

Will of W. F. Cargill Decd.

Considering the uncertainty of life and the possibility of misunderstandings & disputes and to avoid costs, costs and Lawyers fees I make and establish this my last Will and Testament revoking and setting aside all others.

Section 1st It is my will and desire that my wife Josephine Cargill take possession of all my estate at my death Without Bond or Security pay all debts owing by me, and collect all which are due me - hold evidence and control all of said property as she may deem best for that purpose.

Section 2^d It is my will that my wife Josephine Cargill, after all the debts and obligations of my estate are discharged and satisfied, shall have all my personal and real property absolutely, to use and dispose of as she may see fit or desire.

Witnesses
E. R. Leake
M. R. Gossett

W. F. Cargill
April 15th 1887

Probated May Term 1887.

Will of S. K. Watkins

I Stephen K. Watkins of the County of Fayette & State of Pennsylvania, being at this moment of sound health in mind & body but conscious of the uncertainty of all human life, do make publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament, first commending my spirit to the mercy of God who gave it.

I Give bequeath & devise to my wife Grace one half of my lands stock farm implements, Insurance Policies and all things I may die seized & possessed of during the time of her natural life or Widowhood - I also Give her my pair of horses - The Buggy and Harness belonging to her - she having bought the Buggy and Harness with her own money which she received from W. H. South from her Fathers Estate - These shall not be taken into consideration in the division - The Brewster Place of 250 acres on the East side of the Somerset and Holly Springs Roads belong to my wife Grace - she having bought it at the sale of said land - and paid for it with the money received from her Fathers Estate and from the Estate of her Sister Sallie C. Humphreys.

At the death or marriage of my wife Grace all of my lands shall belong to our children John H. Watkins and Richard L. Watkins.

To my sons John H. Watkins and Richard L. Watkins

I give & bequeath one half my lands stock and implements, and Insurance Policies and at the death or marriage of my wife Grace the remaining half shall belong to my sons John & Richard - That is during my wife life or Widowhood They shall have one fourth of the entire estate and at the expiration of that time they shall have one half each.

That part of my Fathers Richard Watkins old tract of 1000 acres and 112 1/4 acres of the Thornton lands that I die seized and possessed of I give & bequeath to my sons John H. Watkins and Richard L. Watkins one fourth each during my wifes lifetime or Widowhood and after that time one half each - These Lands I give to them and their heirs forever to have & to use but not to sell or convey these lands or any part of them. They can be divided and used but they or their heirs have no right to sell or convey any part of these lands.

The Policy on my Life in the Active Life Insurance Co for \$5,000 to make payable to my wife and the Policy in the Knights of Honor for the benefit of my wife and children. These Policies I intend to be divided between my wife & my children in the same way as my other Property - One half to my wife and the other half to be divided between our children equally - The estate that I may have at the time of my death my wife may exercise her own judgment as to the best way to liquidate them. But I would suggest that she sell the Brewster place and pay the debts and if there is not enough pay it with the proceeds of the farm.

I nominate constitute and appoint my wife Grace Executrix of my last Will and Testament and Guardian of my children. With R. M. Conner as advisor. If my wife should die or marry before my children become of age I appoint R. M. Conner their Guardian. I will and direct that they be qualified in the usual way by the usual oath and upon their personal bond Without security - and that neither my wife Grace or R. M. Conner shall be required to give security as guardian of my children.

If we should be so fortunate as to have more than two children they shall be entitled to the same as John & Richard in every particular. This given under my hand and Seal this 15th Feb'y 1887

S. K. Watkins (Seal)

Witnesses

Probated July Term 1887

Will of Martha A. Herndon

In the name of God, Amen -
 Know all men, That I Martha
 A. Herndon, of the town of LaGrange in the county of Fayette
 State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and disposing
 mind & memory; calling to mind the frailty & uncertainty of
 human life and being desirous of settling my worldly affairs
 and directing how the estate with which I have pleased God
 to bless me shall be disposed of after my decease which I
 have strength and capacity so to do, do make and publish this
 my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and annulling and
 void all other last wills and Testaments by me heretofore
 made: And first I commend my immortal being to him who
 gave it, and my body to the earth, to be buried with little expense
 or ostentation by my Executors hereinafter named.

And as to my worldly estate and all the property, real personal or
 mixed of which I shall die seized and possessed or to which
 I shall be entitled at the time of my decease, I desire, bequeath
 and dispose thereof in the manner following; to wit -

Impressis - My Will is; that all my just debts and funeral
 charges shall by my Executor hereinafter named, be paid out

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of my estate as soon after my decease as shall by him be
 found convenient; - Item 1st For and in consideration
 of the love & affection I had for my beloved sister Maggie
 Lee now deceased and for her children, Janie and Ruby;
 I leave to them the following property hereinafter named - for
 their use benefit maintenance and support:

To my beloved niece Janie Webb - I give devise and bequeath
 the sum of \$2,000 Two Thousand Dollars - money; which
 has been invested in United States Government Bonds; interest
 bearing - to be used by my Executor and Trustee hereinafter named
 in the support education and maintenance of the said Janie
 while she is a minor and unmarried. I direct that my said
 Executor shall loan out the said monies on good security and
 from the interest on this sum loaned he will pay the necessary
 expenses of supporting education and maintaining Janie Webb
 while she is a minor and unmarried as aforesaid; I wish
 Janie to be well clothed and taken good care of and to be
 well educated and if the interest realized on the said Two
 Thousand Dollars in Bonds aforesaid when let out as aforesaid
 be not requisite is not sufficient for said purposes

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I hereby direct my Executor to expend as much of the said
 principal as is necessary in his discretion, for her proper
 support, education and maintenance while she is a minor
 and unmarried - I also give devise and bequeath unto
 my said niece, Janie Webb; for her sole use and benefit, a
 certain Piano now in my house left in my care by Mrs

Janie Webb also the following articles of house hold furniture - a
 Chamber set to be of her own selection including, feather bed
 and bedding chair. - she to make her own choice of which she wants.
 I wish Janie to have a set of furniture Bedstead, necessary bedding
 Bureau &c, that she may prefer - It is my wish furthermore that
 on the marriage of my said niece Janie or when she becomes of the age
 of twenty one; my said Executor is to use his best discretion as to what
 disposition he will make of the monies he may have looking to the
 interest and happiness of my said niece - None of said property or
 money to be under the control of her husband or liable to any debts
 or liability he may have - it being my express wish and will that said
 property be left her to be for her sole use benefit and behalf behoof;
 and for her children should she marry and have issue; and is to be
 in no manner

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 liable to or for the debts of any husband she may hereafter have or
 subject to his control or management but is to be and remain to
 her sole and separate use and is to inure to her and to her
 children.

Item Second. I give bequeath and devise to my beloved niece Ruby
 in addition to what I leave in trust for her as hereinafter named -
 My Melodion and a set of furniture that she may select and
 suitable for her necessities The above articles I wish my
 niece Ruby Webb aforesaid to have as soon after my decease as
 will be convenient for my Executor to have delivered to her.

Item Third - For the love and affection I have and bear to the
 memory of my beloved sister Christine Lipscomb - and for the
 kindness bestowed upon me by her only son John D. McNamee my
 beloved nephew; I do give bequeath and devise to my said nephew
 and to the following property; to wit - My family dwelling and Mansion House
 situated in the town of LaGrange, Fayette County Tennessee; at which I
 now reside; together with all the lands and heretaments thereto be-
 longing or in any wise appertaining; for his sole use and

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 enjoyment, in fee simple; also to my said beloved nephew; John
 D. McNamee, I give and bequeath all of my personal property of
 every character and description, monies on hand at my decease, or
 what may be owing me by others; Cows & calves &c &c - and
 that he take possession control and enjoyment of the same and
 to use until his death or then it belonging to my said nephew
 immediately on my decease. It is my wish and desire that my
 said nephew, take care of and as far as may be in his power properly
 clothe educate and maintain my beloved niece Ruby Webb; and
 take her as one of his family - I having every confidence in his
 affection for her, and in his integrity. It would be best if both
 Janie and Ruby live with him and if compatible with his feelings
 and business arrangements and with theirs; that they be not
 separated as long as the girls remain single. I have a two-
 fifths undivided interest in a piece of Real property situated at
 the depot of the M. & C. R. R. Co. in LaGrange Tenn: which I leave

It is my wish that Janie & Ruby be properly

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In the name of God; Amen,
Know all men, That I Martha

A. Herndon, of the Town of LaPrange in the County of Fayette State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and disposing mind & memory, Calling to mind the frailty & uncertainty of human life and being desirous of settling my worldly affairs and directing how the estate with which it has pleased God to bless me shall be disposed of after my decease which I have strength and capacity so to do, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament, herein revoking and making void all other last Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made: And First I commend my immortal being to him who gave it, and my body to the earth, to be buried with little expense or ostentation by my Executors hereinafter named.

And to my worldly estate and all the property real personal or mixed of which I shall die seized and possessed or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease, I devise, bequeath and dispose thereof in the manner following; to wit:-
Imprimis - I will is; that all my just debts and funeral charges shall by my Executor hereinafter named, be paid out

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of my Estate as soon after my decease as shall by him be found convenient; - Item 1st - For and in consideration of the love & affection I had for my beloved sister Maggie Lee now deceased and for her children, Jamie and Ruby; I leave to them the following property hereinafter named - for their use benefit maintenance and support.

To my beloved child Jamie Webb - I give devise and bequeath the sum of \$2000 Two thousand Dollars - money; which has been invested in United States Government Bonds; interest bearing to be used by my Executor and Trustee hereinafter named in the support education and maintenance of the said Jamie while she is a minor and unmarried. I direct that my said Executor shall loan out the said monies on good security and from the interest on this sum loaned he will pay the necessary expenses of supporting educating and maintaining Jamie Webb while she is a minor and unmarried as aforesaid; I wish Jamie to be well clothed and taken good care of and to be well educated and if the interest realized on the said Two thousand Dollars in Bonds aforesaid when let out as aforesaid be not requisite is not sufficient for said purposes

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I hereby direct my Executor to expend so much of the said principal as is necessary in his discretion, for her proper support, education and maintenance while she is a minor and unmarried. I also give devise and bequeath unto my said child Jamie Webb; for her sole use and benefit, in certain Pianos now in my house left in my care by Mrs

Fannie March also the following articles of house hold furniture - a Chamber set to be of her own selection including 1 feather Bed and Rodding chair - she to make her own choice of which she wants. I wish Jamie to have a set of furniture Bedstead, necessary bedding Bureau &c, that she may prefer - It is my wish furthermore that in the marriage of my said child Jamie or when she becomes of the age of twenty one; my said Executor is to use his best discretion as to what disposition he will make of the monies he may have looking to the interest and happiness of my said niece - None of said property or money to be under the control of her husband or liable to any debts or liability he may have - it being my express wish and will that said property so left her to be for her sole use benefit and wholly behoof; and for her children should she marry and have issue; and is to be in no manner

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liable to or for the debts of any husband she may hereafter have or subject to his control or management but is to be and remain to her sole and separate use and is to inure to her and to her children.

Item Second. I give bequeath and devise to my beloved niece Ruby in addition to what I leave in trust for her, as hereinafter named - My Melodion and a set of furniture that she may select and suitable for her necessities The above articles I wish my child Ruby Webb aforesaid to have as soon after my decease as will be convenient for my Executor to have delivered to her.

Item Third - For the love and affection I have and bear to the memory of my beloved sister Christine Lipscomb - and for the kindness bestowed upon me by her only son John T. McFarlane my beloved nephew; I do give bequeath and devise to my said nephew & the following property; to wit:- My family dwelling and Mansions House situated in the Town of LaPrange, Fayette County Tennessee; in which I now reside; together with all the lands and heretements thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining; for his sole use and

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enjoyment, in fee simple; also to my said beloved nephew; John T. McFarlane, I give and bequeath all of my personal property of every character and description, monies on hand at my decease, or what may be owing me by others; Cows & Calves &c &c - and that he take possession control and enjoyment of the same and use until his death or then it otherwise between Jamie & me immediately on my decease. It is my wish and desire that my said nephew take care of and as far as may be in his power properly

clothe educate and maintain my beloved niece Ruby Webb; and take her as one of his family - I having every confidence in his affection for her, and in his integrity. It would be best if both Jamie and Ruby live with him and if compatible with his feelings and business arrangements and with theirs; that they be not separated as long as the girls remain single. I have a two-fifths undivided interest in a piece of Real property situated at the depot of the M. & O. R. R. Co. in LaPrange Tenn. which I leave

It is my wish and desire that my said nephew take care of and as far as may be in his power properly

to the said John H. McNamee, as Trustee, and in trust for the benefit of my choice Ruby Webb; giving him full power to sell, or make such disposition of said interest, as he shall think best for the interest of his ward the said Ruby.

It is my desire that my said nephew John H. McNamee shall invest what money he may receive from any estate as soon as practicable, in some active business, either to himself or with some reliable business man. This to be at his election and free choice. I having the utmost confidence in his ability to make the best use of it to the greatest advantage. In the event of the death of either one of my choices, it is my wish and will that the property left them shall revert to the remaining sister; - and my Executor to see that this provision be carried into effect with the same restrictions as have before been mentioned - for the sole use and separate enjoyment of the surviving sister free from the control or liability of any husband the surviving sister may have. - In the event of the death of both Julia and Ruby - leaving no issue; then if my nephew John H. McNamee be living, it is my wish that he shall heir and inherit what property they may have - and should my nephew John H. McNamee die ^{unmarried} ~~and~~ ^{not} having married, before the two sisters Jamie

and Ruby, then it is my wish that the property left him by me and of which he shall be seized and possessed, shall be divided between the two sisters share and share alike -

It is my especial request wish and will, and I hereby direct that James H. Webb the father of Jamie Webb and Ruby Webb my two nieces whom I have tried to provide for in my life time, and for whose sole benefit I have a portion of my estate shall never have anything to do with or in any wise meddle with any of the property that I have left them. and I ask it of my Executor and all my friends to see that this request and direction be carried out. Should the said James H. Webb at any time or under any circumstances attempt any such meddling -

Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint W. P. Depeworth Esq; of LaGrange Tennessee, to be the Executor of this my Last Will and Testament. In Testimony whereof I the said Martha A. Herndon have to this my Last Will and Testament contained on seven sheets of Legal Cap paper, and to every sheet thereof subscribed my name and to this the last sheet thereof I have here subscribed my name and affixed my seal, this 1st day of June A. D. 1885

Witness my hand and seal this 1st day of June A. D. 1885
Martha A. Herndon

Probated at the August Term 1887

Will of James M. Crowder

I James M. Crowder of the County of Fayette State of Tennessee

being of sound and disposing mind and memory and being desirous while in this condition to dispose of my estate among the objects of my bounty do now in furtherance of my wishes and intentions, make, publish and declare this my last will and testament revoking any last Will and Testament by me heretofore made, in manner and form following, to wit: - wishing to secure to my daughter Mary Ellis and her children (as well those now in existence and living as any she may hereafter give birth to that part of my estate I design for them, I give and bequeath to Arthur Johnson as trustee for my said daughter Mary Ellis and her children, those now living as well as those that hereafter may be born to her to hold in fee for their use and benefit the tract of land on which I am now living, containing eighty five acres, the same being the tract conveyed by quit claim deed, less four acres since sold to G. W. S. Johnson, by G. W. S. and J. H. Johnson and James C. Lightle to me, for a more particular description of which reference is here made to Book No 1 pages 698 & 9 in the Registers Office in Knoxville Fayette County, Tennessee. I also give and devise to said Arthur Johnson as such trustee and to hold in fee for like uses and purposes all of my personal property.

And more fully to declare my intention and will in regard to that part of my estate intended for my daughter Mary Ellis and her children as well those now living as those that may hereafter be born of her, it is my will and desire, and I do now declare, that the said Arthur Johnson as such trustee shall hold the above named tract of land and personal property and the profits and increase arising therefrom for the use and benefit of my daughter Mary Ellis and her children now living and that may hereafter be born of her, and shall permit the said Mary Ellis to have and enjoy for her use and benefit and for the support and education of her children, and said tract of land and personal property and the profits arising from said land and personal property shall by said trustee be held free and forever discharge from any and all debts, contracts, and liabilities of Gus Ellis, the husband of said Mary Ellis, of every date and description whatever. And the said trustee is hereby clothed with full power to receive, protect and improve the estate so committed to him in trust as aforesaid, for the use and benefit of my daughter Mary Ellis and her children.

And upon the death of my daughter Mary Ellis above

named, Arthur Johnson as such trustee shall take possession of all said estate and shall contract and manage said land and personal property and all and any profits that have arisen therefrom for the use and benefit of the children of said Mary Ellis to the entire exclusion of her said husband, the said Gus Ellis. It is my wish and will that the said Gus Ellis shall have no further portion of my estate, than five dollars which I here give and bequeath to him or have any benefit directly or indirectly under my will with that the bequest and devise so made under my will as aforesaid in trust for the use and benefit of my daughter Mary Ellis and her children shall be held for the use and benefit of her and her children and the survivors of them to the entire exclusion of the said Gus Ellis. And further, to be more explicit and clear, and to more fully declare my design, wish, desire and will, and that there shall be no misconstruction of my intentions, I here declare it to be my wish and will that the said Gus Ellis shall have no further interest in my estate, but the five dollars afore given and bequeathed to him, which my executor herein after named will pay to the said Gus Ellis as soon as practicable after my death, and in no wise my estate or any part of it or the profits arising from it to be subject to the debts, contracts or liabilities of the said Gus Ellis, the husband of my daughter Mary Ellis. I here name as the executor of this my last will and testament Arthur Johnson.

Witness my hand and seal this 20th day of July 1887

Attest: G. M. Morris

James Parkinson

Probated October term 1887

Will of William T. Caraway

I, William T. Caraway, do make and publish this as my

last will and testament.

First - I desire that all my funeral expenses and just debts be paid as soon as possible

Second - For the love and affection I have for my wife, Elizabeth M. Caraway, I will and bequeath to her all my real estate, as follows: The home tract of land on which I now reside, containing two hundred and thirty-three and one-third ($233\frac{1}{3}$) acres, more or less, bounded on the S.E. by McGraw, on the S. by Lowthorp, on the S.W. by Wilder, on the W. by Wilder and Gregory, on the N. by Doorn and Caraway, on the E. by Caraway - Also the Anderson Jones tract, containing eighty-three and one-third ($83\frac{1}{3}$) acres, more or less, bounded on the S. by Caraway, on the W. by Doorn, on the N. by Claxton and Farrar, on the E. by Caraway. Also the McGraw tract, containing two hundred and four and one-half ($204\frac{1}{2}$) acres, more or less, bounded on the S. by McGraw, on the W. by Caraway, on the N. by Caraway and Farrar, on the E. by Flynn and Morris.

Third - I will and bequeath to my daughter, Ann Phyllis Flynn, the sum of five dollars; also to the heirs of my daughters, Narcissa Paralee Collier and Elizabeth M. McDaniel, the sum of five dollars.

Fourth - I will and bequeath to my wife, Elizabeth M. Caraway the remainder of my personal property, as follows: Five bonds, of one hundred dollars each, in the Memphis & Ohio railroad; all the notes, accounts & due bills now owned by me; also the following stock: one bay mule named Mollie, one mouse colored mule named Maggie, one bay mule named Jack, one bay mule named Jacob, one bay mare mule named Sally, one blind mule named Kit, one bay mule named Frank, one roan mule and one black mule now worked by Bill Hicks, one black horse named Dick; all the cows, calves & hogs now owned by me; also one road wagon and one spring wagon.

Fifth - I further will and bequeath to my wife, Elizabeth M. Caraway, the sum of Ten thousand dollars in cash.

Sixth - It is my further desire that my wife Elizabeth M. Caraway hold all the property conveyed by this will for her own use and benefit, to dispose of at her will and pleasure.

Seventh - I hereby nominate and appoint John D. Dowlen, my executor, without bond, to carry out the provisions of this will. In witness whereof, I do to this my will, set my hand, this 10th day of January, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three.

W. T. Caraway
Signed and published in our presence, and we have subscribed our names thereto, in the presence of the testator this 10th day of January, 1883.
J. H. Hammer
Probated Oct. term 1887.
J. W. Dowlen

Will of Betty Pulliam

I Betty Pulliam, now resident, near
Somerhill Fayette County Tennessee,
being of sound & disposing mind and memory, do make and
publish this my last Will & Testament. Thence revoking
any & all wills, by me, at any time, heretofore made.
I desire to make the following disposition of all the
property that I have been permitted to own, by a kind
& beneficent Providence

Item 1st. I direct that my funeral expenses and my
just & legal debts be paid, as soon, after my death, as
practicable, out of my moneys, that I may die possessed
of, or that may first come into the hands of my Executor
to be hereafter appointed; and hereby directing that any
remains, be deposited by the side of those of my late
husband in the Cemetery in Somerhill Tennessee, with a
simple suitable inscription, on one face of the monument
erected at the head of his grave.

Item 2. I give & bequeath to Mary C. Patterson, now
~~about~~ about five years of age, and daughter of Smith
Patterson & his wife Jennie Patterson to her sole & sep-
arate use, free from the debts contracts and liabilities
of my husband she may have, the sum of 3000 \$
Three thousand Dollars, the interest accruing on same,
if sufficient to be used in maintaining & educating her,
if not sufficient, then as much of the principal, with
the interest, as shall be necessary. I direct that, as
soon as practicable after my death, my Executor shall
pay this bequest to her legally appointed & qualified
guardian, upon his executing simple & sufficient
bond to cover this fund & secure it to her, but my
general estate not to be charged with interest for
said fund, but only the interest that may be re-
quired upon the fund in the hands of my executor
until paid over as above directed. My executor being
here requested to invest same upon interest until
he shall be enabled to pay over to her guardian.

Item 3rd. I give and bequeath to Miss Caroline M.
Patterson the sum of 2000 \$ Two thousand dollars, and
same to be paid to her, as soon as practicable after
my death, without the charge of interest against my
estate.

Item 4th. I give & devise to my faithful servant & former
slave, Winney Perry, now wife of Camlin Perry, to her
sole & separate use free from the debts, contracts &
liabilities, present, past & future, of her present or any
former husband she may have & free from their interference
and control, & fully discharged from any marital
rights of her husband, with the power to dispose of in

manner she may desire - the following real estate, known as the
Shreve place, immediately south of my present residence lot, with
the improvements on same, containing about 5 1/2 five & half acres
& bounded on North by the road leading to Capt H. C. Moorhead's -
East by the road leading to my residence - South by the old Memphis
& Somerhill Stage road & west by the residence lot of W. A.
Williamson, about half a mile from Court house in Somerhill
Fayette County Tennessee

Item 5th. I give, bequeath & devise to my daughter
Pulliam all the rest and residue of my Estate, real personal
& mixed, of every character & description. The real estate
being that descended to me from my father & mother's estates
& that devised to me under the will of my late husband
Joel L. Pulliam, said all of my personal estate, in money,
notes, bonds & stocks of every kind & character except what I
have herein above disposed of, to her sole & separate use
free from the debts contracts & liabilities of any husband
she may have, hereby expressly excluding all the
marital rights of any such husband & still possessing
the power of disposition as a single woman with pref-
erence to the real & personal property so herein given
& devised to her.

Item 6th. I do hereby nominate & appoint H. C. Moorhead
my Executor, without being required to give security upon
his individual bond for the execution of this trust.

Witness my name & signature on this the 29 day of
December 1881.

signed & published in our presence } Betty Pulliam
and we have subscribed our names,
as attesting witnesses hereto in the
presence of the testatrix. This 29
day of Dec. 1881.

Test. J. O. Lane
Geo. W. Buchanan

Will of B. G. Corington

I, B. G. Corington of Somerville, Fayette County, Tennessee, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, do hereby publish and declare this as my last will and testament hereby repealing and making void any and all wills by me heretofore made.

Item 1st I will and direct that all my just and lawful debts be paid as soon after my death as practicable out of the personal property and choses in action I may own; that is out of the notes, accounts, stock of merchandise and other property belonging to and arising out of my mercantile business in Somerville Tennessee.

Item 2nd After the payment of all my just debts and lawful debts out of my personal property and choses in action, I will and devise the remainder thereof to my beloved wife Sophia L. Corington and my children Benjamin Gaston Corington and Ada Carrie Corington equally share and share alike.

Item 3rd I will and devise my tract of land of about 417 acres in civil district no. 12 Fayette County, Tennessee to my said children Benjamin Gaston Corington and Ada Carrie Corington in fee simple share and share alike.

Item 4th I will and devise my house and lot in LaGrange Tennessee, known as the Coolidge place to my wife Sophia L. Corington in fee simple.

Item 5th Any other property I may now real or personal not specifically herein devised, is to belong to and to be owned equally by my said wife and children, share and share alike, that is each one third.

Item 6th I hereby nominate and appoint my wife Sophia L. Corington executrix of this my last will and testament and Guardian and Trustee for my said children. I direct that as such executrix she take full charge, control and possession of my mercantile business in Somerville, Tennessee, that she continue the business in her name as such executrix, sell the stock of goods on hand, collect the debts due me as rapidly as possible and with the proceeds of such sales and the collections pay my just debts as fast as she can; she shall have power and authority to compromise and take property in the settlement of the debts due me so may to her seem best and in selling out the stock may buy and add thereto such staple goods as may be necessary to facilitate the sale of the remainder. Any of my personal property she may sell privately or publicly and after all my debts are paid.

the remainder will belong to her and my said children as directed in the second item of this my will - I will and direct that she be relieved and not required to give or execute any bond or security as such executrix or as guardian or trustee and she is not required and shall not render in Court any inventory of my estate nor shall she make any settlement thereof, as executrix, nor shall she as guardian or trustee for my said children make any settlement. I desire her to invest whatever is due her and the children, after my debts are paid, in some good and safe securities or stocks for the support of herself and said children; and to rent and use the land devised to said children for their support and maintenance, but she is not required and shall not render any account or make any settlements of her said guardianship for them. I desire the said house and lot to her in fee so that she may sell same if necessary, if she should find it to the interest of herself and children to reside at some other place. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 28th day of October 1886

At the request of B. G. Corington and in his presence, and in the presence of each other we do this day attest & witness the foregoing as the will of the said Corington Oct. 28th 1886

W. H. Leach

D. W. Neil

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I now am interest to the extent of One hundred dollars in the House & Lot known as the Somerville Female Institute in Somerville Tennessee, and I overlooked same when I made the foregoing will, I now will and devise my said undivided interest in said House & Lot to my wife & L. Corington in fee simple. My foregoing will is not hereby altered or changed in any other respect, but is to stand in full force and effect.

This 16th Feb 1887

Witness -

W. H. Leach

P. D. Carney

B. G. Corington

Probatd November Term 1887

Will of J. C. Grant

In the name of God Amen
 I J. C. Grant being of sound mind but having the fear of death before me make this my last Will and Testament. I appoint W. J. King of this Fayette Co. Tenn. and W. J. Phillips of Williston also of this County as my executors and guardian to my son William Grant, without bond
 Moscow Tenn. Nov. 9th 1887
 Signed by J. C. Grant in our presence and by us in the presence of each other
 J. C. Grant
 J. D. Crockett
 J. E. Wente

Probated December Term 1887

Will of J. D. McLean

Last will & testament of J. D. McLean
 I J. D. McLean of Fayette County State of Tennessee being of sound mind & of giving disposition & in view of the certainty of death do make this my last will and testament, thereby revoking any or all wills heretofore made by me at any time
 First I direct my executor to pay all my just debts out of any property that may come into his hands.
 Second I give and bequeath to my brother Chas. D. McLean all my property both real & personal that I may die possessed of after my debts are paid. My brother W. L. McLean & my sister Susan L. Green having enough to live on do not need any of my estate.
 Third I appoint my Brother Chas. D. McLean my executor to this my last will without any bond whatever.

This the 30th day of June 1887
 We acknowledge that
 J. D. McLean signed this will in our presence & said it was his true act. This 6/30/87
 A. H. Warr
 B. L. Branch

Probated Jan'y term 1888

Will of Eliza C. Douglass

I Eliza C. Douglass do make and publish this as my last will and testament. First I direct that my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible. Secondly I give and bequeath all my property to my four children, to be equally divided between them as they marry or become of age. Thirdly or lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my husband L. A. Douglass, my executor without bond. In witness whereof I do to this day write, set my hand, this the ninth day of November eighteen hundred and eighty seven
 Eliza C. Douglass

Signed and published in my presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator this the 9th day of November 1887
 C. A. Jones

Will of Stephen Weaver

I Stephen Weaver do make this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all others by me at any time made.
 First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any moneys that I may die possessed of or may first come in to the hands of my Executor. Second I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth Weaver my homestead of one hundred and seventy acres the place I now live on to have and to hold with all the rents and profits her natural life time. Also all of the house hold and kitchen furniture including all of the house hold goods such as Beds Bedsteads Bed clothing Secatory, Dishes, case work robe &c and all the books that she wants to keep two horses or two mules two cows and calves one sow and pigs and she to have choice of any that may be on hand at my death. Also one hundred dollars in cash money. Second I give and bequeath to my daughter Francis Freeman an Equal share of all the property that I may die possessed of less fifty two dollars which I have already advanced her. Third I give and bequeath to the heirs of my daughter Polly Rachel an Equal share of all the property that I may die possessed of less sixty seven dollars which I have already advanced her. Fourth I give and bequeath to the heir of my daughter Charles E. Thomas twenty dollars in money. Fifth I give and bequeath to my daughter Isabella Sloop an Equal share of all the property that I may die possessed of less two hundred and seventy two dollars which I have already advanced and it is my will that all she the said Isabella Sloop may draw or that may be due her at my death shall be placed in the hands of some one appointed by the County Court as guardian and used by him for the purpose of buying her a Piece of land. Sixth I give and bequeath to my son James B. Weaver a Equal share of all the property that I may die possessed of and nothing charged as advancement but he is due me one note of three hundred dollars which shall be a part of my est. If not collected by me before my death. Seventh I give and bequeath to my son Stephen D. Weaver an Equal share of all the property that I may die possessed of less one hundred and twenty five dollars for one mule and he also owes me one note of three hundred dollars which shall be a part of my est if not collected by me. Eighth I give and bequeath to my daughter Sallie A. Elison a Equal share of all the property that I may die possessed of less one hundred dollars for one mare twenty dollars for one cow and calf and Eighty five dollars for rent interest &c Ninth and at the death of my said wife Elizabeth Weaver it is my will that all the

property both real and personal left by me in this way will shall be sold and after paying her funeral expenses and her debts shall be divided as heretofore mentioned in this my will in testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 21st day of July 1887

Witnessed H. P. Stovall }
A. L. McKnight } Probated Feb, Term 1888

Hearing Will of Et. Blain

In view of the uncertainty of human life, I do hereby in moderate health make this

my will & testament:

1st. I give to my wife Sarah Jane Blain for her use and benefit during her natural life, about 200 acres of land in section 1, range 3, of the 11th surveyors district, and in the 1st civil district of Fayette County, Tennessee, beginning at the S.W. corner of my 100 acre Bradshaw tract, immediately S.E. of the house in which I now reside, running thence east about 25 1/4 chains to its S.E. corner, thence north about 40 chains to its N.E. corner, thence east about 2 chains to the S.E. corner of a 22 acre tract, a part of a 100 acre tract granted to my brother G. M. Blain and myself by the State of Tennessee Feb. 24th 1848, in grant of 5703 thence north about 21 1/4 chains to its N.E. corner, thence west with its north line, passing its N.W. corner at about 9 1/4 chains, and on west with the course of that line, in all about 50 chains to the junction of Shivers Creek, thence due south about 33 1/4 chains to the south line of the western part of my home tract of land, and thence north with its north line, thence east with that line to its junction with the west line of the above mentioned Bradshaw 100 acre tract, thence south about 27 1/4 chains to the beginning including & excluding 1/4 acre containing the family grave yard; and I direct that the timber on 20 acres immediately east of the Bradshaw tract above named be reserved for her use if it should become necessary for her farm herein described, but that no person shall have the right to want or destroy it, or clear the land during her life time; I also direct that she may select out of my stock of horses, mules, cattle, sheep, hogs and poultry, as many of each, as will be necessary to keep up her farm herein described plentifully for her own use, and one wagon, one buggy, & harness, and other farming utensils in sufficiency to satisfy the necessities of her said farm; and also all of the household and kitchen furniture she may choose to keep, together with provisions for herself and stock for one year, and \$2000 two thousand dollars in cash of any money I may have at the time of my death.

1st request wife
Location and description of the land

grave yard

Reservations of timber for mill use only

live stock

farming utensils
household furniture
one year's provisions
Cash

2nd. I give and bequeath to William Chatham Jenkins only son of my eldest daughter Mary C. Jenkins who is now dead, \$1000 one thousand dollars to be held in charge for him by my wife Sarah Jane Blain until he shall become 21 years old, without her being required to give security for it, which is to be all of his interest in my estate either directly or indirectly except what he may receive of that which has heretofore been given to his mother.

3rd. The remainder of my estate after paying all of my just debts and funeral expenses, I want equally & equitably divided among my five children, Mrs Emma Lucy Jenkins, Alexander Eugene Blain, Sarah Anjalett Jenkins, William Chatham Blain and Margaret Virginia Blain to be, by them, as early after my death as practical if they can agree among themselves on the division, but if they cannot agree, then each of them to choose a referee to act for him; or her, and those five referees who must be intelligent men may make the division of both real & personal estate, without the expense of the Court ordering a division, though a competent person may be employed if necessary to establish lines, and counsel in the division or do such writing as the children or their referees may not feel able to do; This equality & equity of division is to be that which will make them equal, counting what they have heretofore received, giving less to those who shall have received more, and more to those who shall have received less, making what each one receives in this division inversely in proportion (in value) to what he, or she shall have received heretofore; which may be correctly known by reference to a book I keep for that purpose briefly described as follows.

Vis. a Koromay blank book of mottled paper with a sheep-skin back - the cover, about 106 pages about 14 1/2 inches long from top to bottom by about 5 1/4 inches wide with an old appearance, a part of which has been used for other purposes.

This division among my five children is not to include what I have given them mother during her lifetime; after which, the said five children or their proper representatives may divide what she leaves of my estate in the same way the other is directed; There are two notes to be counted against my daughter Sarah Anjalett Jenkins in the division, if not taken up, - both made payable by J. L. Jenkins, one for \$1100 eleven hundred dollars due Dec. 20th 1873, and dated May 7th 1873, and the other for \$140 one hundred & forty dollars dated Jan 25th 1874 and payable one day after date; And one note to be counted against my daughter Emma Lucy Jenkins in the division of my estate if not taken up it, for \$1245.25 Twelve hundred & forty three dollars & twenty eight cents dated Feb 20th 1874 and made due and payable Dec 20th 1874 by M. C. Jenkins. All three of the above named notes bear interest at the rate of 10 per year.

made by the testator
in the presence of
the witnesses
and the signing
of the will
in the presence
of the witnesses
and the signing
of the will

may employ help

reference to what has been given heretofore

description of account book

what may be taken up

notes for cash lent & advanced some to children and some to the division

August 6. Kirk
G. M. Waller
W. A. Blain

Probated March Term 1898.

A Home, near Braden, Tenn.
Jan 19, 1888

To whom it may concern, I Elizabeth M. Barranney
being ill in body but of sound mind make this my
last will. I wish Neva C. Collier to have all
the land known as the Pote place also one thousand
dollars in cash. The above is to revert to my daughter
Ann A. Alexander, if Neva C. Collier dies before she is
of age. If Mrs Ann A. Alexander is dead, then to
Bird R. Collier. I wish Bird R. Collier to have
one thousand dollars in cash.

I wish my daughter Mrs Ann A. Alexander to have all the balance of my real estate and personal property left after my just debts are paid.

An account of the manner in which Thomas H. McDaniel and Wm B. Collier have treated me, I wish them to have none of my property -

Witnesses

W. B. Battle

Andrew Chr Hansen

C. W. Currie

Probated March Term 1888

being of sound mind, do make and obtain this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and making null and void all wills at any time heretofore made by me.

I will and direct that the sum of one hundred & fifty-
dollars be vested in my burial expenses and reasonable suit-
able to mark the resting place, ^{of my deceased husband}
W. H. Tarpley and myself. Then I will that all my just debts
be paid, after specially ~~that~~ ^{that} (50) fifty ~~that~~ ^{that} \$100 & 100 & 100 &
to Henry Tarpley, and one hundred (100) dollars to
Henry Tarpley former servants of mine. I will and
direct that after fifty (50) dollars, before a division of the
remainders or residue of my estate, shall be put at interest
for the benefit of Peter Warren Dupree until he shall have
arrived at full age twenty one year's then to be paid to
him, principal and accumulated interest, but in the event
of his death, should he die before he arrives at ^{the} said age of
21 years, the said amount, principal and interest shall
fall back and become a part of my estate, as residue, and
go as hereinafter devised, consisting of real personal and
mixed. I direct that my executor

shall sell the real estate he shall die seized and possessed
of at his discretion, the proceeds thereof together with all the
residue shall go and be equally divided between the fol-
lowing named persons, to wit, Mrs Bettie J. E. Flippin
George F. Dupree these of the said County of Fayette
Mrs Anna J. Hall; Pattie R. Copeland and Walter S.
Copeland, Children of Catharine Randolph Copeland
decd of the County of Northampton North Carolina -
Given this the 5th day of January 1854
Attest: Eliza M. Farley

J. L. Murrell
J. B. Reid

Probated March Term 1888

Will of Calvin Jones I Calvin Jones of the County of
Hayette and State of Tennessee,

being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make, declare and publish this as my last Will and Testament, I have never here tofore made any will.

Item 1st. It is my wish and desire, and I so direct, that my funeral expenses and just debts be paid out of any moneys of which I may die possessed, or that may be first collected or realized out of the fruits of my estate.

Item 2nd. I give and bequeath to my grand son, Calvin Jones, son of my deceased son Thomas W. Jones, my gold watch, and I direct and request my Executrix hereafter named, to purchase and give to each of my two other grandsons bearing my name, to wit, my grandson Calvin Jones, son of my son, Alexander W. Jones, and to my grandson, Calvin Jones, son of my son J. Monroe Jones, a gold watch of at least equal value to the watch bequeathed to my grandson Calvin Jones, son of Thomas W. Jones.

Item 3rd. I give and bequeath my Law Library to that one of my grandsons, who may first qualify himself for, and engage in the practice of Law, and in the mean time, I request my Executrix hereafter named to take possession of my Law Library and to hold and preserve the same to carry out the intentions of this bequest.

Item 4. I give, bequeath and devise the entire remainder of my estate, personal or real, of every description whatever, to my beloved wife, Mildred Jones, with full power and authority to dispose of the same as she may desire and think best, by deed, ^{or} gift or last will and testament; I mean ^{that} the bequest and devise to my wife as aforesaid, is intended to be a full and complete gift of the entire remainder of my said estate to her, to dispose of as she may desire. I have the fullest confidence in my wife's capacity to manage my estate, and I do now therefore appoint my beloved wife, with whom I have lived in great harmony for a period of nearly fifty years, Executrix of ~~my~~ ^{my} ~~last~~ ^{last} will and testament, and I do hereby request that she be excused from giving any bond as such Executrix, and be permitted to qualify as Executrix without giving any bond with security for the execution of her trust as such Executrix. I further ask that she be not required to make or file any Inventory of my personal property, or to make any settlement as such Executrix.

Witness my hand 2nd April 1885.

Calvin Jones
The execution of the foregoing instrument is acknowledged by the maker thereof, Calvin Jones, as his last Will & Testament & he requested us to attest his execution of the same as subscribing witnesses, which we do, this 2nd day of April 1885 in his presence.

T. S. Gallaway
Thos. G. McClellan

Probated April Term 1885.

Will of Pety Watkins

I Pety Watkins do make and publish this as my last Will and Testament. Knowing the uncertainty of life, and the certainty of death and being now of sound and disposing mind do now give and bequeath as will.

Item 1st. That all of my just debt shall be paid first by my executor therein after named.

Item 2nd. I give and bequeath unto E. Williams all property both real and personal that I may have at my death.

Item 3. I nominate constitute and and appoint E. Williams Executor of this my will and relieve him of giving bond or security or making any settlement with Credit as required by law.

March 5/85

Pety + Watkins
Signed in our presence and we saw
our name at her request in her presence and in the presence of each other
J. A. Batter
March 5/85 C. H. Lusk

Probated April Term 1885.

Will of J. R. Cherry

I J. R. Cherry 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 all my debts be paid.

Secondly, I give and bequeath to Malissa Cherry one bed steed, one bed and covering for same, one cow, and the Hundred Dollars - This Hundred Dollars to be paid to the said Malissa Cherry in installments, as in the judgement of my Executor I may see fit. Provided however it shall all be paid when she attains her majority.

Thirdly, I give and bequeath all my other property, both personal and real to Malice A. Cherry, wife of J. M. Cherry, and her bodily heirs. Provided however my wife Martha Cherry is to have the use and benefit of it her natural life. Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint J. M. Cherry my Executor without bond.

In witness whereof I do & thing well at my home and do this the 2nd day of January 1885
J. R. Cherry

Signed sealed and published in our presence and we have
 subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator
 January 4th 1888
 J. C. Wood
 J. W. Smith

Probated April Term 1888.

Will of James Osborn

Lagrange Tennessee January 22 1886

I James Osborn am now in my 82
 Eighty second year I am given old mity fast life to very
 uncertain and how long I live to live I cant tell But in
 Cors of nature I have but a very short time to stay here therefore
 I set myself down this morning to set my bequest what
 I wish to be done with my Real Estate that I shall
 have left for my family I have but three living
 children Dearel H Osborn William W Osborn Melinda
 Dillmore I had one daughter Alvery she is dead and
 left one daughter she and she did also left some children
 I dont no where they are I give them grand marna all
 that I did intend them to have I this Will them five
 dollars I will dearell five hundred dollars more
 And any of they Rest of my children and a Eccl shen
 With they relat of they family has taken bear of
 out All this life so that the Rest of my property to be
 Equally to be divided after leaving my wife so far as right
 if she should out live me to be betel with in them
 selvs if they band James Osborn

Probated Janry term 1889

Will of Henry B. Dilliard

I Henry B. Dilliard of the County of
 Fayette and State of Tennessee do

herby make and publish this as my last will and testament
 herby making and making void all others by me at any time
 heretofore made.

First I direct that my funeral expenses and all of my debt
 be paid by my executors out of any money I may die possessed
 of, or may first come into their hands, as soon as possible,
 after my death.

Second I give and bequeath to my wife Matilda, the home
 place on which I now live, containing about (448) Four
 Hundred & twenty four acres more or less, and also the tract
 of land adjoining, containing (100) one hundred & fifty acres
 and purchased by me from Johnsons Estate also all the stock
 and tools now on the place for and during her life.

Third I give and bequeath to my Son Thos J. W. Dilliard,
 the "Graves place" on which he now lives, containing about
 240 acres, for his use and support during the life of my
 wife Matilda, I except from the above mentioned "Graves place"
 that part on which Wm J. Brock lives and the income from

which I direct to be paid to my wife Matilda during her lifetime.

Fourth I have given to my daughter Sarah Annett a deed to a tract
 of land in Dickenses, containing about (160) one hundred & sixty acres
 and this I intend to be her portion and share in full from my
 estate and do not desire that she shall ever receive anything more.

Fifth I desire my executors to take and hold all the money and
 bonds that I may die possessed of after paying my debts, also all notes,
 using the interest arising therefrom for the benefit and support
 of my wife Matilda during the life of my said wife Matilda.

Sixth At the death of my wife Matilda I desire that all of
 my Estate, both real and personal shall be equally divided
 between my children or their heirs who may be then living,
 except my daughter Sarah Annett, for whom I have made
 a sufficient provision already and except my daughter
 Lumbia whom I desire to have a double portion, intending
 for her to receive the share which her deceased brother George
 B. Dilliard would have received, had he lived, in addition
 to her own share.

Seventh In the general division of my Estate after the
 death of my wife Matilda, I desire that my grand-
 children, who may then be living, shall only receive the
 share of their deceased parent.

Eight Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint
 J. B. Crossett and my daughter Lumbia Bejach Executors
 of this my last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I have this 12th day of March
 1888 here set my hand and seal.

Signed by Henry B. Dilliard Henry B. Dilliard
 in our presence and by us as
 witnesses in his presence and
 in the presence of each other

A. H. McBord
 J. C. Murta

Probated February term 1889

Will of E. H. Steger.

I E. H. Steger of Fayette County,
 Tenn. being of sound and dispo-

sing mind make this my last Will and Testament, thereby
 revoking all former wills made by me, at any time.

I bequeath my body to the grave and my soul to the God
 who made it. I desire my wife to pay any debts I may
 owe and my burial expenses out of any money I may have
 and if I have no money on hand then out of the sale of
 any personal property I may have, the remainder of my
 personal property of every kind, I give to my wife, Virginia
 Ann Steger, to let her absolutely and to dispose of as she may
 deem proper, and she uses, rents and profits of any and all

the lands that I may die seized and possessed of, I bequeath to said Virginia Ann Steger during her life, time, she to have sole power to rent or loan said lands as she may think best. And at the death of my said wife I desire any personal property that may be left, and my lands divided equally between my children or their heirs.

I leave my wife the said Virginia Ann Steger my sole executrix, and desire that she be relieved from giving any bond or security and be not required to make any settlement with any Credit or any person.

Signed this 26th day of December 1888 in the presence of J. W. Holmes and J. E. Murta.

E. H. Steger seal

Witness this 26th day of Dec. 1888 in the presence of Testator and in the presence of each other.

J. E. Murta seal

J. W. Holmes seal

Probated March 6th 1889.

The Will of Mr. Eliza A. Warren.

I Eliza A. Warren, resident of Sumnerville, Fayette County, Tennessee, now of sound mind and disposing memory, fully conscious of the shortness of life, & the certainty of death do make and publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void any and all wills by me at any time before made -

It is my wish & desire to dispose of all the worldly goods and property that a kind and beneficent Providence has been pleased to bestow upon me in such a manner as I conceive will conduce to the best interest of my children.

Item 1st

I will & direct that my funeral expenses and any just debts due by me to be paid, first out of my monies I may die possessed of, & that my just debts come into the possession of my Executors.

Item 2nd

Whereas, my late husband willed to me, his life policy amounting to the sum of \$10,000.00 Ten Thousand Dollars which was paid over to me and which I placed in the hands of Major E. P. McNeal of Colvar Tennessee to be invested in United States securities, which was so done by him, and he now controls for me, more one thousand dollar United States 5th gold bearing interest bonds which are the proceeds of the funds arising from the life policy so willed to me. Now I do hereby

give bequeath & direct, that the interest, accruing on said bonds (more in number, or a sufficiency of same, be used, applied & appropriated, alone, by my Executors, for the Education, maintenance and support of my two youngest children, Emma O. and Samuel H. Warren until each or both of them have completed their education, and if deemed necessary & proper by my said Executors, they are empowered and directed, to sell and appropriate a sufficiency of the principal of the said one thousand dollar bonds in the event the interest is not ample, to complete the education of my said two children above named - But should there be any of said interest, accruing from said bonds, unexpended annually, I direct my Executors, to so invest same, as to be active & productive, as principal - And after the education of my said two children is completed I direct that whatever remains of this fund, from the bonds or interest invested as principal, shall be equally divided between my five children - namely - Anna E. upon the wife of Jas. H. May - Narcissa J. wife of Dr. Thor. B. Yancey - Priscilla M. Neal, wife of John H. Polk. Samuel H. Warren and Emma O. Warren, equally share and share alike, but upon conditions to my daughters hereafter expressed and to be strictly carried out and enforced.

Item 3

I give & devise all my real estate in Hardeman and Fayette Counties, Tennessee, & in the States of Mississippi and Arkansas, to my said five children, to be equally divided between them unless same shall be sold as hereafter provided, but my daughters shares and interests are devised upon conditions and limitations hereinafter expressed -

Item 4

I give and bequeath to my said daughter Anna E. May, as a special gift, the ~~large sofa~~ sofa, my clock, my large china cup and saucer, the old family chest, my mahogany table and the portrait of her father.

Item 5

I give & bequeath, as a special gift, Narcissa J. Yancey, the short sofa or divan - dining table - sewing machine - large cane bottom rocking chair - the picture with gift frame, called Morning or Spring - portrait of Junius Williams & single bedstead.

Item 6

I give & bequeath, as special gift, to my daughter Priscilla M. Neal Polk, my velvet chair, one mahogany table, hat rack - Fluting machine - I do small furniture one Rock of oblique - one I simply to the corner I bring - cedar chest

Item 7 I give & bequeath as a special gift to my son Samuel W. Warren my library with the exception of some books given to Emma O. Warren the portrait of Rev. Henry Warren his Grand Father - my large bed in the room my guns, pistols and various small now at my son E. P. Atwoods in Colver Tenn. my watch & chain - a picture. The Discovery of the Circulation of the Blood my silver spoons marked W. one dozen small and a half dozen large ones - Bedstead that stand in the room over the parlor now at Dr. J. C. Quincy in Somerville Tenn. my old family Bureau with a feather bed mattress for sheets & four blankets.

Item 8

I give and bequeath as a special gift to my youngest child & daughter Emma O. Warren my room furniture consisting of the best bed I have and mattress Bedstead - washstand - table - washstand - a small table Bureau that was in the room over the parlor at the home place - clock - carpet belonging to my room - my velvet cloak - black lace shawl - jewelry - also another feather bed - mattress - for sheets - two pairs of the best blankets and Lounger - also my parlor furniture consisting of a Sofa & two large chairs - two parlor chairs - my pictures one called Light or Poetry - one raised on marble - a fancy piece known as the picture given to my brother James by John Fidd and a Madonna now in Emma Warren's possession also a picture of myself - a marble top center table - my silver spoons marked E. A. W. half dozen large ones - also half dozen marked "William" & some odd ones - my silver cups - new bed quilt - two new silk spreads & linen sheets -

Item 9

All the remainder of my household & kitchen furniture & other personal property in kind not heretofore specifically bequeathed, I desire & direct to be equally divided between all of my five children, as near as practicable without the necessity of a sale to effect an exact equality and I desire & request Mrs. Sallie A. Warren wife of Dr. D. E. Warren in her best judgment to make said division, I having confidence in her that she will do ample & equal justice between my said children -

Item 10

Should my daughter Emma O. Warren be unmarried & under twenty one years of age at the time of my death, I hereby authorize, empower & direct my Executor hereafter named or any or either of them that may qualify as such Executor or Executors to sell any or all

of my real estate as in their good judgment shall be best for the interest of my said children - execute titles to same and out of the proceeds of sale, pay over to her Guardian the sum of two thousand dollars over & above the shares of the other children for her maintenance & support & the remainder of said proceeds of sales in so far as my daughters are concerned reinvest their shares in other property either bonds or other securities or other realty to be by them held upon the conditions limitations hereafter specified - or my said Executor or either of them who may qualify in their judgment if for the best interest of my said children sell any or all of my said real estate & make titles to same should the contingency happen otherwise of my daughter Emma O. Warren at the time of my death being married or having attained to twenty one years in which event she is not to have the two thousand dollars in excess of the other children - and they shall reinvest the proceeds of such sale of realty in securities or other real estate in so far as the shares of my daughters are concerned upon the conditions & limitations hereafter specified

Item 11

As to all the property both realty & personally generally & specially devised & bequeathed to my said children in this my will - to my daughters it is to their sole & separate use support & maintenance independent of any marital right that may accrue by their several marriages and free from the debts liabilities & contracts of their present or any future husbands they may have. Nor in any way liable for the debts or contracts of their present or any future husband, but with the full power in my said daughters to sell, exchange, reinvest proceeds in other property to be held under like conditions & limitations or may encumber same in any way they may elect, it being my intention for them in so far as the property real & personal bequeathed herein to them to enjoy principal & interest free from the control of their husbands and to act as joint sole - But as to the property real & personal devised & bequeathed to my son Samuel W. Warren, it is to him in fee simple.

Item 12

Should any of my children provided for in this my will die before attaining the age of twenty one years without leaving lawful issue, then & in that event I direct that their share & interest so herein bequeathed & devised shall revert to & belong to the others in equal shares to be held & controlled under the limitations & restrictions under which they hold their original shares

under my will.

Item 13

All the rest and residue of my property real & personal, not herein disposed of or such that I may acquire, I direct to be equally divided between my five children, the shares of my daughter under the limitations & restrictions so imposed as to their original shares herein before mentioned but to my son the full share.

Item 14

I hereby nominate & appoint Messrs E. P. McFarland & Daniel P. Warren of Fayette County Tennessee, Executors of this my last will & Testament and request them to carry out the provisions as fully set forth therein, strictly to the letter & spirit as practicable.

In witness whereof I have hereunto affixed my name & signature on this the 1st day of September 1877 seven to this my will, embodied & written on three four sheets of legal cap paper and with the additional provision that I desire that my Executor John W. Polk act as testamentary guardian to my said two younger children Emma & Emmal O. Warren.

Signed sealed & acknowledged

in our presence &

we have witnessed

same as attesting witnesses

at the request

of the Testator on the

the 1st day of Sept.

1877

W. B. Dwyer

W. A. Warren

Probated Nov. 12th 1879

Eliza A. Warren

Will of Sarah A. Kuse.

State of Tennessee, Fayette County.

S. Sarah A. Kuse being of sound mind and being desirous to dispose of my property do hereby make this my Will For the love and affection which I have for my Nephew Abner A. Wade and in consideration for the care and attention he has given me. I do hereby give and bequeath to him my tract of land containing 38 acres in civil District No. 12 Fayette County Tennessee also my mule name Bob 2 & I give to Abby Mond Wade one feather bed and I also give to Margaret A. Chambers wife of Charles one feather bed. I Abner A. Wade, is pay my burial expenses the above will is written by my dictation.

Wm Johnson

Witness my hand this 15 day of November, 1879

Sarah A. Kuse

Robert Fleming test
Eliza Chambers

Probated Dec. 2nd 1879

The Will of W. S. Dougherty.

I. W. S. Dougherty, Residence of Fayette County, Tennessee,

now being of sound mind and disposing memory fully conscious of the uncertainty of life do make & publish this as my last will and Testament hereby revoking any and all other wills by me at any time heretofore made.

Item 1st

I desire that all my funeral Expenses and Just debts be paid out of the first money collected belonging to my estate if there shall be none on hand at my death and my remains to be buried at the Chambers living place.

Item 2nd

of such worldly goods that a kind providence has been pleased to bestow upon me I desire to dispose of the same after discharging Expenses and debts enumerated in item first of this my will in the following way and manner.

Item 3rd

I give and devise to my wife Elizabeth Dougherty my entire estate for her support as long as she lives provided she remain on the place we now live but if she should choose to take up house keeping I desire that my executor here after named shall proceed to take possession of my estate and proceed according to this my will.

Item 4th

after the death of the said Elizabeth Dougherty I desire

that my estat be sold and equally divided between each of my three Als I desire Frank Adkinson who resides with me at this time if he should within two months to have fifty dollars out of my estate

I here by nominate and appoint my son Reuben Dougherty as executor to this my last will and testament to wind up and carry out the Provision of this my will this the 2 day of April 1888
W. S. Dougherty

Signed, acknowledged and Published in our Presence & we have subscribed our names as attestation witnesses here to be the Consistent Promise of at the request of the testator this 2 day of April 1888
D. H. Chambers
H. W. Corry



Probated May 3rd 1890

Will of Elizabeth L. Brown

The Last Will and Testament of Elizabeth L. Brown

I, Elizabeth L. Brown do make this my last will and Testament 1st I will and bequeath my land Three hundred Acres to my Husband John H. Brown during his lifetime and then to his children if he should have any or in the event he should not have any living children at his death to his Legat heirs at Law I also will and bequeath to my Husband John H. Brown to use and sell and all of my personal property I may die seized and possessed of Elizabeth L. Brown do hereby will and provide that my Mother Mary E. Carter shall have the privilege of living in the residence we now live and under all circumstances have a decent support out of said land (300 Acres) when she shall chose to continue to live on said land or not during her natural life and further that should my Husband John H. Brown die before my Mother Mary E. Carter or fail during his lifetime to give her a decent support out of the profits arising from said farm of 300 Acres land or otherwise then in either case she shall have the right and privilege to apply to the County Court of this county to appoint a Trustee and when said county court shall appoint said Trustee he

he shall take possession of said Land or so much of the same as may be necessary and rent out the same and apply a sufficiency to the support of my Mother Mary E. Carter to give her a comfortable & decent support and the balance of any of the rents of said Land take possession of by said Trustee after giving to my Mother a good support to be turned over to my Husband John H. Brown or his legal representatives and further that my Mother Mary E. Carter shall have the privilege of choosing the above mentioned Trustee Elizabeth L. Brown do further will and give my Husband John H. Brown the privilege after my Mother's death should she die before him to sell or dispose of said land I have bequeathed to him as he may choose or think best to his interest Elizabeth L. Brown hereby want it understood that I mean by a support for my Mother good and respectable clothing as well as home and board according to her position heretofore in life to all of which I herewith set my hand and seal.

Elizabeth L. Brown
Oct 26th 1875

Signed and acknowledged in our presence as witnesses

J. J. Stump
J. H. King

Probated June 2 1890

Will of Vic. G. Gossett

Feeling the importance of providing for death during life, I give by this my last will and testament, Having given my Daughter, Bessie, \$1000 per Hundred dollars in, and other presents to the amount of one Hundred \$, I will that my other daughters, Bessie and Jennie shall have equal Amounts when they become of age or marry. I hereby will in case of my death that now place be lent out and sell money I may have on hand or loaned out and the proceeds of the same or as much as is necessary be applied to the board and tuition of my two younger daughters Bessie and Jennie and I further drive in that my wife carry out the above and be executor of this my will without giving bond and security for the same and when the younger girls become of age or marry then all the property I have shall then be divided equally between all my children

Witness October 20th 89
J. H. Stump
J. H. King

Vic. G. Gossett

Probated Sept 3rd 1890

Will of Thomas B. Brasley

I Thomas B. Brasley of Fayette County Tennessee being of sound mind and discretion and at peace with all the world do make and declare this my last will and testament I desire my body to be buried at such place as I may lawfully direct before my decease. I desire first the expenses of my funeral to be paid out of my estate and then such debts as I may owe, to be liquidated which I leave all my personal estate to my wife Lucy Pulliam Brasley & desire will and bequeath all my real estate every where to my wife and three children, Wm. Walter Brasley and Alice Brasley, to each one fourth, to each of my said children because of age their guardians is to settle with said or her by delivering out of her hands the said estate. ~~After~~ the youngest has been settled with the said estate to return the said remaining one fourth of my estate to her own use free from the contract of all persons whom I owe & give to my wife all my personal estate which may remain after the payment of my debts to be used by her and being operating and improving the farming lands left to her and my three children, no part of my estate is to be sold or sold if it be necessary to pay the debts I may leave to her money to run the farm in which no more than is sufficient for that purpose is to be sold, no part is to be sold to convert lands or to change the environment. It is the duty of the guardian to run and operate the place in a proper manner but is not to be responsible for education and support of my children and keeping place in properly accounted for. Guardian is to make sworn statement to the proper officer of the county in which the real estate is situated according to the requirements of law the guardian is to have the power to manage the growing crop for supplies also mules and other property make my wife Lucy Pulliam Brasley guardian of my minor children, and I particularly request and direct that she be not required to make or give any bond or surety. I also make her executrix under the terms of this will and I particularly request and direct that she be not required to give bond. I also suggest to my wife in whom I have the greatest confidence and for whom I have the greatest love and respect that she retain some good attorney at a stated salary per year to look generally after her business and the affairs of my children. I particularly caution her against talking any important step without first having a full consultation with said attorney. I give my blessing committing them in the hands of Almighty God. Signed by me this fourth day of July 1886 at LaFayette Tennessee
Thomas B. Brasley

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J. L. Pulliam & Lebrun Brasley

Probed Oct 7th 1890

Will of Thos. B. Brasley

I. Thomas B. Brasley of Fayette County Tennessee, being of sound mind and discretion and at peace with all the world do make and declare this my last will and testament.

I desire my body to be buried at such place as I may lawfully direct before my decease. I desire first the expenses of my funeral to be paid out of my estate and then such debts as I may owe, to be liquidated which I leave all my personal estate to my executrix and wife Lucy Pulliam Brasley & desire will and bequeath all my real estate every where to my wife and three children Peter Walter Brasley and Alice Brasley, to each one fourth. In each of my said children because of age, their guardian is to settle with him or her, by delivering his or her portion of my estate. After the youngest has been settled with, my wife Lucy is to retain the last remaining one fourth of my estate as her own in fee free from the control of all persons whomsoever. I give to my wife all my personal estate which may remain after the payment of my debts, to be used by her in running of estate and improving the farming lands, left her and my three children no part of my estate is to be sold, except it be necessary to pay the debts I may leave or to raise money to run the farm, in which case no more than is sufficient for that purpose is to be sold, no part is to be sold to convert funds or to change the investment. It is made the duty of the guardian to run and operate the place in a proper manner but is not to be responsible for costs beyond education and support of my children and keeping place in proper condition, unless there be actually a surplus in which case the balance is to be properly accounted for. Guardian is to make yearly sworn statements to the proper officer of the county in which the real estate is situated, according to the requirements of law. The guardian to have the power to manage the growing crops for supplies, also mules and other movable property. I make my wife Lucy Pulliam Brasley guardian of my minor children, and I particularly request and direct that she be not required to make or give any bond or surety, I also make her executrix under the terms of this will and I particularly request and direct that she be not required to give bond.

I also suggest to my wife in whom I have the greatest confidence and for whom I have the greatest love and respect that she retain some good Attorney at a stated salary per year, to look generally after her business and the affairs of my children. I particularly caution her against talking any important step without first having a full consultation with said Attorney. I give my blessing committing them into the hands of Almighty God.

Signed by me this fourth day of July 1886 at LaFayette Tennessee
Thos B. Brasley

Witness (2)
J. L. Pulliam
Lebrun Brasley

Probed Oct 7th 1890

J. H. Pritchett clerk

Will of John H.
Blaydes

State of Tennessee
Payette County

Knowing that
life is un-
certain and

death certain, I, Mrs.

I, John H. Blaydes, of sound mind do hereby make
this my last will and Testament, revoking all others.
First it is my request that all my lawful debts be
paid.

Second I do hereby will and bequeath all of my
property both Real and Personal, to my dearly loved
wife Susan Rebecca Blaydes during her natural life
at her death I request that what ever property may
be on hand including any that may be made
from what I leave shall be equally divided between
my five children W. H. Blaydes, Lollie Blaydes, Della
Blaydes, Lovie Blaydes and Rosa L. Blaydes or
their lawful heirs.

Third It is my request that none of my property
shall be sold except that whenever there is
a surplus on hand.

Fourth I do hereby name and appoint my wife
my sole Executor and most earnestly request the
Payette County Court not to require her to give any
bond what ever, as I feel that she will admin-
ister my affairs to the best advantage to the use
of my children.

Fifth I request my wife to proceed to settle my lawful
debts when lawfully presented as soon as possible
and not to wait the two years allowed by law
provided she has enough cash or property that
may be cash to do so such as cotton or grain under
my hand and seal this the fifteenth day of Dec-
ember Eighteen Hundred and Ninety (1890)

John H. Blaydes

Witness to John H. Blaydes will

J. H. Smith

S. L. Branch

Prepared Jan 6 1891

Will of Martha
Cresendon

I Martha Cresendon of Fayette County
Tennessee being of sound mind &
in view of the uncertainty of life

do make this my last will & testament hereby
revoking all others at any times made by me

First I direct my executor to pay all my just debts if there
be any to gether with funeral expenses out
of the first money coming into his hands.

Second I give ~~and~~ bequeath all my estate real personal
& mixed to my children Lillian, Ora and James W.
Cresendon equally, share & share alike.

Third I hereby appoint my Brother, A. V. Warr, without
bond, Executor of this my last will giving him
discretionary power as to the sale of my
personal property for the benefit of my children

I also appoint my brother, A. V. Warr guardian without
bond of the persons & property of my children to wit
Lillian, Ora & James W. Cresendon.

In witness whereof I have this day signed &
sealed & published & declared this instrument to be
my will & testament this the 10th day of July 1890

Martha Cresendon

The said Martha Cresendon at her home in Fayette County
Tenn on the 10th day of July 1890 signed & sealed this
instrument and published and declared the same
at her last will, and at her request and in
her presence and in the presence of each other
here hereto written our names as subscribing
witnesses

Jessie L. Boston
Lillian R. Cresendon

Probated Feb 2 1891

J. H. Dotch clk

Will of Wm
C. Jenkins

I Wm C Jenkins do make and publish
this as my last Will and testament, hereby
revoking and making void all others by me at any
time made. First I direct that my funeral expenses
and all my debts be paid as soon after my death
as possible out of any money that I may die possessed
of or may first come into the hands of my
executors. Secondly, I give and bequeath to my
beloved wife, Emma, Lucy Jenkins all of my property
both personal and real that I may die possessed
of and at her death I desire that the property be
equally divided among my children.

Lastly, I do hereby
nominate and appoint my wife Emma Lucy Jenkins
as my executrix to serve without bond.

In witness
whereof I do to this my will set my hand & seal
this 24th day September 1889

Signed & sealed in our presence
Wm C. Jenkins
J. C. Howell
Wm H. Holden

Probated March 3rd 1891
J. H. Dotch clk

Phil of
Joseph C. C. Tucker, of the County of Fayette and State of Tennessee, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make and publish this as my last will and Testament, hereby revoking any will by me heretofore made.

First, I direct all my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid out of any money of which I may be possessed or that may first come into the hands of my Executor hereafter named—

Secondly, I give and devise to my son, Charles Tucker my two tracts of lands, containing about five hundred and forty acres, situate in the County of Fayette and State of Tennessee— I also give and bequeath to my son Charles Tucker all my personal property of every character and description of which I may be possessed, including any debts owing to me and monies on hand, remaining after the payment of my just debts by me, ^{owing} and my funeral expenses. But the devise of the said tracts of lands to my son Charles Tucker as aforesaid is subject to the following conditions, restrictions and limitations, to wit— It is my will and desire that my son Charles Tucker shall have, for and during his natural life, the use, occupation, rents and profits of the said lands for the support and maintenance of himself and children and the education of his children but neither the lands or the rents and profits of the lands to be subject or liable to any debts created by the said Charles Tucker. And upon the death of the said Charles Tucker the said lands shall go to or vest in such child or children, living & the issue of the body of the said Charles Tucker, as he by Deed or last will and Testament may, ^{designate} and declare shall have and receive the same. But if he should so desire and be fully satisfied that it would be to his interest so to do, he may exchange or sell the said lands and if a sale be made direct the proceeds of such sale in other lands, and the lands so acquired by exchange or purchase with such proceeds, to be clothed with the like conditions, restrictions and limitations and subject to like disposal by Deed or last will and testament as aforesaid. The personal property so given and bequeathed as aforesaid to be used and appropriated for the comfort, support and maintenance of the said Charles Tucker and his children in such manner

as he may think best, with power in him to dispose of the same in such way as may best secure the purposes of the bequest—

Thirdly, I do hereby nominate and appoint my said son Charles Tucker, Executor of this my last will and Testament and upon the probate of the will, I desire and request of the Court that he be permitted to qualify as such Executor without being required, by the Court to give bond with security for the execution of the same—

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this 26 day of ^{Peterson} 1887—

Signed, sealed and published by the Testator in the presence of us, who have subscribed, as attesting witnesses, the presence of the said Testator and of one another—

Calvin Jones,
Thos. H. Galloway

Codicil.

Since the execution by me of the foregoing will I have acquired by escheat interest of one half in the second six of said land (100 acres) being held by James Wilson. I now, I desire, my interest in said land, to my son Charles Tucker to be held by him subject to same restrictions, conditions and limitations as are provided in the lands heretofore devised to him.

In witness my hand, September 6-1883
signed, sealed & published by the Testator in the presence of us who have attested as subscribing witnesses in presence of Testator & one another
Calvin Jones, Thos. H. Galloway

I, Joseph C. C. Tucker on the 26-October 1877 executed my last will and testament in the presence of the subscribing witnesses thereto to wit, Calvin Jones & Thos. H. Galloway, the said last will & Testament has not been revoked, or otherwise altered or changed, except in this on the 6-September 1883, I made a Codicil to said last will & Testament appearing and shown on said last will & Testament, and the execution of the same was attested by Calvin Jones & Thos. H. Galloway. Since the making and execution of said Codicil, I have acquired title by Deed of the Chancery of Memphis, Tennessee to about forty seven acres of land, in Haywood County, Tennessee, on near the town of Stanton, the houses on said land being within the corporate limits, and the same being a part of the lands belonging to the State

of the late George Ware, and the same being sold under Decree of said Court to effect division and partition of said lands of George Ware I give and convey the said tract of land of forty acres to my son, Charles Tucker to be held by him subject to same restrictions, conditions and limitations as are provided on the land devised in my said will to him. Charles Tucker - and I do make this ~~testament~~ ^{Codical} a part of my said will -
 Witness my hand June 1st 1885

J. C. C. Tucker

signed, sealed & published
 by the Testator in the presence
 of us, who have attested the
 same as subscribing witnesses

Calvin Jones

F. S. Hallaway

Protested March 3rd 1891

J. H. Dorton Clerk

Will of J. C. C. Barding of the County of Fayette and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and realizing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, 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 will and devise that as soon as practicable after my death that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid out of any money and personal property I am possessed of at my death. Second - I will and bequeath to my beloved wife C. C. Barding after said expenses and debts are paid all the remainder of my property both real and personal for her use and benefit during her natural life.

Thirdly - I will and bequeath to my son J. F. Barding a certain note bearing date July 12th 1884 for the sum of seven hundred and seventy three dollars, executed by him to me, I also will and bequeath to him my said son one other note bearing date Feb. 23rd 1885 for the sum of Two hundred dollars executed by him to me, and I devise that the above described notes be cancelled by my Executor and delivered to my said son J. F. Barding.

Fourthly - I will and bequeath to my daughter Josie R. Russell one certain note payable one day after date bearing date of July 12th 1884 for the sum of Three hundred and thirty six dollars, with a credit noted thereon by me for Eighty five dollars Sept 3rd 1885. said note was executed by my said daughter Josie R. Russell to me. I devise that my executor cancel said note and deliver it to her.

Fifthly - I will all my real estate consisting of my farm in civil District 7 Fayette County Tennessee to my said daughter Josie R. Russell during her natural life and at her death to the heirs of her body, but this provision not to take effect till after the death of my wife C. C. Barding.

Sixthly - I will and bequeath to Carrie Della Ward to the amount of One hundred dollars of any money or personal property left by me and not consumed by my said wife, this provision not to take effect till after the death of my said wife - should there be a remainder of any personalty after the above provision has been complied with I devise that said remainder be divided equally between my son J. F. Barding and my daughter Josie R. Russell. Lastly - I do hereby nominate and appoint John H. Kaur

my Executor, and it is my will and desire that he
 be released from giving bond as required by law.
 In witness whereof I do to this my will
 set my hand and seal this the 28th day of October 1890
 J. F. Parker

Signed sealed and published in our presence
 and we have subscribed our names hereto in the pres-
 ence of the testator this the 28 day of October 1890
 J. F. Parker
 B. G. Boyd

Proated, April 7th 1891
 J. H. Writch
 Clerk

Will of Mrs. J. Lizzie T. Tucker do make and publish
 L. T. Tucker & this as my last will and Testament, here-
 by revoking & making void all others by
 me at any time made. First I direct that my funeral
 expenses and all my debts, be paid as soon after my
 death as possible, out of any moneys that I may be
 possessed of, or may first come into the hands of my Ex-
 ecutor. Secondly, I give and bequeath to my beloved
 husband, E. J. Tucker, all of my estate, both real and per-
 sonal, consisting of our Tract of Land in Tipton County,
 Tennessee, near Stoneville, in District No. 1, on the
 Upper Cache River, containing about one hundred and
 fifty acres. On said Land there is a Green Mill, and
 two settlements, also our Tract of Land in Tishomingo
 County, Mississippi lying about one mile North of the
 Town of Iuka, containing about one hundred and
 twenty two acres, with a Green Mill and one settlement,
 also one other Tract of Land, in Permiot County, Missouri
 containing 160 Acres of Land in Township 2 Range
 Section . . . Together with all other property that I
 may die possessed of. Lastly, I do hereby nominate
 and appoint my said husband E. J. Tucker my exe-
 cutor, and he shall not be required, to give bond
 or security as such Executor. In witness whereof, I
 do this my will, set my hand, this the 21st of October.
 One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty five
 L. T. Tucker

Signed and published in our presence, and we have
 subscribed our names hereto, in the presence of the
 Testator.

J. L. Carter
 W. D. Carney

Proated July 8th 1891
 J. H. Writch
 Clerk

Will of Mrs E. M. Cobb. I know all mind & free presently
that I Elizabeth M. Cobb of
Garret City, County of St. Francis
State of Arkansas being of sound and disposing
mind and memory do make and publish this my
last will and testament.

I give to my daughter Mrs Jennie P. Allen (my
former known as the home place) situated in said
County of St. Francis State of Arkansas to wit
Part of the S.E. 1/4 Sec 25 T6-R3-23A
the Ept of S.E. 1/4 Sec 26 T6-R3-26A and
the N.E. 1/4 Sec 35 T6-R3-20A - containing in all
279 acres - to keep and to hold as her own.

The rest of my property both personal and real
I direct to be sold and I pay all debts against my
estate if any - and the remainder to be given to
my son Paul M. Cobb and his heirs.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and
published and declare this to be my last will and
testament in the presence of the witnesses named
below this the 12th day of Oct. 1886
E. M. Cobb

Signed, published and declared by the said Elizabeth
M. Cobb as and for her last will and testament
in presence of us who in her presence and in
the presence of each other and at her request
have subscribed our names as witnesses.
W. J. Matthews
W. H. Alley

Probated, Sept. 7th 1891
J. H. Vortish Clerk

Will Book

Will of Andrew Bryant of the County of
Hayate, and State of
Tennessee being of sound and disposing
mind and memory do make publish
and declare this as my last will and
testament hereby appointing and naming
rodney and all other wills by me
heretofore made.

First, I direct that my funeral
expenses and all my just debts be paid
as soon after my death as possible
out of any moneys that I may die possessed
of or may just come into the hands
of my executor hereafter named and
appointed.

Secondly, I give & devise to my beloved
wife, Harney, to belong to her absolutely
in fee forth acres of land known as
the Anna Bryant place & land to be taken
out of the two hundred twoch of land pur-
chased by me of Mosek Adams & Co. by
Mosek Adams of Jno. Bell, said twoch of
land is situated in said County of Hayate
and more fully described in the deed
made to me by Mosek Adams, and of
record in the Register's office of said
County of Hayate. Said forty acres of land
is to be severed and land off from said
two hundred acres to my wife, as she may
wish and select. My said wife agrees to
take and hold said forty acres of land
absolutely in fee in lieu of homestead &
dower in my other lands I also give to my
wife and desire her to have, possess and
hold absolutely such portion of my personal
estate as she would be entitled to have and hold
under the exemption laws of Tennessee.

Thirdly, I give and bequeath to my son
Edward Bryant, five dollars, and desire and
direct he shall have no other or further
portion of my estate.

Fourthly, It is my will & wish, and I so
direct that the residue of my estate consisting of
personal property and land, not devised as
above be sold by my executor on such terms as he
may think best and most advantageous, and

the money arising from the sale of the personal property and the real estate as well as the money on hand and collected from persons indebted to me, and not required or paid in paying my funeral expenses and just debts, I wish, and it is my will and I so desire and direct, shall be divided and distributed in equal shares as follows, my equal share being one sixth I give & bequeath to the children, surviving at my death of my deceased daughter Christiana Hardy Hurling, the children to take as a class, and not per capita, and said share so bequeathed to the said children of my deceased daughter Christiana Hurling not to be subject to the control or disposal of their father. And in like manner I give & bequeath to the children of my deceased daughter Elizabeth Morris, surviving at my death, a like equal share and portion, one sixth of said money arising from the sale of said personal and real estate, and of the money on hand and collected from debts due me. And to the children of my deceased son Lewis Bryant living at my death I give & bequeath a like equal share and portion, the same being one sixth of the proceeds of the sale of my real & personal property and of the money on hand and collected from debts due me. And in like manner to the wife & children of my son Geo. Bryant I give & bequeath a like equal share and portion one sixth of the proceeds of the sale of my real & personal property and of the money on hand & collected from collections of debts due me. But such share and portion so bequeathed to the wife & children of George Bryant not to be subject to his control or disposal or to the payment of his debts. And in like manner, I give & bequeath to the wife and children of William Bryant, a like equal share, the same being one sixth of the proceeds of the sale of my real and personal estate as aforesaid and of money on hand and collected from my debts owing to me but not to be subject to the control or disposal of my son William Bryant. And in like manner I give and

bequeath to my daughter, Martha Jane, wife of William Hurling, and her children, a like equal share one sixth of the proceeds of the sale of my real and personal estate as aforesaid and of the money on hand and collected from debts due to me. It is my wish and desire and intention that a fifth part of my estate so bequeathed and devised to her as aforesaid, and the payment to my son Edward Bryant of the sum of the sum of five dollars, that the residue of my estate being proceeds of the sale of my real & personal estate, and the money on hand & collected from debts owing to me shall be equally divided as above indicated share and share alike in each case the children of a class to take as a class, a not per capita.

Lastly, I appoint my friend Robert Bullock Executor of this my last will and testament. This 17th day of May 1886
Signed, sealed, and published in our presence, and we have subscribed our names hereunto as attesting witnesses in presence of Testator & of one brother, May 17th 1886
Geo. B. Hurdin
E. J. Tucker

Andrew ^{his} Bryant
Morse

Probated: Jan'y 4th 1892
J. H. Dorris clerk

Will of Geo H. Hurdle Decd. In the name of God amen.
I Geo H. Hurdle of the County of Fayette and State of Tennessee being in usual health both in mind and body and knowing the uncertainty of human life. Make this my last Will and Testament revoking all others heretofore made, first I will as soon after my decease as possible all of my just debts be paid. Secondly I will to my wife Minnie May Hurdle all of my estate both personal and real absolutely and I wish my wife to take care of my young Mother Mrs Hiram M. Dudley during her life time and I will that my wife Minnie May Hurdle be the Executor of my Estate, with out bond or security.

July 24th 1891

Witness

W. H. Phipps
J. H. Phipps
J. H. Phipps

Probated Jan 4th 1892.

J. H. Dutch Clerk

Will of Wm Astin Decd. In the name of God, Amen.
I William Astin of the County of Fayette and State of Tennessee being more or less weak in body but of sound and disposing mind & memory do make declare and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking all others by me at any time heretofore made.

- First I commit my body to the dust from which it sprang and my soul to God who gave it.
- Second I desire that my Executrix herein after named shall as soon as she can conveniently collect after my decease all debts due me of any and every kind and pay debts by me owing.
- Third I will and direct that all my estate both real and personal of any and all kinds whatever go into the executive possession and control of my beloved wife Frances A. Astin who shall hold use and enjoy the same absolutely during the term of her natural life and not be chargeable in any way for any loss or detention of the same or said estate or what shall remain at the termination

of her life shall be equally divided between my daughter Mary Margaret Josephine Kyle, Kate Anna Kyle and Willie C. Duffee, But in case one of my said daughters shall be dead before said division then I will that the child or children of said deceased daughter shall take the share the mother would, if living, have taken.

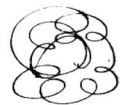
Fourth I nominate, constitute and by these presents appoint Frances Rebecca Astin, my wife, Executrix of this my last will and testament, and I desire and direct that she be not required to execute the bond ordinarily required of executors and administrators under our Statutes, but that she be specially exempted therefrom.

Thus I do and signed and sealed and published before on this the 1st day of November 1878 in the presence of the witnesses whose names are hereto attached and who signed as said witnesses at my request and in the presence of each other and of said testator.

(Intended before signing)

Witnesses
Thos J. Phipps
J. M. Farrar

Wm Astin



Probated Jan 4th 1892.
J. H. Dutch Clerk

Will of William
Smith Dec'd

I William Smith being of
sound & natural mind

make this my last will &
testament. I give to my wife Sarah Smith the old
original Jordan tract of land consisting of four hundred
& seventy five acres during her natural life. I also give
into her possession hundreds of dollars in cash to make her
share equal with my three married daughters. I also
give her one bay mare & one white mare & mule & the
plow & wagon also all my household and
kitchen furniture during her natural life. I give unto
my daughter Cornelia I. Smith sixteen hundred
dollars also to my daughter Sumner I. Smith six
teen hundred dollars also to my daughter Oliver
Smith sixteen hundred dollars and also to my
son John A. Smith sixteen hundred dollars &
I also give unto my son John A. Smith my brick
store house in Stanton Depot Tenn.

All the money on hand or that may be on hand
after paying their legacies to be divided equally
between my wife & seven children one of whom is
dead. The balance of my estate consisting lands
& other property to be equally divided between my
children alone.

This
Dec. 26. 1898

W. Smith

Witness
James C. Paulina
D. A. Jones

Probated

July 1st 1899

J. H. Ditch

clerk

Will of C. A.
Stamback Dec'd

I C. A. Stamback of Som-
erville, Fayette County, Tenn-
ness.

do hereby make pub-
lish and declare the following to be my last
Will and Testament. hereby revoking and annull-
ing all other Wills whenever made.

Item 1. I give and bequeath to my wife Laura
Stamback all my property of every kind and
description, real personal and mixed, in ab-
solute fee simple estate.

Item 2. I also nominate and appoint my said
wife as Executrix of this my Will and express-
ly release and excuse her from giving bond
or security whatsoever.

Item 3. I request my Executrix to retain my
friend T. K. Riddick as her legal counsel,
to aid her in the administration and
management of my Estate.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed
my name and affixed my seal at my res-
idence in Somerville, Tennessee on this the
4th day of December A. D. 1891

C. A. Stamback Seal

The undersigned, at the request of the Testator,
in his presence and in the presence of each
other have hereunto signed our names as Wit-
nesses to the foregoing Will.

T. A. Mayo
W. B. Cranberry

Probated July 1st 1892

J. H. Ditch
clerk

Will of Louis Jones

Fayette County, Tennessee
June 28 1881. Known and
made by these presents that

I Louis Jones of the County and State above written being of sound mind and disposing capacity do hereby make public and declared this to be my last will and testament. First I bequeath my spirit to God who gave it, Hoping that when life trials and troubles have ended He will take us to Himself. To my beloved Wife Martha I give and bequeath all my real and Personal estate of every Nature and description all money notes accounts or other evidences of value of whatever nature or description. I also bequeath and she is hereby authorized to enter at my death immediately into the title and possession of the property above named and no security shall be required in law or equity for the discharge of the trust hereby devolved upon her. The condition of this bequest is such that it shall be her duty first to pay off and discharge all my lawful and equitable debts of every nature and description. My Wife is also authorized to make and advancements to my children from time to time as may be equitable and just. Provided no such advancements shall exceed the perata portion to which each child is entitled. Keeping in view my purpose and intent of dividing my estate equally among my children. In the event of my wife's death or marriage then the property held by my wife under this trust shall be (as soon as practicable) divided equally among all the legates of my estate share and share alike as provided by the laws of the state. In witness whereof I have hereby affixed my Signature this the day and date above written.

Louis Jones (Seal)

At Danville on this 28 of June 1881 the above named Louis Jones acknowledged the above signature and declared the same for his last will and testament and we in his presence and the presence of said other lawful witnesses subscribed our names as witnesses.

Attest.

T. W. Larnauder
H. G. D. Conley
W. Y. D. Maley

Probated June 6th 1892

J. H. Douthett

Will of Robert Morrow
December 6th 1887I Robert Morrow of
sound and disposing
mind, make this my

last will and testament. I first direct that my burial expenses be paid out of any property that I may die possessed of. Secondly, I direct, Martha Virginia Morrow have the full right, title and claim to the plantation of land on which I now reside, it being my lawful property inherited from my father, as a filial donation, containing two hundred and fifty (250) acres of land more or less. Including a parcel of land lying immediately east in the bottom, about three (3) acres, more or less. Said three acres of land was donated by John Blackwell, as a compromise to Robert Cedric, the former owner of said land. Said tract of land on which I reside is in Fayette County Tennessee, more or less miles east of Knoxville, in District No 15. Bounded on the north by the Holt estate, east by the lands of Morrow, Thompson and Todd, south by the land of J. H. Morrow, west by the lands of Morrow and Holt. I further direct that any other property whatsoever that I may die possessed of, shall be the lawful property of Mrs Martha Virginia Morrow.

Robert Morrow.

Mary E. Price { Witness }
W. S. Locke { Witness }

This is in consideration of the important aid and assistance given to me by this and G. W. Morrow. Lastly, I appoint G. W. Morrow to execute this my will, without bond or security, conscious of the fact that I have obtained full benefit from this entire donation. Rebecca Morrow. My faithful old servant is to be cared for out of this, and G. W. Morrow to execute this my will, when I am dead.

December 6th 1887

Robert Morrow.

Mary E. Price { Witness }
W. S. Locke { Witness }

Protested

Sept 6th 1892J. H. Douthett
Clk.