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The receipts amounting to me in my said husbands will
which is of record in the Court of Chancery and quarter Session of
Transylvania County in the State of Tennessee. In witness
whereof I hereto set my hand and seal this first day of
September 1823

Perley & Brooks. Seal
J. Moore

- State of Tennessee 3 August Session 1823
Transylvania County) That this deed of relinquishment and Declaration
of Perley Brooks his wife & child of Robert
Brooks her heirs duly acknowledged in open Court and
ordered to be Recorded.

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I Jesse Perkins of Transylvania County and State of Tennessee being
of sound mind and recollection do hereby and ordain this to be
my last will and Testament 1st I give and bequeath to each
of my daughters Emma Perkins Maria Perkins Rutha Perkins
and Grace Perkins One bed and furniture one riding horse and
one cow and calf on their respective marriages or coming of age
to each of them their heirs and assigns forever 2nd I give and bequeath to
my son Jesse Perkins one bed and furniture one riding
horse and one cow and calf on his marriage or coming
of age 3rd I give unto my son Lewis Perkins to have his
share and assign forever my right and interest in and to
two quarter sections of said Township in the State of Alabama
on the North of Big Spring Creek being the North east and
South East of quarter of section number Eight in
Township number Six Range number Eight my having
made only the first payment of the purchase money
on each of said quarter sections of land to the United States
the balance of the purchase money hereafter to be paid for
said land is to be paid by my son Lewis should
he not transfer or sell said quarter section of land in
their present situation and not to be out of my Estate
4th I leave unto my beloved wife Grace Perkins during
her natural life or widowhood the tract of land on which I
now have containing One hundred and twenty three acres
also I leave her for life or during her widowhood all
my negro slaves and the furniture and plantation utensils
for the purpose of her comfortable support and maintenance
and for the support of as many of my children as may live
with her. 5th I give unto my son Jesse Perkins to have
his heirs and assigns forever unto his heirs and assigns after
the decease of my beloved wife One hundred & twenty three
acres of land being the tract of land known & now being
6th It is my further will and desire that after the decease

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of my beloved wife all the Slaves with their natural increase
Stock of all kinds household and kitchen furniture & plantation
utensils which I have lent to her as herein before mentioned may
bequeath divided among all my children & apt my son in law
George Russell and his wife my loving heretofore given and
conveyed to him a negro slave of the value of \$400 - but
should it appear on the division of the property that is to
say the slaves Stock household and kitchen furniture which
is to be divided among the residue of my children after the
decease of my wife that the residue of the children have
said division get a larger portion than your husband
deserve then and in that case my son in law George
Russell is to come in for so much of the said Slaves
Stock household & kitchen furniture as will make his
portion including the Slaves heretofore given him of the
value of your husband's Dollars equal to the portion that the
other children may receive from a division of said Slaves
Stock household & kitchen furniture. I do hereby appoint my
friend Joseph Miller and my son in law George Russell
executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby
witnessing the former Charles Sumner under my hand and
seal this 22nd day of August 1823.

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of
John H. Foster Joseph Miller
Charles Sumner Sarah Miller
James Rogers Seal

In the name of God Amen, I Jeremiah Smith of the
County of Franklin State of Tennessee being aware of the
briefness of human life and desiring to make the
distribution of all things and all my substance to its proper
Earthly and heavenly use. And the immortal part to
the great Author of all created things and acknowledging that
my life is short in this World I feel it my duty
and privilege to make a constitution and ordain this my
last Will and Testament first that my goods and all my
body at some convenient time and place after my death
I desire that all my just debts be paid. Then I do
give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Margaret Smith
my dwelling house and its contents at this time. Papers
debt and what her death and for her to dispose of as she
thinks proper also one negro man named George one
cow also one Gray mare which is to belong to Charity
Sumner at her death then 2nd having heretofore given the
children Leah Sumner Jane McHenry under lifetime and
Mary and her Rachel McHenry and James Smith a large
amount of property have I have given to my eldest son