

Saw her sign seal and publish the same to be her last Will and Testament and that they were called on by her to sign the same as witnesses and done at her request and in the presence of each other and they believe she was in sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of signing the same and was therefore considered by the Court that said will be established as her last will and Testament and be entered by record

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Merrel Beasley (In the name of God Amen)

I Merrel Beasley of Concord in the County of Fayette State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life do therefore make order publish and declare this to be my last will and testament that is to say First after all my lawful debts are paid this residue of my estate real and personal I give and bequeath and dispose of as follows, to wit. To my two sons James M. Beasley and Saml. L. Beasley to be equally divided between them the following negroes Mariah Samuel Bob & Saml the tract of land on which I now live supposed to contain forty seven acres and the fifty acres adjoining the same on the west I will that it be sold at my death and the money be equally divided amongst my heirs the other fifty acres I give to my son Saml. Beasley I give to my granddaughter Lucy Ann Massey and the heirs of her body a negro girl Sarah she is to have the same at my death I leave by will all the personal property to be sold at my death and the proceeds to be equally divided between my four children John R. Beasley Lucy Thomas James M. Beasley and Saml. L. Beasley I give to Lucy Thomas and the heirs of her body two negroes Sidney & Jane I hereby will and place in the hands of my son Saml. L. Beasley as Trustee for the sole benefit and use of my son John R. Beasley and his heirs the tract of land on which he now lives supposed to contain ninety seven acres and eight hundred dollars in cash, I appoint J. P. Brainerd my Executor of this my last will and testament. Signed sealed, published and declared by the said Merrel Beasley as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who

at the request of the said Merrel Beasley and in his presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names this 4th day of April 1837

Test

Pern Benson x
William A. Benson x
Ridley Clifton x

Merrel Beasley

State of Tennessee - May Term, 1837
Fayette County. A paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Merrel Beasley deceased was produced into open Court and upon came into Court Pern Benson J. A. Benson Ridley Clifton subscribing witnesses to the said paper writing and who being first duly sworn depose & say that they were acquainted with Merrel Beasley the testator in his lifetime and that his name to the said paper writing was written by Joseph P. Brainerd in their presence and by the request of said Merrel Beasley the testator he being too feeble to sign his name and the said last Will and Testament is the hand writing of the said Merrel Beasley Joseph P. Brainerd which was done at the request and in the presence of the said Merrel Beasley the testator also in the presence of each other the said witnesses, and the said paper writing being read over to him, and which he readily assented to and acknowledged the contents as the said paper writing to be his last will and Testament and they also believe him to be in sound & disposing memory at the time of signing the same.

The Court after the evidence in said case was satisfied and ordered to be recorded

And thereupon came into open Court S. J. Brainerd who was appointed Executor in said last will & Testament and entered into bond himself as principal and gave Ridley Clifton & J. A. Beasley as his securities in the sum of five thousand Dollars condition as the law directs and was duly qualified as the Law prescribes

Said bond was received by the Court and ordered to be recorded

Will of Larkin Jones

State of Tennessee I Larkin Jones do make
Haywood County and publish as my last Will
and Testament hereby revoking all making void
all other wills by me made at any time.

First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my
be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any
money that I may be possessed of, or may first come
into the hands of my executor secondly I give and
bequeath to Ellender Jones my wife all the land
that I am possessed of Thirdly I give and bequeath
to my wife Ellender Jones All money that I may have
or may be possessed of, all my stock household and
kitchen furniture To have and to hold to above named
property for life time And at her death to be equally
distributed to my lawful heirs I do hereby nominate
and appoint B. H. Greder my executor In witness where
of I do to this my will set my hand and seal this day
of September 1850

Signed sealed and published } Larkin Jones
in our presence and we have } marks
Subscribed our names hereunto in the presence
of the testator this 16th day September 1850

Test
Joseph M. Hill
John Radford

State of Tennessee July Term 1854
Haywood County A paper writing purporting to be the
last will and Testament of Larkin Jones deceased was
produced in open Court and thereupon came into open
court Joseph M. Hill and John Radford subscribing
witnesses to the said paper writing and who being first duly
sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with Larkin
Jones the testator in his lifetime and that he acknowledged
the said paper writing to be his last Will & Testament in
their presence & that they were called on to sign the
same in witness and do as at his request and in the
presence of each other and they believe him to be in sound
and disposing mind and memory at the time of signing
the same It is therefore considered by the court that said will
be established and ordered to be recorded

John D. Deville In the name of God Amen
Will I John D. Deville of the county of
of Haywood and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind &
memory but weak in body and knowing of the uncertainty
of life and the certainty of death do make this my last will
and Testament hereby revoking all others by me hereunto
made First I wish that all my debts & burial expenses be first paid
out of any money that may come into the hands of my
Executors

Second, I loan unto my beloved wife Nancy for and
during her natural life the following negro slaves
Cyril Gayne Violet Maria Henry Mary Martha Lucinda
Eliac John Bigberry Francis Michael Susan Caroline
Gordin living Tony Candis Lebei Mike Henrietta
Same Tom Dockey I also loan unto my beloved wife
Nancy for and during her natural life the tract of
land on which I now reside bought of John Canaway
and consisting of about seven hundred and sixty three
acres also the household and kitchen furniture the waggon
buggy and all the farming utensils and all the perishable
all property I may have for hereafter otherwise disposed of -

Third At the death of my wife I loan unto my son Albert G.
all the slaves loaned to my wife and the tract of land
loaned to her and one half of the stock household & kitchen
furniture, farming tools, one half of the perishable property
she may die seized and possessed of And one half of the
value of the waggon buggy to have the use and benefit of
said slaves and said land & stock and other property
for and during the full term of his natural life and at
his death I will & direct that said slaves and their
increase and said land shall be equally divided
between his lawful begotten children if he shall
leave any children or child surviving him, but
in case my son Albert G. shall not leave any lawful
begotten child or children surviving him then I will
and direct that said land & slaves and other property
if my son Burrell B. shall be alive shall be loaned
to him during his life and at his death to be equally
divided between his lawfully begotten children or
shall belong and be the property of his lawfully begotten
child if he shall only have one child surviving him
but in case my son Burrell B. shall die without any

lawfully begotten child or children. Then I wish said land & negroes to be equally divided between my sister Sarah who is my whole sister and the other to my brother Hiram Holt to them and their heirs

Fourth. In case my son Albert G. shall die without leaving any lawfully begotten child or children and my son Burrell B. shall at the death of Albert G. also be dead but leave lawfully begotten child or children then I wish said land & slaves to be loaned to said Albert G. to descend to said child or children

Fifth. I loan to my son Burrell B. for and during his natural life the following slaves viz Temp Newe Buck Ellen Amanda Mose Darkie Punchin Rind Andrew Williams Phillis Eliza Alzada Liza Everett Cary Sampson Virgil Elie Litchford Emily Daniel Adam and Willis also I loan to him during his life the tract of land on which he the said Burrell B.

now resides which land lies near the town of Collierville and formerly owned by Messrs Robertson is also the house hold & kitchen furniture and all the property of every kind on said place to have and hold the use of said land and slaves and other property for the support, benefit and maintenance of my son Burrell B. during his natural life and at his death to be equally divided between his lawfully begotten children or in case he has but one child then to belong to and rest in that child but in case the said Burrell B. shall die without leaving any lawfully begotten child or children and my son Albert G. shall be a live then I will & direct that said land and slaves be loaned to him for his natural life and at his death to be equally divided amongst the lawfully begotten children or to be the property of his child if he leave but one lawfully begotten child surviving him but if at the time my son Burrell B. shall die without leaving any lawfully begotten child or children my son Albert G. shall be dead but shall leave surviving him any lawfully begotten child or children then the said land and slaves shall be equally divided amongst his children or if there be but one lawfully begotten child then said property shall belong to said child and shall rest absolutely in him. But if at the time my son Burrell B. shall die without leaving any lawfully begotten child or children surviving him and my son

Albert G. shall also be dead without leaving any lawfully begotten child or children or in case both my sons shall die without leaving any lawfully begotten child or children then I will & bequeath said land & slaves and other property to be equally divided between my sister Sarah Piding and Hiram Holt to them and their heirs

Sixth. At the death of my wife I loan to my son Burrell B. the one half of the stock house hold & kitchen furniture the one half of the farming utensils to have the use and benefit of the same for and during his natural life subject to the same, devises limitations and conditions restrictions as provided for in the fourth clause of this my last will and Testament

Seventh. I loan my beloved wife Nancy and to my son Albert G. the following slaves Sarah a yellow girl, a daughter of Candis Sam a son of Mehath until sale of said slaves shall severally arrive at age of twenty one years if the same can be done according to the laws of Tennessee I wish them to be emancipated & manumitted and set free and to remain in Tennessee if they or either of them desire it. But if they cannot be emancipated according to the laws of Tennessee and remain in said state then I wish the sum of seventy five dollars to be furnished to each of them and they be removed to a free state or to the republic of Liberia said sum of seventy five dollars I wish to be furnished to each of them by my son Albert G. and I do hereby make the same on his estate

Eighth. I will and bequeath that the division of the slaves as loaned to my wife and my sons shall not take place until the first of January next after my death and the slaves are not to be loaned until then and the division and the division of the stock house hold and kitchen furniture other property so loaned to my wife shall not take place until the first day of January next after her death

Ninth. In consequence of the farm on which I live being largely of more value than the one on which my son Burrell B. resides I do hereby will & direct that my wife Nancy and Albert G. shall annually after my death from the crop grown by them pay to Burrell B. the sum of twelve hundred dollars until they shall have paid him thirty six hundred dollars and that said sum of thirty six hundred dollars I hereby loan to the said Burrell B. subject to the same conditions limitations and restrictions as

provided for in fifth clause of this my last Will and Testament

Ninth, I will and direct that the negro girl Sarah a yellow girl shall be twenty one years of age the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven and the and the negro boy Tom will be twenty one years the first day of January eight hundred and sixty nine and the negro boy Austin son of bands will be of age of twenty years the first day of January eighteen hundred & seventy one, and while I will them to be free according to the conditions set forth in sixth clause of this my last will and Testament

Tenth, I do hereby appoint my son Russell D. Devill Executor to this my last will and Testament and do not wish any security to be required of him for his Trust but wish him to act without giving bond or security In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 31st day of April A.D. 1854

Signed and sealed

The 31st April 1854

in our presence

Thomas Rivers x

John Bratton x

John D. Devill

State of Tennessee } July Term 1854

Haytle County } A paper writing purporting to be the last will & Testament of John D. Devill was brought into open court and thereupon came into open court Thomas Rivers and John Bratton subscribing witnesses to the said paper writing and who being first duly sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with John D. Devill in his lifetime and that they saw him sign and execute the said paper writing to be his last will & Testament and they were called on to sign the same in his presence as witnesses by the said Devill and done so at his request and in his presence and the presence of each other and believe him to be of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of signing the same. It is therefore considered by the court that said paper writing be established as his last will and Testament and to be so entered on Records.

And thereupon came into open court Russell D. Devill and was qualified as executor to carry out the true

intent and meaning of said will said will authorizing him to act without giving bond or security

C. H. Boyd } August Term 1854

Still } In the name of God Amen, I Charles H. Boyd of the Town of Somerville and State of Tennessee Haytle County, being of sound and disposing mind do make & publish this my last Will and Testament revoking all others. In the first place I wish my body to be decently buried & in the second place I wish all my just debts paid. I then give and bequeath my beloved wife Harriet H. Boyd all my estate real personal mixed and mixed in fee simple to have and to hold and to dispose of in any manner shape or form that she may think proper except one hundred & twenty four acres of land which I purchased of Maj. Oltis and Burton known as the Stewart tract adjoining the land of Pepple O. C. Wright and then which I give to my wife Harriet H. Boyd and G. W. McGehee now a citizen of Lauderdale County Tennessee in trust for the benefit of a little adopted daughter Mildred Lewis Cagle daughter of G. A. McGehee and I give them full power to sell swap or dispose of the aforesaid land in any way they may think best for the use and benefit of the said Mildred Lewis Cagle and to carry out this my last will I appoint my wife Harriet H. Boyd my executrix with full power to act without requiring her to give security. Signed sealed and delivered in the presence

G. F. McKeith, 18th day July 1853

C. H. Boyd

J. W. Rhea

State of Tennessee } August Term 1854

Haytle County } A paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of C. H. Boyd deceased was produced into open court and thereupon came into open court G. F. McKeith and J. W. Rhea subscribing witnesses to said paper writing and who being first duly sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with C. H. Boyd in his lifetime and that they ~~know~~ have knowledge that he executed the same to be his last will and Testament and that they were called on by him to sign the said paper writing as witnesses thereto and done so at his request and in the presence of each other and that they believe him to be of sound mind & memory at the time of signing same. It is therefore considered by the court that said will & Testament be established and so entered on Records

R. M. Dr. Fry { August Term 1834. I R. M. Dr. Fry
Will I do make and publish this my last Will
and Testament hereby revoking & making void all other Wills
by me at any time made
First, I direct that my funeral expences and all my just debts
be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that
I may die possessed of or that may first come into the hands of
my Executor

Second, I give and bequeath to my wife Lucy Fry all the property
that may be found both personal & real or that I may possess
of (after my debts are paid) to be her property as long as she lives
and at her death the property is to be divided equally between
my four children that I have by her namely Alfred Fry, Rebecca
C. Fry, Robert Fry & Mary C. Fry. Furthermore it is my Will that my
wife Lucy Fry have the right to give such property as she thinks proper
to each child when such comes of age provided she take an account
of such property as she may give so as to make each child equal
and if any of the four children above named should without their
consent die before they come of age then the property to be equally divided
between the survivors

Third, I give and bequeath to my son James H. Fry one negro man
named Starke and fifty acres of land both of which are now in
his possession

Fourth, I give and bequeath to my daughter Lucy Garrison the
two negroes that she has in possession named Thedric and
Mearth to be her property during her life and at her death to
her children

Fifth, I direct and it is my Will that James H. Fry and Lucy
Garrison receive no more of my property than ~~what~~ ^{what} they already
give them and they are not to come in for any part with my
other four children that have not received their portion

Lastly I nominate and appoint Benjamin F. Murrell my Executor
to this my last Will & Testament in witness whereof I set my
hand & seal this first day of May in the year of our Lord
Eighteen hundred & fifty two

R. M. Dr. Fry Seal

Signed in our presence and we have hereunto subscribed
our names in the presence of each other and the Testator

This 3rd day of May 1832

J. M. Hays

J. P. Starr x

State of Tennessee { a paper writing purporting to be the last
Sayless County { Will & Testament of R. M. Dr. Fry Decedent
was produced into open Court and thereupon came into open
Court J. M. Hays and J. P. Starr subscribing witnesses to the
said paper writing and who being first duly sworn depose and
say that they were acquainted with R. M. Dr. Fry the Testator in his
lifetime and that they heard him acknowledge that he executed
the said paper writing to be his last Will and Testament and
that they were called on to sign the same by the Testator and
so in his presence and in the presence of each other and that
they believe he was of sound and disposing mind & memory at
the time of signing the same. It is therefore considered by
the Court that said Will be established as the last Will and
Testament of R. M. Dr. Fry Decedent and entered on record
And thereupon came into open Court Benjamin F. Murrell who
was appointed Executor of said Will and entered into bonds
himself as principal and gave James C. Massena & William
Clayton as his securities in the sum of sixteen thousand dollars
as condition as the law directs and was qualified as the law
prescribes. Said bond was received by the Court and ordered
to be Recorded.

William M. Dr. Fry { August Term 1834
Will I do the same as God - I W. M. Dr. Fry
of the County of Sayless and State of Tennessee being of sound
mind and memory, and considering the uncertainty of this
frail and transitory life do hereby make and ordain publish
and declare this to be my last Will and Testament that
is to say after all my lawful and just debts are paid
and discharged the residue of my property both real
and personal I give & bequeath and dispose of as follows to wit
First I give to my daughter Mary Virginia and Amos the
following negroes to wit two men James George and a woman
named Wren and her three children Randal Henry & Emily
and all of her or their future increase to be equally divided
between them share and share alike after Virginia and Amos
is educated or when they marry or become of age. I also give to
my daughter my beds and bed clothing.
Second, I give to my three sons Thomas Richard & Edmund the follow-
ing negroes to wit two men John Wren and one woman named
Anny and her increase to be equally divided between them share
and share alike after their education is completed and they are
of age.

Third. I wish all my perishable property and lands sold as soon as practicable and the proceeds appropriated first to the payment of my debts and if there should be any thing left to be equally divided between all of my children I like well constitute and appoint Thomas C. Holmes and Ezer Harris to be my Executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made —

We witness whereof I servants subscribe my name and affix my seal this 23rd day of July A D eighteen hundred & fifty four signed sealed & delivered

In the presence of us

George A. Hime

W. F. Dwyer

Peby Burton

his
N. M. Poor Seal

State of Tennessee } August Term 1854

Payne County

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of N. M. Poor Deceased was produced into open court, and thereupon came into open court George Holmes W. F. Dwyer and Peby Burton subscribing witnesses to said paper writing and being first duly sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with N. M. Poor the Testator in his lifetime and they heard him acknowledge that he executed said paper writing to be his last will and Testament and they well called on him to sign the same as witnesses and done so at his request and in his presence and the presence of each other and that they believed him in sound and disposing mind at the time of signing said paper writing this therefore considered by the Court that said will be established as the last will and Testament of N. M. Poor Deceased and so entered of Record And thereupon came into open court Thomas C. Holmes and Ezer Harris who were appointed Executors in the said last will and Testament and entered into Bond themselves as principals and gave Charles Hume and George Holmes as their securities in the sum of \$1000 in thousands Dollars condition as the law directs and was judicially as the law prescribes said bond was received by the Court and ordered to be Recorded

James Smith 3rd of September Term 1854. In the name of God am I James Smith of the County of Payne & State of Tennessee being of perfect mind and memory & calling to mind that is appointed of God that all men must die. Therefore I make this my last will and Testament revoking all others heretofore by me in manner

and from following (viz)

Item 1st I commend my spirit to the God that gave it

Item 2nd It is my Will and desire that my funeral expenses be paid by my Executor (hereafter named) out of my Estate

Item 3rd It is my Will and desire that all my just debts be paid out of the proceeds arising from the sale of my perishable Estate not specially willed hereafter in this my last will.

Item 4th Whereas my Daughters Elizabeth Harmons and Corina S. Sanders have received each a bedstead and furniture when married I will the same to my Daughters Martha Jane Smith when she marries or grows up to the age of 18 years

Item 5th I will unto my beloved wife the best of my best bedsteads and furniture to dispose of as she may think proper

Item 6th I lend unto my beloved wife my Land negroes and so much of my perishable property as may enable her to carry on the same and to raise my young children

Item 7th I will that my son William be free at the age of twenty years of age as I let all the rest off at the same age

Item 8th After the decease of my beloved wife I will and desire that all the property lent to wife and its increase and improvements be sold to the highest bidder and the proceeds arising therefrom be equally divided among all my children

Item 9th Lastly I do Request my friends Clarke Darling Allen to assist my beloved wife to carry into execution so much of this will as may demand attention in her lifetime and after her death should be the longest lives to be the only Executor of this my last will and Testament

Signed Sealed and delivered

In the presence of the 27th day of March

Freemank Allen William Hughes

W. H. Hunt Young D. Allen

C. C. Simmons

James Smith Seal

Council 3rd It is this day being the 19th of March 1854. My Will I desire that the 8th Item of this will as specified in the face of the will be cancelled as follows. Provided my son William will remain with his Mother and manage the Plantation for her and help to support his sister Martha Jane until she marries then at the death of my wife I will & bequeath my son William as a compensation for his services and labor bestowed on his Mother & sister my plantation & all that may be on it after the funeral expenses of my wife are paid and after all her just debts are liquidated in support of herself and family signed sealed & witnessed The above written latter James Smith

Young P. Allen
William Hughes
John P. Hughes

James Smith

September Term 1857

State of Tennessee }
Fayette County } A paper writing purporting to be the last
Will and Testament of James Smith deceased
was produced in open court and thereupon came into open
court W. Hughes & Young P. Allen subscribing witnesses
there to, and who being first duly sworn depose and say that
they were acquainted with James Smith the Testator in his
lifetime and they heard him acknowledge the said paper
writing to be his last Will and Testament and that they
were called on to sign the same as witnesses and none of us
did so in his presence and in the presence of each
other and that they believed him in sound and disposing
mind and memory at the time of signing the same.
It is therefore considered by the court that said Will and
Testament be established and so entered of record.

And thereupon came into open court Mary J. Smith who
was appointed administratrix (with the will annexed) of all
and singular the goods and chattles right and credits
of James Smith deceased and entered into bond herself
as principal and gave Daniel Allen and William Hughes
as her securities in the sum of five hundred dollars conditioned
as the law directs and it was duly qualified as the law prescribes.
Said bond was received by the court and ordered to be recorded.

Mary Holcomb

Sept. Term 1857

Will

In the name of God Amen
I Mary Holcomb being of sound
mind & memory but knowing the uncertain-
tainty of life do hereby make this to be my last Will & Testament
To wit, I give and bequeath to my son Lewis P. Williamson my
carriage driver &c.

I give to my son Benjamin P. Williamson my house and lot in
Tennersville to be sold & the proceeds to be used in a carriage &
horses for his family. I give unto my daughter Persilla W. Burt
during her natural life & after her death to her daughter Bernice
Burt my girl Nancy I also give to my daughter Persilla W.
Burt my carriage & horses for her own use. It is my Will that
Tom Lira (a negro man) now in possession of my son Lewis be sold
& the proceeds be equally between my two Grand Daughters
Sarah Tappan & Ellen Williamson.

Lastly I constitute & appoint my son Lewis & Benj. Williamson

my Executors Witnesses my hand & seal this 13th of February 1857

Witnesses

P. W. Jones

Sarah H. Harris. R. W. Williamson Jr.

Op. Jones

Mary Holcomb

State of Tennessee } September Term 1857

Fayette County } A paper writing purporting to be the last
Will and Testament of Mary Holcomb deceased was produced
in open court and thereupon came into open court P. W. Jones
one of the subscribing witnesses to the said paper writing and
who being first duly sworn depose and say that he was ac-
quainted with the said Mary Holcomb the Testatrix in her lifetime
and she heard her acknowledge the same to be her
last Will and Testament and that he was called on to
sign the same as witness and none of us did so in her
presence and that he believed the said Mary Holcomb was
of sound & disposing mind and memory at the time of signing
the same. And it appearing to the satisfaction of the court
that Sarah H. Harris the other subscribing witness to the said
last Will and Testament of Mary Holcomb deceased was a son
of the State of Tennessee. Thereupon came into open court
R. W. Williamson one of the subscribing witnesses to the said
depose and say that they were acquainted with the handwriting
of the said Sarah H. Harris whose signature appeared to the
last Will & Testament of Mary Holcomb deceased as witnesses
and that they believed the same to be her genuine signature.
It is therefore considered by the Court that the said Will
be established and recorded.

Will of
Jas. H. Dupuy

Will of
Jamin Mc. Dupuy

I Jamin A Dupuy of the County of
Fayette State of Tennessee do hereby
Publish this my last Will & Testament
I direct that my tract of Land
on which I now reside Farming Cotton &c. Stock
& provisions on hand be sold upon such Terms &
specials as may be directed hereafter to be named
may deem most conducive to the interest of my
Estate

Item 2nd I direct that my estate be equally divided among my children (with the following) excepted viz) I give bequeath a Special Legacy of Two Hundred Dollars to my daughter Ann Eliza I direct that my daughter Emma shall be supported & educated one year after the present at the expense of my estate And that my daughter Caroline shall be supported & educated two years after the present at the expense of my estate

Item 3^d If I should live to give my dear John
Lanin a collegiate education as I purpose to do
I intend it to be charged against him as a portion
of his legacy & ~~my estate~~ that he may not have any advan-
tage in that respect over his brother

Item 4 To the present time I have advanced to my daughter Mary E. Trushart one hundred seventy five Dollars in Money & property at following times viz In April 1853 one hundred Dollars in Cash in October 1854 a Lot of hags worth Seventy five Dollars - To my daughter Fanny I Smith one hundred and seventy three Dollars viz In September 1857 to and her furniture worth fifty Dollars In February 1853 to Cash paid Expense on Negroes from viz Seventy three Dollars To my daughter Margaret L. Thompson one hundred seventy five Dollars viz In September 1851 her furniture valued at fifty Dollars - In Oct. 1851 Negro girl Susan valued at one hundred Dollars - in November 1854 one Negro male or at least to be a

Item 5th I direct that my Negroes Slave children
did at the end of the present Year to & among
all my Children equally giving to each them
Share in Severally regard being had to the
Advancements herein above named as being made
by me to the parties named above & which are

Advancement interest is to be computed from time 466
the year he received same up to term of divi-
sion of my said negro Slave such advancement & ac-
-cumulated interest to be brought into the distribution & division
of my said estate to be charged against the parties
at him above named - all the manner of divi-
sion of my said Slave I direct that my Executor or the
Surviving Executor select three disinterested persons who
upon Oath shall settle & divide my said Slave
as above directed

Item 6th - I do hereby appoint my Auditor
David Nelson & Cayce Guardian for my Minor
Children & authorize & empower him to sell any
and or make of the Slave of said Minor in the
Event same may be to the interest of said Minor,

I Herby I do Herby Mournmate & befriend my
Son Asa I befriend my Son in Law Nathan & Gayle
Executors of the my last will & testament I do not
authorize them or either of them or the Survivors to
sell & convey make title to my real Estate to
the purchaser or purchasers of the same Herby
intending that if either should by death or
otherwise fail to qualify as my Executor that the
Survivor may be authorized to convey and the proce-
ceeds of the my last will & testament And also
with the further direction that they or either one
of them are not to be required by the Court to
give security for the performance of the trust
therein committed to them -

Given under my hand and seal this the 12 day
of March A.D. 1855

La H. Dupuy Reas

1. J. J. Williams
2. Wm. Barton
3. J. L. Pulliam

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Writing purporting to be the last Will & Testament
of James H. Dupuy deceased and Thompson Carr
to Open Court of J. Williams, Wm. Burtwell, & Sullivan
Subscribing witnesses to the said paper writing and when
being first duly sworn depose that they were acquaint-
ed with the said James H. Dupuy in his last illness
they saw him sign seal & execute the said paper
writing to be his last Will & Testament that they were
called upon by the said testator to sign the same with
them & at his request in the presence of each other
they believe he was in sound mind & memory
at the time of executing the same It is therefore
ordered by the Court that said paper writing
be established as the last Will & Testament of said James
H. Dupuy deceased.

And Thompson Carr into Open Court & J.
Dupuy one of the Executors appeared in said
Court and was duly sworn to execute the trust
imposed on him as one of the Executors & to carry out
the true intent of said Will he being authorized
to do so by the Court that said Will be recorded
A Copy Sent

James H. Dupuy

All ill of Mary H. Glaster of the County
of Fayette and State of Tennessee
being infirm in Body but of sound
mind and disposing memory do make and publish
this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and
making void all other Wills by me at any time
heretofore made

First I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth
W. Anderson my two slaves named Patsy and Amanda
their issue

Secondly I give and bequeath to Mary H. Glaster
Wife of my son Arthur B. Glaster a certain tract of Land
in Haystack County State of Tennessee lying in distinct of the
thirteen percentum about two hundred and forty Acres
and by Was bought of William J. Atkins and for whole
said Atkins executed to me his bond for title on
the 20th of December 1852 the same and a child he has

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for ever also my negro man slave named Andy
belonging to me and the goods I have to her to sell - and to
have in her own right and for her sale and separate use
and benefit Intirely free from the Control debts and liabilities
of her husband.

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my grandson James
A. Anderson a Negro boy slave named Richard.

Fourthly I give and bequeath to my grandson James
Glaster my negro boy slave named William Henry.

Fifthly I give and bequeath to Lucy J. Glaster my Negro
Slave named Emily and her two youngest children and
their issue

Sixthly I give and bequeath to Mary J. Glaster my
Negro girl slave named Lavinia and her issue.

Seventhly I give and bequeath to my daughter Susan
son my Negro girl slave named Lelia and her issue.

It is my Will and desire that I should Lucy Glaster
Mary J. Glaster and Mary Glaster Anderson or either of them
Mary there and in that Case they shall continue to
have and own the property above bequeathed to them
in their own right and for their own separate use
and benefit and Intirely free from the Control debts
and liabilities of their respective husbands. Lastly I appo-
int my son Arthur B. Glaster my sole executor of
this my last Will and Testament

In Witness Whereof I do to this my last Will &c.
my hand and seal.

This 25th day of January 1852
Witness
J. H. Anderson
J. Williams Fogg + Mary H. Glaster R. D.

State of Tennessee, Colleton Term County Court 1854
Haystack County 3 and it being the 3rd day of said month

among other things the following appears of Record
Court met according to adjournment pursuant the
Worshipful A. M. Shaw Chm. R. V. Verbeest, J. P. Campbell
Esquire, James of the peace & other presiding. B. B. Brant
Shiff. J. Brown Clerk

A paper writing purporting to be the last Will
and Testament of Mary H. Glaster d. was produced into
Open Court and Thompson Carr into Open Court William Fogg
one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and the being first duly

469 Sworn depose and say that he was acquainted
with May H. Hester the Testatrix in her lifetime and that
he heard her acknowledge that she executed the said
paper writing to be her last Will and Testament and
that he was called on to sign the same as a Witness
and do so at her request and on her promise and that
he believed she was in sound and disposing mind
and memory at the time of signing the same. It
was therefore ordered by the Court that the said paper
writing be so Certified for further probate
I Copy Court J. K. Kermack

Will of
Jesse H. Cable Esq. In the name of our Divine Redeemer
Jesus Christ Amen I Jesse H. Cable
of the County of Fayette and State of Tennessee being in
perfect good health and in full possession of all my mental
faculties do hereby in the Year of our Lord one thousand
Eight Hundred and Thirty Seven and on the 29th day
of December in said Year Nullify revoke and entirely
disown all and every other Will heretofore made by me
and do establish constitute and declare this to be my
last Will & Testament in the manner and form follow-
ing
I request my Executors herein after mentioned
to make the earliest practicable arrangements for the pay-
ment of such debts as I may justly owe and for
that purpose I vest them with full power with the
consent of my Wife (if living) to sell any part of
my Estate (whether of sufficient value to effect that
object.

I Item I ratify and Confirm to John Bullock
to his Wife Susan M. Bullock my daughter
both now residents of the County of Greenville
State of North Carolina and to William E.
Dortch and to his Wife Ann D. Dortch both
deceased and to the children of these last said
property as I have heretofore put into their possession
and which I consider a full and equal portion
of my Estate now to be divided between my Wife
and three sons

Item I give to my Wife during her life time
all my household and Kitchen furniture requesting
that she may settle off to herself the appertaining
and lay off a fourth part of same which shall be valued
and at her death the whole not allotted to be equally
divided among my three sons or the survivor or survivors
of them and their legal offspring

Item I wish all my stock of every kind to be equally
divided between my Wife and three sons or their sur-
vivor or survivors of them and their legal offspring of
such as may have died and at the death of my Wife her
portion to be divided as before among my sons.

Item I wish my Wife to occupy the improvements
where we at present reside together with the land attached
to the same during her life time and also that forty
acres of my tract of Land near Lagrange be
laid off for her benefit during her life time and
at her death the whole to be equally divided or
sold for the mutual benefit of my three sons
the survivor or survivors of them and their legal
offspring.

Item I wish my tract of land about forty acres shall have
been laid off my Wife to be equally divided among
my three sons or the survivor or survivors of them and
their legal offspring.

Item I wish all the residue of my whole Estate of every
kind and nature whatever to be equally divided
between my Wife and three sons or the survivor
or survivors of them and the legal offspring of
such as may have died and that the portion
left my Wife shall be used only for her exclusive
benefit and at her death the portion given her
to be equally divided between my sons as before directed.

Item My Son John having received in stock and
household furniture to the amount of one thousand
and seventy four dollars I require that his portion of my
Estate be diminished to that amount.

Item I hereby nominate and appoint my two sons
John B. Cable B. Cable Executors to this my last Will
& Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and affixed my seal this day and date as above written
Jesse H. Cable

47* Signed & sealed
in the presence of
O. H. Davis
W. L. Harris
D. Winston

State of Tennessee, October Term Court
Haystack County, Ga. 1854

And it being the 2d day
of said month among other things the following
appears of Record

Court met according to adjournment
present the Worshipful A. M. Shaw Chan. Sec.
Nashott William Campbell Esq. Judge Justice of
the peace in and for said County B. Branch M.
J. Korne Clerk

A Paper Writing purporting to be the last
will and Testament of J. H. Cobb deceased was
produced into Open Court and thereupon came in
Open Court E. Winston one of the subscribing Wit-
nesses to the said paper writing and who being
first duly sworn depose and say that he was
acquainted with J. H. Cobb the testator in
his lifetime and that he heard him acknowledge
the same to be his last will and Testament and
that he was called on to sign the same and
do so at his request and in his presence and that
he believe he was in sound and disposing mind
and memory at the time of signing the same

It is therefore considered by the Court
that said will be so Certified for further
probate

A. C. J. J. J.

J. Korne Clerk

Will of 3 In the Name of God Amen 472
Moses Sumner of the County Fayette
deceased

estate I am now knowing my days
are nearly spent and that death is
certain to make this my last will and Testament (W)

1st In the first place I do resign my spirit into the
hands of god who gave it and request my body be
buried in a Christian like manner beheading my ridin-
-er well raised up at last day

2nd I wish all my funeral expenses paid by my Executors
hereafter mentioned

3rd I much able after my death that all my estate be sold
my property both real and personally to be sold
at a credit of twelve months to the best benefit
adder by my executor hereafter mentioned and
the proceeds of the sale to be in hands of my Executors
for the decent support of my Beloved Wife Mary Sum-
ner so long as she shall live and that she shall
be allowed the privilege of living where she shall
think amongst her children so long as she shall live in this
old settlement comfortable whatever

4th I give to my daughter Ennet Meston five dollars
to her and her heirs forever

5 I give to my daughter Betsy Davis five dollars to her
and her heirs forever

6 I give unto my daughter Mary Hunter five dollars to her
and her heirs forever

7 I give unto my son Moses Sumner five dollars to him and
his heirs forever

8 I give unto my son David M. Sumner five dollars
to him and his heirs forever

9 I give to daughter Penny Inkers five dollars to her
and her heirs forever

10 I give to my son Marquis S. Sumner five dollars to
him and his heirs forever

11 I give to my daughter Betty Bryant five dollars to her
and her heirs forever

12 I give to my son James S. Sumner five dollars to him
and his heirs forever

13 after the payment of all my Estate expenses and my
Wife expenses it is my wish that the residue that
may be in the hands of my executor after paying the

473 five dollars given to the above named children that
after the death of my wife death that David M Sumner
shall have three hundred dollars extra and the balance
shall be equally divided amongst the balance of my
children except Marguerite and Sally - and I do appoint
my son David M Sumner and Marguerite as Executors
in my last will and testament the
23 day of July 1857 as witnessed by my hand
and seal
Acknowledged in presence of
Moses Sumner (Seal)
written by my self

State of Tennessee December Term County Court 1853
Haystack County 3 On Monday the 23rd day of the following appear
of Record
This day was produced in open Court
a paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament
of Moses Sumner deceased - and the same appeared for probate
by David M Sumner - And it appearing to the satisfaction
of the Court from witnesses examined in open Court that
said paper writing signed Moses Sumner and dated
23 day of July 1857 and purporting to be the last will
and testament of said Moses Sumner was found among the
said Moses Sumner found amongst the valuable papers
and effects of said Moses Sumner that said Moses Sum
ner died in Haystack County Tennessee at which place said
said County said paper writing was found amongst
his valuable papers And it appearing further to the satisfaction
of the Court that more than three of his neighbors who
resided in the immediate vicinity of the decedent who is wit
nesses having sworn that they are well acquainted with the
hand writing and that his hand writing is generally
known by his acquaintances and that the whole of said
paper writing and every part thereof is in the hand
writing of said Moses Sumner deceased It is therefore
ordered by the Court that the said paper writing be and
is hereby established as the last will and testament of the
deceased Moses Sumner and that the same be admi
nistered to Probate Therefore came David M Sumner
who was named in said will as the executor into open
Court and gave bond in the sum of fifteen thousand
dollars with Washington Perry M. C. Johnson and John

Newsome as his securities and a duly qualified as
the Executor of the last will and testament of said Moses
Sumner deceased.

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Will of In the name of God Amen
William I Anderson I William I Anderson being of
Sound mind and memory
do declare this my last will and testament as
follows: I will that all my just debts be paid out of my estate
1st It is my will that the plantation which I have
just purchased from R. Stanley shall be sold and my
negroes here with proceeds and my beloved wife Sallie
Anderson to have the proceeds thereof and she is to
have and hold the said property during her natural
life provided she does not have an heir by law and
in that case she is to raise and educate the child out
of my property and in case the child dies I then leave
the said property to my wife Sallie Anderson
during her natural life and at her death I give the
said property to my dear sister Margaret Anderson
but if my child should live at the death of it matter
it is to have all the estate I own in
2nd It is also my will that my Father in Law W.
Ragan shall live on the plantation with my wife
and have control in the management of the business
until it is ascertained that the property is likely to be
wasted or squandered then in that case it is my
will the Court shall appoint a suitable person
to take charge of the property
Nov 21 - 1854
William I. Anderson (Seal)
Witness
J. M. Supra +
W. M. McCall

State of Tennessee December Term County Court 1854
Haystack County 3 On the 5th day of said month the following
appear of Record
This day a paper writing purporting to be the last
will and testament of W. I. Anderson deceased was produced
into open Court and thereupon came into open Court
J. M. Supra and W. M. McCall subscribing
to the said paper writing and they being first
duly sworn depose and say that they are acquainted

475 With William I Am down the Testator in his lifetime
and that they heard him acknowledge the same
to be his last will and Testament and that they were
called onto to sign the same as Writings and do so
at his request and in his presence and in the pre-
sence of each other and that they believe the said
Testator was in sound and disposing mind and
memory at the time of signing the same

It is therefore Considered by the Court that said
Will be established and admitted to record

A Copy Test

J. Rouse etc

Will of State of Tennessee
Alice Underwood Fayette County
Deceased

In the name of God Amen I
Alice Underwood of the County and State aforesaid being in
perfect health and of sound and disposing mind and
Memory Shewing the uncertainty of life and the Certainty
of death do hereby preparatory to the Testament of my Word
affore make public and declare this my last Will
and Testament hereby revoking and annulling all
by me made or caused to be made heretofore

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved Wife Jane
Underwood all my household and Kitchen furniture and as much
of the stock and farming utensils as she may think neces-
sary in able her to live and make a support to gether with
so much of the provisions on hand as will support
her and the children unmarried or under lawful
age who may be with her to have hold and dispose
of as she may think fit

Item I my Wife and ask is that all the balance
of my personal effects of every description whatever be
left by my Executor and from the proceeds thereof
all my just and funeral expenses paid and the balance
to be equally divided amongst my six youngest Children
to wit Martha Harriet Rebecca John Virginia's Son
Hiram for the purpose of making them equal with my
other and older Children whom I have heretofore

Item 3rd My Will and desire is that my

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350 And the date and bound of which may be seen
by Reference to a deed for the same now of record in the Register office
in said County the original amongst my valuable papers after the
decease of my self and wife and not until then to be divided is
the following manner a signed my Children and their Lawful
Representatives that is to say I desire an equal distribution accord-
ing to quantity to be ascertained by three or five of my my
Children disinterested and unconnected amongst all
my Children except I. D. Wood who having sold his Interest
in said land to my sons William and George Wood and
therein paid for the same my debt of and I do ordain
that said G. Wood have no part or Interest in said land
but that said William George Wood have additional the
part that said I. Wood would have been entitled to
had he not sold his Interest in the same
I hereby nominate and appoint my beloved Son
George Wood executor to this my last will and
Testament

In Witness Whereof I the said Alice Underwood
have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and date
above written
Done in presence of
J. H. Sharp
J. D. Sharp

October 31st 1854
I Abraham Underwood having heretofore made and published my
last Will and Testament do make and declare this a codicil
thereto to wit I give bequeath to my beloved Wife Jane
Underwood my negro boy Matt to have and hold and dispose of
as she may think best
In Witness Whereof I the said
Abraham Underwood have hereunto set my hand and
seal and do in presence of
R. B. Canrose
John Gray

State of Tennessee December Term 1854
Fayette County A Written Instrument purporting to
be the last will and Testament of Abraham
Underwood who departed this life in this County on the day
of Oct. 31st 1854 in which County he resided at the
time of his death was produced to the Court for probate
thereof & thereupon it was proven by the oath of

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John Sharp of J. Sharp & Co. solicitors at London
 paper writing purporting to be the last will & testament
 of the said Alexander Hood that he the said Alexander
 Hood signed the same in their presence at his last will
 & testament that at his instance & request they the said J. Sharp
 & J. Sharp subscribed said paper writing as witnesses
 that he the said Alexander Hood at the time of executing
 same was in sound disposing mind & memory

And therefore John Sharp & Robert H. Canham
 attesting witness to the Codicil accompanying said
 last will & testament of date Oct. 21st 1834 after
 after having been duly sworn depose & say that the said
 Alexander Hood signed said Codicil in their presence
 on the day it bears date & desired them to test same as
 subscribing witnesses that they & each of them signed the
 same in their presence of said Hood as witnesses &
 that he the said Alexander Hood was in sound
 & disposing mind & memory at the time

And the Court being of opinion that such
 instrument or paper writing as aforesaid is not at it
 purports to be to wit the last will & testament of
 Alexander Hood deceased that the same has been
 fully proved according to the act of assembly in such
 case made provided the Court doth therefore order
 to deliver the said instrument of writing as aforesaid
 is the last will & testament of the said Alexander Hood
 deceased did order further that the said will be proved

And therefore came into Court Shadrach C.
 the executor named in said will & entered
 into bond himself as principal in the sum of Eight
 thousand Dollars & gave Henry Hood Thomsen to
 Bennett & William Carter as his securities for the perform-
 ance of his said trust & was duly qualified as such
 Executor

A Copy Test.

J. Brown