

whereof I have hereto set my hand and affixed my seal this 14th day of May 1836 signed sealed and delivered by the above named John Cowan to be his last will and Testament in the presence of two who have hereto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the Testator.

James P Cowan
Abner Adams

John Cowan (Seal)

State of Tennessee - 3 County Court of May Term 1837
Transcript County - This day the Last will and Testament of John Cowan deceased was produced in open court by John Hazzley the Executor therein named. Thereupon came James P Cowan and Abner Adams the subscribers thereto subscribing duly sworn and swore and say that they were acquainted with the Testator and that he was of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of making and signing the same and that they assigned it as witnesses at his request. Whereupon it is ordered by the Court to be recorded. Witness my hand at office the 2nd day of May 1837.

Recorded in my office the 3rd day of May A.D. 1837 Page 180
Date ~~1837~~ May 1837
St. H. Bragerton Clerk
County Court

I John P Higgins of the County of Transylvania State of Tennessee (Planters) do make and publish this my last will and Testament and first I direct that my body be decently interred in a manner suitable to my condition in life and as to such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to vouchsafe me with I dispose as follows (viz) First I direct that all my debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon as it can be done out of the Cash on the farm of my creditors shall indulge so long as I am my Executor and Executor therein after named. I will also much of the personal property such as they may think best not hereafter given away and pay and satisfy all my debts. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Rebecca P Higgins a negro boy name of Rosanna and her child Nancy to John with their increase also a mare by name of Dolly and her increase; Thirdly; I give and bequeath unto my daughter Susan P Higgins a negro girl by name of Loretta and a mare by the name of Nell and their increase Fourthly; I give and bequeath unto my wife Rachel Higgins all the premises of my Estate consisting of my plantation tract of every kind plantation tools in any word every thing I may hereafter possess and not heretofore given away except so much as may be necessary to sell to pay my debts should my creditors compel them to sell during her lifetime and then to be divided equally between my four children (viz)

Henry Higgins Thomas Higgins Rebecca Higgins and Susan Higgins
 Higgins except the household and kitchen furniture which I do not
 shall be divided between my two daughters Rebecca and Susan
 Higgins fifthly I give and bequeath unto my son J. Higgins
 my negro man David to be delivered to him at the death of
 my wife and I give and bequeath to my son Thomas Higgins
 my negro boy John to be delivered to him at the death of my
 wife. Sixth I desire that Edwin H. Tatum Benjamin Dickard
 and Henry T. Rains or either of divide what property my wife
 may have mentioned jointly between my four children
 alone named. Seventhly I hereby appoint my wife Executrix
 and my son Henry Higgins Executor of this my last will and
 Testament and do not require either of them to give security
 for the faithful performance of the trust herein imposed on
 them. I further desire that my Executrix and Executor
 run out and make Benjamin Dickard asked to the price of
 land belonging to me not included in Nathan R. Motion
 field for which I have heretofore set my hand
 and affixed my seal this 18th day of May 1837

Benjamin Dickard
 Garland Anderson

J. P. Higgins Seal

State of Tennessee } County Court July Term 1837
 Franklin County } Then the last will and Testament of John P.
 Higgins was produced in view of our Court thereupon
 came Benjamin Dickard and Garland Anderson the subscribers
 witnesses who being first duly sworn depose and say that
 the Testator ~~was~~ of sound and disposing mind and memory at
 the time of signing the same and that they signed it as witnesses
 at the request of the said Testator whereupon it is ordered by
 the Court to be recorded. Testers H. H. Bragelton Clerk of
 said Court at office the 3rd day of July 1837

Recorded in my office the 11th day of July 1837
 H. H. Bragelton Clerk

In the name of God Amen: I John Long of the County of Franklin
 and State of Tennessee (Shutters) do hereby declare that my last will and
 Testament hereby revoking and annulling and all former Wills by
 me, at any time heretofore made and first I declare that my
 body be decently ~~buried~~ at in said County 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 I desire that all my debts and
 funeral expenses be as soon after my decease as possible out
 of any money I may be possessed of or may first come into the