and bequeath to my grandson
 Joseph Turney son of Anne and Polly Turney
 my tract of Land where I now live containing
 two hundred and fifty nine Acres lying in the District
 No 10 in DeKalb County State of Tennessee
 & after the Death of my wife Elizabeth the
 rest of my Estate is to be divided as follows John
 Turney and Rebecca Turney I will them one
 dollar Each I also will ^{to} ~~leave~~ Turney one dollar
 & I bequeath the remainder of my estate to be
 Equally Divided between the following Executors
 to wit ^{to wit} ~~to wit~~ Turney Mary Barnes George Turney
 her Katharine Taylor Joseph Turney my son
 Daniel Turney Peter Turney I do nominate and
 appoint my son Daniel Turney my Executor
 in witness where of I do to this my last will
 and Testament Turn over, ^{God over} ~~at my~~ hand & seal
 this 23rd September 1838 Henry + Turney ^{made} ~~made~~
 and the same published in our

present and we have subscribed our names her
 to in the presence of the testator this 23rd Day
 September 1838 Attest
 John W. Stark
 James Snom
 Francis Spierlock
 Jeremiah Hendrick

Sherrillson Turney 1843
 A paper purporting to be the last will and
 Testament of Henry Turney was presented in
 court for probate and was duly sworn in
 and was caused by the order of John W. Stark to be
 sworn and Francis Spierlock subscribing under
 to the same who being first duly sworn in open
 court depose and say that they are acquainted
 with Henry Turney the Testator and that they
 signed the said will in his presence by his
 Request at Joseph Turney house and on
 Motion the said will be admitted to be read
 P. M. Made Attest
 of DeKalb County Court
 By W. M. M. Clerk

I Henry Turney son of the County of DeKalb
 State of Tennessee do make and publish this
 my last will and Testament hereby revoking
 and making void all other wills by me at any
 other time made first I desire that my funeral
 Expenses and all Debts be paid as soon after
 my Death as possible out of my moneys that I
 may Die possessed of that may first come in to
 the hands of my Executors & I Survive to my beloved
 wife Elizabeth my plantation during her natural
 life also all my Stock of cattle hogs and my
 move house hold and furniture and all the
 money now on hand 3rd at the death of my wife
 Elizabeth I give and bequeath to my grandson
 Joseph Turney son of Isaac and Polly Turney
 my tract of Land where I now live containing
 two hundred and fifty nine Acres lying in the District
 No 3rd in DeKalb County, State of Tennessee
 after the Death of my wife Elizabeth the
 remaining Estate is to be divided as follows John
 Turney and Rebekah Leoney I will them in
 full Each I also will to Isaac Turney one dollar
 1st I bequeath the remainder of my estate to be
 Equally Divided between the following Executors
 to wit Isaac Turney Mary Beane George Turney
 his Natharine Taylor Joseph Turney my son
 Daniel Turney Peter Turney I do nominate and
 appoint my son Daniel Turney my Executor
 in witness where of I do to this my last will
 and Testament Turn over, ^{God over} set my hand & seal
 this 23rd September 1838 Henry Turney
 made & published in our

present and we have subscribed our names her
 to in the presence of the Testator this 23rd of
 September 1838

Attest
 John W. Stark
 James Brown
 Francis Spurlack
 Jeremiah Hendrick.

Witnesses June 1843

Shaper purporting to be the last will and
 Testament of Henry Turney was presented to me
 I saw it for probate and was duly proved in
 open court by the father of John W. Stark James
 Brown and Francis Spurlack subscribing and
 to the same who being first duly sworn in open
 court depose and say that they are acquainted
 with Henry Turney the Testator and that they
 signed the said will in his presence by his
 Request at Joseph Turney house and on
 Motion the said will be admitted to be read

P. M. Made Clerk
 of DeKalb County Court
 By W. M. Made Clerk

I John Eyer do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made. First I desire that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of my money that I may be possessed of, or may come to the hands of my executors. Secondly I give and bequeath to my son Jefferson D. Eyer my tract of land in Putnam County Tennessee lying on the Watton road it being the tract on which I lived and from which I moved when I settled in Marshall County said tract is supposed to contain about two hundred acres. Thirdly I give and bequeath to my son John John M. Eyer my tract of land in Putnam County Tennessee known as the Crider place said tract of land joins the land of John Rytel, Abram Buck and Montgomery Renard and other said tract is supposed to contain two hundred acres. Fourthly I do leave to my beloved wife Polly Eyer all my tract of land in Marshall County which I now live during her natural life and after her death I give and bequeath said land to my son Lewis Eyer and my daughters Nancy and Minerva Eyer in the following portions To wit. To my son Lewis Eyer two thirds of said tract and one to my daughters Nancy and Minerva and these divisions between them. Fifthly I desire that all my perishable property be sold as soon after my death as convenient in a credit of twelve months and out of the proceeds of said sales I give and bequeath to my daughters Malinda and Peggy as soon as they may marry or come of age as much as my other daughters

had given to either of them by me when they married. Sixthly I give and bequeath to my daughter Maria Malinda Malinda Cornie Malinda Cornie Malinda Cornie and Polly Burton ten dollars each. Seventhly I do give and bequeath the balance after taking out the above bequests to my beloved wife Polly Eyer and my son Lewis Eyer and my daughters Malinda, Peggy, Nancy and Minerva equally between them for the purpose educating and clothing them. I desire that my executors sell my tract of land in Putnam County Tennessee at the highest value either at private or Public sale to the best advantage and the proceeds disposed of as the proceeds of the perishable property. Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my friends Wm. H. Richardson and Alexander Martin my executors in witness whereof I do to this my last will set my hand and seal this 27 day of September 1844

John Eyer Seal

Signed sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the Testator this 27 day of September 1844

Margaret Mearns 3 State of Tennessee
Gocherich Kirkland 3 Marshall County 3 October Term 1844

A paper purporting to be the last will & Testament of John Eyer dec'd was presented in Chancery Court for probate and was duly proven in open Court by the oaths of Margaret Mearns and Gocherich Kirkland subscribing witnesses to the same who being first duly sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with John Eyer the Testator and that he made his mark to said will and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purpose therein specified and by his request they became subscribing witnesses to the same and are sworn to the same.