

one half of the Black Stone Hammer &c.
Item 4th In the event that my two children, George
and William should fail to collect or to get the two
thousand dollars on my life policy mentioned in the
third item of my Will.

Then I will and direct that all my property, real
and personal, or may be divided between my
wife and children as the law directs and will
order the Estates of persons dying intestate my
beloved wife taking such part of my estate as the
law gives to widow whose husband die intestate.

Item 5 I hereby nominate and appoint Asa
Fowler Executor of this my last Will & Testament.

This 11th day of June 1888

Signed in our presence

And witnessed by us at the

request of the Testator.

W. E. Johnston M.D.

A. B. Wilkinson

Robt. M. Brown

In the matter of the last Will & Testament of Robt. M. Brown deceased
this day a paper writing bearing the last Will & Testament of Robt. M. Brown deceased was presented by Asa Fowler in open court for probate duly signed in presence of witnesses, thereupon sworn into and A. B. Wilkinson one of the subscribing witnesses, thence who being first duly sworn depose and swear that he was of sound mind and disposing memory at the time of the execution of said instrument of writing that he signed and published said paper writing to the last Will and Testament in the presence of himself and of W. E. Johnston the other subscribing witness thence and request him to sign as witnesses to his act in so doing that he signed same in the presence of said Asa Fowler the Testator and in the presence of the witness W. E. Johnston witnessing said paper writing as his deliberate act. Also came A. B. Dickie and R. J. Dickie to go and lawful citizen of Oregon County, who being first duly sworn depose and swear they were personally acquainted with W. E. Johnston in his lifetime, that signature as subscribing witnesses to the said paper writing aforesaid, and that they were familiar with the handwriting of said W. E. Johnston having seen him sign his name at various numerous times and that his name as written as a subscribing witness to said paper writing is in the hand writing of said W. E. Johnston who is now dead.

It is therefore ordered of the Court that said paper writing and is hereby admitted to probate and established as the last will & Testament of said Robt. M. Brown
And on motion the said Asa Fowler, who is named as Executor thereof is hereby appointed and ordained the Executor of said last Will and Testament. Whereupon came the said Asa Fowler in to open court and brings with him \$25.00 and Asa Fowler, his co-writer, they entered into and acknowledged with special power of Six thousand dollars, and that same payable as the law directs for the faithful performance of his duty as such Executor of said Will and Testament. Whereupon the said Asa Fowler was duly sworn as Executor of said Will and it is ordered that latter Testamentary paper be given.

The last Will & Testament of A. W. Stevens deceased and Testament.
Recorded August 8th 1888
Will & Testament last
I O W Stevens being of sound mind do make and publish this my last Will and Testament:
I hereby will devise and bequeath all my property and effects of every kind as follows to wit:

First: I will and devise that all my just debts be paid.
Second: The residue of my estate whether real personal or mixed left after the payment of my said debts. I will devise and bequeath as follows, to wit: to my daughter Georgiana Brackin wife of J. M. Brackin one fourth thereof to have and to hold the same to her sole and separate use benefit use and to keep free from the debts liabilities claim and control of her said husband J. M. Brackin or any future husband of hers. To my daughter Fannie Scott wife of George D. Scott one fourth thereof to have and to hold the same to her sole and separate use benefit use and to keep free from the debts liabilities claim and control of her said husband Geo. D. Scott or any future husband of hers. To my daughter Imogene Sumner wife of Dr. Frank Sumner one fourth thereof to have and to hold the same to her sole and separate use benefit use and to keep free from the debts liabilities claim and control of her said husband Dr. Frank Sumner, or any future husband of hers. To my daughter Mary King wife of Edw. M. King one fourth thereof to have and to hold the same to her sole and separate use benefit use and to keep free from the debts liabilities claim and control of her said husband Edw. M. King, or any future husband of hers.

I further will that my real estate shall be divided in the following manner to wit: that it shall be divided by a Committee of five men, who shall be elected and chosen, as follows to wit: Each of my said daughters shall select a man, and the four men so selected shall choose the fifth man, not one of the four men so selected is to be of kin to either of my said daughters or their said husbands, and the said five men when selected shall divide my lands equally between my four daughters as above stated.

It is further my will that in the case any

personal estate is left after the payment of my said debts and my said daughters do not agree among themselves as to a division of it by the time said five Commissioners are selected to divide my said real estate, then that the said five men chosen to divide said real estate then that the said five men shall divide also said personal property equally between my four daughters as above stated.

And it is further my will that no debt that I have against any daughter of mine up to this date, whether in cash or charged upon my books or not shall be collected of her or charged against her as an advancement nor shall any gift made by me to any of my said daughters be charged as an advancement unless it is so stated in a conveyance by which the gift was made.

It is also my will that no one in law of mine be charged with or be made to account for any board while living at my house.

It is further my will that my said four sons to wit: Frank Geo. D. Scott, J. M. Brackin, Geo. M. King and Frank Sumners be appointed and act as the executor of this my last Will and Testament and that they be not required to give bond as such executor they being relieved by me from giving bond.

It is further my will that in the case for any cause any one of my said daughters refuse to select one of the said five men to act as Commissioner, to divide said real and personal property as required by this will then the executor who is the husband of one refusing shall select one of said Committee.

Witness my hand this January 11th 1888,
A. W. Stevens.

Signed and acknowledged by the testator O W Stevens in our presence as his Will and signed by us as witnesses thereto in the presence of the Testator, and in the presence of each other. Witness our hands this January 11th 1888.

M. M. Morrell
J. P. Wells
B. B. Watkins
B. L. Morris

In the matter of the last will and testament of A. M. Stevens deceased. This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of A. M. Stevens deceased was presented by Geo. B. Scott, Dr. Frank Sumner, J. M. Brackett and Ed. M. King, the executors named therein in open court and asked that the same be admitted to probate and set up and established as the last will and testament of said A. M. Stevens and also asked the court that the same be done and that they (the said Geo. B. Scott, Sumner, Brackett, and King) be appointed and qualified as said executors, and thereupon Corner J. L. Wells, M. M. Marshall and C. B. Mottin, three of the subscribing witnesses thereto to said paper writing or will, came being duly sworn testify and say that they knew the said A. M. Stevens in his life time, that he is now dead, and that his place of residence at the time of his death was in open court, that said paper writing is the last will and testament of said A. M. Stevens and also that the said testator (A. M. Stevens) signed the same in their presence as his last will and testament and also in the presence of B. L. Thomas, another subscribing witness. Also that they (said M. M. Marshall, J. L. Wells, B. L. Thomas and C. B. Mottin) all signed said paper writing at the instance and the request of said A. M. Stevens, as witnesses as aforesaid that they signed it in his (said A. M. Stevens) presence and in the presence of each other, and they further testify that said testator A. M. Stevens was at the time of the execution of said will and testament of sound mind and disposing memory. And it appearing to the court that said paper writing is proven to be the last will and testament of said A. M. Stevens and also that as such the same has been properly proven, witnessed and executed, and should be admitted to probate and set up and established as such.

It is then for ordered, and adjudged by the court that said paper writing be and the same is hereby admitted to probate and set up and established as the last will and testament

of said A. M. Stevens and also and it is accordingly, done and it is accordingly ordered to be filed and recorded by the clerk of this Court.

And On Motion of said Geo. B. Scott, J. M. Brackett, Frank Sumner, and Ed. M. King, the executors named in said will and it appearing that they are entitled to be the executors thereof being so named in the will.

It is therefore ordered and adjudged that said Geo. B. Scott, Ed. M. King, J. M. Brackett and Frank Sumner, be and the same are hereby appointed as the executors of said last will and testament, and thereupon given the said Geo. B. Scott, Frank Sumner, Ed. M. King and J. M. Brackett into open court and qualified as such executors as required by law, the execution of force by them as such being granted and given by the terms of the will the same need not be done executed by them. Sub. Letter Testamentary issue re

The Last Will & Testament of
Mrs Elizabeth Smith
Portola August Term 1888
Recorded August 5th 1888
H. E. Weston Clerk

I Elizabeth W. Smith of San
County Tennessee, being of sound
mind and disposing memory
but on full knowledge of my
age recognizing the uncer-
tainty of life and the certaint-

ty of death do make publish this my last Will
and Testament hereby writing and setting aside all
former Will, at any time made by me,

Item 1st I desire my Executor to pay all just debts
and charges against my estate out of the first
money coming into his hands as Executor.

Item 2nd I bequeath to my nephew Daniel E. Parker
Twenty Dollars a year with interest on same
from February the 8th 1878 until paid.

Item 3rd after the payment of the \$2600⁰⁰ and the
interest on same to said D. E. Parker I bequeath
and devise the cash and remainder of my estate
both real and personal as follows, to-wit:

One half to my Brother James M. Smith of Martin-
ville Virginia, One fourth to my nephew D. E.
Parker, One twenty fourth to my grand nephew J.
Polk Harris a son of my niece Mary Ann Harris
in his own right and the remaining 1/8 to J. Polk
Harris in trust for his mother my niece Mary
Ann Harris for and during her natural life (and
direct that he invest the money and rent out the lands
and yearly pay to his mother the net interest on the
money and net rent on the lands) and at the death
of my niece Mary Ann Harris I will and
do bequeath that the property herein given her for
life to be divided equally between her five children
Wm M. E. Parks Bessie Harris Mollie A. Harris
Daniel Harris and Horace Harris.

Item 4th I bequeath my household furniture to
my nephew Daniel E. Parker and my niece
Mary Ann Harris to be divided between them
so I may hereafter direct.

Item 5th I nominate and appoint my nephew
Daniel E. Parker Executor of this my last Will
and Testament and having full confidence

in him I direct that he shall not be required to give any
bond as my Executor.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name
this October the 13th 1877.

Testified before me

E. W. Smith

The said Elizabeth W. Smith signed this instrument and pub-
lished and declared the same to be her last Will and Testament, and
in her request and in her presence and in the presence of each
other have hereunto written our names as subscribers and witnesses
this October 13th 1877.

M. J. Hark

G. A. Finch

Owing to changes that have occurred since writing and pub-
lishing the foregoing instrument I, Elizabeth W. Smith hereby ex-
pound the following as an attestation of and addition to the foregoing
instrument wherein inconsistent and republishing the body of this
instrument wherein not conflicting or inconsistent with the above
be it my brother James M. Smith of Martinsville has lately died
I desire the portion above bequeathed to him to be bequeathed to
his eldest son J. Polk Harris and his.

2nd Since Daniel Harris has also died I desire his portion to go
to his surviving brother and sister and a cousin former-
ly to take effect in case of the death of any of the members
of said family of children, dying without heirs, of the body
3rd I further desire that the portion of Mary Ann Harris
instead of being committed to J. P. Harris as trustee be given
to her Mary Ann Harris in her own right.

In testimony whereof I have this day subscribed my
name this day of 1884

E. W. Smith

We witness that the said E. W. Smith executed and signed the
foregoing as an Amendment of the foregoing last Will and
Testament at her request in her presence and the presence of
each other we hereby subscribe our names as witnesses
to the same

M. J. Hark

This day of 1884

G. A. Finch

In the matter of the last Will and Testament of Mrs Elizabeth W. Smith Decd. This day a paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Elizabeth W. Smith Decd. was produced before the Court for Probate by D. E. Parker which paper writing consisted of a Will duly signed in presence of witnesses and Lodged thereto thereupon came into open Court Mr J. Hark and G. A. Finch both writing witnesses thereto who being first duly sworn, deposed & said that they were personally acquainted with the said Elizabeth W. Smith in her lifetime that she was of sound mind and disposing memory at the time of the Execution of said paper writing as her last Will and Testament, that she signed and published said paper writing as her last Will and Testament in their presence as witnesses thereto and requested them to sign as witnesses to her act in so doing that they signed same in her presence and in presence of each other witnessing said paper writing as her last Will and Testament.

Thereupon came D. E. Parker who is named in said paper writing as the Executor thereof into open Court and was sworn as the law directs in such cases without filing or giving any bond the necessity of same being waived in said instrument.

The Last Will and Testament of J. S. A. E. Yancy being of of S. A. E. Yancy Decd. sound mind do this day make Probate of the following to be my Last Will and Testament. Received October 4th 1888. I W. A. E. Yancy do hereby bequeath to my son William E. Yancy Clerk

I. J. Yancy, all of my present tract of land lying on South side of the Road running East and West in front of my residence and also thirteen acres lying on the north side of said Road and being situated in the North West Corner of said tract of land, said thirteen (13) acres is situated out of the North West Corner of said land and to join the other land on the South side of said Road and the remainder of said tract of land named, not otherwise disposed of to my daughter E. J. Howell, and I also give my daughter E. J. Howell my buggy, and I also give to my son J. H. Yancy, one and two thirds and one eighth, and the remainder of my household and kitchen furniture, farming tools, and what stock I may have at my death and my personal all of it that I have on hand at my death including crops, wheat growing in the field or barnyard after all of my debt and paid and all my notes &c &c on hand at my death shall go to my son J. H. Yancy. And I desire this to be my last Will and Testament, and I desire that my son J. H. Yancy shall be my Executor, and pay my debt out of my property left at my death, and I desire that he shall carry out this Will as Executor without giving any bond or security this August 3rd 1888

Attest
J. J. Yates
W. E. Orvil

On the matter of the
 last will and testament
 of S. A. & J. G. Gentry
 deceased, was produced before the
 Court for probate by J. J. Gentry, which paper writing
 consisted of a Will duly signed in the presence of wit-
 nesses thereupon Come hereunto open Court J. J. Gentry
 and W. C. Hipl. Subscribing witnesses thereto who being
 first duly sworn depose and said that they were
 personally acquainted with said S. A. & J. Gentry in
 her life time that she was of sound mind and
 disposing memory at the time of the execution of said
 paper writing, that she signed and published the
 said paper writing as her last Will and Testament
 in their presence as witnesses thereto and requested
 them to sign as witnesses to her act in so doing
 that they signed same in her presence and in
 the presence of each other, Witnessing said paper writ-
 ing as her deliberate act.

The Last Will & Testament of
 Hamilton Parks, Deceased.
 Probated October Term 1888.
 Recorded Oct 16th 1888.
 Will of Hamilton Parks

In the name of God Amen;
 I Hamilton Parks of Dyer County
 Tennessee, being of sound mind, and
 disposing memory do make and pub-
 lish this my last will and testament,

firstly directing and making void all former wills made by me,
 Item 1. I direct my executors to pay all my just debts and
 funeral expenses, and for such movements as they
 think proper for myself and my wife Rebecca Parks
 Item 2. I gave my son Wm. B. Parks and his children \$1000.00
 and I give to his son C. C. Parks for life, and at his
 death to his lawful issue my Murray tract of 200 acres
 of land in 10th district of Dyer County and partly in
 Jackson County and value it at Five Thousand Dollars,
 and all my King tract in 10th district Dyer County
 except 100 acres on west side of same and South of
 the creek and value it at seven Thousand Four Hundred
 and Twenty Five Dollars, Should C. C. Parks leave no
 lawful issue at his death the land herein given to him
 for life is to revert to my estate.

Item 3 I give to my sons Smith Parks and B. R. Parks,
 or the survivor of them, in trust for the sole and
 separate use and benefit of my son Robert H. Parks
 Western one of my brick store houses and lots in
 Northern Tennessee fronting on Main Street 26 feet and
 running North 140 feet, also all of lot No 3 of my
 Dougherty Phillips land in 9th district of Dyer County
 Tennessee, except 20 acre off the west side of same, also
 also my undivided ^{1/2} interest in the narrow strip of land
 1/2 pole wide South of same being in all 160 or 175
 acres and I value said store house and lot and said
 land at Five Thousand Dollars and I also give to them
 in trust a note on my brother Smith Parks for \$2000.00
 and interest from Feb. 20th 1888 making to Feb. 20th
 1889 \$216.22 and if I require the note they are to
 have the renewal note which note my executors
 are not to pay until it arrives my brother to pay
 but they may renew the note and collect the interest
 accruing after my death, and collect said note on the
 stockhouse and from commencing Jan. 1st after my
 death and after returning for taxes expenses and claims

apply the remainder of the net rents and interests or as much thereof as may be necessary for the best interest of my son Robert H. Parks. This with what I have heretofore given to my son Robert H. Parks is all that he is to have of my estate. If at his death he leaves lawful issue then surviving then the property given to his brothers for his use is to go to his lawful issue in fee but should he leave no lawful issue living at his death the property herein given is to come to my estate.

Item 4 I have given to my son Smith Parks Twelve Thousand Four Hundred and Twenty Five and No Dollars, and I give to him an undivided one half of the eastern one of my brick stores & lots in Nashville fronting 20 feet on Main street and running back north 140 feet and I value the half of said house and lot at Eleven Hundred and Twenty Five Dollars.

Item 5 I gave to my daughter Mary Jane Cunningham \$6000 and I now give to her daughters Cinaher Parker and Mollie Lou Williams for life all my Spencer tract of land in 9th district Obion county Tennessee (except the all of 137 acres which I have sold) containing about 317 acres which I value to them at Eight Thousand Dollars and as they are well provided for this is all they are to have of my estate, and as their brother Dr. H. Cunningham has had considerable property given, and is inclined to be wild and dissipated, I do not think that he would be benefitted by giving him other property, and as I have heretofore given him some money he is to have no part of my estate left at my death. The land herein given to my granddaughters for life is leased until 1892 and my executors are to pay the taxes on same until 1892. The land herein given to my granddaughters for life, is at their death to go to their children in fee but if at the death of the survivor of them they should have no issue then living the land herein given to them is to come to my estate.

Item 6 I gave to my son A. S. Parks \$34500, and I give to his children Harris, Hamilton, Andrew S. and Fannina Parks for life the following land in 9th

district Obion county Tennessee viz Lots Nos 142 and 123 acres off the west of Lot 3 of my Daugherty & Phillips tract and my undivided 1/10 interest in the narrow (strip of land 8 1/2 poles wide south of same, the whole being about 865 acres which I value to them at Ten Thousand Dollars. Said land to be held in common by them until 1899 At the death of said grandchildren the land herein given to them for life is to go to their lawful issue in fee simple - but should they leave no lawful issue living at the death of the survivor of them the land is to come to my estate. I appoint my sons H. Parks Sr. and B. R. Parks guardians of my said grand children to act without bond and wish them to have said grand children well educated provided they will take an education and so do this said guardians may use the net rents as a common fund to educate those needing an education, and they need not make any settlement until January 1, 1899.

Item 7 I have given to my daughter Parina D Hyatt \$819200 and I now give to her for life and at her death to her children in fee my H. H. Hester 20 acres in 15th district Dyer county and partly in Gibson county and value same at Three Thousand Dollars, also my H. C. Williamson 730 acres in 15th district Dyer county and 100 acres of King tract adjoining the 73 acres lying on the west of the King tract and south of the creek and I value same at Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety Two and No Dollars. If she dies before her husband Col. J. H. Hyatt he is to have a life estate in said lands. I have a note on J. H. Hyatt for \$3240 due January 1st 1887 credited same date with \$1000 leaving a balance of \$3140 and I direct my executors to count the interest on said note at annual rate until January 1st of the year after my death and then to deliver said note to my daughter charging her with the principal and interest due on same.

Item 8 I have given to my son H. Parks Sr. Twelve Thousand and Eight Hundred and Fifty Five Dollars.

Item 9 I have given to my son B. R. Parks Six Thousand Three Hundred Dollars and I now give him my 120 acres in 9th district Dyer county called the McKee place and value it at Three Thousand Dollars and I also give to him my Kivierthy

Johnston and Nelson houses and lot in Newbern and value them at Seventeen Hundred and Fifty Dollars, and I give him the middle one of my brick store lots in Newbern fronting 20 ft on Main street and running North 140 ft, and an undivided half of the eastern one of my brick store lots in Newbern forming the middle store and lot, and I value the middle store and lot at Two Thousand Dollars and the undivided half interest in the Eastern store and lot at Seven Hundred and Twenty Five Dollars.

Item 12 I have given to my daughter Leticia A. Figgitt \$21,000 and I now give to her for life, and then to her children in fee the following lands in 9th district Dyer County Tennessee viz the 22⁵/₈ acres where she lives and value the same at Eight Thousand Five Hundred and fifteen Dollars, and the 90 acres in my Porter and Turner tracts which I value at Five Thousand Three Hundred and Seventy Five Dollars, and my Cox stone house and lot in Newbern 30 by 127 feet and value same at Twelve Hundred and Fifty Dollars. Should she die before her husband A.B. Figgitt, he is to have a life estate in said lands.

Item 4 Several of the houses on the lots remain given are insured and should they burn the insurance money collected is to go to the parties who were to get the houses.

Item 12 I direct my executors to collect the rents on all the lands and store houses herein devised until December 31st after my death and use said rents as asset of my estate.

Item 13 I have a number of notes and judgments which I intend to give to my children and grand children at my death, and to designate in writing which notes and judgments are to go to any different legates, and the price or value I charge on same and I direct my executors to deliver said notes and judgments without recourse on my estate and at the price I charge for same.

Item 14 I give the following articles without charge viz to Robert H. Parks my silver watch, to Sumner Parks my gold watch, to H. Parks Jr. my gold-headed

walking cane, two P. B. P. Pipes, my silver-headed walking
cane and writing desk, to S. H. Wyatt Heavy Knights trumpet
sword and regalia, to A. B. Taggart ^{my} 45 volumes American
Forest Society Brooks and cease holding same, and I request
my daughters Perina and Lutie or the survivors of them to
divide my household furniture and table ware among
my children and daughters-in-law according to the wishes
of their mother, all without charge.

Item 15 I give my executors in settling my estate full power and authority without the aid or intervention of any court, to buy any land on which I may have ~~the money~~ purchase money or mortgage notes, and to compromise any claims or debts, for or against my estate in any manner they may deem best in order to avoid ^{the} delay, expense and uncertainty of litigation.

Items I have in this will and heretofore given to the following named children and grandchildren as follows

To Wm. B. Parks and C. C. Parks

F. A. S. Parks and his children

F. P. V. Wyall and her children

F. L. A. Giggitt and her children

F. Smith Parks

T. H. Parks & Co.

J. B. R. Parks

Making a total to the above named children and grand children of Ninety Five Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty and ⁰⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars, and I desire direct that all the parties mentioned in this item be made equal in the final distribution of my estate, giving to Wm. B. Parks and C. C. Parks a child's part, to A. S. Parks and his children a child's part to P. L. Hyatt and her children a child's part, to L. A. Siggett and her children a child's part, to Smith Parks, H. Parks Jr. and B. R. Parks each and every one a child's part, and I give to the above named parties all the real and personal, and if the property herein given to Smith Parks and B. R. Parks in trust or to C. C. Parks or Cora Lee Breckinridge and Martin Lou Williams or to

any of my other grand-children, for life should revert to my estate, this same is to go to those parties above named in this item. And the property herein given to my children and grand-children is to be devised among them so as to produce perfect equality, charging them with the amounts herein charged to them.

Item 17 I nominate and appoint my sons H. Parks Jr. and B. R. Parks or the survivor of them executor of this will

Item 18 I most earnestly request all my children and grand-children to live honestly and uprightly, to be fair and just in all their dealings with their fellow men, to take the Bible as their great guide in life, to read it, study it and obey its precepts, and to live humble, devoted, sincere christian lives, so that when ^{all the} done with this world, we may be reunited in a far happier and better world than this. The foregoing eleven pages, and eight items contain my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I do hereunto subscribe my name in the presence of Guy Douglas Jr., H. Hamilton, and W. C. Hamilton, whom I request to witness the same on this the 28th day of August 1888

H. Parks

Signed and acknowledged in our presence and we hereunto subscribe our names as witnesses to same in the presence of the Testator, and of each other, and at the request of the testator on this the 28th day of August 1888

Guy Douglas
J. H. Hamilton
W. C. Hamilton

In the Matter of the
Last Will and Testament
of Hamilton Parks Decd.

H. Hamilton Parks Jr. and B. R. Parks produced in open court a paper writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Reverend Hamilton Parks deceased, in which the said Hamilton Parks Jr. and B. R. Parks are named executors, and therefore came Guy Douglas, James H. Hamilton and W. C. Hamilton subscribing witnesses, to said Will, who being duly sworn said, that they knew the said Hamilton Parks during his life, that he resided in Dyer County at the time of the execution of said will, and that he signed and acknowledged the said paper writing here offered for probate, in their presence, as his last will and testament, and requested them to witness the same, and that they signed said will as witnesses thereto, in his presence, and at his request, and in the presence of each other, and on the date stated in said will, and that said Hamilton Parks was at the time he signed and acknowledged said will of sound mind and disposing memory, and that he afterwards died at his residence in Dyer County on the 13th day of September 1888, and that they were not interested in said will, nor in the estate of the said Hamilton Parks; and therefore the said Hamilton Parks Jr. and B. R. Parks moved that said will be admitted to Probate and that Letters Testamentary issue to them as Executors, and they brought with them into ^{E. C. Parks and A. B. Stewart} court their securities, and all said parties signed and acknowledged a bond in the Penal sum of fifteen Thousand Dollars, conditioned and payable as the law directs, to be void in condition that said Hamilton Parks Jr. and B. R. Parks faithfully perform their duty as executors of said will, and account

for and pray over the estate of their testator
to the parties entitled thereto under said will.
It is therefore ordered by the Court, that said
paper writing be admitted to Probate and
set up and established as the last will
and testament of said Hamilton Parks deceased
and that the same be recorded and filed
and that Letters Testamentary issue to said
Hamilton Parks Co and B. R. Parks.

A true ^{copy} of original Will and Probate of same.

Attest

W L Willkinson
Clerk

The last Will and Testament
of W. M. Woodland deceased
probated November 1885
Recorded November 7th 1885
H. F. Willkinson Clerk

The last Will and Testament of
W. M. Woodland made in his last
sickness: I Will my beloved wife
Mortcha my Tract of land and farm
and all belonging therunto: To have
and to hold her life time or while

she remains my widow: At her and

or should I be marry again I will said Tract of land and farm
to Thomas Smith. he being a child in my Case. out of my
personal property. I Will that all my just debt be paid
and I request my Brother in law C. J. Gries to be my
Executor and also a Guardian for said Thomas Smith
This September the 29th 1885.

W. M. Woodland

Witness by
J. S. McCuttle
J. F. Taylor

In the Matter of the last
Will and Testament of
W. M. Woodland deceased

This day a paper writing purporting to be
the last Will and Testament of W. M.
Woodland deceased was presented to the Court
by A. J. Gries who is named as Executor in said Will and thereupon came
J. S. McCuttle and J. F. Taylor. Subscribing Witnesses to said Will who being
first duly sworn said that they knew the said W. M. Woodland in his
life time that he resided in Oyer County at the time of the execution of said
Will and that he signed and acknowledged said paper writing here
offered for Probate in their presence as his last Will and Testament
and requested them to witness the same, and that they signed the said Will
as witnesses thereto in his presence and in the presence of each other and
on the attestation in said Will and that the said W. M. Woodland was at the
time of the signing of said Will of sound mind and disposing
memory and that he afterwards died in Oyer County, and that they are
of valid kin to the said W. M. Woodland deceased, nor in any manner
interested in the estate of said W. M. Woodland deceased. And thereupon the
said A. J. Gries moved the Court that said Will be admitted to Probate
and that Letters Testamentary issue to him as Executor. And thereupon
came the said A. J. Gries, hereinto sworn, together with J. S. McCuttle
and J. F. Taylor his assistants and they entered into and acknowledged
before the said J. S. McCuttle and J. F. Taylor, Conditions and
payable as the law directs for the faithful performance of his duties
as such Executor whereupon the said A. J. Gries was duly sworn
to said Letters Testamentary.

A true Copy of the Original Will and Probate of same.

Attest W. L. Willkinson Clerk

The last Will and Testament
of B. J. Witt deceased

Proved December 1888
Recorded December 1888
I B. J. Witt being of sound mind etc make and publish this as my last Will and Testament

hereby revoking and making void all other Wills writings of all

1st I desire that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any moneys that I may die possessed of or may first come into the hands of my executors

2nd I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elvira Isabelle Witt - all of my real estate consisting of my home and farm in the 2nd Civil District of Logan County Tenn. Containing (H & W) Ninety four and one half acres. be the same more or less - for and during her natural life.

3rd I also give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elvira Isabelle Witt - all of my personal property - consisting of household and kitchen furniture horses cows hogs sheep &c during her natural life and for her sole use and benefit.

4th I give and bequeath at the death of my beloved wife Elvira Isabelle Witt - to my five youngest children viz - Martha Emaline Witt, Mary Isabelle Witt, Lillie Maude Witt, Albert Sidney Witt and Robert Algier Witt. The use and benefit of the farm and personal property that may be on hand at the death of my wife during their single or unmarried life - share and share alike. I mean by this that the above mentioned children are to have the benefit of the rents of said farm during the entire time that any one of the above five mentioned children ^{remains} single or unmarried share and share alike in the rents and profits of said farm above and before mentioned

5th

I give and bequeath at the death of my beloved wife Elvira Isabelle - to my two sons Carter Harrison Witt and William Butler Witt - one horse each to be selected by my executors from any stock on the farm. At the death of my wife Elvira Isabelle Witt

6th

I give and bequeath to my sons Thomas Joseph Witt, Carter Harrison Witt and William Butler Witt the sum of \$500.00 Dollars each to be paid by my executors out of any money that may come into their hands from my estate.

7th

I hereby direct and request that my two sons William Butler Witt and Carter Harrison Witt have full control and management of the farm for their Mother during her life - and at her death to continue the management and control of the farm for the use and benefit of the five youngest children viz Martha Emaline - Mary Isabelle Lillie Maude - Albert Sidney and Robert Algier - all each and every one of the above mentioned children are married - as before stated.

8th

The property going to my daughters from my estate - or inherited by them from me - I direct that the same go to them free from the debts contract or control of their husbands and as a separate estate for their own use and benefit

9th

I direct and request that my executors after the death of my wife to repair and fix up our graves - and erect tombstones over the same and to pay for the same out of the first money that may come into their hands from my estate.

10th

I direct that my executors after the death of my wife - and the marriage of the five youngest children before mentioned that they sell the real estate before mentioned. and all the personal property and divide the proceeds of the same equally between all my children share and share alike.

11th

Lastly I do here by nominate and appoint my two sons William Butler Witt and Clayton Hamilton Witt my Executors - and waive the necessity of their giving bond as required by law.

Witness my hand this July 28th 1888
B. T. Witt

This will was read over to B. T. Witt signed and published in our presence - and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the Testator - and at his request
This July 28th 1888

W. C. Coover
H. C. Winford

In the matter of the last
Will and Testament of } This day a paper writing
B. T. Witt deceased } purporting to be the last
Will and Testament of B. T.
Witt deceased was presented by William B. Witt
and Clayton H. Witt the Executors named in said
will and asked that the same be admitted to probate
and set up and established as the last Will and
Testament of the said B. T. Witt deceased and moving the
Court that the same be done and that they the
said (W. B. Witt and Clayton H. Witt) be appointed and qualified
as executors. And thereupon came W. C. Coover and
H. C. Winford, two subscribing witnesses to said Will
and being duly sworn testified and said that they
knew the said B. T. Witt in his life time that
he is now dead. That his place of residence was
in Ryeer County at the time of his death. That the
said paper writing is the last Will and Testament
of said B. T. Witt deceased and that the said Testator
(B. T. Witt) signed the same in their presence;
and that they signed the said will at the re-
quest and in the presence of the testator and
in the presence of each other as witnesses there-
to. And that the said B. T. Witt was at the time
of the execution of said will of sound mind and
disposing memory. And it appearing to the Court

that said paper writing has been properly proven
to be the last will and testament. It is therefore
ordered by the Court that said paper writing be
admitted to probate and set up and established as
the last will and testament of the said B. T. Witt
decd. and it is ordered to be recorded and filed by
the clerk of this Court. And on motion of B. T. Witt
and W. B. Witt, the executors named in said will
and it appearing to the Court that they are entitled
to the Execution of said estate being so named in
said will. It is therefore ordered and adjudged
by the Court that the said W. B. Witt and Clayton H.
Witt be and they are hereby appointed Executors of said
last Will and Testament. And thereupon came
the said W. B. Witt and Clayton H. Witt into open Court
and were duly qualified as such executors as re-
quired by law the execution of Bond being
waived and excused by the terms of said Will. The
same need not be executed by them.
Let Letters issue to them accordingly.

A true copy of original and probate of same
Attest
Will^d Wilkinson
clerk

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Last Will and Testament
of Samuel Furbanks decd
Probated Dec Term 1888
Recorded Dec 6th 1888
Will & Testament

Will and Testament of
Samuel Furbanks
I Samuel Furbanks being
in my right mind

do hereby give and bequeath
to my wife Judy Furbanks all of my property
that I now own Land and Personal Property
and all money and notes, untill her death
and then to go as stated below. I do give and
bequeath to my daughter Liza Edney 2 and
1/2 acres of the Barton piece of land on the
East end and to my son Jack Furbank
2 and 1/2 acres west of Lighs. and to my daughter
Leann Brown the remainder of said track being
on the west end. And to my daughter Betty
Smith my house and 2 and 1/2 acres on the
East end of the first track bought from
W. P. Foulkes. and to my grand daughter
Daisy Smith 2 and 1/2 acres west of Bettys
Smiths of the same track. and to my Great
Grand Child Emily Furbank the remainder
of said track and to my daughter Jane Foulkes
2 acres on the East end of the second track of
land bought from W. P. Foulkes. and to my
son Allen Furbanks 2 acres west of Jane
Foulkes of said track. And to my grand son
Henry Furbanks the remainder of said track
on the west end.

Witness my hand this 16 day of March 1884

Samuel Furbanks
(Witness) Sam J. Pierce
(Witness) S. H. Pierce Jr
(Witness) J. S. Perry

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In the matter of the }
Last Will and Testament } This day a subscribing jur
of Saml Furbanks decd } porting to be the last Will, and
and Testament of Saml Furbanks
deceased was presented by S. H. Pierce Jr. one of the
subscribing witnesses thereto and asked that the same
be admitted to probate and set up and established as the
last Will and Testament of the said Saml Furbanks
deceased and moved the Court that the same be done.
And thereupon came the said Geo. H. Pierce Jr and
Saml J. Pierce subscribing witnesses to said Will
and being duly sworn testifies and says that they
knew the said Saml Furbanks in his lifetime that
he is now dead: that no place of residence was
in their County at the time of his death: that
the said paperwriting is the last Will and
Testament of the said Samuel Furbanks.
And that the said Testator was at the time
of the Execution of said Will of sound mind
and disposing memory. And that said Testator
signed the same in their presence and that
they signed the same at the request and in
the presence of the Testator and in the presence
of each other as witnesses thereto. And it
appearing to the Court that said paper
writing has been properly proven to be the
last Will and Testament of said Saml
Furbanks decd - It is therefore ordered
by the Court that said paperwriting be
admitted to probate and set up and established
as the last Will and Testament of the said
Saml Furbanks deceased. And it is
ordered by the Court to be recorded in
Will Book and filed by the Clerk.
A true copy of original will and
probate of same
Attest

Will L. H. Hargison
Clerk

Last will and Testament of W. P. Bracken died. Will and Testament of W. P. Bracken Probated Jan. Term 89. & W. P. Bracken do will, being of Record & duly filed 1/27/89. I solemnly swear that my wife V. L. Withers and Clerk Annie W. Bracken do pay first my Official debts, if any, and any other property, authenticated debt & may owe to any individual provided always same shall be properly authenticated and legal. All this is to be done out of the proceeds of my policy in the Kingdom of Heaven and the salaries after such disbursements as mentioned above to go to my wife Annie W. Bracken, This February, 4/89.

W. P. Bracken

In the matter of Probate of the Will and Testament of W. P. Bracken last will and Testament } This day came P. J. Weimer and writing purporting to be the holographic last will and Testament of W. P. Bracken died and the said P. J. Weimer being first duly sworn testified that he was personally acquainted with W. P. Bracken died and with his hand writing and that he found the paper writing, here presented to the Court, among the valuable papers of the said W. P. Bracken died and that he verily believed that the said paper writing was very far thereof to be in the handwriting of the said W. P. Bracken died having seen him write and and saw him writing for him but of years and that he has no doubt but that every word of the paper writing here offered is of course including the signature thereof is in the proper handwriting of the said W. P. Bracken died and thereupon came also into open Court J. P. Brown W. B. Sampson W. E. Bell and John B. Rindall who being duly sworn testified that for many years they were acquainted with W. P. Bracken died and with his handwriting have seen him write and saw him writing frequently and that his handwriting is generally known by his acquaintances the said Bracken having been in Court Clerk for number of years.

That they have examined carefully the paper writing here presented to the Court for probate as the holographic last will and Testament of W. P. Bracken died and they testify that every word of said paper writing is in the proper and genuine handwriting of W. P. Bracken died. 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 W. P. Bracken died and that the same be recorded in the will Book and filed with the Records of this Court and thereupon came P. J. Weimer into open Court with his securities and qualified as Executor from Testament of Annor of the Estate of said W. P. Bracken died. The widow of said Bracken and next of kin refusing to qualify as such.

In the matter of last
will and Testament
of William Fuller decd.
Probated March 1879
Records March 1879
Will & Testament of
William Fuller

I William Fuller being of sound
mind & disposing memory but in
feeble health do make & publish
this as my last will & Testament
hereby revoking all wills by me
heretofore at any time made.

First I desire all my just debts to be paid by my Ex-
ecutors out of the first money that comes to this house
or as soon after my death as may be.
Second I give to my beloved wife Mary B. Fuller my
whole estate real personal & mixed during her natural
life & widowhood subject to the following restrictions
and limitations. She is to manage the same so as
that it is not to suffer loss or be permitted to run
to waste and is to use the same and derive from the
benefit of the family as long as the children remain
small unless after they arrive at 21 years of age they
choose to remove from their old home. And my
beloved wife is also to give my son William a
reasonable English Education out of the funds of & to
Lynn stock &c without any charge to him and my two
youngest daughters Louisa Harriet and Emma are
to be educated so as to enable them to read and write
well and there is to be no additional charge against
them for such education but the same is to be paid
for from the proceeds of the Lynn stock &c.

Item Third At the death or marriage of my beloved wife
I desire my whole remaining estate or what is left of
my estate real personal or mixed very thing that
is then or here to be sold by my Executors and
the real estate conveyed without the aid of any court
on such terms as sd Executors may deem best for
the interest of my heirs and the proceeds to be by said
Executors equally divided between my children as
follows Matha C Jackson one share Mary Elizabeth Fuller
one share Louisa Harriet one share and Emma one
share and William all one share.

My daughter Mary Ann Rebecca having married against
my wishes and advice and in spite of my remonstran-
ces I feel it to be my duty to exclude her from

the benefits of this will. I therefore direct my
Executors not to include her in the division of my
estate.

Item Fourth If my beloved wife should marry again
it is not my intention to release her from the bene-
fits of my estate but in the event of her marriage
I direct that she have down in my real estate
as a child part of the personal property just as though
this will had not been made.

I hereby appoint Smith Parks and Michael O'Leary
Executors of this my last will and Testament and
in the event my beloved wife may think it best to
sell part of the stock she may wish the consent of
my Executors sell such stock and use the proceeds in
support of the family if necessary. Dtd 1872
Witness

J. H. English
W. C. Simons

After mature reflection I have determined by this
Codicil to change this my last will and Tes-
tament in regard to the property herein given to my
four daughters Matha C Jackson Mary Elizabeth Johnson
Louisa Harriet and Emma Fuller in so far that I will
and direct that all the property of any kind & description
whatsoever may be whether real personal or
mixed for which my said four daughters may be
entitled to under this will I give to them for and
during their natural lives and is not to be
subject to the control or liable to the debts of their
present husbands or any future husbands they may
marry and at the death of my sd daughters the
property shall descend to the heirs of their body.
January 31/872

Witness:
Geo. D. Fuller
W. C. Simons

Wm. Fuller

in the matter of the last will and Testament of Wm. Cullen died. } This day a paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Wm. Cullen died was presented to the Court for probate. Whereupon came J. Enoch and W. C. Simons subscribing witnesses thereto who being first duly sworn depose and said that they were personally acquainted with the said Wm. Cullen testator and that he signed and acknowledged the execution of said paper writing as his last will and Testament in their presence and for the purposes therein contained and requested them to be witnesses thereto that he was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of the execution of the same that they signed their names as witnesses thereto in the presence of the testator and at his request and W. C. Simons a subscribing witness to the Codicil of said will came into open Court and first being duly sworn testified and said that he was personally acquainted with the said Wm. Cullen testator in his life time that he signed said Codicil as a Codicil of his said last will and Testament and that he signed and witnessed the same in his presence and at his request as a Codicil of his (Cullen) last will and Testament that he was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of execution of said Codicil. And also came W. C. King and Smith Parks who being first duly sworn depose and said that they were acquainted with the handwriting of Wm. C. Cullen another witness to the Codicil of said will and that they knew that the signature of his name to said Codicil is in his (Cullen) proper handwriting. It is therefore ordered by the Court that said last will and Testament and Codicil thereto be and the same be hereby admitted to probate and set up and established as the last will and Testament of the said Wm. Cullen died and ordered to be recorded in Will Book and filed and Smith Parks and W. C. King the Executors named in said will refused to qualify as such and it appearing to the Court that

C. L. Claiborne is the proper person to administer on said Wm. Cullen Estate, it is therefore ordered by the Court that the said C. L. Claiborne be and he is hereby appointed Administrator cum Testamento Annexo of said Wm. Cullen died. Whereupon the said C. L. Claiborne came here into open Court together with W. C. King and Manual Johnson his securities and they entered into and acknowledged to me in the penal sum of Twenty four hundred dollars conditional and payable as the Law Directs for the faithful performance of his duties as such Administrator. Whereupon the said C. L. Claiborne was duly sworn his letters issue.

A true copy of original will and probate of same

Attest: W. L. Harkness Clerk
By: R. L. Palmer Atty.

Last Will and Testament
of Mrs S. H. Co Morris decd.
Probatd March Term 1885
Removal March 1st 1885
Will L. Williamson Clerk

State of Tennessee, Monroe County
In the name of God Amen
I Susan Holmes Celestial
Morris Wife of O. J. Morris
And daughter of Nathan
King decd.

being feeble in health but of sound
mind do make and publish this my Last
Will and Testament.

Item 1st I give and devise unto my husband O. J. Morris for and during his natural life all the land and real estate that I now own or may be entitled to as the only living child of my deceased father Nathan King for him my said husband to have hold and use all said land as he please during the whole of his natural life and this includes my reversion or remainder interest in the lands of my father which may be allotted to his widow Saluda King (my step mother) as her home stead and home situate in same.

Item 2nd After the death of my husband O. J. Morris I will and devise and direct that all my said real estate be divided equally in value between my two children Mary Jewel Morris and John Nathan Morris whom I share alike.

Item 3rd I give devise and bequeath unto my said husband O. J. Morris all my personal property of every kind character and description that I may own or be entitled to from the estate of my late father Nathan King for him my said husband to have own use and control as he deems best and see fit for himself and for the benefit of our two children Mary Jewel Morris and John Nathan Morris and I desire him to have both said children well educated which I have full confidence that he will do and at his death I wish him to do a good part by them in giving them personal property if he at that time has sufficient personal property to do so but I still and direct that my husband have all my

said personal property of every kind character and description that I may own or be entitled to from the estate of my said father Nathan King to have own use and control as he deems best without him being required to give any bond or make any settlement about same having it to him as the father of my children without any bond to have them well educated and to do a good part by and for them at his death.

I do witness hereby I do hereto subscribe my name at my residence in Ryan County Tennessee on this the 11th day of February 1885 in the presence of H. Parker Jr Joseph E. Smith, Wm. Commie & Smith and W. W. Smith whom I request to bear witness to the same.

S. H. Co Morris

The above will was read over to the said Mrs Susan Holmes Celestial Morris and signed and acknowledged by her in our presence. We her last will and Testament and she desired us to bear witness to the same. And we the said H. Parker Jr Joseph E. Smith, Wm. Commie & Smith and W. W. Smith do sign this as witnesses in the presence of the testator and at her request and in the presence of each other at her residence in Ryan County Tennessee on this the 11th day of February 1885.

S. H. Co Morris

Joseph E. Smith
Wm. Commie & Smith
W. W. Smith

I Susan H. Co Morris being of sound mind and disposing memory and being desirous of making some changes as to the real estate in the will executed by me heretofore on the 11th day of February 1885 do make and I publish this codicil to said Will and hereby revoke any provision in the said will pertaining to my lands and real estate which may conflict with the provisions of this codicil in any way. I will direct and bequeath to my beloved husband O. J. Morris if he shall survive me, all my

right title and interest in and to all the lands
demanded to me from the estate of my father
Nathan King dead to be his in fee simple absolute
to sell or dispose of at his pleasure and it is not
intended that this Codicil shall affect the disposition
of any of my personal effects or made in the fore-
going will. In witness whereof I hereunto subscribe
my name on this April 13th 1886
in the presence of J. B. Cunnley & J. H. Cunnley

S. A. C. Morris

We J. B. Cunnley and J. H. Cunnley on this 13th day
of April 1886 witnessed the foregoing Codicil at
the request of Mrs Susan Melaney Celeste Morris
and in her presence and in the presence of each
other

J. B. Cunnley
J. H. Cunnley

In the matter of the last
will and Testament of.
Mrs S. A. C. Morris decd.

This day a paper writing
purporting to be the last
will and Testament of Mrs

S. A. C. Morris decd. was presented to the Court for
probate and thereupon came Joseph B. Smith
and W. W. Smith two of the subscribing witnesses
to the original will and after being duly sworn
testify and say that they knew said S. A. C.
Morris in her life time that she is dead and
had her usual place of residence in Alger
County Minnesota at the time of her death
that said paper writing is her last will and
Testament that said Testatrix signed the same
in their presence as her last will and Testament
and that they signed and witnessed the same in
the presence of said Testatrix at her request as
her last will and Testament and in the presence
of each other and they further testified that said
Testatrix was at the time of the execution of said orig-
inal will and Testament of sound mind and
disposing memory and J. B. Cunnley and J. H. Cunnley
subscribing witnesses to the Codicil of said original

will and Testament also came into this Court
and being duly sworn testify and say that they
were personally acquainted with the said S. A. C. Morris decd.
in her life time that she signed said Codicil
as a Codicil of her last will and Testament and
that they signed and witnessed the same in her
presence and at her request as a Codicil to
her last will and Testament and they further
testify that said Testatrix was at the time of the ex-
ecution of said Codicil of sound and disposing
mind and memory and in appearing to the
Court that said last will and Testament and
the Codicil thereto as before proven and shown to be
the last will and Testament of said S. A. C. Morris
properly executed witnessed and proven and should
be admitted to probate and set up and establish-
ed as such. It is therefore ordered and ad-
judged by the Court that said paper writing be
and the same is hereby admitted to probate and
set up and established as the last will and Testa-
ment together with said Codicil thereto of said
S. A. C. Morris decd and it is ordered to be recorded
by the Clerk and filed with our records and it
appearing to the Court that W. J. Morris is the proper
person to administer on the estate of said S. A. C.
Morris it is therefore ordered by the Court that said
W. J. Morris do and he is hereby appointed Admin-
istrator cum Testaments Annexo of all and singular
lands and Chattels Rights and Credits which were
of the said S. A. C. Morris decd
Whereupon the said W. J. Morris came here into this
Court together with W. O. Hodge and W. J. Miller his
securities and they entered into and acknowledged
bond in the penal sum of three thousand dollars
conditional and payable as the law directs for
the faithful performance of his duties as such
Administrator. Whereupon the said W. J. Morris was
duly sworn at this issue.
A true copy of original will and probate of same

Wm. H. L. Walker Clerk

Last will and Testament. I Sallie M. Shelley being of sound mind & of good memory & being in good health but recognizing the uncertainty of human life do make and publish this my Last Will and Testament & hereby revoking & annulling any & all

- 1st I will that I have heretofore made.
- 2nd I will that in case of my death that all my personal expenses & all just debts that I may owe shall be paid
- 3rd I will and bequeath to my adopted daughter, I Blanch Shelley all of my personal and real estate the Real Estate consisting of six acres in the town of West Point Mississippi the same appearing by deeds to me recorded to me under the following conditions & specifications that said I Blanch Shelley shall remain in my undisturbed charge & control & after my death the undisturbed control of the Guardians whom I shall appoint.
- The above provision is made for the following reasons to wit: that is to say in the year 1885 my late husband W. B. Shelley died & I took from the Orphan's Home of the City of St. Louis the said child then known as Blanch Mangover he executing a bond for her care and maintenance under the assurance of the authorities of said institution that she was an Orphan child & my late husband & myself did proceed to have her legally adopted by the Courts of Clay County State of Mississippi the same appearing of Record in said Court after having kept said child now 15 years of age. W. Mangover comes to set up a claim that he is her father & that both Mother & Father are living - now should said parties proceed to establish their claim to said child & take her into from me or the Guardians whom I shall appoint then the devise of the property in their claim of my will shall be null & void & of no effect & should said child die before she be 21 years of age & die without bodily issue then the provision is also to be void and my property shall be distributed as hereinafter provided.
- 3rd I will that in case said child (I Blanch Shelley) is removed and taken from me or the Guardians

whom I shall appoint in consideration of my love & devotion for and to said child - & in consideration for the love and appreciation which she has ever shown me that she be made equal in the distribution of my property with my six (6) sisters - that is she receiving one seventh (1/7) of my estate after satisfying the special bequest which I shall make.

- 4th In case of the removal or death of my adopted daughter from under my control or the control of the Guardians whom I shall appoint - then I will my personal property to wit my furniture bed & bedding & I will also my wardrobe to my sister E. J. Williams or to her bodily heirs in case of her death.
- 5th I will that in the case of the death or removal from my care or the care of my appointed Agent of I Blanch Shelley before she is 21 years of age - if she have no bodily issue by marriage - then my Executor sell all my real estate, collect all notes bonds or other valuable & divide the amount equally between I Blanch Shelley Mrs. E. J. Williams Mrs. Alice Whiteside Mrs. Kate Smith & Miss Anna Clifford & Carl Brown.
- 6th I will that in case of I Blanch Shelley remaining under my control & the control of her Guardians by me appointed & she should marry & have a child - the said child shall be her legal heir and representative.
- 7th I will that Louis M. Williams be Executor to this will and Guardian of my adopted daughter - I Blanch Shelley and that my sister E. J. Williams shall have control & care of said child directing her education & seeing to all other personal wants - that said Louis M. Williams & his wife E. J. Williams use as much of my property herein devised as is necessary to comfortably maintain & well educate said child.
- 8th My said Executor is authorized to sell any or all of my real estate as he may think best for the interest of the parties concerned & execute deeds for the same & do any & all things necessary to the settling of my business. Made & executed this 2nd day of September A.D. 1885
J. M. Senter, Witness
Sallie M. Shelley

In the matter of the last Will and Testament of Sally N. Shelley deceased. This day a paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Sally N. Shelley, deceased, was presented before the Court for Probate.

Therewith came into open Court John Senter and W. M. Senter subscribing witnesses thereto who first being duly sworn deposed and said that they were personally acquainted with Sally N. Shelley the testatrix in her life time. That she was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of the execution of said last Will and Testament that she signed and acknowledged the execution of the same in her last Will and Testament in their presence and that she requested them to execute press to the same.

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 and the same is hereby set up and established as the last Will and Testament of the said Sally N. Shelley deceased and that the same be recorded in Will Book and filed.

Last Will and Testament of Stephen D. Whitwood deceased and publish this my last Will and Testament. Recorded April 14th 1888. I am 1st

Walter D. Whitwood Clerk. Let my just debts and burial expenses be promptly paid out of any money not hereafter specifically bequeathed, that may come into the hands of my Executor.

Item 2^d I give and bequeath to Everett Bloomingdale son of W. B. Bloomingdale, to be his absolutely and without limitation, all of my live stock that I may have of every description at the time of my death, and all of my farming implements, all of my house hold and kitchen furniture, such as beds, bedding, bedsteads, tableware &c. all crops on hand or growing on my home place, all of which property is to be delivered to said Everett Bloomingdale as soon as possible after

Item 3^d I give and bequeath to said Everett Bloomingdale for and during the term of his natural life my home tract of land consisting of about two hundred acres, conveyed to me by Dr. Burdett, many years ago, also to have and to hold the same way one undivided fourth part of a tract of six hundred acres of bottom land in the 8th civil District of Dyersburg County Tennessee, being the same 600 acres entered by Thos. H. Bowles and myself and of which I own one undivided one half. Upon the death of said Everett Bloomingdale the land herein bequeathed to him for life, shall descend and be vested absolutely in any children that may be born to him, subject to his widow's dower, during her widowhood. If he die without issue born to him and living at the time of his death, then one fourth of the remainder go to his widow, if he leaves no, only during

his widowhood, and the other three fourths shall revert to his heirs at law. If he die leaving neither widow or issue, then the whole of the land in this item of my will shall revert to my heirs at law.

Item 4th I give and bequeath to Adamson Whitwood oldest son of my brother Green Whitwood Fifty Nine acres of land, situated in the 7th Civil District of Dyer County Tennessee, and adjoining my home place, the land sold to me by B. G. Witt, and to said Witt by Joe Whitwood, also one undivided one fourth of the 600 acres of bottom land, to have and to hold for and during the term of his natural life, and the remainder to his heirs at law, subject to the widows dower, if he should leave one.

Item 5th I have given to Josiah Whitwood \$486.00 for which I have his receipt. This is intended as a gift to him, and my executor is not to hold him accountable therefor.

Item 6th I a note executed to me by my brother Green Whitwood, and his two sons to wit, David & Leon Whitwood, dated about the 15th day of November, 1883 for the sum of \$020.00 or near that sum due five years from date without interest, for which sum I hold a mortgage on the 80 acres of land bought by my brother Green from Patrick Henry & Geo. Wright, said mortgage to run 5 years, and interest is to be charged on said note, before the expiration of the 5 years, after five years, if my brother Green should be living, I want him to hold and occupy said land free of charge, during his life, and if his present wife survives him, she ^{may} remain and occupy the land as long as she remains a widow. If not assumed within the 5 years and at the death of both parties above named,

or when the widow may marry, should ^{that} occur - why the said land is to be sold and distributed, the proceeds thereof - to Dora Whitwood only daughter and child of my brother Len, and Charles Whitwood, son of my brother Angerine Whitwood, and Levin Whitwood, the youngest son of my brother Basile Whitwood now deceased, to and Alex Ray, also, in this item I give and bequeath to the 4 persons above named all the residue of my personal property, not heretofore specially mentioned, I mean all moneys, notes, judgments Chases in action &c. equally between them.

Item 7th If Dora Whitwood above mentioned die before arriving at mature age, why her portion shall descend directly to the other 3 just above mentioned.

Item 8th I hereby nominate and appoint B. L. Adair Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and I hereby revoke all other wills at any time made by me.

Witness my hand and seal this the 7th day of June A.D. 1883

Stephen ^{son} Whitwood
Signed and published in our presence, in testimony whereof we have this day herewith signed our names in the presence of each other, and in the presence of Stephen Whitwood the Notary, this June 7th day 1883

Witnesses
Jos. W. Baker
James Swearingen
R. H. Campbell

Codicile

I Stephen Whitwood make this Codicile No. 1 to this my last Will and Testament, this 24th day of May 1887 to wit:

I will to my Grand Nephew Everett Bloomingdale the Twenty Eight acre tract of land, which I purchased from Elias Hall which adjoins the lands

I have heretofore Willed to my Nephews, whom
 recorded does I refer to for particular mine
 & bounds of said land and I will said land
 to set C. Bloomington date for and during his
 natural life and at his death then to his
 children or descendants of his children, if
 they are then living, and to their heirs and
 assigns forever, on the following condition
 to wit: That is provided said Amos Bloom-
 ington pays to one or to any legal repre-
 sentative within four years from this date
 Five Hundred and Forty Dollars. But if
 he fail to pay said sum of five hundred
 and forty dollars, within the time above
 set forth, then my will is that my
 Executor will sell said tract of land,
 and convey the same without the aid
 of any Court decree, and sell for cash
 or on strict credit, or for part cash and
 part on time as he may deem best,
 and divide the proceeds of such sale
 share and share alike between my
 nephews William Chitwood and Levin
 Chitwood (Bastwick Chitwoods sons)
 and Dora Chitwood (Len Chitwoods
 daughter) and Alex L. Ray and Pick
 Chitwood son of Angerson Chitwood,
 each of the five taking an equal
 share, and if my Nephews Amos Bloom-
 ington pays for said land, within the
 four years above set forth, then the
 proceeds of said land will be divided
 equally between said William Chitwood
 Levin Chitwood, Dora Chitwood, Pick
 Chitwood and A. L. Ray, share and share
 alike.

Witness
 Sanick Parks
 J. A. Wall
 S. J. Payne

Stephen Chitwood
 mark

In the matter of the Last
 Will and Testament of
 Stephen Chitwood died } This day a paper writing
 purporting to be the Last
 Will and Testament of
 Stephen Chitwood died,
 was presented to the Court, for probate, and set
 up and established as the Last Will and Testament
 of said Stephen Chitwood, and thereupon came
 Jas. H. Parker & Jas. Swearingin subscribing
 witnesses to said will, who being first duly
 sworn depose and said that they were
 personally acquainted with the said Stephen
 Chitwood 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 signed and
 acknowledged the same in their presence
 to be his last will and Testament, That
 they signed the same in the presence of each
 other and the Testator, and at his request
 as witnesses. And Smith Parks and S. J.
 Payne subscribing witnesses to the codicil
 to said will, being duly sworn depose
 and said that they were personally acquainted
 with Stephen Chitwood the Testator in his life
 time, that he was of sound and disposing
 mind and memory at the time of the
 execution of said codicil to said Last
 Will and Testament, That he signed and
 acknowledged the same in their presence
 to be a codicil to his said Last Will and
 Testament, And that they signed said
 codicil, as witnesses thereto in his presence
 and at his request.

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 said Stephen
 Chitwood deceased together with the
 codicil thereto. And it is ordered by
 the Court, that the same be recorded
 in Will Book and filed.

And A.L. Tolson the Assessor named
in said Will, appeared in open Court
refused to qualify as such, and the Court
being satisfied as to the claims of A.L.
Ray to the Administration of said estate
It is therefore ordered by the Court that the
said A.L. Ray be and he is hereby appointed
Administrator cum testamento annexo of
said ~~Stephen~~ Chittwood deceased.

Whereupon came the said A.L. Ray
here into open Court together with L.H.
Chittwood and Peter Ford his securities
and they entered into and acknowledged
bond in the penal sum of Five Thousand
Dollars, conditions and payable as the
law directs, for the faithful performance
of his duties as such Executor.
It was duly sworn by L.H. Chittwood

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Noncompete Will. On the 24th day of September 1889
J. G. Ruminant died in his last
sickness at his own habitation in
Lynch and established at Roper County declared in the presence
of the undersigned whom especially
requested to bear witness thereto that
his Will was as follows: That the
Household and Kitchen Linen
that all the rest of his property both real and personal
be divided equally between his eight children or the
issue of those who are dead Mary, or Mary, the
Gord Townsend, Mrs. Mary, the
Ruminant, J. H. Ruminant, W. J. Ruminant & B.
Ruminant and A. H. Ruminant the said J. G.
Ruminant died on the 24th day of September 1889.
Written and signed by us on the 23rd day of September 1889

Lucy Douglass
J. H. Ruminant
In the matter of the Noncompete Will of J. G. Ruminant deceased. This day a paper writing
signed by Lucy Douglass
the said Ruminant was produced
in open Court and propounded as the Noncompete Will of
J. G. Ruminant and it appearing that said Ruminant
had departed this life and was a resident in Roper
County at the time of his death, and it being approved
to the satisfaction of the Court by the Oaths of Lucy
Douglass and J. H. Ruminant that said paper writing
contains the disposition which the said Ruminant wished
he desired to make as to his property and affairs and
what he wished done with them after his death and
that said verbal directions were given by said Ruminant
during his last sickness at his own dwelling house in
Roper County in the presence and hearing of both J. H. Ruminant
and that they were specially called upon by said
Ruminant to bear witness thereto and that he was of sound
mind and memory at the time: That said verbal Will
was reduced to writing and signed by them and it ap-
pearing that the heirs have been duly cited to appear
here at this day and take such action as they see

proper relation to the probate of said will and it further appearing from the Order of said two witnesses that said paper writing contained the subject matter of said will of said Deceased and that the same should be established as such. It is therefore ordered by the Court that said paper writing be set up and established as the Last Will and Testament of said John Deceased and that the same be recorded in this Book and Filed.

A true copy of Will and probate of same
Attest
W. L. McKinnon Clerk
By C. L. Palmer D.C.

The Last Will and Testament of John Deceased was presented that of John Deceased. John Deceased has this day divided my Probated October 1st 1897. Land the south half is to go to Mariah Deceased October 21st 1897. my wife her lifetime and then go to my daughter Eliza Ann Deceased of the said W. L. McKinnon Clerk. Be found this half contains 19 1/2 acres and one half. the whole tract contains 39 thirty nine acres and one half my wife is to have my Jim Mould and one car and all of the furniture around the house and in the house I reserve a farming ground on the north west corner of the south half for myself and family. The north half which is 19 1/2 of 39 thirty nine acres of which Mary Deceased is to have her part on the north east corner of the north half her part or share is 1 one fourth of the said 19 1/2 nineteen acres and one half and the other three fourths is to go to Richard Deceased my son the said three fourths is part of the Deceased area and one half of the said north half of the 39 thirty nine acres and the said Richard Deceased is to have the same three fourths as long as he lives and then it is to go to his three children Joseph Deceased Julia Deceased and Rubin Deceased their being part of the tract bought of Mr. Thomas Deceased of Kansas and that Robert Cooper and Scott Brandon is to be my guardian to see that Mariah my wife gets the south half of the said 19 1/2 nineteen acres and one half and to see to having the fence in taken care of and to see that the Jeff Mould bought from W. L. Roberts is paid out of the rent and the balance to go to my wife and that Richard Deceased is to build at home and let my wife part alone and that said Robert Cooper and Scott Brandon is to see that my wife has her rights
July 30th 1897.

Witness. Eliza Ann Deceased
Robert Cooper
Scott Brandon
J. M. Moore

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of John Deceased. } This day a paper writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of John Deceased was presented to Court for probate. Thereupon came into open Court J. M. Moore and Scott Brandon subscribing witnesses thereto who first being duly sworn deposed and said that they were personally acquainted with John Deceased the Deceased in his lifetime that the same of

sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of the execution of said Last Will and Testament, that he signed and acknowledged the execution of the same as his Last Will and Testament in their presence and that he 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 and the same is hereby set up and established as the Last Will and Testament of the said Chas Borton dec'd and that the same be recorded in the Will book and filed.

A true copy of Will and probate of same

Attest:-

W. L. Williamson Clerk

By A. L. Palmer H. C. C.

Last Will and Testament of State of Tennessee Ryan County
Wm. Chas. Waddy dec'd I Wm Waddy of the County and
Probate Judge, Nov 1890 State of Tennessee do make this as my Last Will
Recorded Nov 1890 and Testament
W. L. Williamson Clerk

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 be possessed of at my death and I direct that the balance of my money be paid to my Executor.
Secondly: I give and bequeath to my sister Sarah Ann Waddy of such money Virginia My gold frame Spectacles and \$100 dollars in money.

Thirdly: I will and bequeath to my sister Wm Waddy my house and lot lying in the town of Nashville which is bounded on the east by Adams Street South by G. W. Gregory West by A. B. B. 2nd and North by Main Street provided however that the said sister Wm Waddy shall pay to his brother John W. Waddy the sum of two hundred dollars at his interest in said lot. I also bequeath to Joseph W. Waddy my bedstead and chairs which I have that I have and all my household and linen furniture except my bedstead and that stands in the north room of my house and the wearing clothing which I will and bequeath to John W. Waddy. I also bequeath to John W. Waddy my gold watch and after the house employed with in or within shall be any money left then the said John W. Waddy and Joseph W. Waddy divide it equally between them. I appoint J. W. Williamson my Executor and I direct the same to give bonds as such I also request that if there should be any thing left unmentioned in this will that the same be divided between my stepsons John W. & Joseph W. Waddy.

In witness whereof I do to this my will and so my hand this the 27 day of April one thousand eight hundred and ninety eight

Wm Waddy Test

Signed and published in my presence and in the presence of the witnesses in the presence of the Testator

Apr 27 day of April 1898

J. C. Wood

J. W. Miller

In the matter of the last Will and Testament of Mrs. Ann Haddy dec'd. This day a paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Mrs. Ann Haddy dec'd was presented to the Court for probate. Thereupon came into open Court J. W. Charlton and W. H. Hill, subscribing witnesses thereto who first being duly sworn depose and said that they were personally acquainted with Mrs. Ann Haddy the Testatrix in her lifetime that she was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of the execution of said last Will and Testament that she signed and acknowledged the execution of the same as her last Will and Testament in their presence and that she requested them to bear witness to the same, 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 purporting to be and the same is hereby set up and established as the last Will and Testament of the said Mrs. Ann Haddy dec'd and that the same be recorded in Will Book and filed.

last Will and Testament of W. H. Hill and wife, my entire interest in the of J. H. Gannon dec'd. and during his life and our estate on any probate of said last Will and Testament. See George for Geo. Haddock Rollins in addition to what the law allows her. According March 29/90
W. H. Hillman Clerk 2/11/90

Geo. W. Hillman
J. H. Charlton
E. E. Seely

J. H. Gannon

Let their Will be probated and set up March 2/90

W. B. Thompson Chairman

In the matter of the last Will and Testament of J. H. Gannon dec'd. This day a paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of J. H. Gannon dec'd was presented to the Court for probate. Thereupon came into open Court J. W. Charlton and E. E. Seely, subscribing witnesses thereto who first being duly sworn depose and said that they were personally acquainted with J. H. Gannon the Testator in his lifetime that he was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of the execution of the said last Will and Testament that he signed and acknowledged the execution of the same as his last Will and Testament in their presence that he 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 purporting to be and the same is hereby set up and established as the last Will and Testament of the said J. H. Gannon dec'd and that the same be recorded in Will Book and filed.