

In the name of God Amen: I Richmond P Harris of the County of Franklin
 and State of Tennessee being of sound and disposing mind and memory
 but being in feeble health sensible of the uncertainty of Life
 do make and ordain this my last will and Testament: I think I
 commend my soul to God in the hope of a blessed immortality and
 wish my body to be buried in a decent Christian manner with
 out ostentation trusting that it will be raised again a glorious
 body by the mighty power of God through the redemption that
 is in Jesus Christ. I think I do give and bequeath all my
 estate after the payment of my debts to my beloved wife
 Lydia to be possessed and enjoyed by her until my children
 Grace respectively arrived at the age of twenty-one years
 or more she maintaining and educating my children
 during their minority but should nevertheless die before
 they all arrive to the age of twenty-one or more then and
 in that event my Brother George W Harris will take
 the estate and minor children under his care and control
 and maintain and educate them in the way and manner as I have
 directed for my wife to do should she live: I think I do give
 my children to be educated and raised in the same manner
 equal advantages being afforded to each and divine their each
 of my child an equal share of my estate and I give and
 bequeath the whole of my estate to be divided among them
 in the following manner (to wit) as soon as the eldest of my
 children shall arrive at the age of twenty-one I desire my
 Brother George W to give such child one equal share of my
 estate taking into consideration the whole number of my
 children then living together with my wife and if any child
 shall be dead leaving legitimate issue such issue to represent
 and stand in the place of the deceased parents in like manner
 as each of my other children shall arrive at the age of
 twenty-one years such child shall receive an equal
 share of the remaining property in proportion to the number
 of children that may be unprovided for constituting my wife
 as equal to one child so that when the youngest child
 arrives at full age and receives its share there may be
 left in my wife's possession a full share with my children
 of my estate for her support during her natural life
 I think I should my wife marry again during the minority of any
 of my children I desire in that event that my Brother George
 W Harris give to my wife a full child's part of my estate for
 her support during her natural life and I give and bequeath
 to my Brother George W in trust for the separate maintenance
 of my wife one child's part the use and benefit thereof to be enjoyed
 by her but she for no cause only of this legacy one to be consumed and
 not the principal and I desire that my Brother George W take
 the minor children and their property into his hands should my
 wife marry and do with it and them as he is hereunto directed and the

case of my wife's death in Item 2 - Item 5 at the behest of my
 wife should it happen after all my children has arrived to the
 years of twenty one. My will is that such portion of my estate
 as shall remain undistributed she divided equally among
 all my children so as to make them equal in holding the
 amount any of them may have previously received the
 legitimate share of my deceased child to represent the same
 in such division but should it happen during the minority
 of any of them then my Brother George H.D. will act as he is directed
 in Item 2. Item 6. I appoint my wife Guardian of my
 children so long as she remains a widow but it is my will that
 she maintain and educate them out of my estate and I wish them
 to receive a good solid education and to be raised to habits of
 industry economy and morality. Item 7 should any of my children
 become dissipated so that with opinion of my brother George
 H.D. and my wife should she be living it should be prudent
 and unnecessary to trust them with property then my will is that
 such child part of my estate be vested in suitable property
 for the support and maintenance of such child and be conveyed
 to my Brother George H.D. to some discreet person as to take
 for the use of such child in such way that it cannot be wasted
 nor such unfortunate child be left destitute of the means
 of support but after the death of such child is said property to go to the
 next of kin without restriction. Item 8 should any of my
 household servants at any time become unmanageable and misbehave
 wish they be sold and others purchased in their room my Brother
 George H.D. is fully authorized to see any or all as my wife may
 wish and convey them by a good title as freely as I could make
 do and purchase others for the benefit of the estate and should it be
 found for the least and for the sake of humanity when my wife
 removes from the country to sell my boy Dave or purchase his
 wife from Doctor S. P. Jones for the use of my family I hereby
 authorize and empower my Executor to sell or buy as the case
 may be as freely as I could now do. Item 9 should any misfortune
 happen to my estate so that it would be considered that a child's
 part of it would not support my wife in the manner she now has
 my Brother George H.D. is authorized to take some each child for a
 sum sufficient for that purpose taking as much from the one as
 the other and at the death of my wife it to be again divided among
 my children or their legitimate offspring. And it is my will that
 my wife remain in possession of as much of the lands and building
 household and Kitchen furniture and stock of every kind as she may
 wish. Item 10 I authorize and direct my Brother George H.D.
 to purchase for the use and benefit of my family of iron
 or home whereon they will live whenever and where ever he and
 my wife may think most advisable and pay for the same
 out of any funds as will be handed to him by my Executor
 or belonging to my estate. And my will is that my Executor

as fast as he can collect the money due to my estate pay it over to my Brother George H. D. Harris who will use it for the benefit of my family. And I do not require that my Brother George H. D. give security for the money that may be paid over to him. May my Executor as trustee neither do I require him to give security should the Guardianship of my children become on him, neither do I require my wife to give security as Guardian. I am 11 I appeared my friend Benjamin Richard Executor of this my last will and Testament and having full confidence in his integrity I have it that no security shall be required of him for the faithful execution thereof. In testimony whereof I have signed sealed and published this my last will and Testament the 9 day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine. Signed sealed and published in

In presence of
B. R. Smith B. R. Harris

3 R. P. Harris (Seal)

State of Tennessee } County Court June Term 1839
Franklin County } Here the last will and Testament of Richmond
Harris deceased was produced in open Court
by Benjamin Richard the Executor therein named thereupon
came Benjamin Richard and B. R. Smith two of the subscribers
whitakers thereto who being first duly sworn before and depose
they are acquainted with R. P. Harris the Testator and that he
was of sound mind and disposing memory at the time of
making the same and acknowledged it to be his last will and
Testament in their presence and requested them to subscribe
to the same as witnesses. Whereupon it is ordered by the
Court to be recorded Witness William H. Bragelton Clerk
of said County at office the 5th June 1839.
Recorded in my office the 5th June AD 1839.
William H. Bragelton Clerk

2 James Taylor of the County of Franklin and State of Tennessee
do make and publish this my last will and Testament
having procuring and making void all former wills by me
at any time heretofore made. And I give and devise that my
body be buried without and as to such worldly estate as
it hath pleased God to entrust me with. I dispose of the
same as follows first I direct that all my great debts and
funeral expenses be paid as soon after my decease as
possible but of any money that I may be possessed of or
may just come into the hands of my Executor from any
portion of my estate real or personal I would that my