

suchs ending. Witnesses who found said three thereupon it is
ordered by the Court that the same be recorded in the County
Court Clerk's office. Given under my hand at office this
2nd day of January 1843

Draac. Estie Clk of
Franklin County Court

I John McSherran of the County of Franklin State of
American planter do hereby publish this my last Will
and Testament hereby revoking ^{all} ~~the~~ ^{marriage} ~~void~~ all former
Wills by me at any time heretofore made ^{and} ~~that~~ I
desire that my body be decently attended in my own
plantation in a manner suitable to my condition in
life. And as to such worldly estate as it hath pleased
God to Entrust me with I dispose of the same as follows
First I desire that my funeral expenses be paid as
soon after my death as possible out of my money
that I may be possessed of or may just come in the
hands of my Executor from any portion of my estate real
or personal 2nd I give ^{and} bequeath to my wife Emily
McSherran Sally to wait on her as long as she lives ^{and}
at her decease Sally will go to John her son 3rd I bequeath
to my wife the clothing ^{and} ~~clothing~~ to dispose of it at her decease
as she thinks best I allow her ^{and} John to live together and
to get her support on the plantation ^{and} to have the power and
control on the plantation ^{and} in the house as long as she lives
a single life. I bequeath to my wife the life of Samuel Jolley
her husband she will have her power this power
will go to John ^{and} if the old Lady is possessed of any property
at her death let it be sold ^{and} the money to be divided
among the heirs (4th) I bequeath to my son John McSherran
my plantation I now have on ^{and} the 27th acres a small
sawney lying on the East side of the old sawney former
lives 5th I bequeath to John the farming tools ^{and} plow
^{and} grass thereto belonging 6th I bequeath to John the wagon
with the grass 7th I bequeath to my son John the half
Jolley ^{and} the red money 8th I bequeath to John a negro boy
by the name of Allen a slave for life 9th I bequeath
to John a negro boy by the name of Henry a slave for life
10th I bequeath a negro woman by the name of Sally
to John never to be sold she will serve his mother (11th) I bequeath
his Mother's slaves ^{and} at her death she will fall into his
hands ^{and} if there should be any increase it will go
with him 12th I bequeath to my son John McSherran
my rifle gun ^{and} shot gun ^{and} shot 12th I bequeath
to John my Amos tools ^{and} Carpenter's tools for his own
use ^{and} John in course of agriculture can dispose of them

as he pleases 13th I bequeath to John all the household furniture
 and the kitchen utensils Loom and Tassels 14th I bequeath
 to my daughter Margaret Francis a negro girl by the name
 of Henry a slave for life 15th I bequeath to Margaret a negro
 girl by the name of Hannah 16th I bequeath to Margaret
 a negro boy by the name of Benjamin these three negroes
 I do not bid to Henry a slave I do not bid to Margaret to
 her and her heirs forever 17th I bequeath to Thollet the same
 my daughter a negro girl by the name of Maude a slave
 for life 18th I bequeath to Thollet my daughter a negro girl
 by the name of Anne a slave for life 19th I bequeath to
 Thollet a negro boy by the name of Lawson these three
 negroes I do not bid to Thollet to her
 and her heirs forever I bequeath to Margaret the best
 that is now a raising that when they get to be between
 two and three years old each of them in any horse one of them
 21st the carriage I do accout to be sold and the money to be
 divided among the heirs 22nd I bequeath the five
 salaried on the consent of the is scripture the new leg
 lible and Joseph's writing of the Church history these
 books if you should choose among yourselves to keep
 them you can do so if not let them be sold the rest
 of the books I allow John to keep the money that may arise
 from the sale of the books I allow to be divided among the
 heirs equally the rest of the property such as the cows
 sheep and hogs I do allow John and his father one cow
 and calf and one yearling and one two year old each of them
 and two oxen and calves and two yearlings and two two year
 old that will make them well with for ever and the rest
 to be sold I do allow John and his father each of them
 three sheep a price which will make six sheep and the
 rest to be sold the same with the hogs I do allow
 John and his father one sow and pig each of them seven fatting
 hogs and the rest to be sold the money that may arise from
 the sale of this property I do allow to be divided among the
 heirs equally - I do hereby make and ordain and appoint
 William Francis my friend and son in law Executor and
 my beloved son John of other an Executor of this my last
 will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto
 the said Testator have to this my still written on one
 sheet of paper set my hand and seal the twenty fifth day of
 March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
 and Forty two. Signed Sealed published in the presence
 of us who have subscribed in presence of the Testator
 and of each of us
 Jas Handdleston Jr.
 A. B. Hill
 Francis Handdleston

John McArthur (S. 2)

There was one beq^{ue}ment that I gave it to invest in the body
of the State but this note will answer ^{and} that is if I should
die possessed of any money that I give ^{and} bequeath it to
my son John for his use ^{and} no other to have any share in it.

State of Tennessee } County Court April Term 1843
Franklin Family } Then the foregoing last will & Testament
of John M. L. L. and deceased was presented
to Court for probate and thereupon came Ad Steel & Francis
& Middleton Adverses seeking witnesses Thoms who living
jurats duly sworn depose ^{and} say that they were acquainted
with the said John M. L. and did ^{and} that he was of sound
mind & disposing memory at the time foregoing the same
and that he a ^{and} the same in their presence to be
his last will & Testament and they signed the same in his
presence as witnesses at his request ^{and} some of the parties
being present objected to said will thereupon it is ordered
by the Court that it be laid over for further consideration
Witness my hand at office this 6th of Feb^{ry} 1843

Isaac Estee Clk.

State of Tennessee }
Franklin County } County Court April Term 1843
Then the foregoing will by consent of
parties was received by the Court and ordered to be Recorded
Witness Isaac Estee Clk at office this 4th day of April 1843
Isaac Estee Clk.

I Abraham Shores do make ^{and} publish this as my Last
will & Testament hereby revoking ^{and} making void all
other wills by me at any time I wish I declare that
my funeral Expenses I will pay ^{and} all the other debts that
I may be owing out of my money & I may die possessed
of or may just come into the hands of my administration
after my death. I wish I give ^{and} bequeath to my two sons
James Shores ^{and} Lirauc Shores one equal half of the part
of land I now live on about three hundred acres more
or less, also I give to them the said James & Lirauc all of
my stock of every description except one sorrel mare
I further give that they have the possession use ^{and} control
of three negroes (two is) And a man (two a man) ^{and} Jane
I would I give this time up to my death. I bequeath I give
^{and} bequeath to my two daughters Nancy ^{and} Polly only a general
half of the said tract of land ^{and} also to them I give two
thirds of my household ^{and} kitchen furniture. I further I give
and bequeath to my son Wesley one third of my household
and kitchen furniture. The aforesaid bequests are designed
to pass the property therein mentioned absolutely ^{and} forever