

and conditions. 13 all the rest and residue of my property is to be divided among my children the share allotted to be held to be vested in a Trustee for his benefit in such manner as my Executor may direct but in executing this devise each child must account for what they received by way of adv or advt in my life time of both real & personal property as well as the amount herein devised to each and then upon the final distribution residuum each shall receive as much including what each has already received as well made them all equal 14 To obviate all difficulty in carrying into effect the above 13 residue of my will I have kept memoranda of property again my children and have put down the value of it which Memoranda is to govern in the distribution of the property 15 I empower my Executor to Execute all necessary conveyances and do every thing that is requisite to carry the provisions and trusts of this will into complete effect To appear Peter & Richard sole Executors of this my last will and Testament and that he be not required to give security for the Execution thereof In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal 14 day of September AD 1841

I signed sealed published declared by John H. Hester to be his last will and Testament in presence of us who signed our names as witnesses in his presence and at his request the Testator being of sound & disposing mind and memory at the time of Executing the same  
 Nathan Green Benjamin DeChard Joseph Miller

John H. Hester

State of Tennessee 3 County Court October Term 1841  
 Franklin County when the foregoing last will and Testament of John H. Hester deceased was proven in open Court by the Oaths of Nathan Green Benjamin DeChard and Joseph Miller subscribing witnesses thereto and was ordered by the Court to be recorded in the office of the Clerk of the County Court of Franklin County Nathan my hand at office this 4th day of Oct 1841 and was recorded accordingly. Isaac Estlin Clk

State of Tennessee Franklin County 12 Feb 1840 I all whom it may concern; that I Robert Cowan being of perfect mind and memory do this day and date of these presents make and ordain the following devise to my last will and Testament devise I do give and bequeath to my should-bone (viz) James C. Cowan and Robt B. Cowan and Samuel Plowman an equal share and benefits with the land and premises of which I am seized or possessed. Devise 2nd I give and bequeath to my son James C. Cowan my negro boy James C. Devise 3rd I do give and bequeath to my son Robt B. Cowan my negro



Will and Testament in manner and form following (viz) Whereas  
 my son James Bowman has since the publication of my last  
 Will and Testament has deposed his wife my wife is that my  
 land as mentioned in the first devise of said Will and Testament  
 that my two sons Ross B. Bowman and Samuel Bowman shall  
 have the said land and premises of which I am seized and  
 possessed in equal share and also the negro boy Jack as named  
 in the second devise of said last Will and Testament therein  
 bequeathed to my son James Bowman since he ceased my Will  
 in that said Negro boy Jackson shall be disposed of as the  
 residue of my estate within this particularly bequeathed according  
 according to the last or latter clause of the Will devise thereof.  
 It is also my Will that my daughter Susanna Bowman shall have her  
 living off said plantation & premises as above mentioned  
 during her single life or until she may marry. In Testamting  
 witness of I have hereunto set my hand &c at the city of New York  
 alone but within  
 13<sup>th</sup> April 1844

In Testamting in presence of  
 Mr. Jackson & the churchwarden &c  
 Robert Bowman Seal

I Robert Bowman having heretofore made and published my last  
 Will and Testament with a codicil do now on ace and believe this as  
 an additional codicil. First I desire that my negro boy Jack and  
 my other property not particularly devised and conveyed in my Will  
 and Codicil and the conveyance made and published be sold  
 as my Executor may think best and the proceeds when collected  
 shall be equally divided among all my children that is they  
 shall receive share and share alike but the share coming to my  
 daughter Polly Strawberry shall be given to her children as they  
 would inherit more than if I were the same and the share coming  
 to my son James B who has deposed this life shall be given to  
 his two children Elizabeth. P. and Robert Bowman beyond what  
 he is to receive to my sons Ross B. and Samuel P. and my daughter Susanna  
 the full title and interest to the land and negro as devised to them  
 in my Will & Codicil against any possible Contingency of that nature  
 happen. I have thought proper to make to them an absolute deed of  
 gift or conveyance for the same of this date and have executed  
 the whole of my said to my son Ross B. Bowman the having  
 conveyed to my son Samuel P. the said he purchased of George  
 Hunt for his part or interest in my said land as the conveyance of  
 the said to my son Ross B. will in some degree affect  
 his heirs hereafter as to the clause in my codicil as relative to the  
 testaments and support I do hereby most solemnly require it as  
 a sacred duty on my son Ross B. to obey and observe the said  
 provisions made for the benefit of his wife as desired to have a  
 home and enjoy a support which I am now until she marries  
 and it is my desire that this codicil be attached to and  
 constituted a part of my Will to all intents and purposes

Witness my hand and seal this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 1841  
Signed sealed and delivered in presence of us  
Donald Dickson P. S. Dickson

State of Tennessee } County Court & John and November Term 1841  
Translerin County } the the said will and Testament with the  
Codicil thereto annexed was presented in open Court  
for probate and thereupon came Mr. Jackson H. Bowman Donald Dickson  
and P. S. Dickson who being duly sworn depose  
and say that they were acquainted with Robert Owen the Testator  
and that he was of sound mind and disposing memory at the time  
of making said will and Testament & Codicil thereto and acknowledged the  
same & that his last will and Testament requested them to subscribe  
their names thereto as Witnesses. Thereupon it is ordered by the  
court to be recorded. Witness Isaac Estie Clerk of said Court  
at office this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November 1841  
Isaac Estie Clerk County Court

I Hugh Montgomery of the County of Translerin and State of Tennessee  
being of sound mind and in full possession do make and ordain this to be  
my last will and Testament. I then 1<sup>st</sup> I give unto my daughter  
to wit Peggy Betsey Corbaine Betsey on her respective marriage  
or the coming of age one bed and furniture one horse saddle &  
Bridle & two calves &c. to each of them their heirs &c. I then 2<sup>nd</sup>  
I give unto each of my sons Samuel Jackson John Stewart  
Abraham on their respective marriages one horse saddle and  
Bridle to each of them their heirs &c. I then 3<sup>rd</sup> I should my wife be  
deceased of all my child within nine months after my death  
it is my desire that it should have one horse saddle & Bridle on  
its marriage or the coming of age or should my wife be deceased  
of a girl child it is my desire that it should have on its marriage  
or coming of age one bed and furniture one horse saddle  
& Bridle two calves &c. I then 4<sup>th</sup> I bequeath unto my beloved wife  
Jane Montgomery during her widow hood the plantation or tract  
of land whereon I now have supposed to contain One hundred &  
Eighty acres also all the balance of my stock household & kitchen  
furniture & plantation utensils for the use of table support maintenance  
and for the support and education of my children or so many of said  
children as may think proper to remain with my wife until the morning  
of my death and I desire that on the marriage or death of my wife  
that the tract of land which I have bequeath to my wife in this  
last will for the purposes aforesaid supposed contain about  
one hundred & fifty acres also all the stock household & kitchen  
furniture and plantation utensils that which I have bequeath  
her or so much thereof as may then remain in value shall be  
equally divided among my sons to wit Samuel Jackson Coupler