

Last Will and Testament of Jesse Purce

purporting to be a codicil to the said Jesse Purce's will, was written in the lifetime of the said Jesse Purce and signed by him and subscribed in his presence and at his request and in the presence of each other by the said J. H. Pollock and J. M. Baker, and that said instrument was executed by said Jesse Purce on the day it bears date, as and for a codicil to his last will and testament and that he was at the time of sound mind and disposing memory - And it further appearing that the said Jesse Purce lately died in Dyer County Tennessee - and that his usual place of residence at the time of his death was in said County, all of the above recited facts are therefore so adjudged and decreed by the Court - It is therefore adjudged and declared by the Court that the said instrument of writing purporting to be the will of said Jesse Purce is the will of said Jesse Purce - and that the said writing purporting to be a codicil thereto is a codicil to said will - and that the said will together with the said codicil thereto is the true whole and last will and testament of said Jesse Purce died - and the clerk is directed to ^{file and} record the same as such - And as our being named in said will as the executor thereof and the Court being satisfied as to the claims of E. E. Parks and M. R. Hendricks to the administration of said estate - It is therefore ordered that E. E. Parks and M. R. Hendricks be and they are hereby appointed administrators with the will annexed, of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits, which were of the said Jesse Purce died - Whereupon came E. E. Parks and M. R. Hendricks into open Court together with B. R. Parks

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A. J. Jones, W. F. Purce and J. W. Purce their bondsmen and they entered into an acknowledged bond in the penal sum of Twenty Four Thousand Dollars Conditioned and payable as the law directs - for the faithful performance of their duties as such administrators - and they were duly sworn - Ordered by the Court that said bond be recorded in Admins Bond Book and filed and that letters of administration issue to the said E. E. Parks and M. R. Hendricks -

A true copy from the minutes

Attest: Tom Ferguson, clerk

By J. H. Pollock

Last Will and Testament of Thos J. Purce

Last Will & Testament
of Thos J. Purce decd
Dated Aug 28th 96
Recorded at 25-96
Tom Ferguson clk

I, Thos J. Purce of Dyer County
Tennessee, knowing the uncertain-
ty of life and certainty of death
and being in feeble health but
of sound mind and disposing
memory do hereby make and

public this my last will and Testament, revoking
all other wills heretofore by me at any time made.

Item 1st I direct that my Executor hereafter to be named
shall after my death as soon as practicable pay off
and discharge my funeral expenses and all just
debts against my estate out of any money and
personal property that shall come into his hands
as Executor of this my last will and Testament.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Lucy
Emma Purce after my funeral expenses paid, all
of my just debts are paid the whole of my
personal estate including all the notes and
accounts, choses in action, live stock, house-
hold and kitchen furniture rent notes and
notes of every kind including one land note amount
to me by Edwin Sawyer, on the 21st day of December
1892 for the sum of Six Hundred and Seventy Nine & 7/10
dollars.

Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my beloved wife during her
natural life my tract of ninety acres of land on
which we now live and being the 90 acre tract I
purchased from David Parker Purce on the 29th day
of November 1862, the deed for same being registered
in the Register's office of Dyer County Tennessee
in Deed Book K on Page 56 & 7 together with
all the improvements on said tract.

Item 4th I give and bequeath to my youngest son
Burton H. Purce after the death of my wife Lucy
Emma Purce the above mentioned 90 acre tract
of land together with all the improvements thereon.

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in fee simple, absolute, being the same tract mention-
ed in item 3 of this my last will and Testament.
Item 5th I give and bequeath to my daughter Sallie White
wife of N B White to her sole and separate use free
from the use control and liabilities of her husband
or any future husband she may have one hundred
acres on the West end of a tract of land bought
by me by deed executed the 4th day of December
1861 by E A Henderson et als and known as the
Jeremiah Purce decd home tract. said deed is
registered in Book M on Page 64 & 65 of the
Registers office of Dyer County Tennessee. said one
hundred acres is to be laid off to my daughter
Sallie White by a surveyor at my death by running
a line north and South across said tract so as
to give her a hundred acres on the West end of
said tract, to her my said daughter her heirs
and assigns in fee simple absolute, and in case
of her death without having disposed of said
land then to her children then living.

Item 6th I give and bequeath to my two sons E. Natham
Purce and Marshall B. Purce as tenants in com-
mon in moieties according to value the remainder
of the tract of land mentioned in item 5th of
this my last will and Testament after laying
off 100 acres of said tract to my daughter Sallie
White in the manner aforesaid and also the tract
of land bought of me from Jeremiah Purce & of one
hundred and twenty acres by deed registered in
Book K Pages 481 & 482 of the Registers office
of Dyer County Tennessee being one hundred
and twenty acres less 16 acres heretofore sold
off of said tract by me to have and to hold
said two tracts of land aforesaid to my two
sons above mentioned in fee simple absolute as
tenants in common aforesaid - until my son

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Marshall & Purce, shall become 21 years of age then to be divided between them equally as aforesaid -

Item 7th

I give and bequeath to my son Thomas Purce and my daughter Ella White wife of J. C. White my tract of 21.75 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres of land bought by me from N. J. Mahon and wife by deed dated the 20 day of May 1884 and Registered in Book X on Page 59 of the Registers office of Dyer County Tennessee to have and to hold said tract of land in equal moieties according to value to the said Thomas Purce and my said daughter Ella White and to the sole and separate use of my said daughter, free from their use control and liabilities of her said husband or any future husband she may have, their heirs and assigns in fee absolute, the said tract to be divided between my said son Thomas and daughter Ella at their option or held in common if they think proper to do so or sold by them undivided - But in case of the death of my daughter without her having sold her said interest in said tract of land then the same shall go to her children then living equally -

Item 8th

Should any of my said children die unmarried without children or should they die without leaving children - then the brothers and sisters of the deceased of the whole and half blood or their representatives shall inherit equally the estate of said deceased.

Item 9th

I hereby nominate and appoint my beloved wife Lucy Emma Purce the executrix of this my last will and testament and also trustee to take charge of and look after the rents and profits of the real estate herein bequeathed to my minor children until they shall become tenants

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our years of age and I direct that she shall not be required to give any bond as executrix or as the trustee of my said minor children - this the 31st day of January 1895
T J Purce

We A. L. Ray and W. E. Bill subscribing witnesses to the last will and testament of T. J. Purce at the request of the testator T. J. Purce and in his presence and in the presence of each other witnessed the execution and publication of the foregoing instrument by the said T. J. Purce to be his last will and testament on this the 31st day of January 1895

W. E. Bill

A. L. Ray

See Minute Book of Dyer County Tenn

Last Will and Testament of W. J. Featherston

Last will and testament
of W. J. Featherston

Tested Sept 7th 1896

Recorded Sept 9th 1896

John Ferguson ex

May the 11th 1896

I, W. J. Featherston 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 may first come into
the hands of my executor

Second I direct that my executor sell all lands
that I may be possessed of at my death
public or private sale to the best advantage

Thirdly That all my personal property be sold including
my house hold and kitchen furniture stock
and farming tools and the money divided
between W. H. Waldron and Emma Clinborn

Fourthly I direct that my executor collect and
forward to Emma Clinborn money enough
to pay off her land debt out of her part
of my estate

Fifthly I bequeath to W. H. Waldron my stock in
the Northern Bank to make him equal with
Emma Clinborn it being about the amount
of money I have given her

Sixthly I do hereby nominate and appoint W. J.
Featherston my executor, do witness whereof
do to this my will set my hand
Witness

W. J. Featherston

E. C. Ray

J. H. Hall

J. F. Williams

'See Minute Book J # 58' John Ferguson ex

Last Will and Testament of Mrs Sabrey Kerr dec'd

Last Will and Testament
of Mrs Sabrey Kerr -
Prolated Novmber 23rd - 96
Recorded " 24th "
Tom Ferguson Clerk

I, Sabrey Kerr, recognizing the
uncertainty of life, and the
certainty of death, and being
of sound mind and dispos-
ing memory, do make and
publish this my last will

and testament hereby revoking and annulling all for-
mer wills by me at any time made - to wit:

Item 1st I desire that my Executor pay all my just debts
and my funeral expenses out of any monies on
hand at my death or out of the first monies
coming into his hands as my executor.

Item 2^d I, devise give and bequeath unto my grand-daughter
Hattie Freeman daughter of O.A. Freeman my twenty
five acres of land lying in the 5th Civil District of
Dyer County Tennessee it being an undivided one-
third interest in a tract of about seventy seven
(77) acres of land - lying West of the Duckburg and
Troy public road - Johnnie Tucker on the West and
Duke Jones on the North and William Davis on the South
for and during her natural life and at the death
of the said Hattie Freeman to her children and
descendants of children as the law in such cases
would carry the land to descend; but if she
should die without children ^{descendants} then the said
land is to revert to O.A. Freeman or his heirs
at law.

Item 3^d I devise and bequeath unto my son O.A. Freeman
for and during his natural life my forty acre
tract of land lying in the 5th district of
Dyer County Tennessee, it being the same tract
conveyed to me, on the 5th day of July 1884 by
Z. D. Watkins Clerk of the County Court of Dyer
County Tennessee - and by deed recorded on
Compliance Book X Page 562 in the office of the
Register of Dyer County Tennessee and

Last Will and Testament of Sabrey Kerr dec'd -

bounded as follows:- On the North by the River
with the land:- on the East by the River land on
the South by all:- and on the West by Freeman
and at the death of said O.A. Freeman, to his chil-
dren and descendants of children per stripes or as
the law would pass title to land in such cases
and it is my wish that this land pass to the heirs
at law of O.A. Freeman subject to a charge when
it necessary to make the children of O.A. Freeman and
my dear son O.A. Freeman (Hattie Freeman being his
only child) equal in the division of my sixty five
or sixty six acres of land devised in this will in
other words: at the death of O.A. Freeman it is my
will that his heirs at law have commissioners
appointed and that they appraise the value of
the two tracts of land herein devised, one of 77 acres
and the other of 40 acres as of the date and that
the heirs at law of O.A. Freeman be required to pay
the said Hattie Freeman or her children and de-
scendants of children enough to make the division
of my said lands equal - each of the two in
two equal parts as herein above explained my
grandson Adolphus Freeman son of O.A. Freeman
having received as much of my proberts already
as I think he ought to receive, it is not to
have any share or part of the property, either
real or personal, herein willed to his father
O.A. Freeman.

Item 4th I give and bequeath in equal parts to Sabrey
A. Freeman and Emma Jane Freeman daughters
of O.A. Freeman all my beds and bed clothing.

Item 5th I give and bequeath all my live stock, of every
kind and character and all my personal property
of every kind except my beds and bed clothing
to O.A. Freeman -

Item 6th I desire that my son O.A. Freeman act as -

Last Will and Testament of Sabrey Kerr-

my Executor without being required to execute any bond as such Executor Given under my hand on this the 23^d day of December 1893 in the presence of E. L. Maxey and N. S. Dumirant, subscribing witnesses at my request

Sabrey Kerr
W. E. L. Maxey and N. S. Dumirant on this 23^d day of December 1893 - at the request of Mrs Sabra Kerr and in her presence and in the presence of each other, witness the foregoing as the will of the said Mrs Sabra Kerr -
E. L. Maxey
N. S. Dumirant -

See Minute Book J # 109 -

Tom Ferguson clk

Last Will and Testament D. J. Galloway died

Last will and testament
of D. J. Galloway died
Probate Dec 21/96
Recorded Dec 31/96
Tom Ferguson clk

State of Tennessee
Dyer County Aug 5/1887
The last will and
testament of D. J. Galloway
For the love and
respect I bear to

Marion Tucker of the County of Dyer & State of Tennessee I do at the death of my present wife Mary Galloway and set over unto the said Marion Tucker his heirs and assigns forever all of my real estate and personal property, Deed describing said real estate as in possession of myself at this present time, said deed is on record in the town of Dyer, Dyer County of Dyer State of Tennessee, said deed to become the property of said Marion Tucker his heirs and assigns at my death, Provided my present wife Mary Galloway is not residing on said real estate at the time of my death and if she be residing on said real estate at the time of my death then in that case she will hold the same during her natural life, But if she be not residing on the same then said Tucker to take possession of the same at my death, and if she be residing thereon to take possession at her death to said Marion Tucker his heirs and assigns forever I do hereby name as my Executor J. C. Miller or assigns to execute and turn over this will to the said Marion Tucker his heirs and assigns, I make this will as my rightfull deed, to the disposition to all of my real and personal property Being in perfect health both mentally and and Physically at this present time

Last Will and Testament of J. Gallacher

and hereby assign my name
Witness D. J. Gallacher

J. B. Miller
M. J. Miller

August 14th 1889-

Last Will and Testament of J. Gallacher
When we I have this
day said to James L.
Glasb - viz. acres and

24 poles of land described in a deed made
to him of this date by my original deed made
in my name from the administrator of Moses
Headen. Deed Registered in Book H page
44- and 50 of Dyer County Tenn. Registered
May 29th 1851 - the above six acres and
24 poles to be deducted from the old
deed and said lands due to stand
good for the purpose therein contained
said Deed to have the remainder

Aug 14th 1889 assigned

Witness

J. B. Miller

J. B. Miller Executor

Last Will and Testament of J. T. Taylor Deed

Last Will and Testament of J. T. Taylor Deed
For the consideration in me it being my will
of J. T. Taylor Deed I do hereby in case that death should take
isolated me 8th 97 me away before I become married I do give
Recorded " 9 " and make over to W. H. Taylor all of my
Your Ferguson OK might and title and interest that I have in
our tracks of land conveyed to myself & J.
Taylor and my brother W. H. Taylor by transaction Parks and Mary C. Parks
his wife of Nashville Tennessee the track of land being all the thir-
teenth Civil District of Dyer Co Tennessee said to contain 225 acres
of land sold to us by the track and not by the acres the track lying
North of ^{Highway} Highway road it being a part of the W. H. Taylor's grant
No 117 for 3510 Acres bounded as follows Beginning at the North East
corner of the J. T. Gordon track in J. L. Buzzell's survey west line and runs
thence north with Buzzell's West line and passing his North West
corner and containing North to the South East of Eubank's survey
thence down said river with its meanders Westly to the
North East corner of the 100 acres sold by Isaac Sampson to McLean &
Fotts thence South with Machin's Fotts East line and passing their
South East corner and continuing on South to the North West corner of the
J. T. Gordon now Marshall's track thence East with Marshall's North line
about 170 poles to the beginning the track of land described above I
solely give all of my right and claim now and forever to the
W. H. Taylor. But this will is to have no effect unless death occurs.
We the said J. T. Taylor and W. H. Taylor have made this agreement
with each other as described above and a separate will as
written for both of us that in case of death of either of us
would receive the whole benefit of the property mentioned
in this will -

This March the 20. 1896

Witness
J. T. Taylor
W. H. Taylor

J. T. Taylor
W. H. Taylor

See Minute Book J. # 173

Last Will and Testament of W. E. Copeland

Last Will and Testament
of W. E. Copeland, dec'd
Proated May 3rd 1897
Recorded " 4 " "
Tom Ferguson Clerk

I, W. E. Copeland of Newbern
Dyer County Tennessee, hereby make
this my last will and Testament
First

I direct that my just debts
and funeral expenses be paid
by my Executor hereinafter nam-

ed as soon after my death as may be found convenient.
Second:- I give, devise and bequeath to my beloved
wife Mary Lewis Copeland, to do as she pleases with
all the property of every nature and description both
real, personal and mixed, including all moneys, notes
and accounts, also all shares in action and possession
of every nature and description, also my two shares
in the Globe Building and Loan Company of Louisville
Kentucky and also any and all benefits which might
accrue to me by virtue of my ownership of the fire
insurance policies or any other policies I may be
the owner of at the time of my death - In other words I
will that she become the rightful and lawful owner
of all that God shall have blessed me with in the
way of worldly property, in as full a sense as I
now own the same, after my just debts and fun-
eral expenses shall have been paid -

Third: I hereby appoint my said beloved wife Mary
Lewis Copeland without her being required to give
any bond, to be executrix of this my last will
and testament - In testimony whereof I hereunto
set my hand this 3rd day of September 1896 -
W. E. Copeland.

Signed and published as his last will and testa-
ment by the said W. E. Copeland in the presence of us,
who in his presence and in the presence of each
other have hereunto subscribed our names as wit-
nesses - This September 3rd 1896, D. A. Sherrill
Geo. Monte Book I # 2014 - J. A. Hall

Last Will and Testament of Thos H. Skipper

Last Will and Testament
of Thos H. Skipper dec'd
Proated May 21st 97
Recorded " 25 " "
Tom Ferguson Clerk

Thos last will and testament of
Thomas H. Skipper at present a
Citizen of Dyersburg Tennessee,
being of sound mind and disposing
mind and memory, but in failing
health I Thomas H. Skipper do

make, ordain and publish this my last will and testa-
ment -

Item 1 After my death I desire my Executors hereinafter
named to pay all my debts -

Item 2 In the event my life insurance is paid to my
wife Jennie Skipper and my two children Harry
Skipper and Lemmie Skipper the same by con-
tract of said Insurance to go equally to the
three and this item is to approve the same -

Item 3rd I desire that my place in Dyersburg is to be
held subject in fee simple by my said wife
and children to keep them a home together so
long as the children will remain with my wife
but if in her opinion this cannot be done pleas-
antly then my said wife who will be named
in another clause as one of my Executors or
Trustees with consent of the other trustee to be
named later shall have power to sell and con-
vey my said house and lot on best terms procurable
the proceeds to be divided equally between the three

Item 4th My furniture fixtures I give to my wife such
as are not already hers -

Item 5 I nominate and appoint my said wife and
her Brother Leander Pillow generally known as
Boss Pillow my Executors, as also joint guardians
of the two children who are under age

Item 6th In the event of the sale of the Home named in
item 3rd I desire the children's part added to
their part of the insurance money and held
in the hands of said guardians for their

Last Will and Testament of Thos H Skipper

benefit,
Signed and sealed by me this the 23 day of
March 1897

Thomas H Skipper

This above will was signed by the testator in our
presence and at his request we hereto sign our
names as witnesses thereto, and we hereby sign our
names as witnesses in his presence and in presence
of each other March 23rd 1897 -

Chas N. Gibbs
Sam Ferguson
J. W. Baker

— Ser Minute Book J #209 —

Last Will and Testament of J. L. Todd Dec'd

Last Will & Testament
of J. L. Todd Dec'd
Proated Aug 2nd /97
Recorded " 3rd "

I, James L Todd, hereby make
and declare my last will and
Testament:— First:— I hereby give
and bequeath to my nephew Joe
Tom Ferguson Elk Eldon Clumous, an undivided

one fifth part, one fifth of my fifth
of all the real estate descended to me from my father
J. R. Todd dec'd and to him to hold the same for, and
during his natural life, with remainder to my
child or children lawfully begotten by him and liv-
ing at his death, and if there be no such chil-
dren living at his death, the property thus bequeath-
ed to him, shall shall revert to the parties
named in the next clause of my will, to be divided
among them or their heirs at law, share and share alike
Then Second:— all the rest and residue of my estate real and
personal, I hereby give and bequeath to the following four
named persons, to be equally divided between them
share and share alike, to-wit, Hugh Todd, John Todd and
Russell Todd, my brothers and to Cora, wife of said brother
Hugh Todd, thus making the said Cora, share with
my brothers, as if she were a sister of my own
blood,

Then Third:— I hereby nominate and appoint my
brothers Hugh Todd and John Todd Executors of
this my last will and Testament, and having full
confidence in their integrity, I hereby expressly
waive the necessity of their executing bonds or
bonds as Executors, Interlined before signed
Witness my hand, this February 13th 1897

J. L. Todd

Signed, sealed and published in our presence, in testi-
mony of which, we have hereunto set our hands, in
presence of each other and the testator, this February
13th 1897.

S. A. Latta, B. C. Burgie -
Ser Minute Book J. Page No 276.

Last Will and Testament of Mrs. Evelyn R. Harrison died.

Last Will and Testament of Mrs. Evelyn R. Harrison died.

Probated Sept. 20. 1897

Recorded Sept. 27. 1897

Tom Ferguson clk.

I, Evelyn R. Harrison, hereby make and publish this my last will and testament.

Item 1st. I hereby give and bequeath to my beloved husband, Lewis Harrison, all the real estate of which I die seized or possessed, either legal or equitable, and whether situated in Tennessee or other states.

Item 2nd. I hereby nominate and appoint my said husband Lewis Harrison executor of this my last will and testament, and expressly waive the necessity of his executing bond as such executor.

Witness my hand this August 1897.

Evelyn R. Harrison

Signed, sealed and published in our presence, and we have in testimony thereof hereunto set our hand, in the presence of each other, and the Testatrix. Aug. 13. 1897.

Mrs. Ellen K. Phillips

Mrs. Lena Baker

Last Will and Testament of W M Dean

Last will & Testament of W M Dean died

Probated Sept 27 '97

Recorded 28

Tom Ferguson clk

I, W M Dean, being in health and knowing well the uncertainty of life do make this my last will and testament and hereby revoke all others. I thank God for the length of life I have lived for the companionship of a good wife and for the pleasant associations of children, relatives and good people.

I direct that the proceeds from a One Thousand Dollar Policy held by me in the Hartford Life and Annuity Insurance Company be applied as follows to wit: that four fifths (80%) of the same be placed or put out at interest and that as each of my daughters, Jennie Lena and Lou arrives at the age of 18 her one fifth share of said policy and accrued interest be used to pay her expenses at some good school for each length of time as it will, and that when my son Wilbur is of the age of 20 his one fifth share of said policy and accrued interest shall be applied the same way, should either or any of the daughters or son named or die before the said share has been applied as set forth then the same shall go pro rata to the others. And should either of said shares from any cause not be applied as directed then the same shall at the lawful age of distribution be paid over to the one entitled to it.

I give and bequeath to my wife Mollie Dean the other one fifth of said Policy together with all the remainder of my personal property of every kind and character after the payment of any and all debts that I may owe - I give unto my wife Mollie Dean during her life time all the lands included in deeds held by me - I name my wife Mollie Dean Trustee or Manager of said Life Insurance fund to manage it as directed and under no conditions or circumstances shall she be required by the Courts to comply with the laws that apply to guardians in the management of said fund but she will act only as Trustee of the same without bond -

I name and appoint my wife Mollie Dean

Last Will and Testament of W. M. Dean

Execute without bond or security
 Witness my hand this 7th day of March 1896-

Witness
 S. H. Moore }
 A. A. Sims }

W. M. Dean

See Minute Book B. Page No 285-

Last Will and Testament of W. H. Franklin Deceased -

Last Will and Testament
 W. H. Franklin Deceased
 Probated Nov 1st 1917
 Recorded 2
 Tom Ferguson Clerk

I, W. H. Franklin of Dyer Co Tenn
 being of sound and disposing mind
 do make and publish this my last
 will and Testament revoking all
 former will by me made to wit: -

I will that all of my debts in-
 cluding my tomb stone shall be paid out of the first
 money that comes into the hands of my Executors

Second - I have already given my son J. F. Franklin Eighteen
 Hundred dollars in money and have incurred other
 expenses on account of his family which is all I
 intend they shall have of my estate - Item 3rd
 I have given my son Sam J. Franklin one hundred
 & twenty five acres of land, which is all I intend
 he shall have of my estate - Item 4th I have given
 my sons D. C. and L. A. Franklin Eighteen Hundred dollars
 each and my daughters Fannie Shie and Etta Hall
 Eighteen Hundred dollars each and desiring to make
 all my children equal - I will all of the real & per-
 sonal property that I own at my death shall be
 equally divided between D. C. & L. A. Franklin and
 Fannie Shie and Etta Hall share and share alike,
 I nominate and appoint, D. C. Franklin and John
 Asa Hall, Executors of this my last will and
 Testament -

Witness my hand and seal this the
 30th day of August 1892

Witnesses
 Geo E. McClorkle.
 J. B. Richman M.D.

W. H. Franklin -

See Minute Book J. Page No 303
 Tom Ferguson Clerk
 By J. M. Atkins D.C.

Last Will and Testament of J. L. Brown Decd

Last will & Testament
J. L. Brown Decd.
Probated Nov 29/97
Recorded 30
John Ferguson CLK

I, J. L. Brown do hereby make
this my last will and testa-
ment and do hereby revoke all for-
mer will made by me, that is
to say I want my personal
property equally divided be-
tween my wife and my 4 youngest children, John
Willie, Charles & Minnie and I want my son B. W.
Brown to be Executor of this will given under
my hand this October the 9th 1897

J. L. Brown

Witness

O. J. Radford

H. J. Swindler

Last Will and Testament of W. M. Biffle Decd

Last Will & Testament
W. M. Biffle Decd.
Probated Dec 27/97
Recorded 28
John Ferguson CLK

Be it Remembered that I W. M. Biffle
of Dyer County Tennessee do make
and publish this my last will
Testament in the manner following:
that is to say I give and devise to
my son S. I. Biffle my one half

interest in the one hundred acre tract of land deeded
to W. M. & S. I. Biffle by J. B. McCutchen and my one half
interest in the fifty acres of land deeded to W. M.
& S. I. Biffle by W. J. Webb and my one half interest in
the thirty acres of land deeded to W. M. & S. I. Biffle
by M. M. Fomkes by my son S. I. Biffle paying to my
other heirs the sum of fifteen hundred dollars when he
takes possession of the land except my son W. A. Biffle
which I give and devise to him the thirty eight acres
of land that was deeded to W. M. & S. I. Biffle by W. J.
Holland and the thirty acres of land that I got from
J. M. Morris and wife and all the land that was
deeded to W. M. & S. I. Biffle by the J. W. Hogan heirs and
require him to pay to my other heirs except S. I. Biffle
the sum of six hundred dollars and I further di-
rect that out of the money that is on hand, be-
longing to my heirs that the sum of three
hundred dollars be given to my grand son Roy
Jones and the remainder of the money be equally
divided between my son B. B. Biffle and my two
daughters Lillie Hamilton and Anne Biffle and I
further direct that my wife Martha L. Biffle
have manage and contrall of all my said
during her natural life and at her death
to be divided as above and the three hundred
dollars that I give my grand son Roy Jones.
I appoint my son S. I. Biffle as his guardian
without bond to manage and contrall it for
him until he is 21 years old.
And the fifteen hundred dollars that S. I. Biffle

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is to pay and the Six Hundred Dollars that W. M. Biffle is to pay is not to be paid until they get possession of the land that I have given them and I hereby revoke all former wills by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I the above testator have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30th day of July 1897-

attest O. J. Radford

W. M. ^{his} Biffle
_{mark}

Then and there signed sealed and published by W. M. Biffle the testator as for his last will in the presence of us who at his request in his presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto set our names as witnesses this July the 30th 1897

O. J. Radford

W. R. Gulghum

See Minutes, Minute Book J # 320.

Last Will and Testament of Sallie A. Moore Deid

Last Will & Testament of Sallie A. Moore Deid
Probated Jan 31st / 98
Recorded Feb 1st / 98
Tom Ferguson CLK

Know all men by these presents that I, Sallie A. Moore do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills made by me,

First all of my just debts are to be paid and also my burial expenses are to be paid out of the first money that may come into the hands of my executor after my death.

Second, I give and bequeath to my niece Ella Roberts and her bodily heirs my house and lot in Zumblesum, known as the D. B. Delate place, all money that I may have after all my debts are payed I give and bequeath to Bitter Roberts, Andrew Roberts and Johanna Roberts, children of my nephew John Roberts of the State of Texas,

3^d I give and bequeath all my household furniture that I have to my nephew J. H. Moore, I hereby nominate

my executor, this 6th day of Aug 1897

Witness

M. D. Lyle

J. R. Eatherly Witnesses

Sallie ^{her} A. Moore
_{mark}

See Minutes, Minute Book J # 327-

Last Will and Testament of M H Davis Deceased

Last Will & Testament
of M H Davis Deed
Probated Feb 14th 1908
Recorded 15th
J. W. Ferguson CLK.

I M H Davis being of sound mind
and disposing memory do hereby
make and publish this my last
will and Testament revoking all
others by me at any time made,

Item First: - I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary
Matilda Davis Fifty acres of my home tract of land
in the 5th Civil District of Dyer County Tennessee in-
cluding all of the buildings on same during her nat-
ural life and at her death to go to my two grand-
children Andrew Lunsford and Lillie Jane Middleton chil-
dren of my deceased daughter Amanda Elizabeth
Middleton to be equally divided between said grand-
children.

Item 2nd. I give and bequeath to my son W H Davis
the tract of 60 acres of land on which he now lives
but after my death my said son W H Davis shall
pay to my beloved wife for her support the sum of
Two Dollars and fifty cents per acre annually on the
cleared land given to him provided my said wife
deems it necessary and demands the same and said
rent shall be a charge on his said land during
his life.

Item 3rd. I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary
Henny Odum to her sole and separate use free from
the control, debts and liabilities of her present husband
W. C. Odum or any future husband she may have dur-
ing her natural life and at her death to her children
the 40 acre tract of land I bought from Joseph Oglet
and lying on the East side of my home tract in
District No 5 of Dyer County Tennessee, my said
daughter shall also pay after my death for the
support of her mother the sum of Two Dollars
and fifty cents per ^{annually} rent on the cleared
land given to her.

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the same and the said rent shall be a charge on
said land.

Item 4th. I give and bequeath to my daughter Sabilla
Ida Davis to her sole and separate use free from
the control of any ^{natural} husband she may have should
she marry during her life and at her death to her
children should she marry and have children. But
if she dies without leaving children then to her
brother and sisters and the representatives of brother
and sisters then living to be equally divided be-
tween said brother and sisters and representatives of
brother and sisters. The 67 and 1/2 acres of the Dyer
tract of land lying on the West side of the
dry public road in District No 5 of Dyer County
Tennessee and my said daughter shall also
pay to my said wife after my death for
the support of her mother the sum of Two Dollars
and fifty cents per acre on the cleared land given
to her annually provided my said wife demands
the same and said rent shall be a charge on
said land.

Item 5th. I give and bequeath to my grand son
Steven Lunsford 26 acres of my home tract
and to be cut off of the East side of said home
tract and about 26 acres of land known as the old
Freeman tract, both of said tracts being in District
No 5 of Dyer County Tennessee also 90 feet on
the North side of the town lot in the town of
Dyersburg Tennessee and being that part of the
town lot on which H. M. Phillips now lives and
being a part of the lot belonging to the Algea
Hess bought by me by a decree of Chancery Court
to the said Steven Lunsford during his natural
life and at his death to his children if having
children at his death, if he should die unmar-
ried then to his children.

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property shall revert back to my heirs to be equally divided between them, and my said grand son, shall pay to his grand mother after my death for her support, should she demand same, the sum of Two Dollars and fifty cents per acre annually rent on the cleared land in District No 5 given to him and said rent shall be a charge on said land. Item 6th. I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Jane Phillips to her sole and separate use free from the control, debts and liabilities of her husband H. M. Phillips or any future husband she may have, during her natural life and at her death to her children if should die leaving children, but if she should die without children then to my heirs to be equally divided between them. The House and lot in the town of Spring Valley Tennessee on which I now live including all of the lot of land on said lot except the 96 feet given to my grand son Steven Lunsford Item 7th. In case of the death of my said grand children Andrew Lunsford, and Lillian Jane Middleton and Steven Lunsford without leaving children then the property herein given to them shall go to the survivors of said grand children, and if all of them should die without children, then said property shall revert to my estate and be equally divided between my heirs.

Item 8th. At my death I direct that my Executors hereafter named shall sell my tract of 74 acres of land known as the Tiger tract land and not disposed of by me in this my last will and testament on the best terms possible either privately or publically and apply the proceeds together with any other money on hand at my death to pay all the debts of any of my estate and the balance of any pay to my wife. I also direct that all my

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ture be given to my wife, also I direct that all my stock on hand except that which my wife is entitled to by law be sold and the proceeds be used to pay debts if any and the balance if any to go to my wife.

Item 9. I hereby nominate and appoint my son M^r Davis and by friend George Johnson the Executors of this my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I M^r Davis do hereby subscribe my name to this my last will and testament on this the 1st day of August 1895,

M^r Davis

And we Ed H. Barker and E. H. Harrell, subscribing witnesses to this last will and testament of M^r Davis at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other subscribed our names as witnesses to this the last will & testament of M^r Davis on this the 1st day of August 1895 -

E. H. Harrell
E. H. Barker

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Last Will and Testament of J. L. Haskins deceased

Last Will & Testament
of J. L. Haskins Dec'd
Probed June 27th 1898
Recorded July 2nd 1898
Tom Ferguson, Ck.

Be it remembered that
I, J. L. Haskins of the
County of Lyon in the
State of Missouri, at
Former, do make this
my last will and tes-
tament, in the manner following -

I order that ~~and direct~~ all my
just debts shall be paid with same
insurance and speed -

I give, bequeath and devise my ^{estate and property} as follows:-

I give unto Lizzie F. Haskins, my daughter
twenty acres of land I bought of David
Haskins and fifty acres of land off
of the tract I now live on, on the
East side joining David Haskins land, and
also fifty acres of land off of the West
side of the land I bought from
Guy Douglas. The land he once sold
John Wyman making in all about
one hundred and twenty acres.

I give unto Martha W. Haskins my daughter
one hundred acres of land I bought of H.
Parks, he bought of Ben Wadlington, a
part of the Abnook land.

I give to Guy Haskins my son, one
hundred acres of land. The land I bought
of Guy Douglas, for two hundred dollars and
is a part of the Antcher survey and also
give him the balance of the land off
the piece I bought of Guy Douglas on
East side of the land. he once sold John
Wyman, about fifty acres, making in
all about one hundred and fifteen
acres.

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I give to John L. Haskins my son
the balance of the land on the home
place about twenty-two acres west of
what I gave Lizzie Haskins and I
also give him the land I bought of
R. E. Johnston, about forty-two acres making
in all about one hundred and forty-
two acres.

Now I want it expressly understood that
the land I give to each one of the above
named children, the title is to remain in
them their lifetime and at their death it is
to go to their bodily heirs and if they should
not have any bodily heirs then it is
to go to the other children named
above share alike.

I give to my wife E. Haskins
all the balance of my estate real, per-
sonal and mixed whenever it may
be found and of whatsoever it may
consist, to do as she pleases with, except
a lot I bought of Guy Douglas for
one hundred dollars, on the East by John
Cawthon, north by main st. South 499 ft
to G. B. Fuller North then East 167 ft to
State Geo. Cawthon Southwest corner
then North to the beginning and two
houses on the said lot and houses are
to go to Martha W. Haskins, my daughter
to make her about even with the others
and to be given in the same way as
the balance of the property. Should she
not be able to pay my debts without
selling some of her property she can take
some of the gift from each child alike
to settle the estate if she wished and

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in case she can get enough off the old Haskins place or And Haskins place. To make Guy Haskins equal with the balance, she say Trade Guy's land and deed to him the other the same way as the first and if not given the same way the first gift is to stand as I wished it - I do this in order that he may be convenient to school Church.

I hereby revoke all wills by me made and constitute the said A. E. Haskins my wife executor of this my last will without giving bond and to act as guardian for said minors until they are of age.

I witness whereof I the above named testator have unto set my hand and seal this June 6th in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety eight J. C. Haskins

The said J. C. Haskins at Dubuque on the June 6th 1898 signed and sealed this instrument and published and declared the same as his last will and Testament in our presence and in the presence of each other and we sign our names as witnesses.

Wm. B. Nelson -

Osby Decker -

See Minute Book J p 694.

Last Will and Testament of S Radford Deceased

Last Will and Testament
of Samuel Radford Decd
Probated Aug. 15th 1898
Recorded Aug. 16th 1898
Tom Ferguson, Clk.

I Samuel Radford being of sound mind and proper age and disposing willingly do make and publish this my last Will and

Testament and hereby revoke all former wills made by me.

I do here give bequeath and devise, as follows:-

1st

I direct that after my death that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid out of whatever effects that I may have.

Next I have give to my wife Ella May Arnold all my household and kitchen furniture my horse and buggy cow and 20 acres and what ever provisions and feed may be on hand

I further devise and bequeath to my wife Ella May Arnold my Residence in Dubuque Iowa to be used as a residence and homestead for herself and her mother during her mother's Natural Life or widow hood and it is my will and wish, that this house and lot shall not be subject to sale by herself or any future husband she may have before she reaches the age of thirty-one nor here if my sister Olmstead Arnold still survives and is unmarried and if ever sold it will revert to the Bodley heirs of Ella May Arnold.

Next it is my wish and will that my house and lot in Dawson, Ky. May be held for the use and benefit of my wife Ella May Arnold and the rents thereon to be her part I for her and also will that at anytime that Henry C. Porter and D. A. Shriver may

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it proper and for the best interest to sell this house and lot - that they sell the same and I hereby empower them to sell and convey & execute a good and Bonified Deed to the same with my recovery to any court of law or equity, and the proceeds to be reinvested or applied to the business of Eua May Arnold as they may deem best to do or whichever they may consider best for them to do.

I here bequeath to my niece Eua May Arnold my stock of drugs store - furniture and store fixtures - and it is my desire that she continue to run the business and out of the profits derived from the rents of Downson property and the business - to support and maintain the family and household expenses clothes for myself and mother &c and what may be necessary to be spent for her education and I here authorize and empower H.C. Porter to sell to D.A. Sherrill a half interest in the drug and take him as a partner in business with my niece Eua May Arnold and after settling with said D.A. Sherrill for his services and what and he may pay to take his notes for the remainder of a half interest - said notes to be paid as needed.

I here give bequeath and devise to my niece Eua May Arnold - my one half interest in and to my Brick Store corner in Newbome Drive the same is for her own use and control and is to remain revert to her bodily heirs if she dies possessor of any and is not to be subject to the sale and control of any future husband.

I here empower and authorize H.C. Porter and D.A. Sherrill to see after

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the running business of my niece Eua May Arnold and during its continuance - if at any time they deem it proper and best to close out the drug store I here authorize them to do so, to the best advantage they can settle the debts and pay balance over to her.

It is my will that my outstanding debts be assumed and paid by my niece as soon as possible and by so doing to obviate the necessity of having an administrator.

I here will and bequeath to the heirs of M.J. Dickey deceased to H.G. Radford to the heirs Martha A. Williams Deid Do Mira & Anne these being all of my brothers and sisters and their representatives, to each I here give and bequeath (\$500) five dollars.

In witness whereof I here have unto signed this instrument and published the same as and for my last Will and Testament on the 4th day of August 1898 And four witnesses in my presence and in the presence of each other and by my request have hereunto placed their names as witnesses

Samuel Radford

H. F. [Signature]

C. F. Brown

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Last Will and Testament of W. W. McCullough

Last Will & Testament
of W. W. McCullough Dec'd
Probatd August 15 1898
Recorded August 16 1898
Tom Ferguson Clk

" State of Tennessee
Deer County Dist-
ict No. 9. Whereon
are now by these
presente that I W
W McCullough do
this day will that

my wife V. E. McCullough shall have
my home place at my death as long
as she remains a widow but if she
should marry or die then said land
is to equally divided between W. L. Mc-
Cullough and Lucy Pace my daughter
and their bodily heirs. Now this is
the land that I will to as above stated
It is in Deer County District No. 9. Bounded
on one side east of Newberry. Bounded
as follows:- beginning at a stake it being
N. Watts north East corner thence north 200
Paces with Van Eaton and Douglass line to the
center of the road leading from Yorkville
to Newberry thence west with said road
80 paces; thence south 200 paces to a stake
in a public road it being N. Watts north
boundary line. Thence East 80 paces to the
beginning. Containing one hundred acres
more or less. Now this is the parcel of
land that I will to my son W. L. McCullough
and his bodily heirs at my wife's death or
if she should marry again.

Beginning at a stake in his east boundary
line 50 paces from his north east corner
thence from said stake East about 40 paces
with a branch to a hedge. Thence with
said hedge southward about 70 paces thence
80 paces to a stake in the edge of

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branch or creek. Thence with said creek
to the center of a public road. Thence with
said road 50 paces to his south east corner.
Thence north 100 to the beginning. Containing 100
acres more or less.

Now this is Lucy Pace and her bodily heirs share
of said land that I will to her at my wife's
death or if she marries again.

Beginning at N. Watts North East corner thence
200 paces with Van Eaton and Douglass line
to a stake in the center of said road that leads
from Newberry to Yorkville thence west 80 paces
to a stake. Thence south 80 paces to a stake in
a hedge. Thence East 40 paces with stream or branch
to a hedge. Thence with said hedge south about
70 paces thence southward about 8 paces to an
ash tree in the edge of a creek or branch.
Thence with said creek to a public road thence
with center of said road 80 paces East to the
beginning containing 100 acres more or less.

I also will that at my death that my wife
shall have \$1000 and the balance of my
money be equally divided between W. L.
McCullough and Lucy Pace my daughter
after my debts are paid I also will that
W. L. shall have my wearing apparel. This
the 12 June 1895

W. W. McCullough

This will was proven by the sworn statements
of W. W. McCullough & Mrs. V. E. McCullough
August 15th 1898. Mrs. Lucy Pace.

See Minute Book J. page 449.

Last Will and Testament of Sarah N. Key, Deceased.

Last Will and Testament
of Sarah N. Key, Deceased
Probated Aug 22nd /98
Recorded 23rd
Tom Ferguson CLK

Know all men by these presents
that I, Sarah Key of Dyer
County Tennessee do by this
my last will and testament
make this my

I bequeath unto my husband

N. B. Key of Dyer County Tennessee all of my
Personal & Realalty by me possessed whatsoever
to have and to hold the same forever against
all claimants whomsoever, Consisting of Three³
Town Lots in the Town of Henry, County of Henry,
State of Tennessee, numbered on Town plat
or chart of said town, six, seven and eight
on the South side of Louisville and Nashville
Rail Road, & west of Oak Street, one lot in
the town of Mansfield Henry County Tennessee
all of lot No 2 in Block No 9th of said town
Also all my personal property that I possessed
of all description to have and to hold forever
I hereby by these presents appoint my husband
N. B. Key as Executor of this my last will
and testament, waiving the usual way
that he shall not be required to give
bond as Executor of this will. Witnesses
my hand and seal July 1st 1897

Witnesses

R. J. Stallcup
J. J. Hay

Sarah N. Key.

See Minute Book J # 451

Last Will and Testament of Archie Dickerson deceased

Last Will & Testament
of Archie Dickerson
Probated Sept 5 /1898
Recorded Sept 6 /1898
Tom Ferguson CLK

Know all men by these
presents, that for the love
and affection I Archie
Dickerson, do entertain for
Archie Dickerson Jr Elizabeth
Yates and Cora Spencer

their heirs and assigns for ever and I
make this my last will and testament as
follows. at my death and after my burial
expenses Dr Bills and any other expense
that may accrue shall have been paid
Then the remainder of my personal property
and effects to be equally divided between
my bodily here named, and in case
they should not be living, then to go to
their heirs or legal representatives
In witness whereof I hereunto affix my
signature, This the 27th day of Feb'y 1896

Archie Dickerson Jr

Signed and sealed in the
presence of N. L. Roney
J. J. Self

Last Will & Testament of Mattie V. Broun Dec.

Last Will & Testament
 Mattie V. Broun Decd.
 Probated Feb. 13th 1899.
 Recorded 14th 1899
 From Ferguson Clk
 By C. B. Nash, Jr. D.C.

I, Mattie V. Broun
 of the County of DeWitt State
 of Tennessee, hereby make and
 publish this my last will
 and testament.

Item I. I hereby give
 and bequeath to my

sister, Cornelia Nixon, wife of John Nixon all
 my personal & every form and character to
 be her separate property, free from all debts
 or incumbrances of any other husband she may
 ever have.

Item 2. I also give and bequeath to the
 said Cornelia Nixon my entire interest all
 undivided half interest in the two lots in
 lots Nos. 72 and 77 on the original plan of
 the town of Oquossburg, Tenn. - the same lots bequeath-
 ed to the said Cornelia Nixon and myself, by
 our mother Ann C. Broun, which said will
 is on record in the county court of DeWitt County.

Item III I hereby nominate and appoint my
 said sister Cornelia Nixon, to be executrix of
 this my last will and testament, and hereby
 waive the necessity of her executing bond as such
 executrix.

Witness my hand, this 28th day January 1899.

Mattie V. Broun

State of Tennessee, Signed, Sealed and published in
 DeWitt County, in presence of our friends and in testimony

thereof, we have hereunto set our
 hands in the presence of each other and the Notary
 Public, this 28th day of January 1899.

Wm. C. Broun }
 Sam. Ferguson }
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Last Will & Testament of Mrs. L. Emma Pierce Decd.

Last Will & Testament
 L. Emma Pierce Decd.
 Probated July 27th 1899.
 Recorded Mich 7th 1899
 From Ferguson, Clk.
 By C. B. Nash, Jr. D.C.

Known all men by
 these presents that I, Mrs.
 L. Emma Pierce of Russell,
 County of DeWitt in the State
 of Tennessee, considering
 the uncertainty of life and
 being of sound mind and
 memory do make, declare and publish this
 my last Will and Testament.

First:- I desire all my lawful debts paid.

Second:- I desire that my son, Burton H.
 Pierce be given one hundred and one hundred (\$100)
 at my death. The reason for this extra al-
 lowance being that I have bought a horse
 for each of my other sons.

Third:- I desire that all the remainder of
 my money, notes and property be equally
 divided between my three sons, J. S. Fortham,
 Marshall G. and Burton H. The personal
 property - stock, house hold and kitchen fur-
 niture, may be either divided equally among
 above named heirs to their satisfaction,
 or sold and money equally divided ac-
 cording to option of said heirs.

Fourth:- I desire that the portion falling
 to my son, Marshall G. be paid into his
 hands at once, whether he shall have
 attained the age of twenty-one years or
 not.

Fifth:- I appoint my step son, Thomas Pierce
 of Oquossburg, DeWitt County, Tennessee administrator
 of my estate and also appoint him trustee
 for my youngest son Burton H. Pierce. He
 (Thomas Pierce) to attend to collection of
 notes and accounts and settling my estate
 without coming it into the courts.

Last Will and Testament Mrs. L. Emma Pierce

I do witness whereof I have this 2d day of February, set my hand and seal in the sight of our Lord eighteen hundred ninety-nine.

Mrs. L. Emma Pierce (Seal)

(Witness) M. A. Melborn, Farmer.

R. E. Ellis, Deed Co. Clerk.

(Witness) S. P. Melborn, Storeman.

R. E. Ellis, Deed Co. Clerk.

Last Will and Testament of William Durst Deceased

Last Will and Testament
William Durst Deceased
Forbated Mch. 20th 1899.
Recorded Mch. 24th 1899
Jorn Jurgensen, Clerk
Bis O. B. Nashires D. O.

I, William Durst
of Queensbury Town
recognizing the un-
certainty of life, and
the certainty of death,
do make and publish
this my last will

and Testament while I am in good health
and of sound and disposing memory
1st I will and bequeath that all of my
just debts, and funeral expenses be paid as
soon after my death as is practicable by
my Executor, whom I will hereafter mention.
2^d I will and bequeath to Mrs. Anna E. Booth
wife of John Booth my residence and lot
of ground in Queensbury addition to Queensbury
being 71 feet front on the street just west
of L. A. Walker and running back North 140 feet
being 9940 superficial feet of ground together
with all improvements thereon.

3rd I will and bequeath to the said Anna E.
Booth wife of said John Booth all and every
kind of property and effects that I may
die seized or possessed of.

4. I will that H. P. Doyle be, and he is requested
to act as Executor of this my last will
and Testament.

Witness my hand and seal this Oct. 12th 1890.

Signed, Sealed and
acknowledged in
the presence of
J. P. Durston
J. J. Brown

W. Durst

Last Will and Testament
Ezekiel McMillen deceased
Proved Mch 20. 1899.
Recorded Mch 21 1899.
Dom Inguern. Clerk
By C. B. Nasshies D.C.

Truyble J. J. J. J.
October 9th 1893.
I Ezekiel McMillen
do make and pub-
lish this my last
will and testa-
ment hereby re-
volking and making void all others, by me
at any time made.

1st I direct that my funeral expenses, and all
my debts be paid as soon after my death
as possible out of any monies that I may
die possessed of, or may just come into
the hands of my Executors:

2nd: I give and bequeath to my sister E. A.
Marion; all of my property both personal
and real, and

Lastly, I do hereby appoint E. A. Marion my ex-
ecutor of this my last will and testament.
In witness whereof, I do to this, my will,
set my hand this, the ninth day of October, 1893.
E. N. McMillen

Signed and published in our presence, and we
hereby subscribed our names hereto in the pres-
ence of the testator, this 9th day of October 1893.
J. H. P. J. J. J.
M. H. Waggoner

Last Will and Testament of
James H. Hamilton Sr.
Proved April 3rd 1899.
Recorded April 11 1899.
Dom Inguern. Clerk
By C. B. Nasshies D.C.

I, Jas. Hamilton being
in full ^{mind} and of dis-
posing mind and memory,
do make and publish this
my last will and testament
revoking and annulling all
former wills that I may
have made.

1st I will to my son R. L. Brown one of my
estate Five Hundred Dollars \$500.00 Dollars to be paid
to a legally appointed guardian which shall con-
stitute his entire share & interest in my estate.

2. I will to my daughter J. Dona Hamilton my
share in addition to her equal share in the balance
of my estate. a special legacy.

3rd I will that the balance of my estate be equally
divided between my children; M. C. Hamilton, G. E. Hamilton,
Mrs. L. E. Pasa, J. J. Hamilton, Mrs. P. L. Serbey, J. Dona
Hamilton & the heirs of Mrs. Canada Hunt and my
sons R. L. Hamilton and J. H. Hamilton each set of
heirs drawing the distributive share of their parents
as in the common law.

4th I will that the share of my estate going to
my daughter J. Dona Hamilton shall be for her
poor use and benefit and shall not be
subject to debts, contracts or contract of her
present or any future husband.

5th I will that the share of my estate going
to my daughter J. Dona Hamilton shall be for
her poor use and benefit and shall not be
subject to any debt
contract or liability of any husband that she
may marry.

6th I will that in the distribution of the
share of my estate going to the heirs of my daughter
Mrs. Canada Hunt as well as to her living

Last Will and Testament of Jas. N. Hamilton deceased

children, Mrs. Lura Shoffner, Mrs. Beatrice
Mitchell and Jas. North. I hereby ap-
point my sons, M. C. Hamilton, E. E. Hamilton
and Geo. J. Hamilton Executors to this my will.
Witness my hands this 19th day of December 1898.
Jas. Hamilton.

Witness

Signed in our presence and in the presence of
each other this 19th day of December 1898

James M. Williams
J. A. Cusheaw

Last Will and Testament of Chas. P. Cross deceased

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Dated April 10th 1899.
Recorded April 15th 1899.
J. W. Dawson, clerk
By C. B. Wasson, D.C.

I, Chas. P. Cross do
hereby make and publish
this my last will and
testament, hereby making
& making valid any other
will heretofore by me
made.

Item I. Let any debt I may owe and my funeral
expenses be paid out of my estate.

Item II. I hereby give and bequeath to E. R.
Cannon of the city of Nashville Tennessee, all the
property of which I may be seized and pos-
sessed - real, personal and mixed, to be by him
held in trust, for the use and benefit of my
grandson, Chas. Cross Cannon, and his present
wife Mary, and their children now born or
that may or hereafter born by her to him, and
to any children that may be born to him by
any other wife he may have.

I hereby fully authorize and empower
the said E. R. Cannon as trustee under this will, to
manage all the personal property coming to his
hands under this will, as he deems best for
the interest of the parties above named, by
lending the same at interest, or investing the
same at interest, or investing the same in real
estate, taking title to such real estate in his name
as trustee, and re-selling and reinvesting the same
in a perfect & full a manner as I myself might
do if I were living.

I hereby authorize and empower my said
trustee, to rent, lease, sell or exchange any or all
of the real estate of which I may be seized
or possessed and reinvest the proceeds (if not used for
the support of the beneficiaries named in this trust) and
as far as he may see fit to invest the same in any

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do with his own property, but the proceeds and means of the whole estate herein bequeathed, whatever shape they may assume, are by him to be held in trust for the use and benefit of the parties above named.

I hereby fully authorize and empower my said trustee, for the purpose of this trust the support and education of said children, now born or that may hereafter be born to said Chas. Cross Union and the support of said Charles Cross Union and his present wife Mary Union or any other wife he may hereafter have to use and expend, not only the income that may arise from the said trust estate but to encroach upon the corpus of said estate, in such manner and to such extent as in his judgment may seem right and proper, at any and all times.

This is a personal trust, and I hereby authorize and empower my said trustee, E. R. Union, by will or otherwise to use any or all the trust property remaining at any time in his hands in another trust to be selected by him with such limitations and power in the trustee so appointed, as to him, the said E. R. Union may seem right and proper.

And I further authorize and empower my said trustee, the said E. R. Union (Notwithstanding all the limitations and restrictions in this will contained) at any time that may to him seem right and proper, by will or by deed, to use any and all the trust property then remaining in his hands, in the said Charles Cross Union, with such limitations and restrictions as to him the said trustee may seem right and proper or to convey the same to the said Charles Cross Union to be held absolutely in the

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or any limitations whatever.

I hereby nominate and appoint the said E. R. Union, Executor of this my will, and having full confidence in his integrity, ability, and capacity, I hereby expressly waive the necessity of his giving any bond or taking any oath, either as executor of this will, or as trustee hereunder.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand - this 3rd day of February, 1898

Signed and published in our presence and we hereunto set our hands, in presence of each other and the testator - this 3rd day of February, 1898.

E. R. Latta.

J. W. Latta.

Francis Latta.

Last Will & Testament of W. J. Harris Deed

Last Will of W. J. Harris deed
 Probated July 10-1899-
 Recorded July 12-1899
 J. W. Ferguson clerk

September 22nd 1898
 I, W. J. Harris. It is my will
 that Doris Harris my
 youngest heir shall have
 the benefit of my personal

property. She receive the rents until she is
 twenty one years old and no further
 sale shall be made til she is twenty one
 years old. then they can have a division.

Sallie and Arable and Dorey Harris shall
 have my home ~~place~~ tract of land and 70 acres
 bordering on the South of the Widow Johnsons
 land. Their land is to them and to their ^{bodily} heirs
 and is not as trading property.

Sallie shall pay \$50.00 out of her part to Dorey Harris
 Arable shall pay \$60.00 out of her part to Dorey Harris
 Dorey Harris shall pay \$25.00 This money is to be paid
 after Dorey becomes twenty one years old \$30.00 dollars
 a year until it is paid up it draws no interest.

If she trades it off she gets nothing. and Turner Harris
 gets 50 acres in the East end of the tract of land
 bordering on the South of the Widow Johnsons land
 and he Ashby Harris shall have the 50 acres of land
 adjoining and lying West of J. W. McFarquers land
 that is to him and to his bodily heirs and he Ashby
 Harris shall manage this business to the best of
 his ability until Dorey Harris becomes of twenty
 one years old

Witness

J. S. Cox
 Ed Jones

W. J. Harris
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Last Will and Testament of Geo. W. Gregory deed

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 of Geo. W. Gregory Deed
 Probated Nov 13-99
 Recorded Nov 22/99
 J. W. Ferguson clerk

I, Geo. W. Gregory, being of sound
 mind and ability to make a
 will do make this my last will
 and testament on this the 14th
 day of September 1899.

For the love and affection

that I have for my children Mary and Marlin Witt
 Gregory I do here will and bequeath to Mary Alice
 Gregory my residence on which I now reside and the
 lot on which it is situated, and to Marlin Witt
 Gregory I do bequeath my store house on main street
 in Newburn Tenn and the lot upon which it is built
 I have three other houses in Newburn Tenn
 residence that I wish to be equally divided
 between my two children

It is my wish that my Cousin Vera
 Epperson remain at my residence and keep my
 children together and keep house and as long as
 they live together and get along and she running
 single. It is my will that she be provided
 for a home and be provided for out of
 the proceeds of my estate. It is my will
 that the said residence and store house be
 bequeathed vested in Mary and Marlin
 them and their bodily heirs and not subject
 to be sold for any debts that they or either
 of them may make and as the residence
 will be used in common by both the children
 It is my will that one half the rents of the
 store house be given to Mary Gregory until
 she arrives at the age of 21 years

It is my will that the house hold kitchen
 furniture remain in common as long as
 they continue to keep house and it is to be
 divided equally between them when they
 come to live together.