

for further probate & thereupon James A. Hasselt the executor
the only named appeared in open Court and was duly qualified
as such executor by taking the oath required by law security being
deposited with me said will. This the above probate is a true copy from
Records now in my office

I. G. Coonce Clerk

State of Tennessee 3 October term County Court 1824

Fayette County. The following appears of Record - Court met
according to a adjournment present the worshipful
W. Burton, Elijah Fossaly & Wilson C. Living Esqrs of said County
Monday 3 Oct 1824. A written instrument purporting to be the last
will and Testament of David Chandler dec'd, was produced unto open
court & the execution thereof duly proven by the oath Richard A. Donohue
one of the subscribing witnesses thereto who being first duly sworn depo-
sits and says that he was acquainted with David Chandler dec'd the
testator and that he saw him sign seal and publish the same to be
his last will & testament and that he believes he was of sound & dispo-
sition mind at the time of executing the same and that he signed
the same in his presence as a witness and was ordered by the court
to be entered of Record. That the above probate is a true copy from the
Record now in my office. Witness my hand at office

I. G. Coonce

affidavit
William Collier In the Name of God I swear
William Collier of Fayette County State of Tennessee
sick and weak of body but of sound mind & memory
knowing the certainty of Death an uncertainty of life
do make constitute and ordain the following writing
to be my last will and testament (viz). It is my desire that my wife should
be kept together until my son Valentine arrives to the age of twenty one
years at which time it is my desire that a division should take place as
follows I give and devise to my beloved wife Agnes one negro girl Lysa
One negro boy Israel, Two good yoke of oxen, wagon, All of my labor
cattle & half blooded should the female not be sold it is my will that
she should have that also at the time of the division it is my wish and
desire that my wife Agnes should have one third of my property to hold
so long as she lives but the house hold and kitchen furniture the
whole of that house to her so long as she lives and after her death to be
equally divided as I shall hereafter direct. After paying my just
debts it is my wish and desire that my estate should be disposed
of as follows. 1st Should my executors be obliged to sell property to
pay my debts it is my desire and wish that my tract of land located
in Polk County for the best price that can be obtained to

before any other is sold and to that end my executors are hereby
authorized and directed to make a legal and proper conveyance
as far simple to the purchaser. It is my wish and desire that my
children should have a liberal Education, and when my son Valentine
comes of age or should my wife die before that time a division will
immediately take place (viz) I first give to my son Valentine my watch
and Rifle gun and William D. Meany Gabella my slaves horses each an equal part
and the balance of my estate when my son Valentine becomes of age and my
wife should be deceased the will return in my hands as above specified
I give and devise to my three children Valentine, Mrs. D. Mary Gabella
each an equal part of my estate of every kind including outstanding debts & Contracts
Be it nominate Constitute and appoint my beloved wife Agnes Coonce Dalton, Obelin
and Mrs. B. Collier Executor & this will declareing this to be my last will & testimony
of all others I do not the Court to require securities of them In Testimony whereof I do
unto this my hand and affix my Seal this fifth day of September One thousand
Eight hundred and forty two. Signed sealed published &宣读ed by the testator
by my last will and Testament

In witness whereof I do not wish the Court to require of them any securities
unintended before signed & in presence of

Sam P. Ashe
Dabney Collier
William J. Marshall

Will & Testament. I John P. Willton of the county of Fayette and State
of Tennessee being now, of a sound mind and de-
siring memory do make and ordain this my last
will and testament and do hereby revoke all former wills
and documents. 1st I will and desire that all of my just debts
be paid by my executors including the funeral expenses.
2nd I will and bequeath to my Son Lucas Huflin my yellow rug
fellow Gir. 3rd I will and bequeath to my Son John
William my negro fellow Moss Loony. 4th I will and bequeath
all to my daughter Sarah Ann my negro woman Martha
and her son Grandson. 5th I will and bequeath to my daughter
Parthenia Francis my negro woman Het and her daughter
Parthenia. 6th My will and desire is that all the remainder
of my property should be sold by my executors on a credit
of twelve months consisting of both real and personally estate
and that the proceeds thereof together with the debts due to
me should be equally divided and paid over to the aforesaid
two sons and two daughters who they are at least
of age. 7th I further will and desire that my executors may

as soon as it can be conveniently done pay my debts to
Guardian or Guardians that may be lawfully appointed
the products of the sale of lands and personal that may
remain in the hands after the payment of the debts as provided for in the first clause of the will.

8th and lastly I do hereby appoint and constitute my
friends James Brooks and Burshet Douglass executors
to this my last will and testament given under my hand
and seal this 18th day of November 1842.

Henry Miller
Daniel W Brown

John P Willson 

State of Tennessee ⁴ January 1843

Wayne County Court met according to adjournment
present the worshipful William Burton, Sheriff & County
Elijah Hendry & Esqrs Justice of the peace in and for said
County - Monday 2nd January 1843.

A written instrument purporting to be the last will and Testa-
ment of John P. Willson deceased Resident of the county of
Wayne and State of Tennessee was produced in open
court and then upon ^{up} come into open court Harry
Miller and Daniel W Brown subscribing witnesses
that who being first sworn deposes and sayeth that they
were acquainted with the said John P. Willson the testator
and that he acknowledged in their presence that he
executed the same to be his last will and testament for
the purposes therein contained and that they believed
he was in sound and disposing mind and memory at
the time of signing the same and that they signed
the same in his presence as witnesses And ordered
by the Court to be entered Record #93

A true copy from the records in my office
Samuel Hooper clerk

Will of
John
Boon

John Boon of the County of Fayette and State of
Tennessee by me of sound mind and memory
do make and ordain this my last will and Testa-
ment revoking all others before made by me, in the way
and manner following, viz. I bequeath to my beloved wife Anna
my plantation to hold and to profit for her support,
and for the support of the family until all of my
heirs become of age, and then for her own use & benefit
as during her natural life or widowhood. The
beholder of the manor the plantation may be sold or sold
in part for the value half of the land is divided or if sold one
half of the whole proceeds the other half I give to be equally
divided between my Daughters including little Sister the
Hogans Margaret, Helga and Nancy. I give also to my wife
during her natural life three negro slaves H. J. George
and West, boy, and Eliza a woman with her future increase
After death the said slaves and increase are to be sold and
the proceeds thereof divided equally between my two living
daughter Julia Ann Smith, nee Anna Hogan, Margaret, Helga
and Nancy Boon, Son-in-Law Joseph Henry Hammard and
Elizabeth Anderson after first giving of said proceeds to the heirs of
of Thomas Boon fifty Dollars each I give to my daughter Margaret
Burke five dollars only, the having care provided for herself
I give unto my three younger daughters viz. Margaret, Helga and
Nancy one Thousand and Seventy five dollars each which
they may receive when they become of age in a horse bridle
and saddle and a house hold furniture, which will be
equally divided among and given to my other heirs heretofore
in the same kind of property I will and desire that all
the slaves be kept on the plantation, and as much stock
as may be needed on the farm till all my debts are
paid and then I desire that all my slaves and property,
not herein otherwise bequeathed be sold and the pro-
ceeds equally divided between my heirs by my last and
present wife Anna. The proceeds of the sale the labor of
all the slaves after furnishing a supply for the family are to be applied to the pay-
ment of my debts further now I constitute and appoint John D. Brown and
L. Campbell jointly my administrators and executors of this my last Will and
Testament Done in the 2^d day of January in the year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred and forty three
Signed sealed and abased in the presence of John Boon 
Allen Ormsby
Edward Tague
John D. Brown

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State of Tennessee March Term County Court 1838

Fayette County ³ The following appears of record
Court met according to adjournment present the respectable William
Thompson Esq; Lawyer Justice of the peace on an
affidavit.

A written Instrument purporting to be the last Will & Testament of John
Brown deceased was produced into Open Court and Thompson came into Court
and sworn as a witness to the Subscribing Witnesses to said Will and who
being first sworn deposed and say that he was acquainted with John Brown
the testator and that he saw him sign seal and execute the same to be
his last Will and Testament and that he believed he was in sound mind
and memory at the time of signing the same he signed the same
in his presence as a witness to said Will ordered by the Court to be
so certified so for further probate.

The above is a true copy of the Probate of said Will on record
in my office

J. Horner clk

Richard Manley ³ I remembere that I Richard Manley Considering
Will the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of sound
mind and perfect mind and memory do make and
publish this my last will and testament in the
manner and form following that is to say
to my eldest Son John M Manley I do bind for the
time of his natural life a negro boy George now in my possession
to be kept for the use and proper benefit of his children and after his death
to descend to my second son Richard Manley I do bind in the
same manner as the above a negro man named Trade also in my
possession and to descend in like manner to his children to my third son
James M Manley I do give to him and his heirs forever a negro woman named
Pandor also in my possession to my fourth son Thomas M Manley I Give
to him and his heirs forever a negro boy named Calvin also in my possession
to my eldest daughter Martha A. Tolman I bind in the same manner
as my first above named two sons a negro boy named Bob now
in my possession to my daughter Isomie M. Roberts I bind in the same
manner as above a negro girl named Sally also in my possession
to my Youngest Daughter Mary M. Manley I give a negro girl named
Sally now in my possession also a negro boy named Smith
in chest of drawers table Bed of furniture my house and lot in
Murfreesboro Tenn and all the balance of my Estate both real
and personal (except the old negro Nancy) I desire and direct to
be sold and the proceeds thereof to be regularly distributed among
all my children equally first however to my son Joseph M Manley

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whom I have not heard from for fourteen years I should be often
lamentful how much time has passed by or they are to receive two
hundred dollars out of the proceeds of my Estate but of the remainder
to give over and divide the same among my children to the children
of my son John M Manley for their own proper use and benefit my
son James M and Thomas M I appoint the executors of the my last will
and testament hereby revoking all others.

In witness whereof I subscribe to my hand and Seal at
Murfreesboro the 22nd day of March in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and thirty six (1836)

Richard Manley ^{Seal}

Impression of us
Robert Locke
John Thompson

State of Tennessee December Term County Court 1838

Fayette County ³ The last will and testament of Richard Manley deceased
was produced in Open Court at the above named term and the
Execution thereof duly proven by Robert Locke one of the Subscribing
Witnesses thereto who being first sworn deposed and say that he saw
him the testator sign seal and execute the same to be his last
Will and Testament and that he believed he was in sound and
sound mind at the time of signing the same and that he
signed the same in his presence and therefore it was ordered
by the Court to be so certified so

State of Tennessee ³

Fayette County ³ I James Horner clk of the County Court of said
County do certify that the foregoing probate is a true copy from
the records in my office having my hand at office the 22nd
December 1838

J. Horner clk

Will of ³ Jas. W. Roberts to make and publish this my
Last will and testament.

First I give and bequeath to my wife Tobitha for the term
of joint life or widowhood with Condemnation and excepting
hereafter mentioned all my Estate to be kept together in the
State of Tennessee after her death or termination of her
widowhood it is my wish that my property be equally
divided among my seven children Sarah Roberts
Leannah G. Anderson John Roberts James B. Roberts Henry
P. Roberts Francis Darby Sawyer Mr. Roberts

110 I hereby nominate my wife Tabitha and my Son John Hobdy my Executry and having all confidence in them I do not wish them to give security for the management of my Estate
See witness whereof I doth this my will set my hand and seal this 25th day of July 1803

Enoch Roberts Test
John Hobdy

Signed Sealed and published in our presence and subscribed our signatures hante in the presence of the Testator this 24th day of July 1803

Edward M. Penn
James H. Franklin

State of Pennsylvania April Term County Court 1803
Fayette County 3rd the following appears of record
Court met according to adjournment present the
worshipful William Butler Wilson & Lovings & Elijah
Hendley Esq^s Justices of the peace in and for said County
Monday 3 April 1803

A written instrument purporting to be the last will
and Testament of Enoch Roberts deceased was produced
into open Court and Thompson came in to open Court Edward M.
Penn and James H. Franklin Subscribing witnesses thereto who
being first sworn deposed and say that they were acquainted with
Enoch Roberts the Testator and that they saw him sign his
executry the same to be his last Will & Testament and that they
believe he was in sound mind & memory at the time of
signing the same and ordered by the Court to be entered of
Record
A copy Test

J. Horne att^r

Will of John Coffy d^r

I John Coffy do hereby make and publish the
my last will and testament hereby making void all
other wills by me at any time made First I bequeath
my sole to Almighty God who gave it and
that my Body be Buried in a Christian manner
Secondly I direct that all my just debts shall be paid as soon
after my Death as possible and of any money that my Executors
may be possessed of or may come into their hands from
the sale of any Personal property that may Executors have
after appraised my estate of

Thirdly - I Give and bequeath to my Son David Coffy One
Cly Bank Trilly

Fourthly - I hereby give and bequeath to my Beloved Wife Margaret
Coffy all my Real and Personal Estate during her natural life
then and thereafter I direct that my two Sons David Coffy and Jonathan
A Coffy shall two or more disinherited men and divide my
land equally between them equally to quantity and quality Jane to
have the house and including the House where he now lives
Fifthly - The balance of my property of any Burke to be equally dis-
tributed between all my Children

Sixthly - I do hereby nominate and appoint my Beloved Wife
Margaret Coffy and my Son Hugh Coffy my Executors In witness
whereof I bear to this my last Will Set my hand and seal this
the 10th day August eighteen hundred and forty three

John Coffy Seal

Signed Sealed and published in our
presence and we have subscribed and named
herein the presence of the Testator

Attest
John R. Brandon
Elijah Hendley

State of Pennsylvania June Term County Court 1803
Fayette County 3rd being the 5th day of said month the following
appears of record

Court met according to adjournment present the above named
William Butler, Elijah Hendley & Wilson & Lovings Esquires Justices of the peace
in and for said County. I John Coffy the Testator
A written instrument purporting to be the last Will and

Testament of John Coffy d^r Was produced into Open Court and
the execution thereof duly proved by the Oaths of John R. Brandon
& Elijah Hendley Subscribing Witnesses to said Will and they
being first duly sworn deposed and say that they are acquainted
with John Coffy the Testator and that he acknowledged the
Execution of the same in their presence to be his last Will
and Testament and that they believe he was in sound and de-
caying mind at the time of executing the same and that
they signed the same in his presence at Winters and by
the hand to be entered of Record

A copy Test

J. Horne att^r of
Fayette County Court

Will of Samuel Carroll in the name of God Amen
 Samuel Carroll I Samuel Carroll Son, of the County of Fayette
 and State of Pennsylvania being of sound mind and
 disposing memory knowing that it is appur-
 tent unto man once to die do make publish
 and declare this my last Will and Testamen-
 tary I appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth Carroll and
 son John Carroll Executors

First and principally I recommend my immortal
 soul to God who gave it and hope of a joyful resurrection
 and happy immortality beyond the grave and my body to
 the dust from whence it was taken to be buried decently
 at the discretion of my executors And as to what world
 by substance it has pleased God to let me into I declare of
 what follows to witness

Item 1^o I give and bequeath to one of my executors to wit
 John Miller Carroll his heirs and representatives forever upon
 trust and upon the following express terms and conditions
 a tract or parcel of land in the County containing sixty
 eight acres more or less being a tract of land wherein
 my son Jacob Carroll has formerly lived and adjoining
 the lands of Hardy M. Sharp, S. Pittman, Sterling, etc.
 to whom which tract of land it is hereby provided by this
 instrument shall come to the benefit of my son Jacob Carroll
 and his children forever and it is further provided that the
 said John Miller Carroll as trustee shall in all things con-
 nected with the premises do and act faithfully for the benefit of
 said Jacob Carroll and his children The said trustee is hereby
 authorized and empowered should circumstances in his judgment
 require it to sell or otherwise dispose of said land and make
 a deed for the same and the proceeds to be by said trustee rein-
 vested in land or otherwise so to carry out the true intent
 of this item which is to secure my son Jacob Carroll
 during his life a comfortable home and at his death the
 proceeds of said land to be divided upon his living chil-
 dren by equal distribution.

Item 2^o I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth
 Carroll during her life the tract of land wherein she now lives
 containing one hundred acres more or less with all the improve-
 ments and appurtenances thereto belonging together with all
 my crop stock providing plantation tools house held and
 all other furniture of every description also five Negro slaves
 to wit Phillip, Sarah, Frank, Caroline and Will all of

which said effects I wish her to have use and enjoy at
 will during her life and then by her to be disposed of as she in
 her judgment may think proper amongst my children
 In testimony of all which I have caused to be written and sealed
 the 4th day of November A.D. 1843

S. Pittman
 Hardy M. Sharp

Samuel Carroll

State of Pennsylvania December 3rd 1843
 Fayette County, the following affirms of record
 that just according to account presented the Wright will mentioned
 by Wilson & Downing & Sarah Martin Esqrs, Justices of the Peace in and
 for said County, before Hugh Sharp Sheriff, before date of

Monday 4th December 1843

A written instrument purporting to be the last Will and Testament
 of Samuel Carroll the testator produced into court and the signature
 of Sam. Carroll the testator and Hardy M. Sharp Subscribers thereto
 testify that they being just lately become friends and saw
 that they were acquainted with Samuel Carroll the testator and
 that they saw him sign and execute the same to be his last
 will and testament and that they believe he was in sound and judicious
 mind and memory at the time of signing the same
 and that he signed the same in the presence of witnesses and
 to be enrolled entered of record

The above Probated a true copy from the record now
 in my office All copy my hand at office this 5th December
 1843

J. Morris Justice of
 Fayette County Court

Will of George Kilpatrick to Die I George Kilpatrick of County of Fayette and
 Penna.
 and State of Pennsylvania being sound in mind
 but feeble in body do make this my last
 Will and Testament

I am the first I will and bequeath unto my son William Harris
 and to my daughter Sarah Bryant Harris all of my tract of
 land that I now reside on the south side of Creek that runs
 through my farm with all of the improvements thereon to them
 and their heirs forever I further will and bequeath unto my
 son William Harris Sarah Bryant Harris the following negroes
 (to wit) Samra Andy Adelmon and all of their increase to them

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and their Heirs forever; I further will and bequeath my Son William Harris and my Daughter Sarah Bryant Harris & their Bev Cook & Furniture 1 Horse 2 Cows and Calves and 1 Porceal to Sarah (I further will and bequeath my) One of aforesaid Servant Hanah to my Son William Harris and my Daughter Sarah Bryant Harris Provided She will be to be a Slave and if not She is to be Free whenever She thinks proper and to live where She may wish my Will is further that my Son L.B. Harris to have Control and the Education of my 2 Youngest Children to rent out the land and appropriate the Proceeds of the rent to their Support and Education (I further Will and bequeath unto my wife Martha all of the property of every description that She may have had at the time I Marry her or as much as She may have had at that time She is to be removed to her old place again if she thinks proper and also She is to have 1 year Support out of my own estate to her and her Heirs forever (I further Will and bequeath unto Siloy L. Moore 1 Calf 1 year old and her Cunk having given my Daughter Sarah Peers and her Child all that I intend for them they have no further interest in my estate I further request all my just debts be paid out of the remainder of my estate and all of my Funeral expenses) and I further Will and bequeath the remainder of property Real and personal of every description to be equally divided among all of my children (to wit L.B. Harris, Mary Weston Aug. Riah S. Harris Elizabeth Davis, Melly A. Riley, Andrew Harris, Martha Williamson, Lucy Peers to them and their Heirs forever and further Will and bequeath unto my Son Andrew Harris the land he lives on to the present Crop fence provided he gives up a few hundred Dollars bond he holds of me I further request if I should depart this life before there is a Crop growing on my Farm that all of my hands remain until the Crop is sown I further appoint my Son L.B. Harris, Andrew Harris, Elizabeth S. Harris and my Son in law William Peers, Green McHarg, Riley Weston my Executors to this my last Will and Testament I further request that neither of them shall be compelled to give Security for the management of my Estate they may be at liberty to divide and dispose of it as shall be going to Court if they may think proper dated this 30th of June 1843 Signed and Sealed in the presence of
Ist Wm. H. Harris (Signed)
I. A. Patten
D. O. Orson

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State of Tennessee January Term County Court 1844
Fayette County In the following appears of Record —
That was according to adjournment present the Clerk of said County
Doctors. Wilson & Lovings, Elijah Bentley Esqrs Justices of the peace
in and for said County

A. Written Instrument purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Wm. H. Harris who was produced into open Court and thereupon came into Court John A. Patten & D. O. Orson
Doctors being witnesses thereto & who being first duly sworn deposed and say that they were acquainted with Wm. H. Harris the Testator and that they saw him sign seal & publish the same to be his last Will and Testament and they believe he was in sound mind & memory at the time of signing the same and they signed the same in his presence as witness & ordered by the Court to be entered of record

Estate of Wm. H. Harris
Fayette County I, J. Garmon Town Clerk of the County Court
of said County do certify that the above probate of the within
Will is a true Copy from the Records now in my office taken
up my hand at office this the 12th March 1844

J. Garmon Clerk

Will of Edward Teague State of Tennessee
Edward Teague Fayette County I now by this presents
do hereby do make this my last Will and
Testament that after all my just debts are paid that
all my property of every description belonging holly
to my beloved wife Elizabeth Teague and her descendants during
her lifetime or her widowhood then all the property of every description
that then may be to be equally divided among my Children
viz.) Cynthia Teague, William Teague, John Teague, Sarah Ann
Teague, Elizabeth Teague, Edmund Teague, Benjamin Teague, Webster Teague
Edward Teague, Jefferson Teague & Harriet Teague And should my
beloved wife Elizabeth Teague discontinue her life without the
only have an equal share as one of my Children and furthermore
I wish all my Children as they become of age to have the amount
of Property which I have already given to my son W. Teague and
furthermore in the Conclusion of this my last Will and Testament
I hereby appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth Teague my
Son W. Teague & W. Thompson Executors Signed and acknowledged
me

in the presence of the following witnesses this 15th Octo
A.D. 1843

Test

Loved Woods
R. B. Pickens

Edward Teague

State of Tennessee February Term 1844
Fayette County. Be it known to all the following appears of Record
Court met according to adjournment present the Worshipfull
William C. Young, Elijah Hinley & S. Evans Esqrs
Justices of the Peace in and for said County

A Will or Instrument purporting to be the Last Will
and Testament of Edward Teague late of Woods produced into
Open Court and thereupon came into Open Court Loved
Woods and R. B. Pickens subscribing witness thereto and
who being first sworn deposed and say that they were acquainted
with Edward Teague the Testator and that they
saw him sign the said written Instrument & declare it
to be his last Will and Testament and they believe he was
in sound and disposing mind and memory at the
time of signing the same and they signed the same
in his presence as witness to said Will and Ordained
by the Court to be entered of record.

State of Tennessee
Fayette County Be it known to me Clerk of the County Court
of said County do certify that the above Probate of the
last Will & Testament of Edward Teague is a true Copy
from the Records now in my office witness my hand
at office this the 12th March 1844

Samuel Koonce Clerk

Will of I George Anderson of the County of Fayette
George Anderson late of Tennessee being of sound mind
and disposing will and memory do make
and publish this as my last will and test
ment hereby revoking and making void
all other Wills by me at any other made

First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts both
original or as security because so soon after my death as possible
out of any money that I may die possessed of or may find
come into the hands of my Executor and if there no money
in hand or not enough that property be sold to make

up the deficiency - Second I give and bequeath and release to Arthur
B. Blaster his heirs and executors I may have or may have or who
be given him as his security or otherwise particularly the Blackshear
debt

Third I give and bequeath to Mr. Miller from Memphis or his just
full attention to my language Fourth I give and bequeath to
my brother John Anderson all the property both real and personal
all the property both real personal of which I may die before or
having any claim to either in law or equity either in this Principality or
any other State or States or territories to be foreseen
I do hereby nominate and appoint my Brother John Anderson
afterwards my sole & peculiar In the Imp. situation I do to
this my Will my hand and Seal this 12th day of December
1843

Geo. Anderson Esq.

My will & desire is that my widow
Jane A. Anderson bears all my debts
I give, sell and publish as in our
presence and all bonds sealed our
names hereto in testimony of the testator the
12th day of December A. D. one thousand eight hundred
and forty three

1st G.S.C. right.

R. B. Woods

A. M. Wells

State of Tennessee February Term 1844

Fayette County Be it known to all the following appears of Record Court met
according to adjournment present the Worshipfull William C. Young
Elijah Hinley & S. Evans Esqrs Justices of the Peace in and
for said County - A Will or Instrument purporting to be
the last Will and Testament of George Anderson late of Woods
produced into Open Court and thereupon came into Open Court
William C. Wright & Wm. Barret Subscribers witness thereto
who being first sworn deposed and say that they were acquainted
with George Anderson the Testator and that they saw
him sign seal & publish the same to be his last will and
testament and believe he was in sound & disposing mind & memory
at the time of signing the same that they sign the
same in his presence as witness to said Will and Ordained
to be entered of record - And thereupon came into Open Court
John Anderson who was appointed sole Executor of the last
Will and Testament of George Anderson late and entered into

into Bond him self as principal and have S. Gattan and J. G. Anderson as his Sureties to the sum of one hundred thousand Dollars Condition as the law directs and was duly qualified said Bond to be by the Court and ordered to be entered of record to

State of Tennessee I, John Martin, Notary Public of the County Court Fayette County, 3rd of March 1844 do certify that the above Probate of David Melle is a true Copy from the records now in my office witness my hand at office this the 13th March 1844

John Martin Notary Public

All of God the name of God Amen
John G. Anderson & John B. Franklin being witness to body but
do. 2. of sound mind and memory do make
and Publish this my last will and Testament
no manner and form following (that is to say)
First that all my just debts shall be
paid I also will that all my real and personal property
be sold by the Executor and the proceeds thereof to be equal
by division between my loving wife Elizabeth Franklin
& my only son J. F. I do also appoint James McCarty and
William Kelly Sole Executors of this my last will and Testa-
ment and hereby revoke all former wills by me made In
writing whereof I have hitherto set my hand and seal the
6th day of June 1841 In the presence of
John B. Franklin & John B. Franklin
Matthew Martin
J. B. Morgan &

John B. Franklin

State of Tennessee, February 1844
Fayette County 3rd The following appears of record Court
not according to a grant probate the Writings of all wills & testaments
Eliza Henry & Eliza Evans Esquires Justices of the peace in and
for David County

A Will, etc. Indented purporting to be the Last Will and
testament of John B. Franklin was filed before the Clerk of the Court
and Subscribed with the Seal of the Clerk and the signature of
J. B. Morgan Subscribing thereto who by his first de-
sire and saying they were acquainted with John B. Franklin
the Testator and that he acknowledged the same in
their presence to be his last Will and Testament and they
believe he was in sound mind and memory at the time

of signing the same and they signed the same in his
presence as witnesses to said Last Will and Testament and ordered
to be entered of record

State of Tennessee 3rd I, John Martin, Notary Public of the County of
Siege County do certify that the above probate of said will
is a true Copy from the records now in my office witness
my hand at office this the 14th March 1844
John Martin Notary Public

Will

J. Samuel Martin 3rd Siege County Tennessee.
December 20th 1842 year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
and forty two. Now it is known that I, J. Samuel Martin
being in sound health & mind have made this my last will & testament to wit I
give to my son John W. Martin, my negro woman by the name of Lydia another
offspring with this further that he the said John W. Martin pay to my
granddaughter Elizabeth Stobling Two hundred & fifty dollars, & being as much
as I should have given to my daughter Sally her mother if she was alive
I also give to my daughter Sally my barrel mare waggon & horse to be sold
to fifty Dollars of the price I give to my daughter Elizabeth Hawkins the balance
to my son John. I leave to my daughter Sally one negro girl by the name
of Nancy during her life & after her death to said negro Nancy & her offspring
if any be lawfully born before Samuel McHenry & the heirs of my
daughter Elizabeth Hawkins remain not known to me. If my daughter Sally
should move out of this country the said negro Nancy, next to leave this country
but to be held out to be made use of for the help of Sally as she
is free of it. To Samuel McHenry I give my Bed & furniture, my cattle
to be divided between my son John & Samuel McHenry. Old Sally I leave
in the care of my son John. I appoint my son John my Executor to act
to do in this my last will & testament as witness hereunto affix my hand
seal this the twenty six of July 1842 of our Lord one thousand eight hundred forty
two.

John B. Martin, John Long
Mary Bligh, J. Samuel Long

Samuel Martin

January 28th 1844

I this day in consideration of my former and dear to me late son alterations in part and
in like manner adding a sum of money to the sum of John W. Martin out of the sum
fifty dollars and fifty to my grandchild Elizabeth Chapman in my former will
I leave John W. Martin to have my wagon & horse by paying him
fifty dollars to my daughter Elizabeth Hawkins in trust during the time
of her marriage with John W. Martin as witness of my hand and seal I witnessed

State of Tennessee
Fayette County

March Term Court 1844

The following appears of record

Court not according to agreement present the worshipful William Belvoir, O. S. Evans & Elijah Henry, Esq's. Justices of the Peace of Fayette County, State of Tennessee, & the Just with the Just and the Clerical Dr. T. Amund of Sam'l Martin deceased was produced into open Court whenfor said John Long, Subscribing witness thereto took his just day before deposition day, and they were acquainted with Sam'l Martin the testator & that he acknowledged the same in this place to be his last Will and Testament and he had no other or further Will or Testament made by him at any time since his death and before his memory at the time of executing the same & that Mr. Martin the testator appointed in said will to make his Will himself a Trustee and give John Long and Sam'l Lee as his Trustees to the sum of Eight hundred dollars Carolina as the sum due to & for debts & for debts qualified or otherwise presentable.

State of Tennessee

Fayette County

I Simon Howard Clerk of the

County Court of said County do certify

that the above is a true Copy of the probate of said Will and as to a copy of record given in my office Notary my hand at

Offic. Et. the 18th March 1844

Fayette County Court 1844

Simon Howard Clerk

Will of
Lucy Meares Recd

I Lucy Meares of the County of Fayette in State of Tennessee to make and publish this my last Will and Testament hereby, making and making over all my real estate by me at any time now & so, And first, I direct that my body be decently interred and that my funeral be conducted in a manner corresponding with my estate and situation in life. And as to such worldly estate as it has pleased God to intrust me with I direct of the same as follows I direct that all my debt and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my death as possible out of the first money that shall come into my hands & my executors from any portion of my estate real or personal.

Indly, I leave to my daughter Susanna J. Meares and in trust of her death to her daughter Martha Ann Meares my only daughter. Lucy Chapman direct that my executors under shall hereafter be appointed shall have full authority to com-

mission that he shall purchase as soon as possible a negro woman with such money as shall be left after my just debts are paid which negro I direct to be given to my daughter Mary A. Meares and to the use of her body for the service of said negro he shall exclusively be rendering services on and during my aforesaid daughter Mary A. Meares so long as she shall live and the same be reasonably required.

Item I direct that after my just debts shall have been paid and after the purchase of the negro woman above mentioned if it should not require the sale of my Barnard of horses to pay said debts or make such purchases then the said Barnard of horses to be given to my son Daniel J. Meares.

Item I do hereby release my son Daniel J. Meares from any and all liability whatever that he may be due me for money, negro him or otherwise.

With I also direct that if my son John J. Meares is due me any thing from his or negroes that he be released from any all his debts notwithstanding any I for him have. Item, that should any of the notes which the my son John J. Meares may have taken any account for hire of negroes, give evidence that he be not held responsible for the same.

And I do hereby give he and Ordain my attorney and blood son John C. Meares Dauphin of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I Lucy Meares the Testator have to this my will written on one sheet of paper set my hand and seal this 3rd day of May Anno Domini One thousand eight hundred and forty three Signed sealed delivered in presence of us,

I. J. Cook
I. W. Clay

Suzy J. Meares Recd

State of Tennessee

Fayette County

March 1844

A written instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of Lucy Meares Recd was produced into open Court and the execution thereof duly proven by the oath of I. J. Cook one of the subscribing witnesses thereto being first sworn before me that he was acquainted with Lucy Meares the Testator and she acknowledged in his presence that she intended the same to be her last will & Testament and that she was sound minded and memory at the time of acknowledging the same & ordered by the Court to be entered of record.

State of Tennessee

Fayette County

Mar. 1844

A written instrument purporting to be last will & Testament of Lucy Meares Recd was produced into open Court I Thompson Commissioner of Court of Fayette and of the subscribing witnesses of which first day sworn deposed and say that he was acquainted with the said Lucy Meares the Testator of the aforesaid acknowledge the same as he grants to be her last will & Testament & that in addition she was in sound memory

men and memory at the time of signing the same and that he signed the same in the presence of a notary and is ready by the Court to be called of the record.

And therefore came into my care Mr. Ward who was appointed
as Probate Lawyer to the last will & Testament of Lucy Maria Pease I. Admitted to practice
solely dispensable by James P. W. Morris and John T. Steggs as his successors in the
firm of Mrs. Maria Pease's Condition as the law directs it was duly qualified and
Ward does Record and I do direct to be recorded.

State of Tampa

Attest my hand at office the 8th day of April 1844.

McLoone's Book

Acknowledged

Will of
Tho. S. Winston Licensed

It is my will and desire that Thomas R.
Coch and John W Mayo shall be the executors of this my last will and
testament and I give them full power and authority to conduct my business
arrange debts and settle up my estate to such persons as they may deem best

... And for the purpose of paying off my debts and settling up a
estate I convey them with full power & authority to sell and convey any
of my property either real or personal and I wish them to exercise these authority
as to the time and quantity and the time and terms of sale of such property as they may think necessary to be sold to effect the above objects
after paying all of my just debts it is my wish that the residue
of my property which I have already given shall go to each of my
children equally but in this distribution I wish the property which I
have already given to my daughter Emily to be taken into consideration
so that each child may receive an equal portion

The negro boy Peter was given by my brother Isaac Moore
and belongs to him. It is not to be taken into general service.

Witness my hand and seal this 15th July 1881

Test

J. N. Clegg
S. Weston

That I understand well

State of Tennessee
Fay. Co. County 3 April Term 1846
An written instrument purporting to be the
last will & testament of Thos J Weston deceased was

was produced into open court and thereupon came J. A. Cook and C. Winston subsisting
without their shirts being first duly sworn deposes and say that they were acquainted
with Thomas J. Weston the said testator and that they saw him sign and
publish this his last will and testament and that he was in sound and disposing
mind and memory at the time of signing the same and thereupon came
Thomas R. Cook and John W. Mayo Executors appointed in said will
and entered into bond themselves as principals and gave C. Winston and James
Mayo as their securities in the sum of thirty thousand dollars conditioned as
the law directs and was duly qualified as the law prescribes said bond was acknowledged
by the Court and ought to be entered of record
Wm. C. Stone Jr.

State of Pennsylvania
Fayette County I, James Noonie, Clerk of the County Court
of said County do hereby certify that the within
Probate of the last will and testament of Thomas J. Bradshaw deceased is above
Copy of the record in my office.

April 1844 *Witnes my hand at off from this 18th day of April 1844*

April 1844 D 11 6 1
J. C. Koenig Schle

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(c) Mrs. D. Munson, D.C.

Frank G.
Dadok William ^{of} dead

1988-01-01

W. Fadok Willard do make and publish this as
my last will and testament hereby revoking all other and all other wills by me at

any time made. First I direct that my funeral expenses all my last debts
be paid as soon as possible after my death out of any money I may
have left.

Secondly, it is my will and desire that all my estate both real and personal after the payment of my debts and funeral expenses remain in the

Common Stock until my wife shall marry & my Children shall respectively
arrive at the age of Twenty one years or more, the proceeds and profits of

and state or so much thereof as may be amply sufficient to be applied to the maintenance and support of my family and the education of

Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my wife Elyse our house and land lying in the town of Newmarket her said land to include

the buildings and other improvements on which I now need to lay off by compensation afforded by the Court for that purpose, and land which he desired to be sold and equally divided between myself and children or their heirs, or the wife of my said wife.

or at the expiration of her widowhood it is my will and desire that all my estate not herein bequeathed to her being equally divided between my children or the survivor of them or their heirs.

To my children respectively as they stand at the age of thirty one years or more I give and bequeath so much of my estate not herein before bequeathed as may at that time be intended to be proportionable to a distribution of the same equally amongst them.

Fiftieth. When my youngest child shall arrive at the age of thirty one years or more, it is my will and desire that a final distribution of my said estate be made amongst them in such manner that each shall have alike as near as may be agreeable to an estimation of his property at the time it was made by these respects.

Sixty. I do hereby nominate as my wife Eliza Hilliard my Executor. To make and publish my last Will & Testament and seal on the 23rd day of January in the year of our Lord 1844.

Signed Seal and dated

Dabney Collier Esq

acknowledges a present offer

J. A. Garrison, I do hereby sign

John W. Lewis.

State of Maryland
Fayette County 3 April Term 1844

A written instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of Dabney Hilliard deceased was produced before Court and the execution thereof was duly proven by the oaths of J. Garrison and John W. Lewis testifying with the plaintiff who had first filed suit and say that they were acquainted with Dabney Hilliard & the said witness that they saw him sign and publish the same to be his last will and testament as then present and Eliza Hilliard the executors appointed in said will, was called into court a witness to the same of whom they were told to be with J. A. Garrison and J. M. Campbell he recollects Garrison as the law directs, the said Eliza Hilliard thus avers that she is the attorney to the Court now in session that the provision made in said will is not satisfactory to her and that she now declines and in all respects rescinds this her signature and the right all time hereafter has and shall have to declare her disapprobation of the new claim and reserves the full right herein provided by the act of 1785 Cap. 27 of all other land to which the said will & its provisions as to her and the money duly quantified heretofore by the Court to be awarded.

State of Maryland
Fayette County 3 April Term 1844

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I, James Doonee clerk of the County Court of Fayette County do hereby certify that the above probate is a true copy from the records in my Office. Witness my hand at office this 11th day of April 1844.

D. Doonee et
B. J. Newell Attestant D.C.

Dabney Collier 3
Will

I Dabney Collier of Fayette County being aware of the uncertainty of life & the certainty of death in body but perfectly sound in mind & while in such a situation & having perfectly capable of acting correctly in such cases do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament revoking all others. I will & bequeath to my beloved wife Isabella all the negroes that belong to her at our intencion my slaves Susan and her two children Frances & Hickman, being now. Addition to the price of all negroes we desire. I give & bequeath the above mentioned negroes at the time of my death together with all the balance of my negroes which I may have or be entitled to in any manner whatever to any heir or heirs of my body in case of any such child or children I shall push child or children out alive or dead sufficient in sum to cause it or them to or not deserve of the same & it is my will and intent that the said property be equally divided between the children of my Brother Thomas & Sister Agnes heirs of their body. I give and my wife Isabella & her children of her natural life the one third part of the said negroes in the estate which I may die seized and possessed and the balance of all the rest & to belong to any heir or heirs of my body that may be, and I leave such child or children the before naming of full or half full age or next degree of the sum in any manner than by in that case to be equally divided between my Brother Thomas & Sister Agnes or the heirs or children of their body together with the one third part given by my said wife Isabella & as during her natural life after and upon the death of my said wife Isabella, And further I give and bequeath unto my said wife Isabella one third part of my all of such other property as I may inherit to at the time of my death & the balance to be disposed of as before mentioned as to my negroes I leave to in the same manner. I do also hereby appoint my Brother Thomas Collier my Executor to carry into effect & execute this my last will & testament. In testimony whereof at the said Dabney Collier hath hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the 5th day of September 1844.

Signed & sealed in presence of
the said "Dabney" in the 3rd & the
word "or not" in the 2nd line
written before signed
Sam'l Deaderick
Charles M. Dawson

Dabney Collier 3

State of New York Decr 20th 1843

Testamentary I The following appears of record to wit

Court of according to a document found the envelope
of the above Edward Phelps Attorney of the Law in the said
County of Orange I do hereby make & publish my last will & Testament.

I will that my body be interred at the last will & Testament
of Baby Le Cellier. Deceased was possessed unto other Court & Clerks to him
Sam'l H. Asher one of the subscribers witnesses thereto and who being first day
thereof present and say that he was acquainted with the said Baby Le Cellier
the Testator in that he saw him sign seal and execute the same to his last
will & Testament. That he believed him to be in sound and disposing mind and memory at
the time of signing the same & that he signed the same as witness in his presence required
by the law to be a sufficient further probate.

State of New York Decr 20th 1843

Testamentary I The following appears of record & correct

Court of according to a document present the worshipful
Moses L. Dowry, Edward Phelps Attorney of the Law in the
said County of Orange I do hereby make & publish my last will & Testament

I will that my body be interred at the last will & Testament
of Baby Le Cellier and be produced into other Court & Clerks to him
Court Clerks. No person in of the subscribers witnesses shall who being first present
say that he was acquainted with Baby Le Cellier the Testator & that he saw
him sign seal & execute the same to be his last will & Testament & that he believed him
to be in sound mind & memory at the time of signing the same & ordered by the court to
be set up of record.

State of New York I James Moore clk of the County Court of said Court
Testamentary I do by Cuff that the above Protocol of the will
of Baby Le Cellier be drawn & copy from the record in my office attys
myself at office on 10th May 1844

By
J. McNaullan, D.C.

Test. J. Winfield
Will

In the name of God Amen I do joel

I'm infold of the Court of Probate of State
of New York being of sound & disposing mind & memory though in an
imfirm state of health do make & renew this my last will & Testament in
Mamma & form following to wit

Item 1st it is my will & desire that my whole estate be kept together for the
purpose of paying my just debts by the proceeds of the estate to
my executors herein after named or continued to keep it together for some years

if this should be deemed the most desirable course. In profit and expenses of the
farm to be shared by all the legatees in proportion to their respective interest in my Estate.
But if any of my children marry or from other cause dies or deserts it is my will
of them that it be made at the end of the year next ^{Decr 20th} I give and bequeath unto my son Alexander
Benson Winfield the southern half of the section of land on which I reside which
section is to be divided by a line running East from the corner of Mrs. Willard's land
to Mrs. Parham's gate on the lane, dividing his land from mine to him & his heirs forever.

Item 2d. I will & beg with the other (the northern half) of the section of
land in which I reside to my son Augustus Robert Winfield to him & his heirs
forever.

Item 3d. I have and bequeath to my daughter Lucy Anne the following slaves
& their future increase in Money. I give & bequeath to her & her heirs forever.

Item 4th. I have & bequeath to my daughter Mary Francis Winfield the
following slaves & their future increase in Money. I give & bequeath to her & her heirs forever.

Item 5th. I give & bequeath to my Daughter Martha Anna Winfield
the following slaves & their future increase in Money. I give & bequeath to her & her heirs forever.

Item 6th. I give & bequeath unto my four children Lucy Ann Anne
Martha Anna, Mary Francis Winfield, Alexander Benson Winfield & Augustus Robert
Winfield equally all my Stock of horses Cows Sheep hogs & all cattle house tools,
household & kitchen furniture excepting four beds & furniture to them & their heirs forever.

Item 7th. I give and bequeath to my four children Mary Francis Martha
Anna Alexander Benson and Augustus Robert each one feather bed & sheet & blanket
to them & their heirs forever.

Item 8th. I give and bequeath unto my son William S. Winfield my
Clock case & Lamp to him & his heirs forever.

Item 9th. It is my will & desire that if any of my children die under age
& without issue that the portion of my estate bequeathed them shall be divided
equally among all my surviving children.

Item 10th. All the residue of my estate of every description not spe-
cifically given away it is my will & desire that it may be equally divided
among all my children including my son William S. Winfield & the division to
be made by any three of the Neighbors.

11th Item. I do appoint my Sons Moses Winfield & Augustus Robert
Winfield Executors of this my last will & Testament. In Testimony whereof
I have caused to be my hand & affixed my seal the 20th January 1844

Wm. J. Winfield

R. H. Parham
W. M. Gorder
I. N. Parham

Witness, It is my will & desire that all my books be equally
divided between my three Sons Moses Winfield, Alexander Benson
& Augustus Robert Winfield resting my hand and

Seal J. Winfield 

at the 26th January 1844.

Wm Thompson
R. D. Graham
W. H. Gorder
J. H. Barnes

State of Tennessee

Hayes County 3 May 1844

The following appears of record to wit.

Received and according to a judgment Recd the worshipfull Wm. S. King
Elizabt. Neely & Edward Eggers Testifies of the record is to the said Court of
Hayes & State of Tennessee & Justice of the Peace & I knowe that

A written instrument purporting to be the last will & testament of said J. W. Mifflin
deceased was produced unto apon Court & it was cause unto open Court R. D. Graham
and W. H. Gorder subscribing witnesses thereto who being first duly sworn depose and say
that they were acquainted with the said J. W. Mifflin the testator & that they saw
him sign seal & execute the same to be his last will and Testament and caused there
unto and they believe him in sound mind & memory at the time of executing the same
& that they signed the same in his presence & witness & Thompson cause unto Court Wm. S.
Winfield & Augustus P. Winfield who was appointed executor in said will & seal
of the said J. W. Mifflin deceased & return unto bond themselves as principals
& sureties in the sum of Seven Thousand dollars conditioned
as law directs & that they have until the next term of the Court to give account
in Escheat Bonds and they were duly qualified as the law prescribes and ordered
by the Court to be sealed & record.

I J. H. Barnes Clerk of the Court Court of Hayes County do hereby
certify that the above Proofs is a true copy from the record in my office, witnessed my
hand at office the 10th day of May 1844.

J. H. Barnes Clerk
I. H. H. Weston A.C.

State of Tennessee Hayes County 1844. The following appears of record to wit
Hayes County 3 Court held yesterday, to adjourn & present the record before
Wm. S. King, Elizabt. Neely and Edward Eggers for recd of the record in the said
Court of Hayes & State of Tennessee & Justice of the Peace & I knowe that
Harrison Clerk of said court

J. W. Mifflin Esq.

Hayes County Tennessee

After H. Brown
Will

I Sign H. C. Brown do make and
publish this my last Will and Testament
In writing & making void all others made
by me at any time before. First I direct that my funeral expenses and all
my debts be paid, as soon after my death as possible, out of my money
that I may die pleased & as my first care unto the hand of my executors
Secondly, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Ann Eliza Brown one half
of my property real and personal, to her & her heirs forever, provided however
it is my will & desire that she shall have in addition to the above bequest my
writing manuall.

Thirdly, In the event of my beloved wife having issue by me I give &
bequeath to said issue male or female the other half of my property real
and personal, except as here before provided, in the second clause of this my last
will and testament.

Fourthly, In the event of the death of any issue which my beloved wife
may have by me before it shall arrive at her full age, and without issue
or in the event that my beloved wife shall have no living issue by me, then I
give and bequeath to my Father Francis C. Brown, the entire property
left to such issue, to ent, the one half of my property real and personal
except as here before provided in the second clause of this my last will
and testament.

Fifthly, It is my will and desire that my Executor herein after named
shall select three disinterested persons to make division of the property as
here bequeathed.

Sixthly, I do leave nominate & command George Thompson my
Executor and having full faith in his integrity and ability I do
myself that he shall not be required to give security for the execution
of this my last will and Testament. To witness whereof I do
to this my last Will set my hand and seal this 25th Day of August
1844.

Signed, Sealed and published in our presence
and we have subscribed our names unto us
the present of the last day the 25th instant
Joseph S. Mathews

Horace & Selke

H. C. Brown
Esq.

State of Tennessee Be it remembered that at a Court
Held in Hayes County 3 Court began and held in and for
the County of Hayes & State of Tennessee to last hour in the
25th of December 1844 the following affirms of their ten-

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Court met according to adjournment present the aforesaid William W.
Simeon Hanson, William Fullerton, Eliphalet Knobell and others. Copy return
of the process in Uxbridge Court, Bef. C. Justice Shiff and J. Wm. Brewster
Judge of Probate
Day of December 3 October Thirtieth 1844.

A written instrument offering to be the last will and testament
of James Stinson was produced into open Court at Uxbridge Court and after
Court had passed and Joseph C. Miller subscriber witness thereto who
had first day before and copy that they are acquainted with James
Stinson and that they have seen his seal and find both the same as
his last will and testament and that he was in sound and disposing mind
and memory and Thompson came into sufficient George Thompson and was
duly qualified as the Law Processor or Law Executor and
with authority his executors to set and publish the same
through the Court and the same to be made publickly
Held: December Thirtieth
B
In witness whereof
James Stinson

James Stinson
Will
do make and publish this my
last will and testament fully reciting and making void all other
wills by me at any time made.

First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts
be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any
money that I may die possessed of or may just come into
the hands of my executors.

Second For the respect that I have for Clark Neal my
brother in law I give and bequeath to him one note I held over
him for the sum of fifteen dollars due for the law and services
I have for my wife Margaret Capeney Stinson and for John Hall
for James Hall, I therefore bequeath my two nephews I give and bequeath to them and the balance
of my property both real and personal etc and regulate to be
divided between them equally. Lastly I nominate and appoint
John Hall Stinson my executor in writing witness thereto this
21st day of May and sealed this 18th day of August
1844. Sealed and placed hereon front and under seal
as witness to the nature in the presence of the deceased this day James Stinson
and another witness George Thompson. Just Wm. Brewster

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A written instrument offering to be the last will and testament
of James Stinson deceased was this day produced into open Court
and Amos C. Cane into open Court George Thompson and James C.
Baker Subscribing witness to the last will and testament of the said
Decedent who being first duly sworn deposes and say that they were
afforementioned acquainted with the aforesaid testator and that they
saw him sign and execute the same and Thompson came
into open Court John A. Thompson and entered into bond himself
as principal and gave for I the sum of James Stinson as his executors or
the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars conditioned with two bonds and duly qualified the testator
bonds and countermanded themselves as such decedent and George Thompson the testator to be
witness of their

Held
Jas. Wm. Brewster Clerk
By
John A. Thompson, Deputy Clerk

The above is a true copy from the Minutes of the Court.

Watty Neal
Will

I Watty Neal do make and publish this my
last will and testament hereby, nothing contained
via or other shall by me at any time made
First I direct that my funeral expenses and all
my debt be paid as soon after my death
as possible out of any money that I may
die possessed of or may just come into the hands of my executors
Secondly I give and bequeath to my Son William H. Neal all my land
house hold and kitchen furniture forming thereinto
Thirdly I give to my Son William H. Neal all my Stock of cattle hogs
and sheep, and Fourthly I give to my Son William H. Neal
my negro man Bacon. Fifthly I give and bequeath to my
Granddaughter Martha Stinson her and Conbie and one
Siddaddle Sixthly I give and bequeath to my Granddaughter Alice
C. H. C. Newell and her husband Seventhly I give to my
Grandson James H. Brown son Conbie. Eighthly I
give to my Daughter Anna H. or the one half of a estate
to my daughter held in the estate of my Brother Joseph Price
of Two hundred dollars and at her death to the lawful heirs of
her body Ninthly I give to my Grandson James H. Brown
the other half of the above named estate of Two hundred dollars
that I hold on the estate of my Brother Joseph Price Tenthly
I give to my Son William H. Neal my negro woman Mary
Eleventhly I do hereby nominate William Neal and Wm. Brown

My Executors in Writing which I do to the best of my skill set
my hand and seal this 26 day of August one thousand eight
hundred and forty four.

Wm D Palmer
Peter W. Braster

Will & Seal

State of Tennessee November Term County Court sitting the 6th day
Fayette County, 3rd of said Month The following appears
of record Court met according to a warrant from the
the Mississippi William C. Soring, Elijah Henry and E. G. Evans
Esquires Justices of the Peace in and of Said County

This day was produced unto Open Court Stephen Loring pur-
suing to be the last will & Testament of Henry et al late of Fayette
County Deced and the execution thereof was proven by the
Oath of Peter W. Braster the only Subscribing Witness thereto & it
further appearing that the said Loring (said markable)
is not in the Sound Writing of the deceased It is therefore
ordered & ordered to be Recorded as the last will & Testament of
the said Henry et al in regard to the personalty alone
mentioned therein & not as a will setting real estate aside
~~Execution~~ thereupon came unto Open Court William A. Neal &
William C. Brooks Executors appointed in said will and entered
into Bond them selves as principal and Gav. L. B. Ross as
their Sureties in the sum of Two Thousand Dollars, Condi-
tion as the law directs and was duly qualified said Bond
was paid & confirmed by the Court and ordered take intire
of Record.

The foregoing is a true copy of the Probate of said
will as appears by the record now in my office witness my hand
at affix the 8th November 1844

I do hereby dep

State of Tennessee Fayette County November 1844

Wm D Palmer
Will

I William D Palmer do make this my last will
and testament hereby revoking and making
void all other Wills by me at any time made
First I direct that my Funeral Expenses and
all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible
out of any monies that I may die possessed of or may come
into the hands of my executors

Secondly I give and bequeath to my eldest daughter Elizabeth
Ann Clark two negro women and their increase Eliza and
her children and Marcella and her children and ten Dollars
to be paid in money.

Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth
Anne and daughter Mary James and Sons John Hobson
Palmer and Chas J. Palmer all other property I may die
possessed of both real and personal of what nature
and kind whatever to have and hold during their natural
lives and should the three last named children out-
live their mother to have her part of my Estate to them
and their heirs forever and whatever may fall to me
from any other legacy hereafter to have and hold in
the same way above directed.

And lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my brother
Chas J. Palmer my Executor in witness whereof I do
this my last will set my hand and seal this 31st May
1844

Wm D Palmer Esq

Signed sealed and published in our presence and we have sub-
scribed our names hereto in the presence of the Testator this
31st May 1844

Witnesses

J. D. Whyche

G. C. Whyche

Hand writing proven by W. J. Bonner and B. Branch

State of Tennessee December Term County Court at
Fayette County 3rd being the 2nd day of said month
The following appears of record Court met accor-
ding to adjournment present the worshipful W. C.
Soring, Elijah Henry & E. G. Evans Esquires Justices of the
peace for said County.

A written instrument purporting to be the last will and
testament of W. D. Palmer Esq was produced into

Open Court and thereupon came into Court J.P. Myche
one of the subscribing witnesses thereto who being first duly
sworn depon and say that he was acquainted with Wm
P. Palmer the Testator and that he saw him sign said
and declare the same to be his last will and testament and
believe that he was in sound mind and memory at the time
of his signing the same and he signed the same in his presence
as a witness and therupon came into Court W. J. Bonner
and Benj. Branch who first being duly sworn depon
and say that they were acquainted with Wm P. Palmer
Testator and that they believe that the whole of said
Instrument and also the signature purporting to be his is
the handwriting of said W.P. Palmer the Testator and
the other witness G. E. May the lives beyond the limits of
this State. And ordered by the Court to be certified

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I Roonee clk
By W.M. Hinds proth S.C.

Mrs Ann Reaves
Will

December Term 1844
State of Tennessee Fayette County

I, Ann Reaves of the County of Fayette and
State of Tennessee do hereby make my last will
and testament in manner and form following
that is to say 1st I give and devise to my son

William Rives his green painted chairs now in the house
also a bed bedstead and furniture to him and his heirs forever

Secondly I give and devise to my son Richard Rives all
my part and interest in a gin now on the plantation of said
Richard Rives to him and his heirs forever

Thirdly I give and devise to my Grand daughter Ann Eliza Brown
my best bed curtain bedstead with all the furniture belonging
to it to her and her heirs forever

Fourthly I give and devise to my grandson Richard Hardaway
Rives my clock to him and his heirs forever

Fifthly I give and devise to my Grandson L. Evans
Rives the sum of one hundred dollars to be paid out
of the proceeds of my crops to him and his heirs forever

Sixthly I give and devise to my son Richard Rives all my
trust of land on which I now reside containing about
One Hundred and seventy acres the same in so
or less also my Waggon and one yoke of oxen to

Him and his heirs and Executors forever nevertheless in trust
for my Daughter Julia Boisecaw during her natural life
and after the decease of my said daughter Julia Boisecaw to be
disposed of in such a way as my said daughter Julia may
direct or appoint in her last will and testament. But should
she the said Julia Boisecaw die without will or testament then
the said land to be disposed of by public Sale for the
mutual benefit of her Children the said Julia Boisecaw
and further in trust if my son Richard Rives should
conclude to move and my said daughter Julia Boisecaw
may desire to move with him then for the said Richard
Rives to sell the said tract of Land thus given in trust
West the proceeds of said Sale in other lands for my said
in accordance with the terms of said gift in trust.
Lastly my wish and desire is that my daughter Julia Boisecaw
have no part or portion of the Residue of my property
not hereby devised.

Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my sons
W.M. Rives and Richard Rives Executors of this my last
will and testament hereby revoking all other or
former wills or testaments by me heretofore made
or written whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and affixed my seal this the 21st of October 1844

Signed sealed and declared
as and for the last Will and
testament of the above named
Ann Rives in the presence
of us

Wm M. Harrison
Witness John D. Corwin

Ann Rives Seal
mark

State of Tennessee December Term 1844 A.D. being the
Fayette County 3rd day of said month the following appears of
record Court met according to adjournment present the worshipful
W.C. Loving Elijah Hinley & C.L. Evans Esqrs Justices of the peace
for said County

An written instrument purporting to be the last will and testament
of Ann Rives was produced into open court and the execution
thereof duly proved by the oaths of W.M. Harrison and
John D. Corwin Subscribing witnesses to the same and they
being first duly sworn depon and say that they was acquaint
ed with Ann Rives the Testatrix and that they saw
her sign sealed and publish the same by making four

Her mark to be her last will and Testament an
that they believed she was in sound and disposing mind
and memory at the time of signing the same and ordered
by the Court to be entered of record be

The foregoing is a true Copy of the probate
of said Will as appears of Record now in my Office
Witness my hand at Office this 10th day of December
1844
J. Koonce Ctr
By W.W. Humpreys, C.

F. E. Broom's
Will

December Term 1844 State of Penna Fayette County
In the name of God Amen I Francis E. Broom of the
County of Fayette and State of Pennsylvania being in
perfect mind and sound memory do make and

ordain this my last will and Testament. (Wz) My will is when I die
that my body be decently buried, and as regards my worldly estate
in the first place my will is that all my just debts must be paid
Then I give my Eldest son Jno H. Broom One Negro man by the name
of Harry one Horse Saddle and bridle worth one Hundred Dollars
One Leather Bed and furniture. I also give my son Robert one
Horse saddle and bridle one Leather Bed and Furniture And then
my will is that all the rest of my Estate both real and personal
be equally divided between my dear wife and all the children.
The Negro man Harry which I give to my son Jno H. with a
Negro woman Harrys wife by the name of Phillis and all of her
children must be released and if they are not Equal with the
rest my will is that he be made Equal. in the Negroes, my will is
in the division of the land my wife take her part that the
dwelling House is in. When I mentioned Phillis and her
children I do not include (Peggy) her Eldest daughter with
them my will also is that my wife keep all the property
together until the oldest Robt becomes of age or marries then
he may take his part out by having a division. Then the balance
to be kept together until the next becomes of age or marries then
she have a division and so on in rotation until the last
of my children arrives of age or marries. My will is that my
wife take her part at any time when she thinks proper
after my death I leave my two sons Jno H. Broom and Robt
Broom with my wife, Executors to this my last Will and
Testament with full power to act in Testimony whereof
I hereunto set my hand and seal this 19th day of January 1844

State of Pennsylvania November Term County Court 1844 it being
Fayette County, the 4th day of said month the following
appears of Record Court met according to adjournment present
the Worshipful Wilson & Loving Elijah Henry & Ed Evans Esqrs
Justices of the peace in and for said County
A written Instrument purporting to be the last will and testament
of Francis E. Broom was produced into open Court and the
Execution thereof duly proven by the Oath of R.M. McDry one
of the subscribing Witnesses to the same and who being first
duly sworn deposed and say that he was acquainted with F.E.
Broom the testator and that he saw him sign seal and publish
the same to be his last will and testament and that he believes he
was in sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of signing the
same and attested to be certified &c and then
on came into open Court George Thompson and was appointed Adm
istrator of all and singular the goods and chattels right and
Credits of Francis E. Broom & co with the will annexed and
entered into bond himself as principal and Saml R.M. McDry
and Saml J. Neal as his securities in the sum of thirty five thousand
and Dollars Conditions as the law directs and was duly qualified
as the law prescribes said bond was Recd by the Court and ordered
to enter of record
J. Koonce Ctr

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State of Pennsylvania December Term County Court 1844 St
Fayette County, being the 3rd day of said month the following
appears of Record Court met according to adjournment
Present the Worshipful W.C. Loving Elijah Henry & Ed Evans
Esqrs justices of the peace in and for said County

A written Instrument purporting to be the last
will and testament of Francis E. Broom was produced
into open Court and the Execution thereof duly acknowledged
proven by the Oath of J. B. Daniel
one of the subscribing Witnesses to the same and
who being first duly sworn deposed and say that he was
acquainted with F.E. Broom the testator and that he saw him
sign seal and publish the same to be his last will and testa
ment and that he believes that he was in sound and disposing
mind and memory at the time of signing the same and attested
by the Court to be so certified
J. Koonce Ctr

The foregoing is a true copy of the probate of J. W. Humpreys
and appears of record now in my office

her mark to be her last will and testament and
that they believed she was in sound and disposing mind
and memory at the time of signing the same and ordered
by the Court to be entered of record.

The foregoing is a true copy of the probate
of said will as appears of record now in my office
Witness my hand at office this 16th day of December
1844

I. Koomer Clerk

By W. H. Newaythle, Esq.

S. E. Broom's Will.

December 1844 State of Pennsylania County
In the name of God Amen I Francis E. Broom of the
County of Fayette and State of Pennsylvania being in
perfect mind and sound memory do make and
ordain this my last will and testament. (C) My will is when I die
that my body be decently buried, and as regards my worldly estate
in the first place my will is that all my just debts must be paid.
Then I give my Eldest son John H. Broom one Negro man by the name
of Harry one Horse Saddle and bridle worth one Hundred Dollars
One Leather Bed and furniture. I also give my son Robert one
Horse saddle and bridle one Leather Bed and Furniture. And then
my will is that all the rest of my Estate both real and personal
be equally divided between my dear wife and all the children.

The Negro man Harry which I give to my son Isaac H. with a
Negro woman Harrys wife by the name of Hillis and all of her
children must be valued and if they are not equal with the
rest my will is that he be made Equal. in the Negroes, my will is
in the division of the land my wife take her part that the
dwelling House is one. When I mentioned Hillis and her
children I do not include (Peggy) her Eldest daughter with
them my will also is that my wife keep all the property
together until the oldest Robt. becomes of age or marries then
he may take his part out by having a division. Then the balance
to be kept together until the next becomes of age or marries
then she have a division and so on in rotation until the last
of my children arrives of age or marries. My will is that my
wife take her part at any time when she thinks proper
after my death I leave my two sons Isaac H. Broom and Robt.
Broom with my wife. Execution to this my last will and
testament with full power to act in testimony whereof
I have set my hand and seal this 16th day of December
1844. I. Koomer & W. H. Newaythle

State of Pennsylvania } November Term County Court 1844 it being
Fayette County } the 4th day of said month the following
appears of Record Court met according to adjournment present
the Worshipful Wilson & Loving Elijah Henry & E. Edwards Esqrs
justices of the peace in and for said County.

A written instrument purporting to be the last will and testament
of Francis E. Broom Esq. was produced into open Court and the
Execution thereof duly proven by the oath of R. M. Kirby one
of the subscribing witnesses to the same and who being first
duly sworn deposed and say that he was acquainted with F. E.
Broom the testator and that he saw him sign seal and publish
the same to be his last will and testament and that he believes he
was in sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of signing the
same and caused by the Court to be certified to and filed
on Court into open Court George Thompson and was appointed Adminis-
trator of all and singular the goods and chattels right and
Credits of Francis E. Broom deceased with the will annexed and
entered into bond him self as principal and Saml. R. Kirby
and Saml. J. Neal as his securities in the sum of thirtysix thousand
and Dollars Conditions as the law directs and was duly qualified
as the law prescribes said bond was Recd by the Court and ordered
to enter of record

I. Koomer Clerk

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State of Pennsylvania } December Term County Court 1844 It
Fayette County } being the 3rd day of said month the following
appears of Record Court met according to adjournment
present the Worshipful M. C. Loving Elijah Henry & E. Edwards
Esqrs justices of the peace in and for said County.

A written instrument purporting to be the last
will and testament of Francis E. Broom Esq. was produced
into open Court and the Execution thereof duly ack-
nowledged proven by the oath of R. B. Daniel
one of the subscribing witnesses to the same and
who being first duly sworn deposed and say that he was
acquainted with F. E. Broom the testator and that he saw him
sign seal and publish the same to be his last will and testa-
ment and that he believes that he was in sound and disposing
mind and memory at the time of signing the same and certified
by the Court to be so certified

I. Koomer Clerk

The foregoing is a true copy of the probate of 30 Wm. Newaythle
and as appears of record now in my office
this 16th day of December 1844

State of Tennessee Fayette County

Phoebe Sims
Will

December Term County Court 1844
I Phoebe Sims being of sound and perfect
mind and memory do make and publish this my
last will and testament in manner and form
following. First I give & bequeath unto my dear
father Martin Sims all my land together with my other per-
sonal Estate whatsoever to hold to him the said Martin Sims his
heirs and assigns forever whom I hereby appoint sole
Administrator of this my last will and testament hereby
canceling all former wills by me made in witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal
this 14 day of September 1839

Phoebe Sims Seal

Signed sealed published and declared by the above named Phoebe
Sims to be her last will and testament in the presence of who
have hereunto Subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence
of the testator.

First Witness

G. B. & Porter

J. Dickerson

C. Rives

State of Tennessee December Term of County Court 1844 being
Fayette County the 2^d day of said month the following appears of
Record Court met according to adjournment present the worshipful
W. C. Loving, Elijah Henry & Ed Evans Esqrs Justices of the peace
for said County.

A written instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of
Phoebe Sims & it was produced into Open Court and thereupon
Came into Open Court J. Dickerson one of the subscribing wit-
nesses to the said Will who being first duly sworn deposed and say
that he was acquainted with Phoebe Sims the testatrix and that
she acknowledged the same in his presence to be her last will
and testament and that he believes she was in sound and
disposing mind and memory at the time of signing the
same and that he signed said Will in her presence as a
witness and ordered by the Court to be so certified for
further probate &c

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I. Moore clk
By W. W. Harpster S. C.

State of Tennessee Fayette County
January Term 1845
Sept 26th 1844

Thos Harris
Will

In the name of God Amen
This being my last will and testament I first
desire all my just debts paid first I wish John
Worsham as administrator of the Estate and
wish after the debts are paid for the balance
of the Estate to be kept together for seven years
for the benefit of my wife & children

Harris and little children and at the expiration of the seven years
for the property to be equally divided between my wife & children
(183) Also W. Harris, Ann Eliza Harris, Lafayette Harris, Dennisia
Frances Harris, M. L. Harris, Marshall Harris, Laura Virginia Harris
I wish my administrator John Worsham to sell a little money
in the name of Emma to help pay the debts should he
think it best to do so. Also desire the negroes to be sold
if they do not suit the family and replace them by buying
more in their place I give also unto my son Marshall my
gold Watch also I give unto my son McKinney my Slave buttons
Also I give unto my son George my breast pin & Shot Gun.

Signed sealed & delivered the day year above written.
Set
B. F. J. Geddie R
(W. M. Harris)

State of Tennessee January Term of County Court 1845
Fayette County the 6th day of said month the following
appears of Record Court met according to adjournment
present the worshipful W. C. Loving, Ed Evans & Elijah
Henry Esqrs Justices of the peace for said County

A written instrument purporting to be the last
will & testament of Thos Harris & it was produced into open
Open Court & thereupon Came into Open Court D. G. McRiddick
& George Harris Subscribing witnesses thereto & who being
first duly sworn do say they were acquainted
with Thos Harris the Testator & that they saw him sign
said & publish the same to be his last will & testament
& that they believe he was in sound & disposing mind &
memory at the time of signing the same & that they
Signed the same in his presence as witnesses And then
came John Worsham & Dennisia Harris and made
ath before the Court that the word interlineatum

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between the Seven and Years years done by the said John Worham by request of Thomas Harris the Testator and in his presence before his death, and thereupon the Court ordered the said Will to be recorded.

And thereupon came into open Court John Worham who was appointed Executor of the last Will & Testament of Thomas Harris dead and entered into Bond himself as principal and gave Pennington A. Harris & J. Small & C. Watson as his securities in the sum of two thousand Dollars. Conditions as the law directs and was duly qualified as the law prescribes said Bond was read & confirmed by the Court & ordered to be entered of Record. J. Koonce Clerk.
R. W. Colving Chmn
(Accepted)

Henry Kirk
Will

State of Tennessee Fayette County.
I being low in body but sound in mind do this day make my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all others before by me made. I give all my property both real & personal property to my children (viz) Sarah Kirk, Mary Gravus, Eliza Koonce, Lazarus B. Kirk, Henry Kirk, Adaline Kirk, Martha Kirk and Catharine Kirk. I having given heretofore to Catharine Kirk and John Kirk what concive to be equal to each share for the other children above mentioned which property both real and personal is to be divided equally between the above first named eight children after the death of my wife Sarah Kirk, to whom I leave all my property for her support and for raising & supporting the children that remain with her, and it is my will that they shall remain together and manage the property to the best advantage as a family. It is my desire that my Executor hereinafter appointed shall sell the tract of land and plantation on which they now live reserving half an acre to include the burying ground and purchase another place or tract of land for the use of my wife and family. Should any of the children marry and go to themselves and the estate is in a condition to admit it leaving equality of property for the rest and plenty support for my wife and family, that they be given off as much as Catharine Kirk or John

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Kirk has received provided Mary Gravus and Elizabeth Thomas have this night to the first distribution or any amount that can be spared.

It is my desire that my Executor collect the debts due the estate and sell such property as in his judgment and in the judgment of the family can best be spared and pay all my just debts with the proceeds thereof.

I appoint Lazarus B. Kirk my sole Executor to execute and carry into effect this my last Will & Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 13th day of July in the year of our Lord 1840
Witness
W. M. Warner
John Price

State of Tennessee Fayette County Court 1845 It being the 7th day of September of said month Present the Worshipful W. Colving Elijah Henry & C. S. Evans Esqrs Justices of the Peace for said County. The following appears of Record

I written instrument purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Henry Kirk deceased was produced into open Court and the seal on thereof duly proved by the oath of John Price one of the subscribing witnesses to said Instrument or will and who being first duly sworn deposed and say that he was acquainted with the said Henry Kirk the testator and that he saw him sign seal and publish the same to be his last Will and Testament as he believed he was in sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of signing the same as is ordered by the Court to be so certified
(A Copy Sert.)

J. Koonce Clerk

State of Tennessee 3rd day of County Court 1845 It being the 3rd day of Fayette County Said month Present the Worshipful W. Colving Elijah Henry & C. Evans Justices of the peace for said County. The following appears of Record

A written instrument purporting to be the last Will & Testament of Henry Kirk deceased was produced into open Court during term into open Court W. M. Warner one of the subscribing witnesses to the said last Will & Testament of said Henry Kirk deceased who being first duly sworn deposed say that he heard the said Henry Kirk the testator acknowledge the same in his presence to be his last Will & Testament & that he believes he was in sound mind and memory at the time of signing the same & he signed it in his presence as a witness & to be so certified by the Court
(A Copy Sert.)

J. Koonce Clerk

James Walls
Will.

State of Tennessee Fayette County Jan 24th 1845
I James Walls of the County and State above
being of sound mind & memory do make this
my last Will and Testament in the manner
& form following viz first and principally
I wish my tract of Land on which I now
live to be sold on a credit of one year & three years & the price
to be applied if any time be after paying my just debt
to the purchase of a small tract of Land near Chas Mur-
phy for the use and benefit of my beloved wife Harriet Wall
& four children viz Elizabeth - Sagan - Amy & Sam Wall
2nd My will & intent is that 2 or 3 of my negroes to be here out
as my Executor or myself think most expedient
3rd I wish all my other property such as my Crop Stock and
all kind Household and Kitchen furniture sold & divided
part of the same as my Executor may in his judgment think
necessary for the use and convenience of my wife & four
children

I do constitute and appoint my Brother in law
Chas Murphy of the County of Hardeman & State of
Tennessee sole Executor to this my last Will & Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
In the presence of 3 day and date above written.

Attest to Wall 3
James W. Henry
3rd Jan 24th 1845
James W. Henry

James Walls (Seal)

State of Tennessee 3 February Term of Court 1845
Fayette County it being the 3rd day of said month present the
Worshipful W.C. Loving Esq. Evans & Elijah Henry Esqrs.
acting Justices of the Peace for said County the following
appears of record

A written instrument purporting to be the
last Will & Testament of James Walls was produced into
Open Court & thereupon came into Open Court Newton Wall
& James W. Henry Subscribing witnesses to the said last Will &
Testament of said James Walls also who being first duly sworn de-
clared that they heard the said James Walls the Testator acknowl-
edge the same in their presence to be his last Will and Testament
& that they believe he was in sound mind & memory at
the time of signing the same and they signed it as witness
in his presence & ordered by the Court to be so certified

And thereupon came into Open Court Chas Murphy the Executor
appointed for said will and entered into bond & security
for principal and gave T W Henry & John C. Evans
as his securities in the sum of five thousand dollars conditioned
as the law directs and was duly qualified said Bond was Recd
by the Court and ordered to be Entered of Record
Witnessed Cain
(A copy sent)

John Moore CLK

Son J. Mosley
Will

State of Tennessee Fayette County Jan 6th 1840
I Jordan J. Mosley of Fayette County and State
of Tennessee being feeble in body but of sound
mind and memory do make my Will in the
following manner to wit.

1st I give to my Brothers Benjamin J. Mosley
Joseph J. Mosley & John W. Mosley & others J. Mosley
and Burnell J. Mosley George E. Gibson my half Brothers each
an equal portion of my effects after all of my expenses are
satisfied out of my effects I further desire that my two
half Sisters Frances J. Gibson & Louisiana Gibson each to have
a nice crop worth Ten dollars each. I further desire that John
W. Mosley Should act as my administrator in witness where-
of I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 6th day of January
1840

Witness

Jesse A. Pepper

John Eddings

March Term 1845

State of Tennessee Court met according to adjournment present
Fayette County the Worshipful W.C. Loving & C. Evans & ~~Elijah Henry~~
Justices of the Peace for said County I witness thereupon purport-
ing to be the last Will & Testament of Jordan J. Mosley was produc-
ed into Open Court & thereupon came into Open Court Jesse
A. Pepper & John Eddings Subscribing witnesses thereto
who being first duly sworn deposed and said that they
were acquainted with the said Jordan J. Mosley the testator
& that he acknowledged the same in their presence to be his act
and deed & believing that he was in sound and disposing mind
memory at the time of signing the same & ordered by the Court
to be entered of Record

Samuel Moore CLK

By

W. C. Campbell Jr

Elizabeth Carroll
Will.

In the name of God Amen I Elizabeth Carroll of

County of Fayette and State of Tennessee bringe
in body but of sound mind & disposing memory
make publish and declare this my last Will
and Testament to which I constiute and app-

my beloved sons John M. Carroll and Elias Carroll my executors.

First - And principally I recommend my immortal spirit to God who
gave it and my body to the dust from whence it was taken to be buried
decently at the discretion of my executors and my executor estate I give
dispossession as follows

Item first - My Will and desire is that after my decease my negro man
Jacob be valued by three disinterested arbitrators to be called in by my
executors. The one half of his value I give to my son Joseph Carroll
with the privilege of keeping said Negro forever provided he pay over
or otherwise secure the payment of the other half of said boy's value
to a debt due and owing by Abner Carroll to the Estate of James W.
deacon which will appear by reference to the records of this County in
case of failure on the part of my son Joseph to take said boy and pay
to Abner Carroll debt as aforesaid the one half of his value my will &
desire is that said boy be sold either by the Consent and joint action
of my sons Abner and Joseph either privately or publicly or by my executors the
one half of his value to go to Joseph Carroll and the other to the debt afo-
re due and owing as aforesaid.

Item 2^d My Will and desire is that whereas there are unsettled ac-
counting between the Estate of my late husband Saml Carroll deceased
and George G Durham my son in law which I have good reason to believe
and do believe are all paid and should have been cancelled. Therfore
my wish is that the said George G Durham be requested by my executors to
cancel all such notes or accounts as he may have against said
estate and that receipts be passed in full by each party upon the
performance of said condition by said Durham I give and bequeath
to his wife Elizabeth Durham & my daughter and her heirs the one
half of the value of a negro woman named Phillis and the other
half of the value of said woman I give and bequeath to my daughter
Ruthy McFadden and her heirs. In case of failure on the part of
George G Durham to perform said condition my will is that wh-
ever amount he may recover against the estate of my husband
as aforesaid or against my estate be paid out of the Am-
Constitutionally will a to his wife the division in said woman
to be made by agreement between the parties or in case of
disagreement between them by three arbitrators to be
selected by my executors who shall determine the value

of said girl and if my daughter Ruthy McFadden pays over or causes to be paid over
or otherwise secure the same for the purpose hereinbefore mentioned the one
half of the value of said woman my wish is for her to have her forever
otherwise my daughter Elizabeth Durham is empowered with the same privilege
and in case of failure of both to comply my executors are required to sell her
and apply the proceeds as above pointed out.

Item 3^d I give and bequeath to my beloved son John M. Carroll his heirs forever
the tract of land wherein I now live containing One Hundred acres more
or less adjoining the lands of Abel Thorpe George B. Perry & others
also one Negro Girl named Alice with her future increase be
paying to Nathaniel Carroll of Texas the sum of Six hundred Dollars
which is in part to constitute his legacy to become due immediately after
the probate of this instrument

Item 4^d I give and bequeath to my beloved son Samuel Carroll a negro
girl named Caroline with her future increase to him and his heirs
forever

Item 5^d I give and bequeath to my beloved son Elias Carroll a negro
man named Frank to him and his heirs forever be paying of his
valuation to Nathaniel Carroll & Texas the sum of Two Hundred
Dollars in order to constitute the balance of his legacy of Four hundred
Dollars which sum I give to him as to his heirs forever to be due
immediately after the probate of this instrument and to be collected
and held by my executors subject to his order or application in
person representation or Attorney.

Item 6^d I give to my sons Abner Joseph John M. and Saml Carroll
in addition to the legacies above bequeathed a hundred Head &
Common furniture each.

Item 7^d My Will and desire is that all the balance of my property
not otherwise disposed of be sold after my decease and from the
proceeds all my just debts & funeral expenses be paid the balance
of proceeds if any except forty Dollars I wish to be equally
divided between my sons Abner Joseph John M. Saml & Elias
Carroll

Item 8^d The forty Dollars reserved & excepted in the above item I give in
trust to my executors to be laid out by them at such time as they
may think best in educating the children of Josiah Carroll
deceased.

Item 9^d To my Grand Children sons and daughters of Henry &
Pachael his wife and my daughter I give the sum of Six
Pence each I hereby publish and declare this to be my
last Will and testament made and signed this the

James Walls
Will.

State of Tennessee Fayette County, January 1st 1845
I James Walls of the County and State above
being of sound mind & memory do make this
my Last Will and Testament in the manner
& form following (viz) first and principally
I wish my tract of Land on which I now
live to be sold on a credit of one year & three years & the proceeds
to be applied if any there be after paying my just debts
to the purchase of a small tract of Land near Chas. Mur-
phy for the use and benefit of my beloved wife Harriet Walls
& four children (viz) Elizabeth Rogers - Anna Walls
My Will & Wish is that 2 or 3 of my negroes to be hereout
as my Executor may think most expedient
I wish all my other property such as my Or app Stock of
all kind Horses holt and Kitchen furniture sold saved and
part of the same as my Executor may in his judgment think
necessary for the use and convenience of my wife & four
children

Lastly I do constitute and appoint my Brother in law
Chas. Murphy of the County of Hardeman & State of
Tennessee sole Executor to this my Last Will & Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
in the presence of 3 day and date above written.

James Walls Sealed
James W. Henry

State of Tennessee 3 February Term of County Court 1845
Fayette County, it being the 3rd day of said month present the
Worshipful W. C. Loving Esq. Evans & Elijah Henry Esqrs.
acting Justices of the Peace for said County the following
appeal of record

A written instrument purporting to be the
last will & testament of James Walls was produced into
Open Court & thereupon came into Open Court Newton Wall
& James W. Henry Subscribing witnesses to the said last will &
testament of said James Walls deceased who being first duly sworn deposed
and say that they heard the said James Walls the testator acknowledge
the same in their presence to be his last will and testament
that they believe him in sound mind & memory at
time of signing the same and they signed it as witnesses
in his presence & ordered by the Court to be so certified

And therupon came into Open Court Chas Murphy the Executor
appointed in said will and entered into bond & security
for principal and gave S W Henry & John C Dawson
as his securities in the sum of five thousand Dollars conditioned
as the law directs and was duly qualified said Bond was Read
by the Court and ordered to be Entered of Record
W. Loveling Clerk
(Accts Recd)

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John Mosley
Will

State of Tennessee Fayette County, January 6th 1840
I John J. Mosley of Fayette County and State
of Tennessee being feeble in body but of sound
mind and memory do make my will in the
following manner to wit
I st Give to my Brothers Benjamin J. Mosley
Joseph J. Mosley & John W. Mosley & others S. Mosley
and Burnell J. Mosley George E. Gibson my half Brothers each
an equal portion of my effects after all of my spouses are
satisfied out of my effects I further desire that my two
half Sisters Frances J. Gibson & Louisa Gibson each to have
a nice dress worth Ten dollars each. I further desire that John
W. Mosley Should act as my administrator in witness where
of I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 6th day of January
1840

Jordan G. Wiley Esq. Ck

Witness

Jerard Hopper

John Edding } March Term 1845

State of Tennessee Court met according to adjournment present
Fayette County } the Worshipful W. Loveling & S. Evans & ~~Elijah Henry~~
Justices of the peace for said County & witness to the instrument purport-
ing to be the Last Will & Testament of Jordan J. Mosley was made
to Open Court & therupon came into Open Court James
J. Hopper & John Edding Subscribing, witness thereto
who being first duly sworn deposed and say that they
were acquainted with the said Jordan J. Mosley the testator
& that he acknowledged the same in their presence to be his act
and deed & believing that he was in sound and disposing mind
memory at the time of signing the same & ordered by the Court
to be entered of Record

Chammon Roonee Ck

By
W. Loveling Jr Ck

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Johnathan Carpenter
To
Will

State of Tennessee
Fayette County 3rd I Johnathan Carpenter being of sound mind & publish this my last Will & Testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made

First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as practicable out of any money that I may die possessed of or may first come into the hands of my executors

Secondly I leave my perishable property together with three negroes to W^t Edmonda Delilah & Anderson to be sold to pay my debts & support my wife Mary C. Should she be the longest living her natural life, should there be any left, to be divided into four parts equally amongst the legatees

Thirdly I leave all the Negroes that I hold in my possession at the time of my death that allow from the estate of Saml Goodman decd of Hanover Co. N.C. to be divided in four parts share & share equally amongst my legatees

Fourthly I give and bequeath to Martha F. Carpenter wife of my son Fountain Carpenter the one fourth part of all my personal estate also the one half of my land with the exception of 150 acres I lately bought of Hugh Braeshaw for her sole and separate use and for the better maintenance & support of her and her family Children during her natural life. The same at her death to be equally divided share & share alike to and amongst the children of the said Martha F. Carpenter born to her in law for her sole use with the said Fountain Carpenter

Also I give to the same the interest said Fountain has in and to a certain legacy left to his Mother Mary C. and her heirs by one Saml Goodman of Hanover Co. now deceased which S^t interest aforesaid was given to me by purchase on 12 Decr 1844

Fifthly I give and bequeath to my daughter Doro Garland M. Carpenter the one fourth parts of my personal estate

Sixthly I give and bequeath to my daughter Lois A. Ragan the one fourth part of my personal estate. The same at her death to be equally divided amongst her children

Seventhly I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Edimmons the same at her death to be equally divided share & share alike to & amongst her children to wit, one Negro woman Molly her child & this I mean as Negro woman divide her children & this reverse, also one fourth part of all my personal estate Also one half of my land exclusive of 150 acres I lately bought of H^t Braeshaw including the premises on which I now

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live Also the said one hundred and fifty acres of land I bought of H^t Braeshaw

Eighthly Martha F. Carpenter is hereby authorized & I give her the privilege of retaining all her improvements in dividing said land between myself & Simmone & herself

Ninthly In the event of disagreement in dividing the said land between M. F. Carpenter & M. E. Simmone after my death each may choose two disinterested men to make a division & they the 5th whose united voices on a majority shall have a division which shall be final. M. F. Carpenter's improvements are not to be rated. But the land rate was in its natural state

Tenthly I do hereby nominate and appoint my two sons Fountain & G. M. Carpenter & my son in law S. P. Simmone my lawful executors in witness whereof I have hereunto set this my last will set on, sealed and affixed my seal this 10th day of January in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred forty five. (1845)

Johnathan Carpenter

Acknowledged in

The presence of

M. E. Simmone this the 18th of July 1845

H. H. Schell this the 21st of July 1845

Nathaniel Blair do do do do do

State of Tennessee April Term of County Court 1845 it being the 7th day of Fayette County 3rd day of said month the following appears of Record

An written instrument purporting to be the last Will & Testament of Johnathan Carpenter deceased was produced into open Court & thereupon came into open Court M. E. Simmone & H. H. Schell subscribing witnesses thereto who being first duly sworn deposed and say that they were acquainted with Johnathan Carpenter the testator and that he acknowledged the same in their presence to be his last will and testament & that they believe he was in sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of acknowledging the same & that they signed the same in his presence as witnesses

And thereupon came into Court G. M. Carpenter & S. P. Simmone two of the executors appointed in said last will & Testament bound themselves as subscribers and gave M^t Littlejohn & James W. Thomas as his securities in the sum of five thousand v. Consideration as the law directs and was duly qualified as the law prescribes S^t Bond was Recd by the Court and ordered to be entered of Record

Read & Confirmed W. C. Lovings
Chancery