

George H. Plean
Will

I, George Harper Plean, of the County of Fayette and State of Tennessee, do make and Ordain this my last and only Will and Testament. And first, I do hereby appoint, constitute and Ordain my beloved wife, Elizabeth Williams Plean, my Executor, with the power and authority to take in Charge, manage and Control, for the benefit of my family, my entire Estate, to Collect and receive all money due my Estate and pay all just Claims against the same; to defend any and all suits that may at present exist, or that may hereafter be instituted against my Estate; and to institute and prosecute any and all suits that may be necessary to Collect and receive my Estate of its just dues; to manage, support and provide my Children, giving to each one of them a sound practical Education; and I do hereby direct that no security shall be required of her for the performance of her duties as my Executor, and that she shall continue to act in that Capacity during her Widowhood, or so long as she shall retain entire Capacity for the discharge of said duties, or until it shall be thought advisable and to the interest of my family to have a division of my Estate. And second, it is my wish and intention that my Estate shall be kept together until my oldest Child becomes of age, when he shall be entitled to withdraw one interest or portion, and so on in succession, as my Children become of age; and in the event of my wife's dying, she shall likewise be entitled to withdraw an interest in Child's part of my Estate, Common and joint Estate. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 20th Decr. 1854, in the presence of

D. C. Gibson
G. M. Whitthern
A. D. Hunt

George H. Plean (Seal)

State of Tennessee; January Term, County Court, 1855.
Fayette County. A paper Writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of George Harper Plean deceased, was produced into Court and transposed into open Court. D. C. Gibson and G. M. Whitthern, the existing Witnesses thereto, and who being first duly sworn, deposed and said that they were acquainted with George Harper Plean, the Testator, in his life time, and that they heard him acknowledge that he executed the above paper Writing, to be his last Will and Testament, and that they were called on to sign the same as Witnesses, and done so at his request, and in his presence and in the presence of each other, and that they believed he was in sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of signing the same. It was therefore considered by the Court that said Will be established, and so entered of Record.

William O. Whitfield
Will

State of Tennessee; I, William O. Whitfield, of Fayette County of the State of Tennessee, being weak in body but of a sound and disposing mind, and considering the mutability of things, do make, publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all others heretofore made by me. I do appoint and constitute my said wife, of Memphis, and my beloved wife, Sarah J. Whitfield, the Executor and Executrix of this my last Will and Testament, and appoint my

my funeral expenses and just debts, I held my property to be disposed of as follows, (viz.) I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Anne & Maudie, during her widowhood or life time, all the property, house, or farm, and to be used as I knew directed, viz: the negroes named Nicholas, the Girl Mariah, Girl Beck, Girl Sumner, together with other stock of horses, cattle, hogs, farming utensils, household and kitchen furniture. The proceeds arising from the use of the above property, to be applied to the support of the family, clothing and schooling the children; It is fully understood that my wife Charles Mary, that at this time, as as soon as she marries, my above named property is to be equally divided between her and the children, viz: A. Elizabeth, Louisa & John W. Broadbent, Shad and Shad alike. The surviving negroes, David, Cynthia & Charlot & Charlot, I wish my executor, Peter Wadsworth, take to the State of Louisiana and sell them to his best advantage, but I leave it discretionary with him, in choosing the market, the proceeds arising from the sale of the above named negroes, after paying my just debts, is to be paid over to my wife, and to be at her discretion; but this last clause may be fully understood, my executor is to pay over the whole of the money arising from the sale, to my wife, and she is to pay the debts and take evidence for the same. As this may seem tedious, and farming utensils, then my wife may want to keep, or have use for, she is at liberty to reduce it by selling off. Dec: 8th 1850.

Signed & published, in presence of 2
J. Wilson 3
Thos. Cockburn 3
A. C. & L. L. 3

Wm O'Neil
Mark

State of Tennessee, January Term, County Court, 1861.
Target's Family vs. J. P. Jones, Plaintiff, vs. the last Will and Testament of William O. Whitfield, Defendant. Was presented into open Court, and thereupon came into open Court, Thomas Beckford and Mr. J. S. Bellard, subscribing Witnesses to the said paper Writing, and who being first duly sworn, depose and say that they were acquainted with the testator Wm O Whitfield, on his deathbed, and that they have been acknowledged that he executed the said paper Writing to be his last Will and Testament, and that they were called on to sign the same as witnesses, and done so at his request and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, and that they believed that he was in sound mind, memory, reason and understanding at the time of signing the same.
It was therefore considered by the Court, that said Will be established, and so ordered of Record.

D. H. Pulliam Will	State of Tennessee, D. H. Pulliam Layside County, $\frac{3}{4}$ being of same name do make and publish this my last will and Testament First, I desire that my just and lawful debts be paid as soon after my death as possible, 2^d I wish my Estate kept together until my youngest child becomes of age, or during the widowhood of my wife, and should the Mary,
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my Estate then to be divided according to law, I have in my hands One hundred and forty nine dollars & 25 cts. interest to be paid to my wife & my children, in and out of their Equal portions of my Estate, as soon as they become of age, 3^d I leave my wife Lucy Ann, and my son Joseph & my Executors and Executors, without giving security, 4th each of my Children, as soon as they become of age, and my Wife they shall have a house hold & I shall do with one hundred dollars, Joseph & William have have their salaries, Mark & Lucie dollars each, 5th If any of my Children should marry, so after the age of twenty one years shall have their portion of property, it shall be discretionary with my Executors to give it according to the situation, or to travel as the may think can be spared, 6th all Profits arising after the necessary Expenses of my Estate, shall be considered a part of said Estate. In Witness Whereof I do to this my Will, set my hand and affix my seal this 3^d of Dec^r 1846.

Test: *W. Johnson*
Rich. Wolfe
J. H. Simmons
State of Tennessee, *Jefferson County, County, East 1855.*
Lafayette County *3* *See Instrument, as paper meeting, purporting to be the*
last Will and Testament of *David L. Pulliam dec'd.* This departed this life in *this*
County on the day of *December 5th 1854,* in which County he resided at the time
of his death, was produced to the Court for probate, *transp.* and *transp.*
it was sworn by the Clerk of said Court *for S. H. Hales* and *then* it is in recollection of the
undersigned *Magistrate* to have paper meeting purporting to be the last will and Testament
of the said *David L. Pulliam,* and that they and each of them saw the said *David L. Pulliam* sign the said
paper meeting of date *December 5th 1854,* and that they were called on by *David Pulliam*
to sign and attest said paper meeting as his the said *David Pulliam's* last Will and
Testament, and that they did sign said paper meeting as witnesses of fact, and
the said *Pulliam* acknowledged the same to be his last Will and Testament, and at
the time of his so doing, and thus signing same, he was in sound and disposing
mind and memory, and fully capable of making a Will. And the said being of
opinion that the said instrument, or paper meeting as aforesaid, is what *belonging*
to be (to wit) the last Will and Testament of *David L. Pulliam* deceased, and that
the same has been fully proved and established according to the requirements of the
law. The Court doth therefore Order and declare that the said instrument of Writing
as aforesaid is the last Will and Testament of the said *David Pulliam* deceased,
and Order further, that the said Will be Recorded.

Miles M'Gully
Will

The last Will and Testament of J. Miles all
Cattle of Fagudo County Tennessee
I, Miles M'Gully, considering the uncertain-
ty of this mortal life, and being of
sound mind and memory, do make and publish this my last Will and
Testament, in manner and form as follows, viz, First, I wish all of my just
debts to be paid by my Executors, out of the first available means of estate.
Second, I wish my property to be kept together, except such property as I
shall hereinafter bequeath, or otherwise direct to be disposed of. Third, I
wish my wife Rebecca to remain on the premises on which I now live, and
keep with her during her natural life, the following named negroes, to wit,
John, Abby, Charles, Nancy, Jacob, Peter, Dark Dick, Ruffus and

Alm. and the Children of the above mentioned Alm. to remain with my beloved wife Rebecca; Next, I wish my daughter Sarah to have the following personal effects, Jewels, and 1000 shillings, and that portion of my knowledge as the said Alm. Begging at Sandy Muddy South River, and then coming with the Commanding of the Creek, to the West line; Thence East to M. Hudson's line; Thence North to the beginning, the above described land is not to be sold until after the death of my wife Rebecca; I also give a hundred dollars to my daughter Sarah, to buy a horse saddle and bridle for her; My beloved wife at her death to give Sarah such household furniture as she may think proper; I give I wish my daughter Martha Ann to have two negroes, if she should live after the death of my wife, to be valued to her by three disinterested persons, and a hundred dollars to buy her a horse saddle and bridle, and such household furniture as my wife may see proper to give her; I wish my son William to remain with his Mother, and return to the farm, and at her death to have a portion of the Crop, to wit, one fourth of the Cotton, and one third of the Corn, as a Compensation for his services; I wish my husband's dollars to be appropriated out the proceeds of the Crop, for good years, to provide my daughter Catharine, of her Mother's Estate, if necessary; I wish the following named negroes to be hired out, Charles, George Thomas, Robert, of my wife which it necessary; Next, I wish and bequeath, bequeath, and give a portion of the stock to be sold that my wife has out and in, and in my wife's hand, Margaret Anderson, to make her home with my beloved wife, as long as she may desire to; Next, I do hereby nominate and appoint my beloved wife Rebecca, Executrix of this my last Will and Testament, and I do not require any security from my wife, whatever as relates to this my last Will and Testament; I wish also the Rev. Mr. John Edmond W. Harrison be assistant Executrix with my beloved wife Rebecca; It is my Will and desire, after the death of my beloved wife Rebecca, my said Estate to be equally divided amongst all of my children, to wit, Sarah, William, Martha Ann, and Catharine; Those who have not had any portion of it to them, shall be made Equal with those who have had a portion of it apart for them; And furthermore I wish my Negro Woman, Fannie, to have in choice, and belong to which one only of my children she chooses to live with. In Witness Whereof, I do to this my last Will and Testament, my hand and seal, this 1 day of February, 1855. I wish to give my nephew Miles McCully my gun.

Signed, sealed, and published in our presence, and before us, and our names hereunto, in the presence of the Testator, this 1 day of February, 1855.

John E. Davis

State of Tennessee; Marsh Town, County Court, 1855.

Shays County, 3 A paper, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Miles M. Cully, was produced into open Court, and thereupon came into open Court, J. W. Warren and John E. Davis, both of whom were present, and who being first duly sworn, deposed and said, that they knew a signant with Miles M. Cully the Testator in his life time, and that they have seen signs, and created some paper writing, to

to be his last Will and Testament, and that they were called on to sign the same as Witnesses, and do so at his request and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, and that they believe he was in his mind and disposing of his property at the time of signing said paper writing; It was thereupon considered by the Court that said paper writing, be admitted, and so ordered of Record.

W. D. Simmons

Will

I, William D. Simmons, of the County of Wayne, State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory, Considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life, do therefore make, ordain,

publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament, that I do say, first, after all my lawful debts are paid, and discharged, the residue of my estate, real and personal, I give, bequeath and dispose of, as follows, to wit: I give and bequeath to my beloved wife a dower right of one third of my land, with the buildings on this part of it which I have decided, and also, one eighth of a sixth part of my personal Estate, after setting apart two hundred dollars for my daughter Sarah, and one horse saddle & bridle for my son John W. Simmons, and also one horse saddle & bridle for my son B. Simmons, each horse saddle & bridle to be worth one hundred dollars; I give and bequeath to my children Augustus, Mary A., John A., Benjamin B., and Sarah Simmons, in equal division, both in my real and personal Estate, after setting apart the above named amounts to Sarah, John A., & Mary A. Simmons, to make them equal with Augustus Simmons and Mary A. White, who have each one hundred dollars; I want my daughter Mary A. White, to have a Negro Woman which she now has in possession, named Abner, which shall be valued to her, as the Negro property of my Estate; I wish my son Augustus Simmons, to have one hundred acres land, on which he now resides, to be valued to him, as things I do not improve; I wish a Crop to be made on my farm this year, and also to bequeath to Sarah, on the same until the Crop is gotten, and said Crop to be divided among a Commission for my wife's support for one year; as soon as the Crop is gotten, or gathered, I want all of my children who is of age, to have their respective parts of my land & negroes, and also money, if any, and the Minor Children to have a Second appointment to represent them, and to hold the land and hire out the negroes that may be let apart for them; The land and negroes that will be let apart to my daughter Mary A. White, I give and bequeath to her, and I, her heirs only; Likewise, I make, bequeath, and appoint my son John A. and B. Simmons, Executors to this my last Will and Testament, with his right and power, invested in them by Law, in accordance with this Will, to let apart to my beloved wife her dower in the land and her part of the negroes, and also her year's supply, at the time named above in this Will, and also to allot and set apart Augustus Simmons & Mary A. White interest in my Estate who are now of age, at the time named in this Will, and also to do the same for the Minor Children, if at all; Sarah Simmons, when they shall have become of age, and on case of a disagreement on the part of either party, concerning the bequest shall have the right to call in favor due to those disinterested men to come in with them, and their decision shall be considered legal and right.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and appeared my seals, done in the year of our Lord, 1855, and of the State of Tennessee, the 1 day of February.

Test: W. D. Simmons

Robt. Bullard

W. D. Simmons

State of Tennessee, May Term, County Court
 Fayette County. This day was produced in Open Court, a paper
 Writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of the said
 Lemuel deacons, whereupon came into Open Court Mr. Johnson
 & Robert Butcher, subscribing Witnesses to said paper Writing, &
 who being first duly sworn, depose and say that they have acquainted
 with the said deacons the Testator, and that they have seen him sign and
 execute the said paper Writing to be his last Will and Testament, and
 they were called upon to sign the same as Witnesses, and done so at
 his request and in presence of each other, and they believe the said
 deacons Testator, was in sound mind and memory at the time
 of executing the same: It is therefore Considered by the Court, that the
 said paper Writing be Established as the last Will and Testament of
 the said deacons, and so entered upon the record.

Erizzy Johnson

Will

In the name of God, I, Erizzy Johnson, of
 Fayette County Tennessee, do hereby publish
 this as my last Will and Testament, last writing
 & declaring void all other Wills

made by me; And, I direct that my funeral Expenses & my debts be paid as soon
 as possible after my death, out of any money of which I may be possessed
 or which may proceed from any part of my Estate; & finally, I give & bequeath
 unto my beloved daughter, Minnie Fleming & Margaret Johnson, the
 part or parts on which I now live, for a home during their natural lives, or
 so long as they choose to reside thereon, subject to the following conditions,
 first, that if any of my other daughters should through misfortune be reduced
 to want, she or they shall also be entitled to the privilege of living on the
 same part of land, or of receiving from the proceeds thereof, such a
 portion as may be necessary for her or them, subject to the same condition,
 that this part of land aforesaid, shall not be sold or disposed of without the
 consent & record of my before mentioned daughter, Minnie Fleming
 and Margaret Johnson & of my son William Johnson; And further, that
 that if at any time, the said parties last mentioned, to wit, my daughter
 Minnie Fleming, Margaret Johnson & my son William Johnson, should
 think it best for the land to be sold, then & in that case, they may, with or without
 the consent of my other children, proceed to sell the same according to law,
 and out of the proceeds of the same, it is my Will & desire that my two
 daughters before mentioned, to wit, Minnie Fleming & Margaret Johnson
 shall receive each one thousand dollars, if the purchase money shall amount
 to so much; and that of what may then remain, my beloved daughter
 Mary Smith shall receive two thirds, & the balance after both these sums are
 deducted, be equally divided between my dear daughter, Ann Ford
 & my son Robert; & finally, I direct that if my daughter, Minnie Fleming
 or Margaret Johnson, should die, she is to receive from the proceeds
 of the same (in case it should be necessary to sell), only four hundred
 dollars, instead of one thousand, & the balance to be distributed among my
 other daughters, according to the same rule above last shown.

And, I do hereby appoint my son, William Johnson, Executor for said Robert and Mary Smith, to take
 & use their portions of my Estate, for their lives, as he shall judge best; & finally, I give & bequeath unto
 my daughter, Minnie Fleming & Margaret Johnson, for their sole use & benefit, my right share of land; for
 which I take the title here of my son William Johnson, they paying to Robert & Mary Smith, two hundred &
 thirty five dollars, for which I am bound to him in a note of payment, William Johnson, lastly, I do hereby
 appoint & appoint my son, William Johnson, the Executor of this my last Will & Testament. In testimony
 whereof, I do hereby set my hand & seal, this 15th day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand
 eight hundred & fifty five (1855)

Erizzy Johnson & d.;

William Johnson

Henry J. Patterson

State of Tennessee, October Term, County Court, 1855.

Fayette County. This day was produced in Open Court, a paper Writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of
 Erizzy Johnson deceased, and thereupon came into Open Court William Johnson and
 Henry J. Patterson subscribing Witnesses to said paper Writing who being first duly sworn,
 depose and say that they have acquainted with Erizzy Johnson the Testator, in his
 lifetime, and that they have seen him acknowledge the same to be his last Will and Testament,
 and that they believe he was in sound mind and disposing mind and memory at the time of
 acknowledging said paper Writing, and that they have called on to sign the same as
 Witnesses, and done so at his request and in his presence, & that they have no objection
 by the Court, and that said Will be Established, and so entered upon the record.

J. M. Carpenter

Will

I, J. M. Carpenter, do hereby publish this, to
 be my last Will and Testament, I give and
 bequeath to my wife, Martha J. Carpenter,
 all my property, now in my possession, and to

which I may have any Claims now or hereafter, whether real or personal or mixed,
 to be enjoyed by her, her heirs and assigns forever; I make my same wife, Martha
 J. the Executor of this my Will; Given under my hand and seal this 15th day of
 December 1857

August 25, 1855. I J. M. Carpenter acknowledge the above to be my last Will and
 Testament, which I wish carried into effect, all of which I acknowledge before the
 Witnesses whose names are attached

J. Carroll
 H. Johnson
 L. Craig
 James & Thomas

State of Tennessee, October Term, County Court, 1855

Fayette County. This day was produced in Open Court, a paper
 Writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of J. M. Carpenter
 deceased, and thereupon came into Open Court, J. Carroll, and L. Craig, and
 James M. Thomas subscribing Witnesses thereto, and who being first duly sworn
 depose and say that they have acquainted with J. M. Carpenter the Testator
 in his life time, and that they have seen him acknowledge the same paper Writing
 to be his last Will and Testament, and that they believe he was in sound mind
 and disposing mind and memory at the time of so doing, and that they have called on
 to sign the same as Witnesses, and done so at his request and in his presence, and so
 the record of said Will. It is therefore ordered by the Court that said Will be Established
 and so entered upon the record.

John B. Wray

Will

I know all men by their presents that I, John B. Wray, of the County of Fayette and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory, do make the my last Will and Testament, First, that all of my just debts be paid; Secondly, I Will and bequeath to my son, John Fletcher Wray, all of my effects, to wit: That my real estate be be sold, and that it shall be sold at the discretion of Executors, either publicly or privately, and such portions of my household & furniture for as long, as my Executors may think proper, also my Buggy, Harness, provided my son John Fletcher Wray, shall be of legal age at two full age, or without leaving a Wife or child. I Will that my effects be equally divided between my brother and sister, or their children, and my deceased Wife's brother and sister, or their children; I Will also John & M. Kinder to become my sole Executors and Administrators of my son's Signification and delivery in the presence of subscribing Witnesses the 21st July 1855

Witness: G. M. Morris
Wm. & Robbin

John B. Wray Esq

State of Tennessee August Term, County Court 1855.
Fayette County
A Paper Writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of John B. Wray deceased, was produced in open Court, and thereupon Came into Court, J. M. Morris and Wm. & Robbin, subscribing Witnesses to said paper Writing, and the being duly sworn, did so say that they were acquainted with John B. Wray, the testator, in his life time, and that they saw him sign, seal and execute said paper Writing, to be his last Will and Testament, and that they believe him to be in sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of signing said paper Writing, and that they signed the same as Witnesses thereto, in the presence of the testator, and in the presence of each other. It is therefore ordered by the Court that said paper Writing be established as the last Will and Testament of the said John B. Wray.

Rebecca Crenshaw

Will

In the name of God, Amen.
I, Rebecca Crenshaw, of the County of Fayette and State of Tennessee, now being in sound mind, of full age and legal years, do hereby certify that I am the author of the following Will, and that I have signed the same at the time of signing the same, and that I have signed the same in the presence of the testator, and in the presence of each other.

at the fact that all must die, and that I, according to the course of nature, cannot remain in this world a great length of time, but go the way of all the earth, and resign my spirit to that God who governs, and desiring to leave a testimony with regard to my earthly effects, both real and personal, I have signed this my last Will and Testament, to wit: I hereby declaring all others to be void. As follows, to wit: 1) All of my just debts to be paid; 2) I Will the following negroes, viz: Mary, John, Isaac & Lewis, to be equally divided between my daughter Nancy Larrance, Polly Crowder, Elizabeth Crenshaw and Caroline Moran in the following manner, to wit: That if the said negroes cannot be equally divided by drawing, then to be sold to the highest bidder for cash, and the proceeds of the same being ascertained, to be paid out in the purchase

of a negro for each one of my daughters, such as they may desire whether they desire it to be a negro man, boy, woman or girl, as their amount would be sufficient to pay for said negro; and the title of the above named negroes to be made by those who shall carry the my last Will into effect, whether by my own appointment, or by those who may be appointed by the Court in the County where this my Will shall be proved; and each person or persons shall have, and I do hereby give and grant them the power to make, as good a title to the above named negroes as an in the vesting and as good and firm a title as I could make were I a living, in the name of my estate; And also have person or persons who may carry this my Will into effect, are also authorized and empowered to take a good and sufficient title to the negroes that may be bought for my above named daughters, which title to said negroes, to be taken in the name of my said daughters and their bodily heirs, in the following manner, that is to wit: of said title or title of sole as regards the vesting the interest of said negroes (viz: 1) To Nancy Larrance, and her bodily heirs, for her and their sole use and benefit during her natural life, and after her death, to be equally divided among and between her said bodily heirs; 2) To Polly Crowder and her bodily heirs, for her and their sole use and benefit during her natural life, and after her death, to be equally divided among and between her said bodily heirs; 3) To Elizabeth Crenshaw and her bodily heirs, for her and their sole use and benefit during her natural life, and after her death, to be equally divided among and between her said bodily heirs; 4) To Caroline Moran and her bodily heirs, for her and their sole use and benefit during her natural life, and after her death, to be equally divided among and between her said bodily heirs; I furthermore Wish and desire that the above named, or those persons who may carry out this my Will, to sell my negroes in a public or private manner, and that the said Court shall appoint Guardians for my grand children James Marion Crenshaw and Rebecca Crenshaw the children of my son Thomas Crenshaw deceased, and cause the proceeds of said negroes to be put in his, their Guardians hands, after his giving such security as the Court may consider good, and for said guardian to keep said money or interest, and to pay over the same to the interest of the said children and clothing of said children, to those who may be legally entitled to receive the same, but at all times retain the principle, until said children may come of age; I also bequeath to my son Joseph Knott, five dollars, to be paid to him or his assigns, after the death of my estate. In testimony Whereunto I set my hand and affixed seal this 14th day of June in the year of our Lord 1855.

Witness: Henry C. Wade
Henry C. Wade
State of Tennessee August Term, County Court 1855.
Fayette County
A Paper Writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Rebecca Crenshaw deceased, was produced in open Court, and thereupon Came into Court, Henry C. Wade and Henry C. Wade subscribing Witnesses to the said paper Writing, and the being duly sworn, did so say that they were acquainted with Rebecca Crenshaw, the testator, in her life time, and that they saw her sign, seal and execute said paper Writing, to be her last Will and Testament, and that they believe her to be in sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of signing the same.

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Witness: Henry C. Wade
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State of Tennessee August Term, County Court 1855.
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The same, and that they were called on to sign the same and saw
 it put her request and in her presence, and in the presence of each other
 it is therefore considered by the Court that said paper writing was
 Established, and is Evidence of the same.

Sterling J. Vaughan

Will

State of Tennessee, In the County of
 Haystack County, 3 October 1855.

Sterling J. Vaughan of the County of
 Haystack and State of Tennessee, do hereby make, publish &

of some and disposing mine and money, do hereby make, publish &
 declare this my last Will and Testament, in and to the following effect:
 Item 1st I hereby nominate and appoint my son, James B. Vaughan, my
 son in law, James B. Chaffin, & my Brother Thomas Vaughan, Executors
 of this my last Will & Testament. Item 2nd My Wife and I desire, and
 I do order and direct, that all of my Estate, of every description be kept
 together until my youngest Child attains the age of 21 years, provided
 upon a fair trial of the Experiment my Executors should be of opinion
 that such a course is most conducive to the interest of my Children,
 and from the proceeds of the farm, & other available means, I wish all my
 debts & liabilities paid, and my Children raised, educated and taken
 care of, and upon the arrival of my youngest Child at lawful age, the
 whole of my Estate then remaining, I wish divided equally among all my
 Children, or their legal representatives, provided that in such division
 regard shall be had to a down payment previously made to my son
 James B. Chaffin to the amount of one hundred & twenty five dollars,
 and should the plan of keeping everything together, and keeping up the
 farm, as herein before directed, in the judgment of my Executors
 after a fair and good trial of the same, fail to be promoting of the best in-
 terest of all my Children, then and in that case my Executors are hereby im-
 powered and required to break up the farm, and sell the perishable property
 on such terms and conditions as they may think best, but not the negroes
 until the arrival of my said youngest Child at lawful age, and either
 rent or let the land, as they may be of opinion that be most promoting of the
 interest of all interested; and from such hire, rents and profits, I wish my
 Children raised, educated and taken care of, until the youngest attains the
 age of 21 years, and then the whole Estate equally divided as above pro-
 vided for. In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed
 my seal the 5th day of June A.D. 1855.

Witness: S. M. Sharp

S. J. Vaughan

State of Tennessee, October Term, County Court, 1855.
 Haystack County, 3 A Paper Writing purporting to be the last Will and
 Testament of S. J. Vaughan deceased was produced into open Court, and
 thereupon Came into Court S. M. Sharp and Levi Ketchum, Subscribing the
 names to said Paper Writing, and the being first duly sworn depose and
 say that they were acquainted with S. J. Vaughan the Testator, in his life time
 and that they saw him sign and execute the same, to be his last

Will and Testament, and that they believe that he was in sound and disposing mind and memory
 at the time of signing the same, and that they were called on by him to sign the same as witnesses
 and did so at his request and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, it is therefore
 Ordered by the Court that said Will be Established, and so Entered of Record.

Granderson Spaullock

Will

J. Granderson Spaullock, of the County of
 Haystack State of Tennessee, being of sound mind

and memory, and considering the uncertainty of his
 frail and transitory life, do hereby make, publish and

publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament; that is to say, first,
 after all my lawful debts are paid and discharged, the residue of my Estate,
 real and personal, I give, bequeath and dispose of as follows, to wit, I give
 and bequeath to my Wife, Sarah Spaullock, and all my Children except my
 son Thomas Spaullock, to wit, Mary Ann Parrott, Eliza Jane Griffin, John,
 Henry, William, Julia Warren, James and Angelina, Equal share in my
 Estate, both real and personal; my son Thomas Spaullock, I give and
 bequeath fifty dollars, to be paid to him by my Executors, when the Estate
 is divided; I do not want or otherwise wish my Estate real and
 personal to be divided between my Wife and Children, until my
 youngest Child, Angelina is 21 years of age, or otherwise Thomas,
 when said Wife be conscious of age; I want my Executors to let my Negro
 and two horses, one grey, one sorrel, one bay, and my pigs, cotton crop,
 one silver watch, and all the fowls except enough for two hares twelve
 months, and all the pork hogs except one thousand pounds for the use
 of the whole family; I also want my Gun Stance, horse mill, sawing
 gear, balances and Gunbarrel, such that gun & rifle shot; I want all
 my negroes hired out from year to year, except a negro Woman
 Winner, by my Executors, named Isaac, Leamon, Joe, Elanor,
 James, George, and Thomas, the money collected from the hire
 of said Slaves, and from the above named property, and two
 thousand dollars which I now have in the Bank in Tennessee
 is to be put at interest by my Executors, from year to year, until my
 youngest Child Angelina Marrio, or otherwise become 21 years of
 age; I want the negro Woman Winner and all my cattle, stock
 hogs, house and kitchen furniture and the farming utensils, to remain
 undisturbed on the farm for the use of my family; I want all of
 the above named property to be sold, as soon as it is practicable after
 my death; otherwise I make, constitute and appoint my Executors
 to do this my last Will and Testament. In Witness Whereof
 I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal, this 11th
 day of Sept. 1854.

Test: M. J. Green

J. H. Garrison

Granderson Spaullock Esq

State of Tennessee, May Term, County Court, 1855.

Haystack County, 3 This day was produced in open Court, a
 Paper Writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of
 Granderson Spaullock deceased, & thereupon Came into Court
 M. J. Green and J. H. Garrison, Subscribing the names to said Paper

per writing, & who being first duly sworn, depose & say that they were acquainted with J. Sparkle the Testator, & that they have been signed, sealed & executed the said paper writing, to be his last Will and Testament, & they were called upon to sign the same at Mr. Tackew's house, & done so at his request & in the presence of said Mr. Tackew, & that they believe the said Testator was in sound mind & memory at the time of executing the same, & it is further considered by the Court, that the said paper writing be established as the last Will & Testament of the said Testator, & ordered to be entered upon Record.

Edmund Higgason

Will

I, Edmund Higgason of the County of Haywood and State of Tennessee, being in sound mind and memory, do hereby declare this my last Will and Testament, to wit:

1st I direct that all my goods, debts, he has in hand, & I direct that my goods, some of which are in the hands of my creditors, in addition to what I have already given them, 2nd I direct that my land, negroes, stock of all kinds, and every article belonging to the purchase, shall be sold, and the proceeds thereof be equally divided among my four named children, in addition to what they now receive, & to wit: Mr. Blain, Sarah J. Sumner, Mary J. Cook, and Mary J. Higgason; 3rd and lastly, I appoint my son Edmund Higgason, and my son in law, & Tackew J. Cook, Executors to the said Will and Testament; It is to be understood that I reserve to my Executors, within my hand and seal, this twenty first of August 1855.

W. Tackew J. Cook

John H. Higgason

Joseph M. Good

Edmund Higgason

State of Tennessee, November Term, County Court, 1855.
Haywood County. 3 A Paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Edmund Higgason deceased, was this day produced into Court for probate thereof, and thereupon came into Open Court Joseph M. Good, one of the subscribing Witnesses to said paper writing, and being first duly sworn, depose and say that he was acquainted with Edmund Higgason the Testator, in his life time, and that he heard him acknowledge that he executed said paper writing to be his last Will and Testament, and that he was called on by the Testator to sign the same as a Witness thereto, and done so at his request, and in his presence, and that he believes the said Testator Edmund Higgason was in sound mind and memory at the time of signing the same, and ordered by the Court to be a competent witness for further Probate.

State of Tennessee, November Term, County Court, 1855.
Haywood County. 3 A Paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Edmund Higgason, was produced into Court for probate thereof, and thereupon came into Open Court W. Tackew J. Cook, one of the subscribing Witnesses to said paper writing, and being first duly sworn, depose and say that he was acquainted with Edmund Higgason the Testator in his life time, and that he heard him acknowledge

that paper writing to be his last Will and Testament, and that he was called on by the said Testator Edmund Higgason to sign the same as a Witness thereto, and done so at his request, and in his presence, and in the presence of other Witnesses, and he believes the said Testator was in sound mind and memory at the time of signing the same. It was therefore ordered by the Court that said Will be established, and so ordered of Record.

Jesse Stafford

Will

I, Jesse Stafford of the County of Haywood and State of Tennessee, do hereby publish this to be my last Will and Testament, to wit: That my son Jacob Stafford & my Daughter Ann Stafford, shall possess and enjoy

after paying all my just debts, all my property of every description, except my black man, which is my wish that my beloved wife shall have as her own right and property, given under my hand & seal, 11th Aug. 1855.
Jesse Stafford

Alex. McKillop

Jesse Stafford

State of Tennessee, November Term, County Court, 1855.
Haywood County. 3 A Paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Jesse Stafford deceased, was this day produced into Court for probate thereof, and thereupon came into Open Court & Alex. McKillop, one of the subscribing Witnesses to said paper writing, and who being first duly sworn, depose and say that he was acquainted with Jesse Stafford the Testator in his life time, and that he heard him acknowledge that he was his last Will and Testament, and that he was called on to sign the same as a Witness, and done so at the request of the said Testator, Jesse Stafford, and in his presence, and that he also believes he was in sound mind and disposing mind and memory at the time of signing and acknowledging said paper writing, and ordered by the Court that said Will be established, and ordered to be entered of Record.

in decrease of said slave, she have that much more than half of
Other two & The remainder of property of which I am dispossessed
both real, personal & Chattels, I desire to be (after payment of my just debts)
divided into two equal parts One half given to my son Henry & the other half
first as the other property, I desire them to my said grandsons Francis &
Isaac; and the remaining fourth part in trust as the other property, I desire
to Sarah, Agnes, Jacob & Elizabeth, after that misconduct has been
found & unless each child take may not arise, I desire that within fifteen
years ago or thereabouts I made a deed of gift to my daughter Sarah &
Agnes in the State of Georgia to two negro girls under the age of 16 years
and entrance in the foregoing devise to use of Sarah, Agnes & Jacob, and
in drawing this Will I regard them as one of the slaves who have been
between the two, Sarah & Agnes, each or either is not to get a greater number of
Child than of any child has not been under, I desire that any paper or
made as an Executors as such placed in a true sense, I desire to be returned
to me and Counselor if a certain contingency, by a time named, which being
some papers did not happen, and the same did not but the deed was not there
not to be returned, and I in fact, I desire it to be taken down as if it had
never existed, I desire that of the land I own in Georgia along with the same
this life without having Child or Children living, or the descendants of
such, then the surviving brother to his inheritance, and Child or Children to the
following limitation) and if both should die without Child or Children living
or the descendants of such then living then the other property being divided
for their use, before or after the slave, to go equally to said Henry, Agnes,
Isaac, Jacob & Elizabeth, to Henry, his part in relation to the, for each
of the other such once part to be held by the trustee for such use and purpose
as the other property having same & with the like condition, and I desire
that upon the decease of either of my said grandsons, Jacob or Agnes,
grand son Jacob, or all, without leaving living Child or Children, or grand
(living) of such, then the portions allowed for such Child or Children, or grand
Child, so dying, without leaving living Child or living descendants of such, to go
in equal proportion to the survivors, that is to say my said Children, Henry, Agnes,
Isaac, Jacob, Agnes, Jacob, grand son Jacob, & Francis & Isaac, but that the last
taking in such cases be to be but one third between them, so that the portion of Henry
would have taking the Child or Children or grand Children of such as my said
taking that would have gone to the portion of living, but it is to be divided equally
now as my Will that such portions as fall to Henry, or the foregoing go to
him absolutely, and such as go to each of my said daughters, or either, go to
their respective Children living before me, under the same provisions and
exceptions & limitations as the property given in the first instance, to such
once over And Whereas in the foregoing, I Will about the same time
six acres of land to use of my daughter Elizabeth, and also about the
one fourth part of my home tract of land be allotted off in severalty to one
of such of my said daughters, as first arrives at the age of 21 years or
marries, I have offered that it may be better for them, and therefore although
the devise of each of us in the form of a family declaration they may
deem it best to sell the land allotted to each of them, and the proceeds
paying from such sales to be divided among them, which may be

purchase, is in all respects to stand in relation to the original, Furthermore, I expect the trustee
of each of my daughters, upon marriage of such daughter to allow her to have in her actual
possession the slaves and land allotted to her use, so long as they see the property kindly
managed & proceeds thereof applied regularly to her & her childrens support, and for as
much shall come from becoming worthless, or prone to crime, or dangerous, it may be deemed
desirable to part with some of the slaves having given to slaves to the use however, during
the term is given to said trustees (Parties) if in the exercise of a sound dis-
cretion they deem it most advisable and to the interest of my estate to sell such slaves
to do so & invest the proceeds in other slaves to be held for the like uses & ends, as
the ones sold. The house hold and kitchen furniture also to go to use of Sarah, Agnes,
Isaac, & Francis & Isaac (the two latter taking one fifth to be used in keeping up the
plantation and as they respectively marry or become of age, upon division of the
plantation in this Will each ones proportion to be allotted. The also to remain
and upon such division, or time for it arriving to be given to legatee.

I hereby appoint Henry C. Degraffenius, E. Evans, L. H. Bland, J. P. Bland & Peter
Bland Executors of this my last Will & Testament, hereby making all other testaments by
me. The six last lines on page 7 & eight & all of 9 lines on page 8 at top, blank and
signing. This April 4th 1846
Jas. Jamescales
William B. Bland
Edward M. Long, Son

I, Basswell B. Degraffenius, of the County of Fayette and State of Tennessee, do hereby
testify that I, April 1846, made and published my last Will and Testament, and I desire my name to be
in the presence of J. Jamescales, William B. Bland and Edward M. Long, and
which said last Will and Testament is an acknowledged and being now deceased of
making allegations and changes thereon, do on this the 14th of January 1857, make
deeds and publish this my last Will and Testament, and desire that the same have full
force and effect and be declared a part of my Will. And the Executors of my said
Will, my grand son, Francis Long, has departed this life, under age, and living no
Child or Children surviving him, having never been married; I do now entirely revoke
the bequest and devise made to said Francis Long and Isaac Long, Executors,
and do now declare that in my Will and desire that the clauses in said Will
Every part and parcel thereof, becoming a legacy to said Francis & Isaac
Long be declared void and no longer of any effect or force, and the same be in
all respects. Provided: And I am in lieu of said legacy, I give to my grand
son, Edward M. Long, four thousand dollars in money, to be paid to him
by my Executors as soon as practicable after my death; and I now give
and devise the property, real and personal, big game and game, and
Edward M. Long, son of Francis Long and particularly described and mentioned
in said Will, to my son Henry C. Degraffenius my daughter Elizabeth, my son
Jacob, Sarah B. Green Wife of Post Solomon Green, & Agnes Degraffenius, and my
grand son Jacob Evans, to be divided equally among them, share and share
alike, to them and their heirs forever; that is to say my son Henry C. absolutely, in
fee, and to my said daughters and each of them, in fee, and the same with the same
exceptions, conditions and limitations as declared in said Will; that is to
say, I give and devise the share of my daughter Elizabeth, E. Degraffenius
to Henry C. Degraffenius and the share of my daughter Sarah B. Green to

and part of the aforesaid legacy in trust for the use and benefit of her the said Elizabeth B. and her heirs or children, subject to the Conditions, restrictions and limitations as set forth in my said last will and testament, and to receive for her benefit, and the maintenance of my daughter Sarah B. and Agnes, and my grand son James Edward Rogers and do give to the said Elizabeth B. the sum of five hundred dollars and do give to the said Elizabeth B. the sum of five hundred dollars and do give to the said Elizabeth B. the sum of five hundred dollars in trust for the use and benefit of her the said Elizabeth B. and her heirs or children, subject to the Conditions, restrictions and limitations as set forth in my said last will and testament.

It is further my will and desire, if my grand son George Rogers should die before he arrives at the age of twenty one years, that the and in that event, the share and legacy given to him in my said last will and testament, the Code will; and every part and portion thereof shall go to my children Henry E. Elizabeth B. Sarah B. and Agnes, to be divided equally between them and their heirs, that is to say, the share of the said portion, to wit in him absolutely in fee, and the respective shares of Elizabeth B. Sarah B. and Agnes of the legacy to be paid them should be due before arriving at the age of twenty one years as aforesaid, I will and desire to vest in the said children as above for their use and benefit, and subject to the same Conditions, restrictions and limitations as hereinbefore set forth and declared as well in the said will as the will aforesaid. I have two notes on my hand in favor of William Green, one for about two hundred dollars the other for about ten hundred dollars, I do not wish either of these collected off him, and I do not direct my executor to deliver up both notes to him, to be by him cancelled, as it is my will that he shall pay in part of said notes the money on 2^d page 1000 and 1000.

over there before witness them and witness before signing and sealing. B. B. Degraffner, Esq. signed, sealed and published in our presence, on the day of the date above.

Calvin Jones
John W. Morrison
State of Tennessee, October Term, County Court, 1855
Jasper County. Be it remembered that on the 12th day of October A.D. 1855, a paper Writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Basil B. Degraffner deceased late of the County of Jasper and State of Tennessee was presented for Probate to the Court and thereupon came into open Court Edward A. Long, Sen^r one of the subscribing Witnesses to said last will and testament who after being duly sworn in open Court, deposed and says that he was well acquainted with said testator, the said Basil B. Degraffner, and that he the said Edward A. Long is a subscribing Witness to said last will and testament, that he became such a subscribing Witness at the request of the testator, the said Basil B. Degraffner, who acknowledged to him that he executed said will and signed and sealed and published the same on the day of its date for the purpose therein expressed and set out, and that the said testator Basil B. Degraffner was when he made the request and set out in the execution of said last will and testament of sound mind and disposing

mind and memory, and of sound and disposing mind, to wit, the 12th day of October 1855, Edward A. Long another Witness introduced after having been duly sworn in open Court, deposed and says that he was well acquainted with the said James Deale, the first subscribing Witness to said last will and testament, and for the last ten years has been well acquainted with his home writings, that said James Deale is now deceased, having departed this life twenty years ago, and further that he knows and recognizes the signature of James Deale as a subscribing Witness to said will, is in his proper hand writing, of said James Deale, Christopher Pinner, another Witness introduced at the same time, after being duly sworn in open Court, deposed and says that he was well acquainted with said James Deale, that he is deceased, and also that he knows his hand writing, and that he knows and recognizes the signature of James Deale as such a subscribing Witness, is in his proper hand writing, of said James Deale deceased; and afterwards at the same time to wit on the 2^d day of October 1855, Simon H. Walker another another Witness introduced, again being duly sworn in open Court, deposed and says that he is well acquainted with William S. Michale, who is another subscribing Witness to said last will and testament, and also that he is well acquainted with the hand writing of the said William S. Michale, having often seen him write, that said Michale is now and has been for several years a non resident of the State of Tennessee, and is now, and has been for several years a resident of the County of Buchanan and State of Mississippi, and further, that he knows and recognizes the signature of William S. Michale as such a subscribing Witness to said last will and testament, is in his proper hand writing, of the said Michale, and that he knows and recognizes the signature of the said Michale, and the same time, to wit, on the 2^d day of October 1855, another Witness introduced, after being first duly sworn in open Court, deposed and says that he is well acquainted with said hand writing of Michale, and has known for about twenty years, and that his name and signature as a subscribing Witness to said last will and testament, is in his proper hand writing; and another Witness introduced, another Witness introduced, after being first duly sworn in open Court, then testified that he is acquainted with the said William S. Michale, and also with his hand writing, that said Michale is now, and has been for several years a resident of the County of Buchanan in the State of Mississippi; Whereupon the Court then gave these Orders, to wit, that the said James Deale and the said Michale be duly sworn and established, and Ordered the same to be Recorded.

And now on the 13th day of October A.D. 1855, a paper Writing, purporting to be a Codicil to the last will and testament of said Basil B. Degraffner deceased, was in like manner presented to the Court for Probate thereof, and thereupon came into open Court Calvin Jones. One of the subscribing Witnesses to said last will and testament, and after having been first duly sworn, deposed and says that he was well acquainted with the said Calvin Jones, Basil B. Degraffner deceased, and that he, said Calvin Jones, signed and published the said Codicil on the day of its date, having in his presence and in the presence of the said Calvin Jones, the said Calvin Jones, and thereupon requested this Witness, said Calvin Jones, to attest his execution of the same, after first a challenge was made to the execution thereof for the purpose therein declared and set out; the said Calvin Jones further deposed and says that he and the said Calvin Jones then signed the same in the presence of the said testator and of one another, and subscribed their names as Witnesses to said Codicil; the said Calvin Jones further deposed and says that the said testator, Basil B. Degraffner, was when he signed, sealed and published the Codicil, of

(My Common Clothing to be given to my female servant) I have given
 to Margaret Cleaves (Wife of Mr. M. Cleaves) three hundred dollars, I have given
 to Sarah R. Collier (Wife of Sam. R. Collier) three hundred dollars, I have given
 to my faithful servant Ann, Miller, twenty five dollars, which I give to my
 servant, Mary & Ann, Ten dollars each, I reserve all the rest of my property
 Every kind, I wish to be equally divided between my daughter Sydney Cleaves
 and my son Thos. P. Cleaves, with this condition, that if either of them die leaving
 no living child or children, then the survivor shall have the part left to the other.
 That I to say, that if my daughter Sydney Cleaves should die, leaving no living
 child, then her part is to go to my son Thos. P. Cleaves, and if my son Thos. P. Cleaves
 should die leaving no living child, then his part is to go to my daughter Sydney
 Cleaves. And I further direct that my daughter Sydney Cleaves should not to
 take my negro girl Fanny, who can do by having her value by this dispo-
 sition, but be chosen by my Executor, and such value shall be a kind of salary
 until he death, except, and if he should not take said girl at said valuation
 or if he should die before he takes her, then his other property, for an equal division
 I further direct that my Executor is not to pay over or deliver the portion
 left to my daughter Sydney Cleaves, until the seventh beginning, unless the
 expiration of three years after the settlement of my estate, unless my daughter
 should have a living child, and then in that case I direct my Executor to
 pay and deliver over to her, said legacy, with interest on the same from the
 time of settlement; and should he choose to take the negro girl at valuation
 and said girl is to be hired out until the expiration of the three years (unless
 foregoing circumstances should take place) viz. should he have a living child
 and he negro girl is to be delivered over to her, or at the end of three years,
 at the time of said girl; And I further direct, that of the money left to my
 son Thos. P. Cleaves, that my Executor shall have discretionary power to
 purchase (if they are for sale, and he shall see fit) the piece of the of the negro
 now left to Thos. P. Cleaves by his father, viz. the wife of Dick and child.
 And I further direct that to supersede the necessity of a guardian for
 my son Thos. P. Cleaves, who is a Minor, I constitute and empower my Executor
 to act as trustee, and under this will to do and act in all things that
 may be necessary to the full execution of this my will; And I further direct that
 after my decease I wish my body placed in a Protastic Coffin and then buried in
 a brick vault beside my husband, with a monument or tombstone of granite
 and large enough to hold my children. Further, I nominate and appoint
 George Thompson my Executor to this my last will and Testament, and should he
 by death or any other cause be prevented from executing this will, then I nominate
 and appoint Charles Lynn my Executor; signed this day ^{from} my both my own
 hand and in the view of God. February the 15th 1856

J. W. H. W.
 J. E. Watson
 State of Tennessee, Spivey Term, County Court, 1856.
 Fayette County, B. I. & Wilson instrument was produced into open court
 stating to be the last will and Testament of John Cleaves, deceased, was produced
 into open court for probate, and Thompson came into open court J. W. H. W.
 and J. E. Watson, subscribing witnesses thereto, and after being first duly sworn
 depose and say that they are acquainted with John Cleaves, the Testator in

his lifetime and that they saw him sign, seal and execute the same to be his last will and Testament, and
 that they believed him to be in sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of signing said last
 will and Testament, and that they were called on to sign the same as witnesses and done so at the
 request of the Testator and in his presence, and in the presence of each other, said will was executed
 by the Testator to be authentic, and called to be as before of them.

James P. Wilson
 Will
 I, James P. Wilson of the County of Fayette & State of Tennessee
 being one of full mind and legible of the late Will of John Cleaves (of
 the same County & State) now do hereby appoint to be
 J. Wilson my Brother my sole Executor; I desire that he take
 my whole estate into his hands, and manage it for the payment of all my just debts, and
 for the support of my Brother & two unmarried Sisters & Mother & Mother, and in case my said Sister
 should die before my Brother, then I desire that the balance of my estate left after paying my debts, and
 after my Brother's share to be used by her until her death, and then to be divided equally between
 my two Sisters that may then be living; and I further desire that my said Brother should not
 be required to give bond or be required to take out letters of Administration, but that he be authorized
 to convey title to any or all of my estate to any one who may purchase the same from him, it
 is my desire that in winding up and appraisement my estate that he be not required to convey
 the same through any of the Courts of the State but that he proceed with the same in the same
 way that I could manage it; my last business of my estate was about a half of
 land in Fayette County Tennessee on which my father died which has been sold, my intent is that
 said J. Wilson receive my part of the purchase money, also my undivided share in certain
 tract of land in the County of Fayette State of Tennessee of which my father died and received
 interest before signing. Notary the 15th 1856
 signed, sealed & delivered in the presence of
 J. E. Watson
 J. McLaughlin
 State of Tennessee, May Term, County Court, 1856.
 Fayette County, B. I. & Wilson instrument was produced into open court for probate, and
 Thompson came into open court J. W. H. W. and J. E. Watson, subscribing witnesses to said
 paper writing, and after being first duly sworn, depose and say that they are acquainted
 with J. P. Wilson the Testator in his lifetime, and that they saw him sign the said paper writ-
 ing to be his last will and Testament, and that they were called on to sign the same as
 witnesses, and done so at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each
 other, and that they believed he was in sound and disposing mind and memory at the
 time of signing the same. It was therefore considered by the Court, that said will be
 authentic, and do enter of same.

James Wilson
 Will
 Be it known that I, James Wilson, of the County
 of Fayette and State of Tennessee, at this present
 time being in full bodily health, but of feeble
 and declining mind, do make and constitute
 this my last will and Testament, first, I will and wish all my just debts
 to be paid; second, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Louisa this fol-
 lowing framed large sum, a Bay named Haddock, about ten years old and
 a negro girl named Eliza aged about three years; then I give and bequeath
 to her, over and above, an equal share of my estate and a share of the same

Be it known that I, James Wilson, of the County
 of Fayette and State of Tennessee, at this present
 time being in full bodily health, but of feeble
 and declining mind, do make and constitute
 this my last will and Testament, first, I will and wish all my just debts
 to be paid; second, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Louisa this fol-
 lowing framed large sum, a Bay named Haddock, about ten years old and
 a negro girl named Eliza aged about three years; then I give and bequeath
 to her, over and above, an equal share of my estate and a share of the same

you profited by Giles McLean, one of the Executors therein named, and the
 Executors having in power by the Order of George & William & Henry McLean
 the Subscribing Witnesses thereto, and the Executors of the Order to have the
 was proved by the Oath of George & William & Henry McLean, the Subscribing Witnesses thereto.
 It is therefore Considered and adjudged that said Order and the Oaths
 thereto, and every part thereof, be the last Will and Testament of William
 McLean deceased, and is ordered to be Recorded, and at the same time
 Giles McLean, one of the Executors therein named, appeared upon
 Court and qualified accordingly. With said Will is, in the presence and
 presence following, to wit, John McLean of Frederick County, William
 McLean, being of sound mind & memory, & conscious of the uncertainty of
 human life, he made, published, & declared his last Will & Testament in writing
 and form as follows: (My Will & Testament is that my general bequest of part
 debts to pay. I devised & bequeath to my three sons, Alexander M. John
 S. & William S. McLean, all the property hereafter given by parcel to them,
 which they now have in their possession, & my Will & intention is that they
 shall not be a trustee for me or keep it in the future success of my estate,
 I devised & bequeath to my Executors & the survivors of them & the Executors in
 stead of such survivor, the following Negroes, Chancy, Matthias, Mary
 John, Henry, & Jane, Alexander, Chancy, Henderson & Mary, and their
 increase born or to be born, & my Mason Hall plantation, including the
 land bought of Pollock & Dale, in trust for the sole & separate use of my
 daughter Mary Jane McLean during her natural life & should she be
 having a child or children, then said land & negroes & their increase to belong
 jointly to such child or children then & there after, and should my said
 daughter Mary Jane, not marry, or marry & have no child or children, then
 that said my Will & intention is that my said daughter Mary Jane
 shall have power & authority to give by Will, or otherwise, the same land & negroes
 & their increase aforesaid, to any one or more of my children or children whom
 she may select. In case my said daughter Mary Jane should not
 marry, or marry & have no child or children, I gave to execute the power
 or authority herein given her, in disposing of said property, then my Will
 & intention is that the property herein described & bequeathed to her shall
 be equally divided among my other children & their heirs, of any of them then
 before the date; I bequeath to my said daughter Mary Jane, all my household
 & the kitchen furniture, including books & a piano. I devised and bequeath
 to my Executors and the survivors of them, & the Executors or administrators of each
 survivor, the following Negroes, namely, Caroline & her children Henry, James,
 Lucie & Malinda, and Melly & her child Mary, Mary, Mary, Hannah & William
 & their increase, born or to be born, and also the five hundred acres of a tract
 of land on Back Creek, purchased by me of Green D. Jordan, and also a
 parcel of land on the north side of Back Creek, the whole of which has been
 conveyed by me to said Jordan, & during his life, in trust for the use &
 benefit of my daughter Elizabeth Jordan & my son in law the said
 Green D. Jordan, during their lives & the life of the survivor of them, & should
 my daughter Elizabeth have any child or children, then said land &
 the whole of the said Green D. Jordan my Will & intention is that the aforesaid land & negroes
 & their future increase shall belong absolutely to such child or children, I have

and have also, but should my said daughter Elizabeth have any child or children, I have
 shall have power & authority to dispose by Will, or otherwise, of the aforesaid property, & also such as
 I hereafter give her in this Will, to any one or more of my other children or grand children, that
 she may select, and should my said daughter have no child or child to execute the power &
 authority given her to dispose of said property, then my Will & intention is that after the life of
 said son in law the said Green D. Jordan, the same as said land & negroes & their future increase, shall
 be equally divided among my other children & their heirs, at her death, the children
 of each of them as may and before said Negroes: All the residue of my estate
 real & personal, including my Negroes in the State of Tennessee, & the here that may
 be due at my death, I devised & bequeath to be equally divided between my four
 children, two daughters & two sons hereafter mentioned, and my Will & intention is
 that the shares of my two daughters shall belong, in trust to my Executors, & as a
 direct trust to the provisions & conditions hereafter declared in relation to
 my two daughters respectively, & it is further my Will & intention that my son in
 law Green D. Jordan, shall not have a life estate in this residue; I do nominate &
 appoint my son William S. McLean & my nephew Giles McLean Executors
 of this my last Will & Testament, having & making all other Wills & Testaments void &
 made, the Witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 23rd day
 April 1856.

Signed & declared in presence of

William McLean, Clerk

G. S. McLean

Henry McLean

And also to this my last Will & Testament: All the property herein &
 bequeathed in this my last Will & Testament to my daughter Mary Jane & Jane or
 to my Executors in trust for her, it is my Will and desire that in case she die
 without issue, she shall have the power to dispose of the same by Will or otherwise,
 to whomsoever she please: & I Witness my hand & seal this 23rd day of April 1856

Witness, G. S. McLean

William McLean, Clerk

State of North Carolina, I George Lewis, Clerk of the Court of Pleas and Justice
 of the County and State aforesaid, do hereby
 Certify that the foregoing contains a full, true and perfect transcript of the
 probate of the last Will & Testament, together with the Oath of the Executors of
 William McLean, deceased, late of Orange County, and I further Certify
 that the foregoing is a true and perfect copy of the last Will and Testament of
 William McLean, deceased, as filed from the original on file in my office

In attestation whereof, I have hereunto signed my
 name, and affixed the seal of said Court, at Office
 in Hillsborough, this 23rd day of September A.D. 1856

Geo. Lewis, C.C.C.

State of North Carolina, I George Lewis, Clerk of the Court of Pleas and Justice
 of the County and State aforesaid, do hereby Certify that George Lewis, whose name
 is signed to the foregoing, Certificate is a true and perfect copy of the last Will and Testament of
 William McLean, deceased, as filed from the original on file in my office

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 name, and affixed the seal of said Court, at Office
 in Hillsborough, this 23rd day of September A.D. 1856

Geo. Lewis, C.C.C.

North Carolina, J. George Lewis, Clerk of the Court of Orange County, and quarter Sessions of the County, and State officers, do hereby certify that Cardinal Lewis Jones, whose name is subscribed to the foregoing Certificate, is now empanelled at the time he subscribed the same, the Chairman and presiding Magistrate of said Court, duly commissioned and qualified, and the full faith and credit are due to his official acts as such.



In testimony Whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the seal of said Court, at Office in Hillsborough, this 23rd day of September A.D. 1856.

J. G. Lewis C.C.C.

Samuel H. Mobane

Will

I, Samuel H. Mobane, of the County of Shelby and State of Tennessee, do hereby certify that this my last Will and Testament, hereunto and bearing date all other Wills heretofore at

any other time made: First, I direct that my funeral expenses amounting shall be paid as soon as possible, out of any monies of whatever may be deposited, or that may first come into the hands of my Executors; secondly, I give my Wife, Mildred W. Mobane, all my household and kitchen furniture of every kind, also my Corns, Buggy, Wagon, and all my farming utensils of every description, and also all my cows, mares, and every other kind of stock; thirdly, I give and bequeath my personal effects (and also my gold watch to my son Samuel H. Mobane); fourthly, I wish all the balance of my property to be equally divided between my Wife Mildred W. Mobane, and my son, Children viz. Corrinna, Elizabeth R., Martha A., Mary Ellen, Samuel, and Samuel; fifthly, I give my Wife, Mildred W. Mobane, the privilege to select such negroes for herself as may be necessary, or who may be necessary; sixth, I wish my Executors to purchase a farm that will make a good comfortable home for my Wife and Children, and have it furnished at the expense of my Estate with all necessary fixtures, and that my Wife have the use of said farm and improvements during her lifetime; seventh, I wish my Executors to purchase a farm in Tennessee or North Carolina, as my Wife and my Executors may think best for the interest of my family; eighth, I wish my Children well educated; ninth, I wish to be buried on the premises of John H. Mobane, in Fayette County, Tennessee; tenth, I wish my family and property moved to Fayette County, as soon as practicable, and my Wife and Children to have custody of my second and third lands; eleventh, In the event of either of my Children dying without Children, I wish that his or her portion of my property shall be equally divided between his or her Children; twelfth, I expressly Will that the property hereby bequeathed to my daughters shall not, in any way, be liable for the debts of their husbands, but to be used for the benefit of their families, during their natural lives, and that they have the privilege to exchange any of said property for other property of equal value by getting the consent of the property

trustee. I authorize my Executors to sell any of the negroes of my Estate, that may be lawfully sold, that they may make the interest of my Estate demands, and also to sell any or all my said land, and I hereby nominate and appoint John H. and Wm. S. Mobane my Executors, and request that they give bond as usual, without security, this 16th day of June 1855.

Witness: S. J. Lewis, Justice of the Peace in said County, and we have subscribed our names hereto, the Vice of the Notary, June 16th 1855.

P. Boyer

Andrew Taylor

Wm. S. Mobane

State of Tennessee, J. John D. Hazard, Clerk of the County Court of Shelby County, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of S. H. Mobane's Will, as the same appears of Record and signed in my office.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court at Office, October 6th 1855.

John D. Hazard Clerk

Ariana Stith
Will

I, Ariana Stith, of the County of Wayne and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and in usual health do hereby certify that this my last Will and

Testament, I have made, and desire that it be put into effect and executed as follows: First, I give and bequeath to my son, George Parule Phillips, and to my Nephew, Richard Stanford Phillips, and to the survivor of them, all the real and personal property and effects of what kind soever, and the proceeds of all my real estate and personal property, as directed in the first item of this my Will, to be held by them in trust, for the use and benefit of my two daughters, Mary M. Phillips and my Emily Palmer, for their natural lives, to be equally divided between them, to be paid from the interest, as any liability for the interest of the husbands of my said daughters, in any manner whatever.

Item third, at the death of either of my said daughters it is my Will and desire that the portion of such daughter be given, and I hereby give and bequeath the same, to the Children of such daughter, in equal parts among them the descendants of a deceased child to take the share of their deceased parent, in equal parts among them.

Item fourth, I hereby appoint said George Parule Phillips, Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In testimony Whereof, I have signed my name and seal this 3rd day of December A.D. 1855.

Test: M. P. Jennings

M. H. Murray

State of Tennessee, December Term, County Court, 1856. Shelby County, 3. A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Ariana Stith deceased, was this day produced into open Court for probate thereof, and having come into open Court M. P. Jennings and M. H. Murray subscribing Witnesses thereto, and also being first duly sworn, depose and say that they know a certain Ariana Stith, the testatrix in the last Will, and that they have acknowledged the execution of said paper purporting to be her last Will and Testament, and that they have called on by her to sign the same as witnesses thereto, and done so at her request.

They further state they believe said Testator to be in sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of executing the same. That said James considered said paper Writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of said John F. Pickens, and is under that belief and a true and correct copy of Record.

John F. Pickens

Will

State of Tennessee, November 29, 1856

Sealed County of 1. John F. Pickens

being of sound mind, being desirous

of making a disposition of his personal

Effects: Article 1. It is my Will that

John F. Pickens be my executor and

guardian of my Children. 2. It is my Will that he

shall have full power to sell, lease, convey, or

dispose of my land and my land to be sold

privately, or any way he may

in his judgment may think best. Witness my hand

at New York, this 29th day of November, 1856.

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The above named articles that I have compiled from said, I wish to be mutually and equally enjoyed by my two daughters, Elizabeth and Elizabeth Smith, &c. If my daughter should die without issue, I want all of my Effects to be equally divided among the Children of my sister, Susan & Gamaliel. I appoint Dr. Nicholas Nicholas, my Executor to the my last Will & Testament, and I do require him to give security. November 16, 1856.

John F. Pickens

David S. Perkins

State of Tennessee, January Term, County Court, 1857.

Sealed County of 1. John F. Pickens

being of sound mind, being desirous

of making a disposition of his personal

Effects: Article 1. It is my Will that

John F. Pickens be my executor and

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in his judgment may think best. Witness my hand

at New York, this 29th day of November, 1856.

John F. Pickens

R. C. Smith

James B. Mathews

Will

I do hereby make this my last Will and Testament.

My Will and desire is that all of my just debt

be paid out of funds and the sale of property

herein after set forth. 2^d I Will and bequeath

to my beloved Wife, the East of land on which I have made purchase of

James B. Mathews, including 18 acres, caught of James B. Mathews, to have and to hold

the same during her natural life, or Widowhood for the purpose and only of her

own maintenance and support; but to enable her to raise and educate our

Children, and be a home for my son, James, and daughter, Elizabeth, I, but

in the event of her marriage or death, I Will and bequeath the above described

land and premises to my son, James, and daughter, Elizabeth, and in the event of

their death before the age of majority, or Widowhood, I Will and bequeath

the same to my son, James, and daughter, Elizabeth, and in the event of their

death before the age of majority, or Widowhood, I Will and bequeath the

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death before the age of majority, or Widowhood, I Will and bequeath the

Other Child, I then wish it to be Equally divided between my wife and three Henry White and Sarah Annice Bell. And lastly, it is my request that my friends, Wilcox & Son, be appointed my Executors.

In Witness Whereof, I do to this my Will, at my home and near the 21st day of January, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty four.

I give in due presence

John S. Davis

John M. Kimball

William P. Kimball

Rosanna Garrison
Noncupated
Will

State of Tennessee, in Davidson County, County Court,
Jaggle County, 3rd 1854

Be it remembered that on the 21st day of January, A.D. 1857, came into Open Court, John M. Kimball

County Judge presiding, a Widow of Peckles and Emily Pearson, to the last Will and Testament of a Mrs. Rosanna Garrison Dec'd. and after having been duly sworn to answer questions touching said Will of said Rosanna Garrison dec'd. at his place of residence in Jaggle County, Tennessee, on December 14th 1856. That the said Rosanna Garrison in her last sickness & on some day she died, disposed of her real estate and three names Davis & White, and directed that her son John Garrison should have as his own absolute property, said Negro Man, Dances, that she had in other property than the said Dances & White & disposed of, and that the said Rosanna Garrison regularly paid & paid of the said William Gibson name, to her father that foregoing and same, that he had this and testament, & that they should so certify. And thereupon the Court doth further adjudge & decreed that the foregoing is the last Will & Testament of said Rosanna Garrison Dec'd. & the same

as above

William Lewis
Will

State of Tennessee, in the name of Davidson County,

Jaggle County, 3rd I, William Lewis, being in my proper mind, intent of sound memory, do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament, that

When I am dead, this my body be decently buried, and my funeral expenses paid, and that my Will is, that all my just debts be paid, to my daughter, Mary Ann, Wife of John S. Wood, of Haywood County, and state above named, I will give dollars; to my daughter Susan Standwick, Wife of S. Standwick, of Jaggle County, and state above named, I also will give dollars, to my daughter Amanda Lewis, I will and bequeath the following Negro Slaves, viz. Negro Woman, Place, Negro girl, Francis, and boy, Frank, to my son William W. Lewis, I will and bequeath the following named Negro Slaves, viz. Negro Man, Abraham, Thomas, Susan, Mary, Mary, Whogan, girls, Jane and Rachel; I also give and bequeath to my son William W. Lewis, my Riding Horse, or any horse I may have at my death, also, my bed, and all my furniture and all other property I may be possessed of at the time of my decease, In testimony Whereof, I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal this August 3rd A.D. 1853

signed, published in presence of

R. B. Walker
Henry Pearson

Wm Lewis

State of Tennessee, March Term, County Court, 1857

Jaggle County, 3rd A paper Writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Wm Lewis dec'd. Was produced into Open Court, and thereupon came into Court J. M. Kimball and Henry Pearson, subscribing Witnesses to the said paper Writing, and also being first duly sworn, deposed & say, that they were acquainted with Wm Lewis the testator, in his life time, and that he acknowledged the said paper Writing, to be his last Will and Testament, in their presence, and that they knew Callan on by him, to sign the same as Witnesses, and do so at his request, and in the presence of each other, and that they believed him to be in sound and disposing mind and memory, at the time of signing the same. It is therefore Concluded by the Court, that Will, be Established, and Ordered to be Recorded.

Joseph Coe
Will

I, Joseph Coe, of the County of Jaggle & State of Tennessee, do make & publish the my last Will & Testament.

Item first, I give & bequeath to my Wife, Margaret Coe, the following named Negro Slaves, viz. George & his family, viz. Caroline, Martha, John, Ella, Parthena, Jerry & Eliza, Walter L. man & his children, Abraham, James & Malions; Martha Jane, now in England in Chancery Court at a Communion; Mrs. Henry, Walter, Mary, Margaret, Henry, Nat. Ann, Lucy, Fanny, Sally, Ephraim, Cherry Ann, Children, Margaret, Markham, Mary, Eliza & Clark; Leander, Dan, Jim, Isabella & Charley; To have and to hold the above named Negro Slaves absolutely to her, the said Margaret Coe, her heirs & assigns forever.

Item second, All the rest & residue of my personal real & personal of any & every description, I give to my Wife, Margaret Coe, for & during the term of her natural life, to use, consume and manage as she may deem fit & proper. I at her death, the same to go to & belonging to my grand children, the children of my son Lewis & Coe, then living, in accordance with the directions herein after given; the share & interest which may be then going to my said grand daughter, children of Lewis & Coe. I wish & direct that they take & hold the same free & independent from the Control & Management of any husband they may have then, or any time hereafter, to their sole & separate use & benefit, & in no way to be liable for the debts or contracts contracted by their said husbands; and at their death, or default of issue living to them, surviving brothers & sisters, share & share alike, in accordance with the terms & provisions of this Will, as declared & set out. The share & interest given to my grand sons, Lewis & Coe, James Coe & Joseph Coe, I will & bequeath to them & their heirs forever at the death of their said grand mother Margaret Coe.

Item third, I direct that my Wife, Margaret Coe, remain on the place we now live at, of the funds it is agreeable & in accordance with her wishes to do so, and I further direct that in order to provide for any debts now due & owing by me, that any of said slaves & personal property, given heirs to my Wife, during her life, may be sold by her, publicly or privately for cash, or on a credit; and further, if my said Wife becomes dissatisfied with any of said slaves, in which she has a life estate, she may likewise sell the same, in her discretion, I upon making such sale or sales, make it to the purchaser of same.

Item fourth, I do hereby nominate & appoint my Wife, Margaret Coe, Executor of this my last Will & Testament, & direct that she be exonerated & freed from the provisions of the law as to giving bond & security for the performance of duties of Executor, & further that she be not required to render any account, or sale list of my estate to Court or elsewhere; and direct that, upon this my

State of Tennessee, May Term, County Court, 1857.
Jay's County, 3. A paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Jesse Hale deceased, was this day produced in open Court, and Thompson came into Court, & Dickerson, one of the subscribing Witnesses to the said paper writing, and the day first duly sworn, depose and say he was acquainted with Jesse Hale the testator in his life time, and that he acknowledged the said paper writing, in his presence, to be his last Will and Testament, and that he was called on by the said Jesse Hale, the testator, to sign the same as a witness, and signed at his request, once in his presence, and that he believed him to be of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of signing the same.

It is therefore Ordered by the Court, that said Will be placed on file in the Court for further perusal.

State of Tennessee, July Term, County Court, 1857.
Jay's County, 3. A paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Jesse Hale deceased, was this day produced in open Court, and Thompson came into Court, & Dickerson, one of the subscribing Witnesses to the said paper writing, and the day first duly sworn, depose and say that he was acquainted with Jesse Hale the testator in his life time, and that he acknowledged the said paper writing, in his presence, to be his last Will and Testament, and that he was called on by the said Jesse Hale, the testator, to sign the same as a witness, and signed at his request, and in his presence, and that he believed 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 Will be established and Ordered to be recorded.

David B. Johnson	I, David Johnson, being of sound mind and disposing memory, but of weak body, do hereby and lawfully publish this my last Will and Testament, being as follows:
Will	all other Wills by me at any time made.

First, It is my Will and desire, and I hereby and lawfully bequeath unto my son, Thomas my negro Manley, to have and to hold to him and his heirs forever, I do give and bequeath unto my Wife and desired, and I hereby give and bequeath unto my son, George my negro Woman Caroline, to have and to hold unto him and his heirs forever. Then, It is my Will and desire, and I hereby give and bequeath unto my Daughter Susan, my negro Girl Lucy, to have and to hold to her and her heirs forever. Fourth, It is my Will and desire, and I hereby give and bequeath unto my son, Philip, my negro boy, to have and to hold to him and his heirs forever. Fifth, It is my Will and desire, and I hereby give and bequeath unto my beloved wife, all my household and kitchen furniture, two hundred dollars in cash, to be paid to her by my Executor to be hereafter named, and desired that she shall remain in the Old house and place, and all acres of land already conveyed to her during her natural life, by due duty required in the Register's Office, together with the remainder to my children, after her death, my George and Susan, and my baby of my black of boys and cows of which I may die possessed. Sixth, It is my Will and desire that my Executor shall be as follows:

may be able to realize the value of my other lands, and divide the proceeds of said lands equally among my Wife and my children. Seventh, it is my Will and desire, that all the balance of my Estate of whatever character or description, not herein disposed of, shall be equally divided between my four children, three and three alike, after the payment of my just debts and funeral expenses. I hereby nominate and appoint my friend John D. Smith, the Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 5 day of July, 1857.

Signed, sealed and published, at the last Will and Testament of the Testator, in our presence, and to which we have affixed our names at his request, and in his presence, and the presence of each other	2	
Wm. W. Hale	2	291
C. D. Sharp	2	11
W. D. Clark	2	96

Circuit Court, October Term, 1857.
Elizabeth A. Johnson vs. *Cartwright Mills.*
 The Plaintiff, by her attorney, comes and says she will not sue the Defendant, herein of her own free will, and against the defendant, but she wishes to know if it is therefore considered by the Court that the said Plaintiff be restored to the County Court, and the Will returned there.

State of Tennessee, 11th District, Court of the Circuit Court, for the County and Jay's County, 3. State of Tennessee do Certify, that the foregoing is a correct copy of the judgment rendered in the Case of Elizabeth A. Johnson vs. Cartwright Mills of Jay's County, Tenn. as the same now is of record in my office. Given under my hand and office in Tennessee, this 31 day of October 1857.

State of Tennessee, November Term, County Court, 1857.
Jay's County, 3. This day was produced in open Court, a paper writing, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of David B. Johnson, dec'd. This is now duly certified back to this Court, from the Circuit Court, and Thompson came into open Court, Wm. W. Hale and C. D. Sharp, subscribing Witnesses thereto, and after being first duly sworn, depose and say that they have been acquainted with David B. Johnson, the testator, in his life time, and that they saw him sign, and heard him acknowledge the said paper writing to be his last Will and Testament, and that they believed he was in sound and disposing mind and memory, at the time of signing and acknowledging the same, and that they were called on by him, the said David B. Johnson the testator to sign the same as witnesses thereto, and that they signed said last Will and Testament as witnesses thereto in his presence, and by his request. It is therefore Ordered by the Court, that said Will be established, and that the same be entered of Record.

Shadrach McNeill	I, Shadrach McNeill, of the County of Jay's & State of Tennessee, considering the uncertainty of human life, do hereby publish and declare the following to be my last Will and Testament (viz):
Will	It is my Wish that my Estate of every description should be kept together in the same way as of now being, under the direction of my beloved Wife.

(Name of Sally P. James, daughter of J. M. James, deceased, of the County of Shelby, Tennessee, and his heirs forever. Now to appear John D. Hays, my lawful executor, to carry out my Will, as also executor of the said Sally P. James, and deal the day and date also as written in the presence of the undersigned Witnesses
J. M. James
Robt. M. Hays

State of Tennessee, County Court, December Term 1837
Jays County 3 A paper Meeting convening to settle last Will and Testament of Eliza Buntin deceased. Was the day first named in open Court for probate thereof, and therefore came into open Court Robt. M. Hays, one of the undersigned Witnesses to the said paper Meeting, and after being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he was well acquainted with Eliza Buntin the decedent in her life time, and that she made her Will to the said paper Meeting, and acknowledged the same in his presence to be her last Will and Testament, and that he was called on by the Eliza Buntin to sign the same as a witness thereto, and done so at her request, and in her presence, and also in the presence of J. M. Hays the other undersigned Witness to the said paper Meeting, and also was called on by the said Eliza Buntin to sign the same as the other undersigned Witnesses thereto, and that the said J. M. Hays signed the same as such Witness, in his presence, and in the presence of said Eliza Buntin, and at her request, and that he believed that she was of sound and disposing mind and memory, at the time of making her Will and acknowledging the same. The death of Eliza Buntin of the undersigned Witnesses to the said paper Meeting, being suggested to the Court, his signature thereto was procured by Robt. M. Hays, J. M. Hays, and John M. Hays, who appeared in open Court, and after being first duly sworn, say that they are well acquainted with the same Meeting of the said Eliza Buntin deceased, and that they very believe that he signed the same as a undersigned Witness to the said paper Meeting, to be his true paper home writing, and that he executed the same as Witness thereto. The Court then charged Order and declare the said paper Meeting to be the last Will and Testament of the said Eliza Buntin deceased, and doth further order that the same be taken of Record.

Joseph Clark
Will

State of Tennessee, J. Joseph Clark, concerning Jays County 3 The uncertainty of the mortal life, and being of sound mind and memory, I have by this my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following (This is to say, I first give my body to God from whom I came, and in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, I give and bequeath unto my wife Margaret Clark, my part of one thousand & seven hundred dollars, called & charged, and all my house hold & implements to the use of her and my children, I give the said to all & remain to jointly, during her natural life time; after all my just debts is paid, I give the said for, after the death of my wife, that my lawfull and lawful heirs and is agreed of, shall be equally divided between my children, namely, Amanda C. Clark, Mary C. Clark, William C. Clark, Caroline C. Clark, John C. Clark & Nancy J. Clark. The October 22nd 1837.

Robt. James McClinton
Thomas J. Peeling
E. B. Peeling

Joseph C. Clark
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State of Tennessee, County Court, December Term 1837
Jays County 3 A paper Meeting was the day first named in open Court, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Joseph Clark deceased, and appears for probate thereof, and therefore came into open Court John McClinton, Robt. Peeling, and E. B. Peeling, undersigned Witnesses thereto, and after being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he was well acquainted with Joseph Clark, in his lifetime, and that he made his Will to the said paper Meeting, and also acknowledged the same in their presence to be his last Will and Testament, and that they were called on by the said Joseph Clark, he desired to sign the same as Witness thereto, and done so at his request, and in his presence, and in the presence of said John McClinton, Robt. Peeling, and E. B. Peeling, and that they believed him to be of sound and disposing mind and memory, at the time of making his Will and acknowledging the same. It is therefore ordered and decreed by the Court, that said Will be established, and that the same be recorded.

Robert A. Brown
Will

The last Will and Testament of Robert A. Brown, of Jays County Tennessee. I Robert A. Brown, concerning the uncertainty of the mortal life, & being of sound mind and memory, I have by this my last Will & Testament, in manner and form following, I first give & bequeath my beloved wife Mary, who is now living, in lieu of dower, all that portion of my part of land in Carroll County Tennessee lying on both sides of the Nashville River from Washington, all of S. East, North of S. East & all South of S. East & East of a line running two rods from the S. East corner of a 100 acre tract sold by me to S. J. Full, John Full, embracing the manors house & improvements, & a portion of Course such lot as we both to S. J. Full, Brown & Clark; I then come, I also give unto my beloved wife, all my household & kitchen furniture, stock, &c. also, provisions &c. that may be in hand. I then come, I nominate and appoint my beloved wife, who is now living, to be my executor & without her giving security to act as such; I then come, I shall be the privilege of my executor to choose her own executors to pay my debts or clear my business; I then come, The remainder of my property shall be equally divided among my children & wife, my wife taking her part in the real estate; I then come, I also appoint my beloved wife, guardian for all my children, & it shall be her privilege to keep all the children & property together, until her own marriage when her guardianship or administration shall cease, or the marriage, or the arrival at legal age of one of my children, when such child shall have arrived at age to have an equal part of my property; I then come, I shall also be the privilege of my executor, if in his discretion, to sell any or all of my real estate, or personal property, & the proceeds, or parts thereof; I then come, It shall be the duty of my executor, or the guardian to keep an account for the extra expenses of each child for schooling &c. & the same shall be deducted from the legacy of each child; I then come, In case of the decease of my wife, who is now living, & as co-executor & guardian of my children, I hereby appoint my trust & worthy friend, John J. Peeling, to be the same, with all the privileges with which he is invested. In Witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & seal, this 8th day of January 1838.
Robert A. Brown
Witnesses, J. McClinton, James Peeling, Thomas J. Peeling, E. B. Peeling

State of Tennessee, County Court, December Term 1837
Jays County 3 A paper Meeting was the day first named in open Court, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Robert A. Brown deceased, and appears for probate thereof, and therefore came into open Court John McClinton, Robt. Peeling, and E. B. Peeling, undersigned Witnesses thereto, and after being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he was well acquainted with Robert A. Brown, in his lifetime, and that he made his Will to the said paper Meeting, and also acknowledged the same in their presence to be his last Will and Testament, and that they were called on by the said Robert A. Brown, he desired to sign the same as Witness thereto, and done so at his request, and in his presence, and in the presence of said John McClinton, Robt. Peeling, and E. B. Peeling, and that they believed him to be of sound and disposing mind and memory, at the time of making his Will and acknowledging the same. It is therefore ordered and decreed by the Court, that said Will be established, and that the same be recorded.

May 2^d 1851. I have this day, at night, made his envelope, containing this document, & given nothing in it to others, except to state that my negro child, Robert Edwards, who was not born at the death of this will, is named equal heir to the others, i.e. sharing equally with them.

Robt. Brown

I also request & testify that accompanying heres is May 1851 when I have equally with my other children, this 25 day June 1851.

Robt. Brown

State of Tennessee, December Term, A.D. 1857.

Says the County of An instrument or paper writing, purporting to be the will & testament of Robert A. Brown, the deceased this life in the County, on the day of November A.D. 1857, in which County he resides at the time of his death, & dated Jan'y 8th 1848 & with two additional made to same on May 2^d 1850 & the other 25th December 1851, was produced to the Court for perusal & inspection. J. A. C. Johnson, one of subscribing Witnesses to said last will & testament, after being duly sworn depose & testify that he, at the instance & request of said Robert A. Brown, signed the same as a witness, as the last will & testament of said Robert A. Brown, & that the said James Carey, the other witness to said will, also signed same at request of said Robert A. Brown, as he last will & testament, & that said Carey is now a poor resident of this State, and known upon it as a pauper by the name of Thomas G. Carter. That said James Carey, & J. A. C. Johnson, had they are acquainted with the handwriting of said Robert A. Brown, did they and James Carey is generally known by the acquaintance of the deceased, that they, the said Thomas G. Carter, that they, J. A. C. Johnson, & J. A. C. Johnson do verily believe said last will & testament of Robert A. Brown, & every part thereof, is in the handwriting of said Robert A. Brown, and is being further proved by the oath of W. A. Carter that said will was given after the death of said Robert A. Brown, and among his valuable papers & other valuable effects, & the Court being of opinion that such instrument or paper writing bearing date in 1848, 1850 & 1851, as aforesaid, is what it purports to be, to wit, the last will & testament of said Robert A. Brown deceased & that the same has been duly proved & established according to the act of assembly in such case made & provided, the Court do hereby give order & declare the said instrument of writing as aforesaid to be the last will & testament of the said Robert A. Brown dec'd & further that the said will be recorded.

James Siller

Will

I, James Siller, a resident of the County of Tennessee, and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory, do make this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all others by me heretofore made: Nam; I will and bequeath unto my daughter Margaret Brown, wife of J. Brown, the following negro slaves, viz; Harriet, a negro woman, aged about forty two years, and a negro girl, Martha, or Matt, aged about twelve years, to have and to hold said slaves to the sole and separate use of my daughter & Mary Ann Brown, yet and during her natural life, and at her death to her children and their representatives to be equally divided amongst them, not liable or subject to the debt or contract of her husband, J. Brown, and free from his dominion and control, for and

during her natural life, and at her death to be equally divided amongst all her children & their representatives: I will and bequeath unto my son Thomas Siller, the following negro slaves, viz; Joe, a boy, aged about fifteen years, and Lem, aged about nine years, to have said slaves to him and his heirs forever. I will and bequeath unto my son William Siller, the following negro slaves, viz; Sam, a boy, aged eight or ten years, and Jas, a boy, aged about five years, to have said slaves to him and his heirs forever. I will and bequeath unto my daughter, Cornelia Siller, the following slaves, viz; Emily, a girl, aged about nine years, Billy, aged about eight years, & Charley, a boy, aged about five years, and Mack, aged about two years. I have said negro slaves to her sole and separate use and maintenance, not liable to the debt, or to the contract of my husband, the said William Siller, but to remain her sole and separate estate for and during her natural life, and at her death to be divided amongst any children or grand children she may have, but in case she may die without leaving any children or grand children, then I will and bequeath said slaves and their increase to be divided equally amongst the brothers and sisters and their representatives of my said daughter Cornelia Siller. I will and bequeath unto my son in law, James Brown, a negro boy, William, aged about four years old, to him and his heirs forever. I will and bequeath unto my daughter Emily, Plant, wife of William Plant, one hundred and thirty five acres of land, to be cut off of the said land, to include the thirty five acres bought by Rev. Mr. Brown as a residence, and which is a distinct piece of land from the said two hundred acres, and which thirty five acres includes the houses, out houses and cotton gin, on the old Parson Brown place, I wish the balance of one hundred acres to be taken from the above land, and the line to be run through the middle of the said north and south dividing into two parts, and I reserve and hold the eastern half of said two hundred acres, together with the aforesaid thirty five acres, to my daughter Emily Plant, wife of William Plant, to her and her heirs forever. I will and bequeath unto my beloved wife, Nancy Siller, all the lands I own in Fayette County, Tennessee, except the lands bequeathed in the North clause of this will to my daughter Emily Plant, to have said land, to use and enjoy it and the profits thereof, and the necessary timber, for and during the full term of her natural life, and at her death to be equally divided amongst all of my children, and their representatives; I also will and bequeath to my beloved wife, the following negro slaves, viz; Laura, a woman, aged about thirty two years, Bob, a man, aged thirty years, and George, aged about thirty five years, to have and to hold said slaves, during her natural life, and at her death, I will & my daughter Cornelia, negro woman, Laura, and her increase, subject to the same limitations and restrictions as provided for in the seventh clause.

during her natural life, and at her death to be equally divided amongst all her children & their representatives: I will and bequeath unto my daughter, Mary Ann, a negro girl named Martha, aged about seven years, to him and his heirs forever. I will and bequeath unto my beloved son, William Siller, a negro man, named Jack, aged about forty five years, also a negro woman, named Anne, aged about twenty years. I will and bequeath unto my daughter, Margaret Bryant, wife of Jack Bryant, the following slaves, viz; Mary, Caroline, & Elizabeth, and a negro slave, named John, child of George, and then I reserve, to her sole and separate use, and at subject to the debt of her husband, for and during the term of her natural life, and at her death, to be equally divided amongst her children and their representatives, but in case she dies without leaving any children or grand children, then I will and bequeath all of said slaves and their increase, to the brothers and sisters of the said Margaret Bryant, and their representatives to be equally divided amongst them. I will and bequeath unto my son Thomas Siller, the following slaves, viz; Joe, a boy, aged about fifteen years, and Lem, aged about nine years, to have said slaves to him and his heirs forever. I will and bequeath unto my son William Siller, the following negro slaves, viz; Sam, a boy, aged eight or ten years, and Jas, a boy, aged about five years, to have said slaves to him and his heirs forever. I will and bequeath unto my daughter, Cornelia Siller, the following slaves, viz; Emily, a girl, aged about nine years, Billy, aged about eight years, & Charley, a boy, aged about five years, and Mack, aged about two years. I have said negro slaves to her sole and separate use and maintenance, not liable to the debt, or to the contract of my husband, the said William Siller, but to remain her sole and separate estate for and during her natural life, and at her death to be divided amongst any children or grand children she may have, but in case she may die without leaving any children or grand children, then I will and bequeath said slaves and their increase to be divided equally amongst the brothers and sisters and their representatives of my said daughter Cornelia Siller. I will and bequeath unto my son in law, James Brown, a negro boy, William, aged about four years old, to him and his heirs forever. I will and bequeath unto my daughter Emily, Plant, wife of William Plant, one hundred and thirty five acres of land, to be cut off of the said land, to include the thirty five acres bought by Rev. Mr. Brown as a residence, and which is a distinct piece of land from the said two hundred acres, and which thirty five acres includes the houses, out houses and cotton gin, on the old Parson Brown place, I wish the balance of one hundred acres to be taken from the above land, and the line to be run through the middle of the said north and south dividing into two parts, and I reserve and hold the eastern half of said two hundred acres, together with the aforesaid thirty five acres, to my daughter Emily Plant, wife of William Plant, to her and her heirs forever. I will and bequeath unto my beloved wife, Nancy Siller, all the lands I own in Fayette County, Tennessee, except the lands bequeathed in the North clause of this will to my daughter Emily Plant, to have said land, to use and enjoy it and the profits thereof, and the necessary timber, for and during the full term of her natural life, and at her death to be equally divided amongst all of my children, and their representatives; I also will and bequeath to my beloved wife, the following negro slaves, viz; Laura, a woman, aged about thirty two years, Bob, a man, aged thirty years, and George, aged about thirty five years, to have and to hold said slaves, during her natural life, and at her death, I will & my daughter Cornelia, negro woman, Laura, and her increase, subject to the same limitations and restrictions as provided for in the seventh clause.

of my Will; and at the death of my Wife I wish my personal estate to be sold and proceeds equally divided amongst all my children and their issue and at the death of my Wife I will and bequeath to my son in law James Edgar negro man George to have and his heirs forever. Item I will and bequeath that all of my property shall be kept together on the farm and the farm shall include the place of the year 1847. If I shall die before that time, another person of the crops to be applied to the payment of all my just debts. Item I wish after the 31st day of December 1847, I desire that a liberal quantity of provisions, corn, fodder, stock, fruit, of law, sugar and coffee shall be sent to my Wife, and I wish the proceeds of my furnished property, not hereafter disposed of, to be sold together with all my other personal property, not hereafter disposed of, except the household and kitchen furniture which I leave to my beloved Wife, to be sold and proceeds applied to the payment of my debts and the balance I wish and will to my beloved Wife; I wish and will to be paid to my Wife for twelve months. Item I desire I do bequeath my son William Allen and my son in law James Edgar, to act as my Executors to this my last Will and Testament and I do hereby give them full power to carry out my Will as expressed in this my last Will and Testament, and I wish them to qualify as my Executors without giving any bond and security. Given under my hand and seal, this the sixth day of October 1856

in presence of J. A. Putnam
Thomas Allen

James Allen Esq.

State of Tennessee County Court, December Term 1857
Hartsville County. A paper Writing was this day produced in open Court purporting to be the last Will and Testament of James Allen deceased, and upon for probate thereof, and thereupon came into open Court, Thomas Allen and J. A. Putnam, subscribing Witnesses to the said paper Writing, and the being first duly sworn, depose and say that they were personally acquainted with James Allen the Testator, in his life time, and that they were called on by the said James Allen to sign the same as Witnesses thereto, and do so at his request, and in his presence and in the presence of each other, and that the said James Allen signed and acknowledged the said paper Writing, in their presence, to be his last Will and Testament, and that they believed him to be of sound and disposing mind and memory, at the time of signing and acknowledging the same. It is therefore ordered and decreed by the Court that the said paper Writing be established as the last Will and Testament of the said James Allen deceased, and that the same be entered of Record.

Thomas Allen

I Thomas Allen do make and publish this my last Will and Testament hereby bequeathing and making and all other Wills by me at any time made.

First I bequeath 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 Executor.

Secondly I give and bequeath to my son Edmund L. Allen the negro boy John negro woman Gay, negro boy Henry, negro girl's Mollie, negro girl's Sophia, negro man Mat.

Thirdly I will and bequeath to my daughter Melvina and Charles in Martha Jane Henry Parilla Jane Elizabeth Henry and Mary May Henry and Liza W. Henry the negro boy Genev.

Fourthly I will and bequeath that my land and all of my personal property of every kind be sold as a free man's land and the proceeds applied to the payment of my debts and should there be an surplus after paying all of my debts I wish to go my son Jeremiah Henry further I make no special bequest to him.

Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Edmund L. Allen my Executor.

In witness whereof I do to this my Will, set my hand and seal this 23rd day of January 1858

Signed sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator this 23rd day of January 1858

C. B. Stager

R. L. Brown

Thomas Allen

Rec'd

State of Tennessee February Term Court 1858

Testis being 3 or 4 paper writing was this day produced in open Court for probate thereof purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Thomas Allen deceased and thereupon came into open Court C. B. Stager and R. L. Brown subscribing witnesses to said paper writing and who being first duly sworn depose and say that they were personally acquainted with the said Thomas Allen the Testator in his life time and that they were called on by the said Thomas Allen to sign the said paper writing as witnesses thereto, and do so at his request and in his presence, and in the presence of each other and that they saw the said Thomas Allen make his mark to said paper writing and heard him acknowledge the same to be his last Will and Testament and they believed him to be of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of making his mark and acknowledging the same. It is therefore concluded by the Court that the said paper Writing be established as the last Will and Testament of the said Thomas Allen deceased, and that the same be entered of Record. And thereupon came into open Court E. L. Allen who was appointed Executor in the said last Will and Testament and entered in to bond himself as principal in the sum of five hundred and one hundred dollars and signed and acknowledged the same in open Court before the said Stager and Brown as his Executors and in the presence of the said Stager and Brown who also came into open Court and signed and

acted, subjoined themselves as witnesses and sworn to the contents of the same and the same was received by the Court and ordered to be recorded and the same is now on file in the Court of the County of Fayette, Tennessee.

John T. Amour
Well

I, John T. Amour do make and publish
this as 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 to be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any monies that may be due to me or of or may first come into the hands of my Executors. Secondly I give and bequeath to my dear and beloved wife Catherine Julia and both her natural life time and at her death to her heirs such disposal of them as she may think proper and I give and bequeath to my daughter Sophia Habeshah the following slaves to wit: Anderson, Gordon, his wife & child, to her and to her bodily heirs - and I thereby give to my son Harris James Sally and Esie.

Thirdly I give to my son John P. Amour, Angelina and John to wit: Nathan, Lewis, Joseph, Edmond and Bart to be retained on the farm for 2 years unless it be thought profitable by the family to sell them sooner and at the expiration of two years if my wife thinks proper she shall keep the 6 best man negroes subject to her will until her death then my children shall all be made equal. My wife shall hold the possession of the farm and land so long as she may live or remain upon the land but at her death or removal the land shall be equally divided between my children.

I hereby give to my son John P. Amour \$1000 to be paid whereof I do to this my will but my land and realty this 25th day of March 1858.

Wm. Mary M. Hart

John T. Amour

John T. Amour

State of Tennessee: April Term County Court 1858
Fayette County: This day was produced in open Court a Paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of John T. Amour deceased and thereupon came in to open Court Mary M. Hart and Polly Bailey Subscribing witnesses to the said paper writing who being first duly sworn depose and say that they were personally acquainted with John T. Amour in his lifetime and that they were called on by him to sign said Paper writing as witness thereto and came in in the presence of his request and in the presence of each other and that they saw him sign and heard him acknowledge the same to be his last will and Testament and that they believe him to be of sound mind and disposing mind at the time of signing and acknowledged the same.

It is therefore ordered and declared by the Court that said paper writing be established as the last will and Testament of the said John T. Amour deceased and that the same be entered of Record.

Henry Harris
Well

I Henry Harris of the County of Fayette and State of Tennessee being of sound and sane mind and in good health, but knowing the uncertainty of death in life

do make and publish this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all other wills made by me at any time.

Item 1. I desire all my just debts to be paid as soon as possible.

Item 2nd. I lend to my wife Rhenny Harris during her natural life four slaves, viz: Sam, Lewis, Nancy & Ann. I also lend her during her natural life two hundred & twenty acres land off the South end of my tract with all improvements thereon, my son David to live with her if they can agree if not he is to build himself a residence on the same tract off at an end.

Item 3rd. I give to my wife Rhenny Harris stock of all kinds farming utensils, household & kitchen furniture as much of each and such as she thinks she need, also Bacon, corn fodder, flour, sugar flour &c for one year's support.

Item 4th. I lend to my grand daughter Elizabeth M. Brown to her sole & separate use during her natural life five from the control of her present or any future husband Negroes worth one thousand dollars, also one hundred acres land and at her death I give the same to her child or children.

Item 5th. All the residue of my land I desire to be equally divided between all my children except David and the residue of my Negroes and personal property to be equally divided between all my children. The amount each and received from me during my life time to be considered the share to each and my sons of both the real and personal estate I give to them and their heirs and assigns forever. The share to each one of my daughters I lend to them during their natural life to their sole and separate use, free from the control of their present or any future husband and at their death I give the same to their children, but should the children of my daughter Elizabeth Truman die without leaving child or children in that event her share of my estate to go to my children.

Item 6th. After the death of my wife I give the land loaned to her to my son David Harris to him and his heirs and assigns forever. The Negroes loaned to her to be equally divided between all my children upon the same terms and conditions and subject to the same limitations and to go in the same way as my estate is disposed of in Item four.

Item 7th. Of the one hundred acres land loaned Elizabeth M. Brown Annanias Williams is to have the use of twenty five acres during her life.

Item 8th. My son Alfred Harris is appointed agent to take charge of and attend to David to him an share of my estate.

Item 9th. Lastly I do hereby appoint my three sons, my daughters and having the utmost confidence in them I do not require them to give