

E. L. Palmer
Last will and
Testament.

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I, Edward L. Palmer being weak and
in feeble health, but of sound
mind and disposing memory, make
and publish this as my Last will
and Testament, hereby revoking
all others by me heretofore made.
First. I desire my executor to pay
all my just debts, including

burial expenses, as soon after my death as
practicable.

Second. After the payment of any debts
I direct that my executor keep so much
of my personal property on hand as may be
necessary, and I include in this item all property
exempt from execution, as I desire and will that
all such property be under the control of my
executor to enable my children to keep house
and live together on my farm and run the
farm to enable them to make a support for
themselves until my youngest son arrives
at the age of twenty one years, any surplus
property on the farm may be sold by
my executor at any time and in such
way as he deems best.

Third. When my youngest son arrives at the
age of twenty one years. I direct that my
executor sell all the personal property
on a twelve months credit, and divide the
proceeds equally between my four sons
Henry A. Edward J. Keuben L. and Charles
D. Palmer. And my two tracts of land, my home
tract of one hundred acres. and the fifty acres
purchased off the south end of E. L. Palmer's home
tract. I also direct to be divided equally between
my four sons or the representations of my
four sons share & share alike, according
to quality & quantity.

Fourth. I greatly desire that my children
should all have at least a good English
Education. And as the two older boys have
already received a fair education and

negligly arrived at Mans estate. It is my will
that the two older boys, who are substantially
already raised, labor on the farm with
younger ones, and provide means to secure
to the two younger brothers a good English
Education. But if the family either cannot
or will not provide the necessary means to
give to my two younger sons, such education
as is here in described; then I direct that my
executor use such funds as may be in his
hands for such purpose, or that out of the
personal property or proceeds of the farm he
provide means and use it to secure a good
English Education to each one of my two younger
sons.

Fifth. I hereby appoint Elias Hall my executor
of this my last will and testament
October 19th 1878

E. L. Palmer

Witness

Smith Parks

P. H. Warren

State of New York { December Term of the County Court 1881. This day
before me { a paper writing purporting to be the last will
and testament of Edward L. Palmer was
produced to me for probate. Thereupon came into
open court Smith Parks and P. H. Warren subscribing witnesses
thereto, who being first duly sworn depose and said as
follows: That they were well and personally acquainted with
the said E. L. Palmer in his life time; that he was of sound
and disposing mind and memory at the time of execution
of said paper writing; that he signed and published said paper
writing as his last will and testament in their presence
and for the purpose they so contained; that they witnessed
said paper writing at the request of the testator in his
presence and in the presence of each other.
It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said paper
writing be and the same is hereby set up and established
as the last will and testament of the said E. L. Palmer
and that the same be recorded by the Clerk and filed
a true copy from the minutes.

John M. Carrell
Last Will & Testament
Notated May 20th 1876
Recorded May 20th 1876
J. M. Carrell

State of Tenn. Dyer County.

I John M. Carrell do make and publish
this as my last will and testament
hereby revoking and annulling
all others by me at any time made.

First, I direct that fifty acres of land lying & being in
the north east corner of my land be set apart for the
purpose of paying my debts should it become necessary -
should it not become necessary for the above named
land to be sold then I desire that John Pope and
Julia Carrell remain on the above named land
for three more years. First, I direct that 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 unto my wife, Susannah
Margaret Elizabeth Carrell, during her life time, the
use of my farm, all the household and kitchen furniture
also all the stock that may be necessary to carry on the
farm; after her death the lands together with
all the stock, household and kitchen furniture to be
sold and the proceeds to be equally divided between
my surviving children after allowing Saban, Franklin
and Albert Carrell, children of John M. Carrell and
his wife Julia Carrell, ten dollars each.

4th I give and bequeath unto my son Asbur Cooper
Carrell a yellow snatching Colt.

Lastly, I do hereby nominate & appoint my wife
Susannah Margaret Elizabeth Carrell my executrix
without giving bond or security as executrix. In
witness whereof I do this my will, at my hand, this
the twenty-second day of December one thousand
eight hundred and seventy six.

John Carrell

signed & published in our presence and we have subscribed
our names hereto in the presence of the testator this
22nd of December 1876

Asa Dovelles
H. E. Dovelles

State of Tenn. May Term of County Court 1880.
Dyer County

This day a paper writing purport-
ing to be the last will and testament of John
M. Carrell, deceased, late a citizen of Dyer County Tennessee, was
produced before the Court for probate. Thereupon came into
open Court Asa Dovelles and H. E. Dovelles subscribing
witnesses to the same, who being first duly sworn, deposed
and said that they were personally acquainted with
John M. Carrell, the testator, and that he was of sound
and disposing mind and memory at the execution
of the same and that he signed and acknowledged the
execution of the said paper writing in their presence, as his
last will and testament - and that they signed the same
in his presence and in the presence of each.

It is therefore ordered that the said paper writing be
set up and established as the last will & testament of
John M. Carrell deceased and that the same be recorded
filed. Thereupon came Susannah Margaret Elizabeth
Carrell who is named as executrix of said will, into open
Court and was duly qualified - giving bond & security
being waived in said will.

A. True copy from the minutes

Attest: Justices, etc.

Last Will and Testament
of Jesse Harris, deceased.
Protested May Term 1882
Recorded June 21-1882
J. Watkins Clerk

December 20-1880

I Jesse Harris it is my will that my
Wife Martha Harris my present
Wife shall have this tract of land
that I now live on seventy seven
acres and a half during her life and

if she dies before her youngest child by me comes of age I
want her children by me to have the benefits of it till
the youngest child is twenty one years old after which they
can divide or sell as they see proper there shall be no
sale no further than my wife sees proper to sell and
dispose of such property as she don't want
The other tract of land being eighty acres.

I want my children by my present wife Martha Harris
to have the profits and benefits of it from my death
and when her oldest child by me comes of age they
can divide it as they see proper

Witnessing

James Saulsberry
H. R. Stephenson

Jesse Harris

In County Court Magistrate
State of Tennessee
Oyer County
This day a paper writing purporting to be
the Last will and Testament of Jesse
Harris, deceased, late a citizen of Oyer
County, Tennessee, was produced before the Court for Probate
Thereupon came into open Court James Saulsberry and H.
R. Stephenson subscribing witnesses to the same who
being duly sworn deposed and said that they were
personally acquainted with Jesse Harris, the testator,
and that he was of sound & disposing mind & memory
at the execution of the same and that he signed and
acknowledged the execution of the said paper writing
in their presence and that he asked them to be
witnesses to the same

It is therefore ordered that the said paper writing
be set up and established as the Last will & Testament
of the said Jesse Harris, deceased and that the same
be recorded and filed

attest J. Watkins Clerk

Last Will and Testament
of Mary A. Roberts, deceased.
Protested June Term 1882
Recorded June 21-1882
J. Watkins Clerk

I Mary A. Roberts of Oyerburg Tennessee
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 give and bequeath to my Son Frank A. Roberts an acre
lot in my orchard, fronting the street and running back
lengthwise the orchard, including the vacant lot between
my home place and the lot conveyed by me to J. F. Roberts.

I give and bequeath to my son Robert D. Roberts the balance
of my home place consisting of ground as more or
less

I hereby nominate and appoint my son R. D. Roberts
Executor of this my will and having confidence in his
integrity hereby waive the necessity of his giving bond.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
this the 8th day of November 1881.

Mary A. Roberts

We S. R. Latta and Wm P. Towles have seen the above
testator sign the above and declare the same to be her
last will and testament. In testimony whereof we have
hereunto set our hands in presence of each other and
the testatrix

this November 8-1881

Test -

S. R. Latta
Wm P. Towles

State of Tennessee
Oyer County
In County Court June Term 1882.

This day a paper writing purporting to be
the Last will and Testament of Mary A. Roberts, deceased, bearing
date the 8th day of Nov/81 was produced before the Court for
Probate. Thereupon came into open Court S. R. Latta and W.
P. Towles subscribing witnesses thereto who having been first
duly sworn deposed and said that they were personally
acquainted with the said testatrix in her life time, that
she was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the
time of the execution of said paper writing, that she signed

and published said paperwriting as her last will and Testament in their presence and for the purposes herein contained and requested them to bear witness thereto, that they signed the same as witnesses in the presence of the Testatrix and in the presence of each other.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said paper writing be set up and established as the last will and Testament of the said Mary A Roberts, deceased, and that the same be recorded in Civil Court and filed. Thereupon came H. D. Roberts, who is named as Exor of said last will and Testament into open Court and was duly qualified, giving Bond and security being waived in said will.

Attest-

J. Watkins, Clerk

Last Will and Testament
of R. C. Parr, deceased.
Protested August 1882
Recorded August 7, 1882
J. Watkins, Clerk

I R. C. Parr of DeSotoburg in the State of Tennessee hereby make this my last will and testament.

I direct that my just debts be paid by my executor hereinafter named as soon after my death as may by him be found convenient. I give to my brother James Wesley all the property real and personal of every description I own or have any right in for him to keep such part as he may wish for his own use or bequest and the remainder to use to dispose of and distribute at some time in such way and with such restrictions as may seem best in his judgment. He making my relatives legal heirs and beneficiaries. The same I charge of the distribution in such amounts to each one as he may think right hereby appoint James Wesley Parr to be executor of this will and waive the necessity of him giving bond and security.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand this 20th day of September A.D. 1876

Witness signed in our presence and the presence of each other

R. H. Campbell
S. A. Wood
C. C. Jones
B. W. Cavender

R. C. Parr

State of Tennessee
DeSoto County
In County Court August Term
1882

This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of R. C. Parr, decd. was produced before the Court for Probate; thereupon came into open Court R. H. Campbell and S. A. Wood, duly sworn witnesses to the same, who being first duly sworn deposed and said that they were personally acquainted with the testator in his life time; that he was of sound and disposing mind & memory at the execution of said paper writing that he signed and published

acid paper writing as his last will and Testament in their presence and requested them to bear witness to the same, that they signed the same as witnesses in the presence of the Testator and in the presence of each other. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said paper writing be set up and established as the last will and Testament of the said R. C. Pann deed and that the same be recorded in "will Book" and filed. Let Letters Testamentary issue to J. N. Pann who is named as executor in said will, the necessity of his making oath & giving bond being waived in said will.

A true Copy from the minutes

attest: Jack Matthews att

Last Will and Testament
of Isaac A. Harris deceased
Protested September 4-1882
Recorded September 9th 1882
Matthews att

I Isaac Harris of the County of
Dyer and State of Tennessee
being of sound mind, but feeble
in health desire this to be
my last will and Testament;

First after paying all my honest debts I give and bequeath the remainder of my property to my wife and my three living children and I nominate and appoint my father A. G. Harris and my father in law J. G. Sweter my executors and clothe them with full power and authority to see and convey a part of my real estate to wit my tract of land known as the Blake place also my kin property at Newborn and remit the proceeds of sale of said property in other real estate or bonds if they think it best to make sale of said property as mentioned & can to sell and dispose of all personal property as they may think best. This the 7th day of August 1882
Signed in presence of

J Douglas
A Harris

In County Court Sept Term 1882
State of Tennessee
Dyer County
this day a paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Isaac A. Harris deceased was produced before the Court for Probate. Thereupon came into open Court J. Douglas and A. Harris, subscribing witnesses to the same who being duly sworn deposed and said that they were personally acquainted with the said Testator in his life time; that he was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the execution of said paper writing; that he signed and published said paper writing as his last will & Testament in their presence and requested them to bear witness to the same, that they signed the same in the presence of the Testator and in the presence of each other. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said paper writing be set up and established as the last will and Testament of the said Isaac A. Harris deceased and that same be recorded in will book & filed and that Letters Testamentary issue to said name as executor.
A true Copy from the minutes

Last Will & Testament

of William C. Doyle to die
Protested Decr Term 1882
Recorded December 9 1882

I William C. Doyle hereby make
and publish this my last will and
Testament:

Jack Martin et al
vs
Wm C Doyle

It is my will that all the property
of which I may die seized or possessed
be divided among my heirs at
law, as provided for under the laws of Tennessee. Except
as hereinafter provided.

1st I am the owner in my own right, and as tenant
in common with other parties of lands in the
State of Tennessee and Florida, which lands it may
be to the interest of my estate and my heirs at
law to dispose of, and desiring that, in such a case,
that said lands may be sold without the intervention
of Courts or legal proceedings, I hereby authorize and
empower, my executor, or any executor cum testamento annexo,
that may hereafter be appointed, to sell any
or all of said lands, and execute deed or deeds to purchase
thereof, as fully as I could do if I were living, provided
however that such deeds be witnessed and approved
by one or more of the following named parties, to wit:
John M. Lauderdale Dick P. Doyle, C. R. Vernon or
M. M. Marshall.

2nd. My oldest daughter Jennie has been educated, and
desiring that my younger children should have like ad-
vantages of education it is my will and I desire, that
my executor, or any executor cum testamento annexo
that may hereafter be appointed, expend out of the
body of my estate an amount sufficient, judiciously
applied to give to each of my younger children a like
education, that is that they be graduated at a respectable
College, and that my son John Cornell Doyle be so
graduated at some respectable literary school, and then
if he so selects, that he be also graduated, at a Law, Med-
ical or Theological School, and the same be expended for
the education of my said younger children are
not to be charged to them in the distribution of my
estate.

3rd I hereby nominate and appoint my beloved wife
Jennie executor of this my will and testament.

and having free confidence in her judgement, fidelity
and capability, I hereby expressly waive the necessity
of her executing bond as executrix.

Witness my hand this the 5th day of October 1882
W. C. Doyle.

Signed, sealed and published in our presence in testimony
whereof we have hereunto set our hands in
presence of each other and of the testator.
Oct 10 1882.

McDaua
H. Lauderdale
Dick P. Doyle
C. R. Vernon
M. M. Marshall

State of Tennessee
Nyer County

In County Court December Term 1882

This day a paper writing pur-
porting to be the last will & Testament of W.
C. Doyle, late a citizen of Nyer County Tennessee, deceased, was
presented to the Court for probate. Thereupon came into open
Court J. M. Lauderdale and Dick P. Doyle subscribing
witnesses to the same, who being first duly sworn deposed and
said that they were personally acquainted with the testator,
W. C. Doyle, in his life time and that he was of sound and
disposing mind and memory at the execution of the
same and that he signed and acknowledged the execution
of said paper writing in their presence, as his last will and
Testament. And that they signed the same in his presence
and in the presence of each other. It was therefore ordered by
the Court that the said paper writing be set up and exhibited
as the last will & Testament of the said W. C. Doyle deceased and
that same be recorded and filed. Thereupon came Jennie Doyle
who is named as executrix of said last will & Testament into
open Court and was duly qualified, the necessity of giving
bond being waived in said will. Let letters testamentary issue.

A True Copy from the minutes
attest Jack Martin et al

TIGHT BINDING

Last Will & Testament
of Willis Sawyer deceased
Provised January 2nd 1883
Recorded Jan 9 1883
Jas. M. M. M.

I, Willis Sawyer, being sound in mind, feeble in body, make this my last will and testimony, and abide all I have heretofore made, First, I will all my just debts to be paid. I will and bequeath

to my son Stephen Sawyer, the place known as my home place, with the exception of the land lying south of the cross-fence, the amount hereafter to be established by them. For and in consideration of this bequest the said Stephen Sawyer is to care for my afflicted son John Sawyer as long as he may live. In case of the said Stephen Sawyer's death the said bequest is to go to the support and maintenance of the said John Sawyer. I will and bequeath to my daughter Mrs. Maria Sawyer and her bodily heirs the remainder of the farm heretofore mentioned. I will and bequeath to my three grand-children, William Avery Cole, Willis Samuel and Louisa Cribbs, two hundred dollars to be divided as follows: To William A. Cole, One Hundred dollars, To Willis S. and Louisa Cribbs, Fifty dollars each.

The above amount to be paid by Stephen Sawyer when legally applied for at the expiration of five years from the date of my death.

The reason that I have not mentioned in this will, my son William Sawyer and my daughter Mrs. Catherine Foust, is that I have already deeded to the said William Sawyer, Sixty Six acres of land; the said William Sawyer having paid the said Mrs. Catherine Foust, Two Hundred and Fifty dollars for her interest in the above deeded land. I will that my son Stephen Sawyer pay all the debts mentioned. For and in consideration of all the perishable property in my possession at the date of my death. This Oct 30. 1882.

Attest
John D. Swift
Jas. M. M.

State of Tennessee In County Court of Davidson County Jan. January
Superior Court Form 1883.

This day a Baker writing for coming to be the last will & Testament of Willis Sawyer deceased was produced before the Court for probate, thereupon John D. Swift and J. A. M. M. M. subscribing witnesses thereto came into open Court and having been first duly sworn depose and said as follows, that they were personally acquainted with the said Willis Sawyer in his life time that he was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of the execution of the said last will & Testament that he published & declared the said last will & Testament as his last will & Testament in their presence and for the purposes therein contained and requested them to bear witness thereto, that they signed the same in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other. It is therefore ordered that said Baker writing be sworn and established as the last will & Testament of the said Willis Sawyer deceased and that the same be recorded in "true book".

Attest
True copy from the original

Attest Jas. M. M.

TIGHT BINDING

Last Will & Testament
of Henderson Clark deceased
Provised February 2nd 1883
Recorded February 6th 1883
Jack Mackins att

In the name of God Amen
I Henderson Clark hereby make
and publish this my last will
and testament:

Item 1st: That my debts be paid.

Item 2nd: I give and bequeath to

my son Charles D. Clark the following tracts of land
to wit: one tract of 700 acres lying in Johnson County Tenn
about 3 miles west of Eaton (in the forks of the river valued
at \$3300⁰⁰.) one other tract of 190 acres lying in Crockett Co Tenn
in and near Grundship known as the O. Smith land
valued at \$3000⁰⁰ one other tract of 375 acres of land in
Civil District No 10 of Oyer County Tenn known as the
Giles Norment tract valued at \$2100⁰⁰ one tract of 85 acres
of land in civil district No 2 of Oyer County Tenn known
as the C. B. Jones wife tract valued at \$1000⁰⁰ one other
tract of 27 1/4 acres land known as the J. H. Morris land
Civil District No 2 Oyer County Tenn valued at \$1000⁰⁰
One other tract of 10 1/4 acres in civil district No 2 of
Oyer City Tenn known as the Roberts tract valued at \$500⁰⁰
One other tract of 50 acres land known as the O. Smith
land. one tract of 60 acres in Oyer County known as
the Kelly Bradley tract also one other tract of land
supposed to contain 300 acres known as the madison
Jones tract (these 3 tracts are by in the 8th civil district
of Oyer City Tenn and are valued at \$1400⁰⁰ Total value
of the real estate \$11500⁰⁰.

Item 3. I give and bequeath to my daughter Amanda C
Dawson the following the following described tracts of
land to wit: one tract of 102 acres of land in civil
district No 5 Oyer City Tenn known as the J. H. Morris
tract valued at \$2736⁰⁰ one other tract of 11 acres in
district No 11 of Oyer County Tenn known as the
Norment wife tract valued at \$500⁰⁰ one other tract of
110 acres of land in civil district No 5 of Oyer City Tenn
known as part of the Blomington land valued
at \$1600⁰⁰ one other tract of 12 acres lying in civil
district No 5 of Oyer City Tenn known as the H. Neal tract
valued at \$1300⁰⁰ one other one other tract of 200 acres & one
tract of 24 acres known as the Gardner land lying in
Civil District No 5 Oyer City Tenn the 2 valued at \$1500⁰⁰

One other tract of 135 acres lying in District No 12
Oyer City Tenn. One other tract of 105 acres known as
the Hesse land in district No 3 of Oyer City Tenn and
one other tract of 132 acres lying in civil district No 3 Oyer
City Tenn (known as the Latta tract) these 3 last tracts
valued at \$3382⁰⁰ The whole real estate being valued at \$11500⁰⁰
Item 4. I give and bequeath to the 3 children of Tom Oyer
his first wife (Emily) Daniel Harry & Amanda Oyer
The following described lands to wit: one tract of 300 acres
of land the old home tract known as the O. Clark farm
where Tom Oyer now lives lying in civil dist. No
4 Oyer City Tenn valued at \$4500⁰⁰ One other tract of 160
acres lying in the State of Missouri Missouri County known
as the Henry Hough land formerly owned by M. C. Murray
valued at \$5025⁰⁰ One tract of 85 1/2 acres lying in civil
district No 2 of Oyer City Tenn known as the Marshall
Hing land valued at \$1000⁰⁰ one other tract of 39 acres
lying in civil district No 5 Oyer City Tenn known as the
Capell tract One other tract of 10 acres in civil district
No 4 lying between S. R. Latta & Wm. Mackins valued at
\$300⁰⁰ One other tract of 100 acres lying in civil district
No 5 Oyer City Tenn known as the John Wright tract valued
at \$200⁰⁰ (C. E. Wilson has) are to have \$50⁰⁰ out of said 100
acres One other tract of 1/2 acres lying near Jay & Hinton
Civil District No 16 Oyer City Tenn valued at \$175⁰⁰ The
whole real estate valued at \$11500⁰⁰

Item 5. I give and bequeath to my great grand child
Charley Vernon a tract of land supposed to be 700 or 800
acres north of the Oyer river in civil district No 16 Oyer
City Tenn part of the A. Murphy Grant.

Item 6. In the division of the real estate it appears that my
son C. D. Clark and the heirs (or children) of Tom Oyer
first wife (Emily) David Daniel Harry & Amanda Oyer
have the advantage of Mrs C. C. Dawson in the real estate
in the sum of \$132⁰⁰ It is my request & desire that my
executors make up to her the said deficit out of any real
estate that may be undivided at the time of my death or
in money if not convenient to settle in real estate

Item 7. It is my desire and request that any all real estate
coming into my possession after this date by means
of drafts due on mortgage or otherwise and all

any and all other real estate and personal property that may be coming to me at my death that my said Executors shall take charge of and make division of the money and lands so coming in and may sell real estate for division and divide the proceeds equally between my heirs as above mentioned and in case of division of lands by them (Executors) it shall be final.

Item 8. It is my request & desire that all of the personal property, money, notes, judgments &c. choses in action that I may die possessed of be taken possession of by my Executors and controlled by them and paid out by them equally among my heirs & to wit C. C. Clark, Amanda Dawson & the child of Sam Catton's first wife (Emily) at their discretion and when they choose to do so - (to be paid out however according to the laws of the state) now in existence.

Item 9. Any of the real estate allotted by me in the different divisions - if I should sell or dispose of after this date my Executors are to pay over to said party or parties to whom said allotment concerned. The money arising from sale or disposal of said real estate at the figures so fixed by me upon said item of real estate.

Item 10. Whatever species of property either of real or personal property that I have given or this date given off to any or either of my children to wit C. C. Clark, Amanda C. Dawson (or her husband W. Dawson) in his life time or to my daughter Emily Catton first wife of Sam Catton no charge is made for or to be allowed whatever by my Executors - whatever I have given off has been done without any intention of being so charged up.

Whereby nominate and appoint my own Charles C. Clark & Jesse Clark my brother Executors of this my last will and Testament and having full confidence in their integrity I direct that they are not to give any bond as Executors.

Witness my hand this the 10th day of November 1880.

N. Clark

presence and in testimony whereof we have hereunto set our names in the presence of each other and the Testator this 10th day of December 1880

James W. Baker
Thos H. Benton

Codicil

Since the above will - having been signed & published by me - I have advanced to my daughter Mrs Amanda C. Dawson - The sum of Twenty Seven hundred dollars for the use and benefit of N. C. Baker & wife Polly Benton & Baker & wife Pauline Baker - and my said daughters are to have her charged up with that amount - whenever a division of the personal property shall take place without interest.

Witness my hand this 28th day January 1881

N. Clark

Signed, acknowledged and published in our presence and in testimony whereof we have hereunto set our names in the presence of each other and the Testator

This 28th day of January 1881 James W. Baker
Thos H. Benton

State of Tennessee } In County Court Ayer County Tennessee
Ayer County } February Term 1883.

This day a paper writing purporting to be the Last will & Testament and Codicil thereto, of Henderson Clark, deceased was produced before the Court for private, thereupon came into open Court James W. Baker and Thos H. Benton subscribing witnesses to said will & Codicil thereto, who being first duly sworn depared and said that they were personally acquainted with the Testator in his life time that he was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of the execution of said paper writing that he published and declared the same to be his last will & Testament in their presence and for the purposes therein contained and requested them to bear witness thereto, that they signed the body of said will and Codicil thereto in the presence of the Testator and of each other. It is therefore ordered that said paper writing be & the same is hereby set up and established as the last will & Testament of the said Henderson Clark, deceased, and that same be re-

Corded in "Will Book" filed, whereupon Charles P. Clark and Jesse Clark who are named as executors of said Last Will & Testament came into open Court and were duly qualified the necessity of giving Bond being waived in said Last Will & Testament. At which time and place came to them.

A true copy from the minutes

attest Jack Watkins clerk

Last Will & Testament
of Jolly Olds deceased.
Witnessed March 2nd 1883
Recorded March 8th 1883
Jack Watkins att

I Jolly Olds being of sound mind but in bad health declare this to be my last will and testament that is to say

First I give to my son William my young horse named Rod. and to my daughter Amanda my bay horse named Selden and to David Atkinson my bay black mare. All my other personal property I give to my children Amanda and William.

I give and bequeath to my son William Olds thirty three 1/2 acres of land of the South end of the one hundred and one tract of land upon which I reside.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Amanda thirty three 1/2 acres of land adjoining and lying north of the tract given to my son William including my residence.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Amanda thirty three 1/2 acres of land north of and adjoining the tract of land given by me to my daughter Amanda. I direct the thirty acres of land upon which Mr. Imple now lives bounded on the South by the lands of Mrs. Olds here on the East by David Rice north by Mrs. Stalcup and west by the tract of land upon which I reside it. The tract of land deeded to me by Mrs. Olds to be paid by my executor for one third cash and the balance on a credit of one and two years note with good security to be given for the purchase money and that my debts be paid with the proceeds of the sale, and if there is a balance left I direct that it be divided between my children Amanda and William Olds.

Witness my hand this 2nd day of March 1883

attest
J. H. Perry
J. P. Barbery

Jolly Olds

State of Tennessee } In County Court Ryan County
Ryan County } Tennessee March Term 1883
This day a paper purporting to be the last will & testament of

Jolly Olds deceased, was produced before the Court (J. & J. Johnson Chairman Probate) providing for Probate, thereupon came into of the Court J. A. Perry and J. P. Sanborn, subscribers, witnesses to the same who being first duly sworn deposed and said that they were personally acquainted with the said Jolly Olds in his lifetime, that he was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of the execution of said paper writing, that he published and declared said paper writing to be his last Will & Testament in their presence and for the purposes therein contained, and requested them to bear witness thereto, that they signed the same in the presence of the Testator and in the presence of each other. It is therefore ordered that the said paper writing be and the same is hereby set up and established as the last Will & Testament of the said Jolly Olds deceased and that same be recorded in said Book of files.

A true copy from the minutes

Attest Jacob Matthews clt

Sept Will & Testament
of Mary McKnight decd
Protested April Term 1883
Recorded April 12th 1883
Jacob Matthews clt

In the name of God, Amen,
I Mary McKnight of Oregon,
Jennesse, being old and infirm
in body, although, thank God, of
sound and disposing mind and
memory, do hereby make, or have

and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and
form following, that is to say:

First. I commend my soul to God who gave, and desire that
my body be decently buried.

Second. I give and bequest that lot of ground situate on
the east side of St. John Street - opposite the Baptist Church
in Oregon, Jennesse, sold to me by W. C. Single, on which
my daughter used to live, with all the tenements and
appurtenances to my three little grand children, to-wit: B.
D. Matthews, Mary Frier Matthews and Lacey Matthews.

Children of my late daughter Fizzie Matthews. share and
share alike as tenants in common, and their heirs forever.
Third. All the residue of my estate, of every possible character,
I give and bequest to my four grand children, to-wit:
Sammanna McKnight and Ida McKnight (daughters of my
son Samuel A. McKnight) Samuel McKnight and Fizzie
McKnight (youngest children of my late son Andrew Reed
McKnight) to be equally divided between the four.

Last. I nominate and appoint my friend Luther C. McClellan
sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In
witness whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal
December 4 1878.

Signed, sealed and published
in presence of us, who have
subscribed the same in her
presence at her request
December 4 - 1878.

Sam'l G. Parker
B. M. Williams

Mary McKnight. (Seal)

State of Tennessee
Oyer County

Monday April 2 - 1883
April Term of County Court 1883

This day a paper writing purporting

to be the last will & Testament of Mary McKnight
did was produced before the Court for probate, Henry
Came into open Court Saml. S. Porter and B. M. Williams
subscribing witnesses to the same, who being first duly
sworn deposed and said that they were personally ac-
quainted with the said Mary McKnight in her life
time; that she was of sound and disposing mind and
memory at the time of the execution of said paper
writing; that she signed and published said paper
writing to be her last will & Testament in their presence
and for the purposes therein contained and requested
them to bear witness thereto, that they signed the same
in the presence of the Testatrix and in the presence
of each other. It is therefore ordered by the Court that
the said paper writing be and the same is hereby set
up and established as the last will and Testament
of the said Mary McKnight and that same be
recorded in "Will Book" filed.

True Copy from the minutes
attest- L. O. Hamilton Ck.

Last will & Testament of Mary J. Light hereby make and
publish this my last will and
Testament.
Recorded May 9-1883
Jack Watkins Ck

I will and bequeath to my daughter
Sampie Howkes, wife of Anoka
Howkes, one half of my entire real
estate and one half of my entire personal property of every
kind whatsoever and that she, the said Sampie Howkes is to
have and to hold the same, both the said half interest in said
real and personal estate, for her sole and separate use and
control free from the liabilities debts or contracts of her
present husband, the said Anoka Howkes, or any future
husband. the said Sampie Howkes taking both said real
and personally to do as she may please with it, having full
right to dispose of and sell said half interest in said
realty, but in the event the said Sampie Howkes should die
leaving no children and not having said said real estate
then said real estate above willed to her shall go to her
sister Pette Johnston, and if she and Pette be not then
living, then to any children of the said Pette that may be
living. I also will and bequeath to my daughter Pette
Johnston, wife of J. A. Johnston, the other half of my
entire real estate and the other half of my entire personal
property of every kind whatsoever and the said Pette
is to have and to hold the same (both said half interest in
the real and personal estate) for her sole and separate use
and control free from the debts, liabilities and contracts
of her present husband, the said J. A. Johnston or any future
husband, the said Pette Johnston taking both said
realty and personally to do as she may please with it,
having full right and power to sell and dispose of
said realty, but in the event the said Pette should die
leaving no children and not having said said real
estate, then the above real estate above willed to her shall
go to her sister Sampie Howkes, and if the said Sampie
be not then living then to any children of the said
Sampie that may be then living.

Before closing this my last will and Testament,
prompted by the great love and affection I bear
my said children, I most earnestly advise and
counsel each of them that out of the personalty turn

over to them by my execution, that each one take and set aside as much as their demand seems to be kept by them, and never increased upon said sum - only permitting themselves to expend the interest thereby nominate and appoint ^{Wm. C. Johnson} executor of this my last will and testament,

Witness my hand this January 1st 1883
Mary J. Light.

Signed acknowledged and published in our presence and in testimony thereof we have hereunto set our names in the presence of each other and in the presence of the testator. This January 1st 1883

M. M. Marshall
P. M. Edwards
J. P. Townsend
Sol. D. Rice

State of Tennessee
Deer County

Monday May 7th 1883
May Term Court

Deer County Tenn, 1883.

This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will & testament of Mary J. Light deceased, was produced before the court for probate, thereupon came into open court M. M. Marshall and Sol. D. Rice subscribing witnesses thereto who being first duly sworn depared and said that they were personally acquainted with the said Mary J. Light in her life time that she was of sound and disposing mind & memory at the time of the execution of said paper writing, that she signed and published said paper writing as her last will & testament in their presence and requested that they bear witness thereto, that they signed the same in the presence of the testatrix and in the presence of each other, it is therefore ordered by the court that said paper writing be and the same is hereby set up and established as the last will & testament of the said Mary J. Light and that same be recorded in will book opened and that Letters Testamentary issue to executor named therein.

A true copy from the minutes

attn: J. D. Hamilton D.D.

Last will and Testament of
Mary H. Jarkington dec'd
Probated June Term 1883
Recorded June 5th 1883
Jas Mathews clk

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Mary H. Jarkington, of Deer County, Tennessee, being ripe in years and feeble in health, although, thank God of sound and disposing mind and memory do hereby make and publish this my

last will and Testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me at any time heretofore made; in manner and form following, to wit:

Item 1. It is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid as soon as may be by my Executors out of any personal estate I may leave at my death.

Item 2. I will and bequeath to my son A. H. Jarkington Ten Acres of my land in the North East Corner, beginning at my North East Corner and running west two-thirds of the distance across my north line; thence South so far that by running East to my line and back North to the beginning will include Ten Acres. To have and to hold the same to the said A. H. Jarkington his heirs and assigns forever.

Item 3. I will and bequeath to my son W. D. Jarkington Five acres of my land, in the North West corner, beginning at my North West corner and running East to the North West Corner of the 10 acres herein bequeathed to A. H. Jarkington; thence South with his line to his South West Corner thence West to my West boundary line, thence North to the beginning - To have and to hold the same to the said W. D. Jarkington his heirs and assigns forever.

Item 4. I give and bequeath to my daughter Helen Isabelle Jarkington all the rest, residue and remainder of my estate real and personal, including the balance of my land and all the improvements, all my household and kitchen furniture, all my stock, my Buggy and Wagon, my poultry and every thing I have for her and her heirs forever. But if she die without issue born of her body, without seeing or disposing of said property, the same shall revert to my heirs at law. But she is to pay all my debts, if any, out of said property.

Item 5. I fully, solemnly and appoint my daughter Helen J. Jarkington sole Executor of this my last will and Testament and desire that she be required to give no bond and security for the execution of this will.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day of December A. D. 1881.

Signed, sealed and published in presence of us } M. H. Jarkington Seal
who have signed our names as subscribing } C. D. White
witnesses in presence of testatrix and at her request } J. P. Martin
Jas Mathews
Dec 25th 1881

State of Tennessee } In Open County Court June 1883
Singer County.

This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Mary A. Jarkington deceased was produced before the Court for probate. Thereupon came into open Court Callie White, J. B. Martin and wife A. Martin subscribing witnesses thereto who being first duly sworn deposed and said that they were personally acquainted with Mary Jarkington, the testatrix, in her life time, that she was of sound and disposing mind & memory at the execution of said paper writing, that she signed and acknowledged said paper writing in their presence as her last will and Testament and requested them to bear witness thereto, that they signed the same in the presence of the testatrix and of each other. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said paper writing be and the same is hereby set up and established as the last will and Testament of the said M. A. Jarkington deceased and that same be recorded in this Court's office.

Attest Copy from the minutes

Attest: Jack Watkins

Last will and Testament
of Emma S. Willis decd.
Proved August Term
Recorded August 7-1883
Jack Watkins clk

I Emma S. Willis do make this my will and Testament, First, I give to my Uncle M. S. Anderson all the money I have now in the hands of my Guardian

Moses Hill of Emoryville Ind.

Second, I also give to M. S. Anderson all of the household furniture left me by my parents, or the proceeds of the sale of same.

Third, I appoint as the Executor of this will M. S. Hillson of Open County Tenn.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and sealed this paper, this 8th day of July 1883

Signed and sealed in the presence of

Emma S. Willis

C. J. Smith

W. B. Nash

State of Tennessee } August Term 1883,
Singer County

This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Emma S. Willis late a citizen of Open County Tennessee, was produced before the Court for probate. Thereupon came into open Court C. J. Smith & W. B. Nash subscribing witnesses thereto who being first duly sworn deposed and said that they were personally acquainted with the testatrix in her life time, that she was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the execution of said paper writing, that she signed and acknowledged said paper writing in their presence to be her last will & Testament and requested them to bear witness thereto, that they signed the same in the presence of the testatrix and of each other. It is then ordered that the said paper writing be and the same is hereby set up and established as the last will & Testament of the said Emma S. Willis, deceased, and that the same be recorded in this Court's office.

Attest Copy from the minutes

Attest: Jack Watkins clk
C. J. Smith
W. B. Nash

Last Will and Testament
 of Susan S. White died
 Probated Sept Term 1883
 Recorded Sept 4th 1883
 Jack Watkins clk

I, Susan S. White hereby make and
 publish this my last will and
 Testament

Item 1st Set all my just debts and
 funeral expenses to paid.

Item 2nd Being the owner of Sixteen (16) shares of the stock of the
 Boston & Maine Rail. Road and Thirty-two (32) shares of the
 Stock of the Pennsylvania Central Rail. Road, I give and
 bequeath to my daughter Emma Burbank wife of R. W.
 Burbank. Seven (7) shares of the stock of the Boston &
 Maine Rail. Road and Seventeen shares of the Stock of the
 Pennsylvania Central Rail. Road.

Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my daughter Mira P. Pear
 wife of S. R. C. Pear Five (5) shares of the stock of the Boston and
 Maine Rail. Road, and Fifteen (15) shares of the Stock of the
 Pennsylvania Central Rail. Road, the above Rail Road Stock is
 to vest absolutely in my said daughters, and is not to be
 subject to the control of or liable for the debts of their
 present or any future husbands, they or either of them may
 have; and while I do not hereby intend to positively control
 the stock thus bequeathed, I solemnly advise them as there
 is a safe and profitable investment to let the same remain,
 using only the income, unless in case of necessity for the
 education or wellfare of their children, and I especially
 deprecate its sale for the purpose of speculation or mercantile
 ventures.

Item 4th: All the rest and residue of my estate I give and
 bequeath to my said daughter, the said Emma Burbank,
 to be hers absolutely.

The only reason why I thus make a difference in the distribution
 of my estate, is the fact that my daughter Mira P. had better
 and more expensive educational advantages than my daughter
 Emma.

I hereby nominate and appoint my daughter Mira P. Pear
 Executrix of this my last will and Testament. Apr 11-1882.

Mrs Susan S. White

Signed sealed and published in our presence in testimony whereof
 we have hereunto set our hands, in presence of each other and
 the testatrix, April 11-1882.

Test-
 S. R. C. Pear
 E. C. M. Cloutin

State of Tennessee
 Jefferson County

September Term 1883

This day a paper writing purporting
 to be the last will & Testament of Susan S.
 White, deceased, was produced before the Court for Probate
 thereupon came into open Court S. R. C. Pear & E. C. M. Cloutin
 subscribing witnesses thereto who being first duly sworn depose
 and said that they were personally acquainted with the
 testatrix in her life time, that she was of sound and disposing
 mind and memory at the execution of said paper writing
 that she signed and acknowledged the same to be her
 last will & Testament and requested them to bear witness
 thereto, that they signed the same in the presence of the testatrix
 and of each other. It is therefore ordered that said paper
 writing be and the same is hereby set up and established
 as the last will & Testament of the said Susan S. White deceased
 and that the same be recorded & filed.

Attest Copy from the minutes.

Jack Watkins clk
 By H. D. Hamilton 2d

Last will and testament
of Joseph Michell, decd.
Proated Oct Term 1883
Recorded Oct 5th 1883
J. H. Haldins clk

Will

I Joseph Michell, do make
and publish this my last
will and testament hereby
revoking and making void
all others by me at any time

Made,

- 1st First, I direct that my funeral expenses and all my
debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of
any moneys I may die possessed of, or that may
come into the hands my executors
- 2nd Secondly, I bequeath to Stephen C. Michells heirs six
hundred (600) acres of land, entered in the name
of Wm B. Jones, the same land that I bought of the
Planters Bank of Tennessee.
- 3rd Thirdly, I give and bequeath to Heloise V. Michell,
during her natural life and to her heirs at her
death, but should she (Heloise V. Michell) die without
issue then the land to revert to the heirs of my
grand son Joseph Michell, four hundred and
sixteen (416) acres of land entered in the name of
Joseph Michell, and generally known as the Coke
Point tract.
- 4th Fourthly, I give and and bequeath to my old
servant Crawford Michell (Colored) (200) One hundred
acres of land described as follows. Beginning at
the north west corner of this tract on the river
bank, then running with the fence east, then running
south, then running west and following meanderings of
the Mississippi river to beginning of corner, to contain
one hundred (100) acres or as near a square as
possible and to include all of his improvements, to
have and to hold during his natural life, then to
revert to my heirs.
- 5th Fifthly, I reserve two (2) acres of land on my home
place, never to be sold or put to any other use except
for a grave yard or church, the same land that is
now a grave yard on my home place.
- 6th Sixthly, I direct that all my personal property be sold
all of my debts to be paid to the last clerk, and whatever
balance there may be left, together with all of my

real estate, not otherwise disposed of, to be equally divided
between Joseph Olive Michell, Stephen C. Michell or his
heirs and Louis Moreau Michell.

7th Seventhly, I appoint Joseph O. Michell and Louis M.
Michell my sole executors, not to give out bonds nor
security in any way for I have such confidence in their
honors that I do not want them bound in any way, And
after my death, I want the heirs of Stephen C. Michell
to select and appoint an agent to attend to their
business for them.

I especially request and desire that any and all
controversy that may arise from the settlement of
my estate be settled by arbitration if possible
furthermore, I positively desire that one Dr. J. L. Tinsley
nor none of his heirs shall have nothing whatever
to do with my estate, neither as agent nor in any other
way.

This was clearly and distinctly understood before signed
Jos Michell

Signed and published in our presence and have
subscribed our names hereunto in the presence of the
testator. This the nineteenth (19th) day of Aug. 1883
J. C. Michell
M. M. Taylor
Thad L. Powell

Codicile

I give to Joseph O. Michell and Louis M. Michell all my
personal property such as cattle, horses, notes and
cash that I may be possessed at my death after all my
debts are paid further I give to Jos C. Michell children
that is Napoleon, Phelix, Hugo and Susan my
grand children each a fine, one or two year old, two
two year old heffer, and I want their father or his
administrator to take care of them, cattle & horses and
to sell their increase when fete to sell take the
money and put it out on interest until they become
of age. I give my bed and bedding to Call Moreau wife,
my watch to Napoleon my rifle to Phelix if any of
children should die to any of the four remaining I give
my armour to Susan, I give to Crawford all my
clothing
Jos Michell

Signed and published in our presence and have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator this the sixth day of May 1883.
C. Nicholas
M. M. Taylor

Art 2 Codicil

Having in my will (above) a four hundred and sixteen acre as one, Heloise has married against my will I only give her two hundred acres on the same lands as above, beginning at the north west corner of the said tract running east to the oak corner thence south thence west thence north to the corner.

Joe Mitchell

Signed and published in our presence and have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator.

M. M. Taylor
P. W. Duncan

State of Tennessee
Superior County
Och. Term Superior County Court 1883.

In the matter of the last will and testament of Joseph Mitchell deceased

This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Joseph Mitchell deceased was presented by Louis M.

Mitchell, one of the executors named therein, in open Court to be admitted to probate and set up and established as the last will and testament of said Joseph Mitchell deceased and moved that the same be done, and he appointed as the sole executor. The other executor named declining to ask. And thereupon comes B. B. Mitchell and M. M. Taylor, two of the subscribing witnesses to the original will and after being duly sworn testify and say that they knew said Joseph Mitchell in his life time, that he is dead and had his usual place of residence in Superior County, Tenn. at the time of his death, that said Joseph Mitchell was of sound and disposing mind & memory at the time of the execution of said Original will. That said

paper writing is his last will and testament, that said testator signed the same in their presence as his last will and testament and that they signed and witnessed the same in the presence of the testator at his request as his last will and testament, and C. Nicholas and M. M. Taylor subscribing witnesses to the first Article of said will came into open Court and being duly sworn testify and say that they were personally acquainted with said Joseph Mitchell in his life time, that he signed said Codicil as the first Codicil of his said last will and testament and that they signed and witnessed the same in his presence and at his request as the first Codicil of his said last will and testament, that he was of sound & disposing mind & memory at the time of the execution of said Codicil, and M. M. Taylor one of the subscribing witnesses to the second or Codicil No two of said last will and testament came into open Court and after being duly sworn testify and say that he was personally acquainted with said Joseph Mitchell, dead in his life time, and that he signed said Codicil No two as Codicil No two to said last will and testament in witness, presence and in presence of P. W. Duncan another subscribing witness thereto, and that witness said said P. W. Duncan signed and witnessed the execution of said Codicil No two in the presence of the testator, at his request as Codicil No two of his said last will and testament, that said testator was of sound & disposing mind & memory at the execution of said Codicil No 2 and said Taylor further testifies that said P. W. Duncan whose name is signed as a witness to said Codicil is now in an a resident of the State of Mississippi and that he knows his signature hand writing and that the signature to said Codicil No 2 in his hand writing and also came B. B. Mitchell and C. Nicholas in open Court and after being duly sworn testify and say that they know the handwriting of said Joseph Mitchell and that the signature of his name to said Codicil No 2 is in his said Mitchell's proper handwriting. It is therefore ordered by the Court that said last will and

testament be and the same is hereby admitted to
probate and set up and established as the last will
and testament of said Joseph Marshall dead and
ordered to be recorded by the clerk and filed. And
on motion of Louis M. Mitchell one of the executors
named in the said last will and testament and
in appearing that he is entitled to be sole executor
thereof. It is ordered that he be and is hereby appointed
sole executor of said last will and testament and
thereupon comes said Louis M. Mitchell into open
Court and qualifies as required by law the execution
of bond being waived by the will.
A true copy from the minutes

attest Jack Watkins clerk

Last Will and Testament
of William J. Hughes dead
Probated Nov Term 1883
Recorded November 6th 1883
Jack Watkins clerk

Last Will and Testament

W. J. Hughes

I W. J. Hughes do make and
publish this as my last will
and testament hereby revoking

and making void all others 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 that may come
into the hands of my executors.

Secondly, I give and bequeath to my son Jas S. Hughes my
family Bible,

Thirdly, I direct that my said up policy in the New York
Life Insurance Company be divided among my seven
children giving to each an equal share,

Fourthly, the remainder of my property, consisting of the
farm upon which I now reside stock farming implements
wagon and buggy to me held and kitchen furniture exp
own on and all money that may be left after paying
funeral expenses and debts as above directed I give and
bequeath to my wife Permelia J. Hughes during her life
time upon condition that she keep with her any un-
married children Emma S. Hughes, Bessie C. Hughes
and James S. Hughes,

Fifthly, should my wife the said Permelia J. Hughes refuse
to carry out the restriction herein imposed or if she
should at any time marry again then this will is void
so far as she is concerned and my property will be
divided as if there were no will. But should she the
said Permelia J. Hughes sever from her park and the
children above mentioned or any of them refuse to live
with her or if they should marry then her duty to such
child or children is discharged.

Sixthly, upon the death of my wife the said Permelia
J. Hughes, I direct that her funeral expenses be first
paid and then whatever may be left shall be
equally divided between my surviving children or
their heirs deducting however from the part of
Mrs. Fanny M. Grady and Mrs. Florence William
the value of one good mink coat each

Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint my wife Ann Maria
Hughes my executor, in witness whereof I do to this my
will, set my hand; this April 20th 1883.

M. J. Hughes

Signed and published in our presence and we subscribed
our names in the presence of the testator, this the 20th day of
April, A. D. 1883.

J. H. Purcell
Arch Dickerson

State of Tennessee } In Dyer County Court Nov Term 1883
Dyer County }

In the matter of the Last will & testament of M. J. Hughes died } This day a paper writing
purporting to be the last will & testament of M. J. Hughes
did was produced before the Court for probate, thereupon
came into open Court J. H. Purcell and Arch Dickerson
subscribing witnesses thereto who being first duly sworn
deposed and said: that they were personally acquainted
with the said M. J. Hughes in his life time, that he was of sound
and disposing mind and memory at the execution of said
paper writing, that he signed and acknowledged the same
as his last will & testament, in their presence and re-
garded them to bear witness thereto, that they signed
the same in the presence of the testator and of each
other, it is therefore ordered by the Court that said paper
writing be and the same is hereby set up and
established as the last will and testament of the
said M. J. Hughes died and that the same be recorded
in will Book and filed.

A true copy from minutes

attest Jas. M. Hall

My Will and Testament
of Little Cearley died
Probatd Dec Term 1883
Recorded Dec 6 1883

Jas. M. Hall
J. H. Purcell

In the name of God Amen,
I Little Cearley being of sound
mind do make and declare this
will my Last Will and Testament
First after a direct burial I
want all my just debts paid
Secondly I feel that I have given

to all my children by my first wife their full portion
and desire them to have nothing more,
Thirdly I give and bequeath to my three children by my
last wife that is William B. Cearley Rebecca Blackmore
and George H. Cearley the homestead or tract of fifty
one acres of land on which I now live provided
that my daughter Rebecca Blackmore's interest shall
exist only during her natural life and at her
death shall revert to my two sons above named
William B. Cearley and George H. Cearley that portion of land (Thirty eight
acres) now owned by John King when the same
is redeemed,

In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal on
this the fourth day of Novr 1882 In presence of
E. M. Hall.
J. H. Purcell
Little Cearley

State of Tennessee } In Dyer County Court Dec Term 1883
Dyer County }

In the matter of Last Will and Testament of Little Cearley died } This day a paper writing pur-
porting to be the last will and testament of Little Cearley died
was produced before the Court for probate, thereupon came
into open Court E. M. Hall and J. H. Purcell subscribing witnesses
thereto who being first duly sworn deposed and said that they
were personally acquainted with the testator in his life
time that he was of sound and disposing mind and memory
at the execution of the said paper writing and that he
acknowledged the same in their presence to be his last will
and testament and regarded them to bear witness
thereto, that they signed the same in the presence of the

Testation and of each other. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said paper writing be and the same is hereby set up and established as the last will and testament of the said Duke Charles dead and that same be recorded in this Court and filed, and that a copy from the minutes

attest Jacob Watkins Clerk

of Court in session at D.C.

Last will and testament of
A. Harris, deceased
Ordnated July Term 1884
Recorded July 22/84
J. H. Harris/attk

I Allen Harris being of sound mind do make this my last will and testament in this manner:
First I will that all my just debts be paid -
Second - I do give to my beloved daughter Mary A. Waldron a certain portion of my house tract of land

beginning at the N. W. Corner, running east with the north boundary line 248 poles to a single, the South East Corner of the land bought by the children of M. H. Applewhite, a demonstrator. Thence south with Bright Harris line to the center of the railroad; thence with the Railroad south so many poles, as will make 125 acres, thence west to the west boundary line; thence north to the beginning to be more here after.

Third - I give and bequeath the balance of my house tract lying west of the Railroad together with my household and kitchen furniture, Buggy and Buggy wheel, two mules, and wagon, mower, hay rake and all farming implements -

Fourth - I give and bequeath to my son Stonewall J. Harris, the remainder of my house farm together with 105 acres, adjoining the house farm on the south, also two choice mules to be secured by himself

Fifth - I give and bequeath to my free wife and J. Harris, my wife's crop twenty four head of sick hogs, three sows and my wife's stock of cattle. Thence if any of my children are indebted to me it hereby cancelled. Sixth - This my will that my wife's estate both real and personal and Harris bequeathed bequeath to my beloved wife

Eighth - I do hereby appoint as my executor or my daughter and my son J. Harris

Witness M. O. B. Gaudin
M. D. Gaudin

State of Tennessee } February Term of County Court 1884
Sagin County } Sunday Feb 5th 1884

This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of or Allen Harris, late citizen of said County, Tennessee, was produced before the Court for probate. Thereupon came here into Court M. O. B. Gaudin and M. D. Gaudin, subscribing witnesses to said paper writing who being first duly sworn depose and said that they were personally acquainted with the said or Allen Harris in his lifetime that he was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of the execution of the said paper writing - that he signed and published said paper writing as his last will and testament in their presence and further upon their attestation and requested them to witness the same that they signed the same as witnesses thereof in the presence of the testator

and in the presence of competent and disinterested witnesses, and by the said testator, said paper writing, he and the same being set up and established as the last will and testament of the said decedent, deceased, and by recorded and filed in the City of Providence, Rhode Island.

Wm. Jackson

Exhibits of
William W. Shelton
Protestant
Syr. Co. Court 1884
Recorded April 28/84
J. Walker, Clerk

In the name of God, Amen.

I, William W. Shelton of, Syer County, Providence, being, thank God, in good health of sound mind and disposing memory, do make and publish: This my last will

and Testament.

I do hereby Will, and bequeath to my beloved Mother, Elizabeth Moore Gate, all of that tract of land in Civil District No. 2, of Syer County, on which she now lives. The same land that I inherited from my Father, Nelson Shelton, together with all my earthly possessions of any and every description, whatever.

To have and to hold the same, to her, and her bodily heirs forever. Signed, sealed, and acknowledged in the presence of May 14th 1883.

W. W. Shelton

W. B. Sampson

State of Providence, March Term of County Court 1884
Syer County, Tuesday March 1st 1884

The Matter of William W. Shelton: This day a paper writing last will & testament, purporting to be the last will and testament of William W. Shelton deceased, but as citizen of Syer Co. Providence, was produced before the Court for probate. Thereupon came the subscribing witness W. B. Sampson, into open court, and being first duly sworn deplored and said, that he was personally acquainted

with the said W. W. Shelton, in his life time - that he was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of the execution of said paper writing - that he the said W. B. Sampson, wrote the said paper writing for said testator at his request - that the said Shelton, signed and published the said paper writing as his last will and testament in his presence & in presence of S. M. Walker the other subscribing witness and committed them to witness the same - That they, the said witnesses, signed the same as witnesses in presence of testator and of each other - The said W. B. Sampson, further deplored that the said S. M. Walker, is now a non-resident of the State of Providence, and a resident of the State of Texas. Ordered that said paper writing be and same is hereby set up & established as the last will and testament of the said W. W. Shelton deceased - and that the same be recorded and filed.

A true Copy of Original will, probate of same, Wm. Jackson, Clerk

Last will & Testament of
Evan McKnight decd.
Protestant April Term of
Syer Co. Court 1884
Recorded April 28/84
J. Walker, Clerk

I, Evan McKnight being at my own residence and of a sound mind and disposing memory, but feeble in body and desirous of settling my worldly affairs and disposing of my property before my death, do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills, testaments, codicils heretofore made.

First - I direct that my body be decently interred and that all my just debts be paid.

Second - I give to my beloved wife Rosanna McKnight one year support from my death to be set apart to her by my executors, I also give to my said wife Rosanna, one horse, one cow & calf to be selected by her from my stock at my death, also one third of all my household and kitchen furniture to be selected by her.

Third - I give to my son Chas. McKnight as trustee for my wife Rosanna McKnight one thousand dollars.

in cash, to be loaned out at interest by said Trustee and the interest thereon to be collected annually and appropriated by said Trustee to the support and maintenance of my said wife, Rosanna, and in case the interest on said \$1000⁰⁰ should prove to be insufficient to support and maintain my said wife in a suitable and proper manner according to her previous station in life, the said Trustee is to take and use enough of the principle of said fund after exhausting the interest of said to provide such support and maintenance, each year during the life time of my said wife and until the said fund is exhausted, if it should become necessary to use the principle thereof as aforesaid, and after the death of my said wife Rosanna I direct that my said son A. A. McKnight is to have two thirds of said fund, if any then should remain and I give to my daughter Nancy C. Shelton the other one-third of said fund that may be remains at the death of my said wife.

Fourth - I give to my son A. A. McKnight his heirs & assigns forever the following portion of the land whereon I now reside, situated in Elgin county, Tennessee,

& Outlot No 15. All of my said land lying back of the following described line, Beginning at a poplar tree on the South East corner of a 100 acre tract conveyed by Wm M. King to me & running thence in a North-Easterly direction in a straight line to the mouth of the lake, back of my house, thence with said line in a North-Easterly direction to my North boundary line.

Fifth - I give to my daughter Nancy C. Shelton all my land whereon I now reside lying back of the said line described in the fourth clause of this will, to her and her heirs & assigns forever to be held and disposed of by her in any manner she may please.

Sixth - I direct that all my personal property not herein otherwise bequeathed be by my executors sold & converted into money and it be equally divided between my said son, A. A. McKnight and my said daughter Nancy C. Shelton.

I hereby nominate and appoint my son A. A. McKnight and J. M. McDaniel as my executors to execute and carry this will into effect.

Elmer McKnight

Witness E. Jones
J. C. Hendricks

State of Tennessee, April Term of County Court
Elgin County, Monday April 1st 1884

In matter of Last Will & Testament of Elmer McKnight deceased, This day a later writing of Elmer McKnight deceased, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Elmer McKnight deceased, was produced before the Court for probate. Thereupon came into Court J. C. Hendricks a subscribing witness thereto who being duly sworn deposed, said that he was personally acquainted with the said Elmer McKnight in his life time, that he was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of the execution of said writing and that he signed and acknowledged the execution of said writing as his last will & testament in his presence, and for the purposes therein contained and also in presence of the other witnesses thereto, viz: E. Jones that said E. Jones is dead, that he witnessed said Jones sign his name as a witness thereto, also W. G. Elgin & A. G. Pitts, citizens of Elgin Co. Tenn. came into court sworn to and said, that they were personally acquainted with Testator in his life time & acquainted with the hand write of said Elmer McKnight and that the signature to said writing is in the genuine and proper handwriting of said McKnight. It is ordered by the Court that said writing be set up and established as the last will & testament of said Elmer McKnight dead and be recorded and filed. Thereupon J. M. McKnight one of the executors named came into court with J. C. Mitchell, W. G. Elgin, A. G. Pitts and J. C. Hendricks Secretaries and they entered into and acknowledged bond in penal sum of Ten Thousand dollars conditioned as required re and A. A. McKnight was also duly sworn. Letters issue.

A true copy of Original will & probate of same
Attest Zach Wafford, Clerk

Last Will & Testament
of J. G. Sampson dead.
Notated Novem. 1884
Recorded Novem. 19th 1884
Jack Thacker's ed.

In the name of God Almighty,
I, Frank J. Sampson, of Oregon,
over thirty years of age, being of sound mind
and disposing mind and memory, thank
but uncertain of the length of my days
and duration of my life, do hereby make

this my holographic last will and testament in manner
and form following, that is to say:

Item 1st. It is my will and desire that my mortal remains be
decently buried, and that all my just debts be paid by my
Executor as soon as practicable after my death.

Item 2^d. I give and bequeath all my property, both real and
personal of every kind and character to my beloved wife
M. Sampson and her heirs forever.

Item 3^d. I nominate and appoint my said wife sole Executor
of this my last will and testament.

In testimony of all which I have signed at my
hand this 1st July 1868.
J. G. Sampson

In the matter of the *Ex. County, Oregon Nov. Term 1884*
Holographic Will of } On this the 30th day of Nov.
J. G. Sampson dead } 1884 came here into open Court SR
Latta and for minor M. Sampson

widow of J. G. Sampson dead and presented to the Court
a paper writing - purporting to be the Holographic
last will and testament of said J. G. Sampson. Dead
and the said SR Latta being duly sworn testifies and
says, that for over thirty three years he was intimately
acquainted with said J. G. Sampson and with his hand
writing. That in the year 1868 he witnessed the said
J. G. Sampson deposited in deponent's safe the accompanying
official sized envelope sealed and on the sealed side written all
in the hand writing of said J. G. Sampson, the following words:

"The last will and testament of J. G. Sampson deposited
for safe keeping in the safe of SR Latta" and on the
reverse side of said envelope his name "J. G. Sampson"
also in the proper handwriting of said J. G. Sampson.

Deponent further testifies that said envelope
from the time of its said deposit has remained
in deponent's safe in an unbroken & unopened
and unbroken until about a month ago.

when affiant found the same, and cut open at the
end said envelope and found therein the paper writing
now offered to the Court for probate as the last will
& testament of said J. G. Sampson. Affiant states as
a reason why the same has not been produced and
before now offered for probate the fact that
the fact that the deposit thereof had been forgotten
by affiant and the circumstances were related
to his memory by the finding of the same in his
safe as above stated about a month ago.

Affiant swears to his testimony with the handwriting
of said J. G. Sampson from having seen him write
and seen his writing for many years and that
he truly believes all has no doubt at all - but that
every word of the paper writing herein is genuine
including the signature of said Sampson, and every word
written on said envelope is in the proper handwriting
of said J. G. Sampson.

Sworn to before me in open
Court Nov 3/84
J. M. Corliss J. P. Probate

State of Tennessee, in County of Greene & N. Term 1884,
over County

Wm. Thompson being sworn, deposes and testifies that he is
open Court O. C. N. 1884 and that he is a
deponent sworn by the Sheriff's Office that for many
years they were acquainted with J. G. Sampson and
with his hand writing, that the last will and
testament of the paper writing herein presented on
probate as the Holographic will and testament of said
J. G. Sampson and the envelope accompanying the same
mentioned and described in the foregoing affidavit
of SR Latta, and the facts that every word of said
paper writing as well as the writing on said envelope
is in the proper hand writing of said J. G. Sampson
as they verily believe, it is therefore ordered by the
Court that said paper writing be and is hereby
received and established as the last will and
testament of J. G. Sampson dead and the same is
ordered to be recorded as such.

Last Will & Testament

of
Mary Thompson deceased
Prolated January Term 1885
Recorded January 20 1885
Jack Watkins clerk

I Mary Thompson being of sound mind
and disposing memory do make and
publish this my last will and testam-
ment hereby revoking and annulling all
wills by me heretofore at any time
made.

Item 1st. I direct that all my just debts and my burial ex-
penses be paid by my executor as soon after my death as
may be and of the first money coming in to his hands as
such executor.

Item 2nd. I give to my brother Moses Thompson on the terms
and conditions following all the real estate down or of which
I am seized and possessed consisting of two parcels or tracts
of land in the 22nd civil district of Rutherford County Tennessee
the first tract being the homestead where my father Robert
Thompson resided at his death the whole tract contained three
hundred acres and the part of it here given to Moses Thompson
was willed to me by my father and together with the 2^d mill of my
father and the records of Rutherford County for the particulars
as to metes & bounds and no of acres of said land, the other
tract or parcel is cedar land and does not adjoin the home-
stead here given, the cedar land is bounded on the north &
west by Moses Thompson Thompsons land, back by Robert
Thompson land & south by James McCutcheon the two tracts
contain about seven or seven acres, But my brother Moses Thomp-
son is to pay to my executor one thousand dollars for said land.

Item 3rd. As soon after my death as may be I desire my executor
to sell all my personal property, and I give all my personal
property proceeds with all the personal estate and effects of
every kind and description that I did possessed share and
share alike to my brother Robert Thompson my brother
Moses Thompson to my sister Anna Jones and the three
children of my deceased sister brother Sally Magberry Thompson
Brown and Nancy Moore they taking the share their deceased
mother would have taken were she living.

Item 4th. I hereby appoint Robert G. Jones my executor
of this my last will and testament this 16th day of June 1884

Interlined in 3rd Item before signed -
Witness
Smith Parks
Jack Watkins

Mary Thompson

State of Tennessee, January Term Ryer County County Court 1885

In the matter of Last
Will & Testament of
Mary Thompson deceased

This day a paper writing purporting to
be the last will & testament of Mary Thompson
deceased late of Ryer County Tennessee, was produced before the Court
for probate, thereupon came into open Court Smith Parks and
Jack Watkins subscribing witnesses thereto who being sworn and
deposed & said that they were personally acquainted with the said
Mary Thompson testatrix in her life time, that she was of
sound & disposing mind and memory at the time of the ex-
ecution of said paper writing, that she signed and acknowledged
the same in their presence to be her last will & testament for
the purposes expressed therein, that they signed the same
in the presence of each other and of the testatrix as subscribing
witnesses thereto - It is it then ordered by the Court that
the said paper writing be and the same is hereby set up and
established as the last will and testament of the said
Mary Thompson deceased & be recorded - filed -
a true copy from the minutes

attest Jack Watkins clerk
The 17th June 1885

Last Will and Testament
of Thomas Miller deceased
Protested July Term 1885
Recorded February 11, 1885
Jas. Mathews cl.

State of Tennessee
Singer County
District No. 2.

Oct 15th 1883.

The last will and
Testament of Thomas
Miller,

First Will to John Miller seventy
five acres in the South East corner of my tract of land
bounded as follows: Beginning at the South East corner of
my tract and South West corner of J. B. Yorks survey
tract North Eighty eight poles to a stake, thence West one
hundred and forty eight poles to a stake thence South
Eighty eight poles to a stake in the South boundary line
of my land thence one hundred and forty eight poles to the beginning.
Also will that John Miller have the horse which I have given
him and one bed and bed clothes.

Second, I bequeath to Buck Miller seventy five acres in the
West corner of my tract bounded as follows: Beginning at
the N. W. corner of my tract and South West corner of J.
B. Millers tract thence South to John A. Shetlows South
East corner thence East, North and West so as to include
the seventy five acres, Provided that said Buck Miller
remains with my family faithfully until he is
twenty one years of age if not the land is to go to my
wife Louisa Miller, also want Buck Miller to have
and keep the horse I have given him and have one
bed and bed clothes.

Third I bequeath to my wife Louisa Miller all the
main body of my land included in my deeds con-
taining about two hundred and sixty three acres or
long as she lives, and at her death I want Betty Miller
to have seventy five acres lying East of the park given
to Buck Miller to be the same width North and South and
running East with my North boundary line far
enough to contain the seventy five acres. The remaining
one hundred and eighty eight acres my wife Louisa
Miller can dispose of at her death as she pleases.
Also bequeath my wife all the farming implements
on the place one wagon one third interest in
thrasher my wagon and buggy, and my three mules
and two mares and about thirty five head of stock
hogs and twelve sheep and all the cattle I own, also

all the household and kitchen furniture of every
description all of which is to be hers to use and dispose
of as she pleases. Also want my wife Louisa to
have all the rents and income from the whole
farm for the year 1884, I hereby nominate and
appoint my wife Louisa Miller as executrix with
bond or security - This Oct 15 - 1883,

Witnesses

W. M. Dean

J. B. York

after signing the above I have thought of
my notes, I bequeath to my wife Louisa all the notes
and accounts money on hand at my death, Oct 15
Thomas Miller

Witnesses

W. M. Dean

J. B. York

State of Tennessee
Singer County

In Court by Court

February Term 1885

This day a paper writing purporting to be the last
will & Testament & Codicil thereto of Thomas Miller, deceased, late of
Singer County Tennessee, was produced before the Court for probate, where
upon came into open Court W. M. Dean and J. B. York subscribing witnesses
to said will and Codicil thereto, who being first duly sworn depose and say
that they were personally acquainted with the said Thomas Miller deceased
in his life time, that he signed said papers long and acknowledged the
execution of same to be his last will & Testament in their presence,
that he was of sound and disposing mind & memory at the execution
of said paper writing, that they signed the body of said will & Codicil
thereto in the presence of each other and of the testator. It is therefore
ordered by the Court that said paper writing with the Codicil thereto
be and the same is hereby set up and established as the Last Will &
Testament of the said Thomas Miller deceased that the same be
in full force and filed - Mrs Louisa Miller who is named as executrix
of said will came into Court and was duly sworn. Bond & security being
waived by said will - See letters Testamentary issue
a true copy from minutes

attest Jas. Mathews Clerk

By S. O. Hamilton D.C.

last will and Testament of Thomas H. Benton dec'd in the name of God Amen.
 Prolated April Term 1885
 Recorded April 17-1885
 Jack Watkins att

Item 1st I want and direct that all of my just debts be paid out of the first moneys coming into the hands of my executor.
 Item 2nd I direct that my beloved wife Mary E. Benton, shall have all of my personal property not otherwise provided for.
 Item 3rd I have a Life Insurance policy in the Hartford Life and Annuity Insurance Co. of Hartford, Conn. for Two Thousand Dollars payable to me or my heirs. said policy is now held by H. Pann as collateral security for my personal note of Two hundred thirty one & 40/100 Dollars. I direct that after paying and discharging said debt or debts that one thousand dollars of said insurance policy be paid to my beloved wife Mary E. Benton and after paying all expenses including expenses of executorship that one hundred and fifty dollars be paid to my sister Susan Rogers and that the remainder be divided equally between my two daughters - Belle and Fanny May Benton.
 I hereby nominate and appoint C. L. Nolan, Marcus S. Benton and Mary E. Benton as Executors and Executors of this my last will and Testament and thereby waive the necessity of their giving Bond and Security.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and date above written.
 Signed sealed and published in our presence and in the presence of each other on this the 16th day of Sept 1884.

C. L. Nolan
 J. H. Pann
 S. Chittwood

codicil

I give and bequeath to my son M. B. Benton my policy for Two Thousand Dollars in the Presbyterian Mutual Assurance fund of Louisville Ky -
 Dated Decr 10-1884

Signed sealed and published in our presence and in the presence of each other on this the 10th Decr 84 -
 Thos. H. Benton
 R. H. Campbell
 C. L. Nolan

State of Tennessee In County Court
 April Term 1885
 Monday April 6-1885

In the matter of T. H. Benton dec'd this day a paper uniting purporting to be the last will & Testament of Thos H. Benton dec'd was produced before the Court for probate as to the body of same. Thereupon came into open Court J. H. Pann and S. Chittwood subscribing witnesses to the body of said last will & Testament who being first duly sworn depose and said that they were personally acquainted with the said T. H. Benton test in his life time, that he was of sound & disposing mind & memory at the time of the execution of said paper writing, that he signed & acknowledged same in their presence to be his last will & Testament and requested that they bear witness thereto, that they signed the same in the presence of each other and of the testator. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said paper writing as to the body of same be & it is hereby so established as the last will & Testament of the said Thos H. Benton dec'd. Whereupon M. B. Benton who is named as one executor in said will came into Court & was qualified & necessity of giving Bond & Security as required by law being waived in said will. Let Security be taken as required by law in said will. Above copy from minutes

Jack Watkins att
 13y L. J. Hamilton & Co

Friday April 6th 1885

State of Tennessee In County Court April Term 1885

This day the Codicil to the last will & Testament of Thomas H. Benton deceased, was produced before the Court for Probate. Thereupon came into open Court R. H. Campbell & C. L. Nolan subscribing witnesses thereto who being first duly sworn depose and said that they were personally acquainted with Thos H. Benton in his life time, that he was of sound & disposing mind and memory at the execution of said Codicil. He signed the same in their presence & acknowledged same to be the Codicil to his last will & Testament and requested them to bear witness thereto, that they signed