

John S. Walkers Will

Remain all men by these presents that I John S. Walker
 Senr of the County of Warren and State of Tennessee being
 in good health of body and disposing memory have in my
 seventy first year of my age and calling to mind the mortality
 of my body and that it is appointed for all men once to die
 do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament and
 as to what of this worlds effects it has pleased god to bless me
 with and to save trouble and Confusion I bequeath and dispose
 of the same in the following manner and form to wit,

Principally and first of all I give and bequeath unto my beloved
 wife Elizabeth Walker whom I constitute my Executrix of
 this Testament my mansion house with my apple orchard
 with the lot known by the Meadows including the Kitchen
 and Smoke house with the Kitchen Cupboard and dress
 furnitures during her natural life or widowhood. it is
 also my will and desire that my said wife have a comfortable
 and decent maintenance to be raised yearly out of the proceeds
 of my land and plantation

It is my desire that my son William Speers Walker
 whom I constitute my executor with his mother and
 my son John James Walker have the whole of my lands
 at their mothers death and the peaceable enjoyment of it from
 the present but bound from the above incumbrance
 and to keep the same in repair the said lands to be equally
 divided between them with due regard to quantity, quality,
 and convenience, it is my will that they each have a
 horse, beest a saddle and bridle worth a hundred dollars
 also a good bed and furniture each when they come of
 lawful age it is my will that no trade bargain or
 contract be made so as to alter the right or possession of
 the above land or plantation for a longer term than one year
 during my wifes natural life my daughter Sarah Bast having
 been some what provided for already it is my will that she
 have a horse beest worth seventy five dollars and a
 saddle at the direction of my executors as to value
 it is my desire that my daughter Sarah Walker have a horse
 beest worth seventy five dollars one bed and furniture
 and a saddle and bridle to be equal to with her sister Sarahs
 to be hers when she becomes of age.

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it is my will and desire that my wife Elizabeth
 have in addition to the above as good a horse beest as is on
 the farm and a cow and calf both horse and cow to be
 of her own choosing it is my will that all given in
 my life time after the first day of March 1858 that is
 mentioned as a part of the legacies above named the
 value of them be accounted for in a final settling
 of my estate and it is my will that my wife have in
 addition to the above my family bible it is my will
 that after my Just debts and funeral charges is paid
 that all my cash in hand and notes and accounts be
 equally divided into five equal parts between my wife
 and our four children above named with the residue
 of my personal estate the same to be divided without
 any sale and by these presences I do ratify and
 establish this to be my last will and testament with
 the executrix and executor here unto annexed and hereby
 do disannul and revoke and disannul all former wills
 legacies or bequests by me made or ordained or any
 Executors by me appointed before these here named
 Signed Sealed on the 31st day of May in the year
 of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty
 eight in presence of us who in his presence and in
 presence of each other here unto Set our names
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James Walker, Junr
 William S. Walker

John S. Walker

Moses Guest. Will

I Moses Guest of the County of Tupper and State of Tennessee do make and publish this as my last will and testament hereby revoking and making ^{void} all other wills by me made. I now first I direct that my body be decently interred in a manner suitable to my Condition in life and that all my debts be paid out of my money I may ^{be} possess of or that may first come into the hands of my executor from any portion of my estate real or personal. Secondly I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah if she should be the longest liver, all the houses and lands that I have and three negroes namely Jo, Esther & Martin my wagon and team with the gearing and all other necessary farming tools that she may think she needs with the house hold and kitchen furniture ~~partly~~ and as many of the stock of cattle pigs and sheep as she thinks she needs also for better support all the money on hand at that time all to remain hers during her natural life after her death to be sold and divided so as to make an equal division amongst my children thirdly I bequeath and give to my daughter Polly & Lavin, & John Guest, Elizabeth Wicks, William Guest, Moses Guest, Tilly Ann Hubbard, Sarah Maysick and Sarah Lusk Moses I have given by deed of gift a negro man named Jo the balance of my negroes and other property to be equally divided amongst the rest of my children that are named above until they are all made equal with Moses if there should be so much and if any over Moses to be equal sharers with the rest and my grand son Moses Perryman if he should be a living I want him to have a fifty dollar horse team. I do hereby make, ordain and appoint my beloved son William Executor of this my last will and Testament I want him to choose some one disinterested man and for him to choose five disinterested persons that are Judges of property to value the negroes. Three of which may sit and the said persons I want to set each negroes name with the valuation there of on a separate piece of paper all to be put into a hat and then some other disinterested person to draw them out one of the

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five to name each legatee name and lot as they are drawn out beginning at the oldest as they are named a bone old Jo & Esther I don't want parted I want them used well for the good they have done and I don't wish them to go out of the family.

in witness whereof I Moses Guest the said Testator have to this my will written on one sheet of paper set my hand and Seal this 17th day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three

Signed sealed and published Moses Guest Seal
in presence of us, who have
subscribed in presence of the
Testator and of each other

Alfred Bral
John Bral
Columbus Bral

Power of Attorney

State of Arkansas }
 County of Desha } To all to whom these presents
 shall come greeting I, Mary guest wife of
 John M. guest of Desha County Arkansas Son of Moses guest
 late of Grundy County Tennessee have made and appointed
 and by these presents do nominate make constitute and appoint
 and place in my room and stead my relation Andrew Jackson
 guest of the County of Desha and State of Arkansas my true
 and lawful attorney in fact for me and in my name and
 room place and stead to ask for demand receive and receipt
 for all money & property due and coming to me in any way
 whatever as heir at law of Moses guest deceased late of Grundy
 County Tenn hereby notopping making effectually and
 confirming whatever my said Attorney may lawfully do
 in and about the premises in as full and ample a
 manner as if I myself were personally present in court
 whereof the said Mary guest hath accounts set her hand
 and seal this 21st day of April 1855. Mary guest
 W.D. Hedy
 J. M. guest

State of Arkansas }
 County of Desha } This day personally appeared
 before me W.D. Hedy one acting and duly commissioned
 Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid
 Mary guest to me personally well known and of lawful
 age and acknowledged that she had signed and sealed the
 above instrument of writing for the purposes and
 intentions therein expressed and desire the same certified
 by me given under my hand and official seal this
 21st day of April 1855.

State of Arkansas }
 County of Desha } I James P. Clayton clerk
 of the Circuit Court of said County in the State
 aforesaid which Court is a Court of record do certify
 that W.D. Hedy whose name appears to the foregoing
 acknowledgment is and was at the time of taking said
 acknowledgment an acting and duly commissioned
 Justice of the peace in and for said County.

and full faith and credit are due and ought to be
 given to all his official acts as such respectively.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
 and the Seal of said Court here to annexed this 28th
 day of April 1855.

James P. Clayton clerk

State of Arkansas }
 County of Desha } I Wm R Anderson presiding Judge
 of the County of Desha and State aforesaid do hereby
 certify that James P. Clayton whose signature appears
 to the foregoing Certificate is clerk of the County Court
 of Desha County and keeper of the records papers & seals
 of said Court and full faith are due and should be
 given to all his official acts as such respectively.

W R Anderson P. J.

State of Tennessee }
 Grundy County } I J. P. Barnes clerk of the
 County Court of said County do certify that the
 above is a true and perfect copy of the original
 power of attorney with certificates as presented
 for recording given under my hand at office
 this 30th day of April 1855.

J. P. Barnes clerk

State of Arkansas }
 County of Desha } To all whom it may concern
 Know ye that we James M. Guest William J. Guest
 and Wade Hampton and Adeline Hampton wife
 of Wade Hampton and formerly Adeline Guest and
 William ~~Summers~~ Summers Martha Jane Summers formerly
 Martha Jane Guest wife of William Summers jointly
 and severally by these letters do nominate and appoint
 Andrew J. Guest our attorney in fact and in law and
 we do hereby empower and authorize our said attorney
 for us and in our name to receive from William Guest
 Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Moses Guest
 Decd or any other person having possession of the same
 the distributive share due and owing to us and belonging
 to us by virtue of the will of our Grand Father Moses
 Guest Decd late of Grundy County Tennessee or which
 may be coming to us as heirs at law of John M. Guest
 late of Desha County father of said James M. Guest
 William J. Guest Adeline Hampton and Martha Jane
 Summers and sons of said Moses Guest late of Grundy
 County Tennessee we further empower and authorize
 our said attorney in the premises to agree settle and
 compound with the said William Guest executor as
 appraiser or any other person having possession of any
 rights credits goods chattels money or choses in action
 lands and tenements to which we have or may have
 the present right or future right or possession and
 enjoyment in heirs at law of said John M. Guest
 son and heir at law of said Moses Guest or by virtue
 of the will of said Moses Guest as devised according
 to the provisions thereof and for us and in our name
 to give receipts and acquittances and all other things
 for us and in our name to do and perform as fully
 for us and in our names jointly and severally as if
 we were there present doing and performing the same
 acts and deeds ourselves and we hereby ratify and
 confirm all the lawful actings and doings of our
 said attorney in the premises given under our
 hands and seal in the County & State aforesaid on the 21st
 day of April 1855 James M. Guest Seal

Attest
 W. D. Neely

W. D. Guest Seal
 Wade Hampton Seal
 Adeline Hampton Seal
 Wm. Summers Seal
 Martha J. Summers Seal

State of Arkansas }
 County of Desha } personally appeared before me
 W. D. Neely an acting and duly commissioned Justice
 of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid
 James M. Guest William J. Guest Adeline Hampton
 & Wade Hampton Martha Jane Summers and William
 Summers whose names appear to the foregoing power
 of attorney to Andrew J. Guest relative to the estate
 of Moses Guest Decd late of Grundy County Tenn
 with each and all of whom I am personally
 acquainted and acknowledged that they signed
 and sealed the said power of attorney for the purposes
 and considerations therein mentioned and desired
 the same to be by me duly certified and the said
 Adeline Hampton & Martha Jane Summers being
 by me examined privily and apart from their
 said husbands Wade Hampton & William Summers
 and being also by me duly admonished and cautioned
 as to the effect and tenor of said power of attorney
 acknowledged that they and each of them signed
 and sealed the said power of attorney freely and
 without constraint on the part of said Wade Hampton
 and William Summers or either of them their said
 husbands and desired the same to be by me
 certified according to the Statutes in such cases
 made and provided Given under my hand
 and seal in the County and State aforesaid on
 the 2nd day of April 1855 W. D. Neely J. P. Seal

State of Arkansas }
 County of Desha } I James P. Clayton Clerk
 of the Circuit Court of said County which Court
 is a Court of record do hereby certify that W. D. Neely
 Esqr whose signature appears to the foregoing is
 and was at the time of taking the acknowledgment

of James M. guest William J. guest Adaline
 Hampton Wade Hampton Martha Jane Sammers
 and William Sammers an acting and duly Commissioned
 Justice of the peace of said County and full faith
 and credit are due all his official acts as such
 respectively in testimony whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand and Seal of office on this 23rd
 day of April 1855- James P. Clayton Clerk

State of Arkansas }
 County of Desha } I William R. Anderson
 Presiding Judge of the County Court of said County
 do hereby certify that James P. Clayton whose
 own proper Signature appears to the foregoing
 Certificate is Clerk of said County of Desha and
 keeper of the records papers and Seal thereof
 Given under my hand this 23rd day of April 1855
 W. R. Anderson P. J.

State of Tennessee }
 Grundy County } I W. P. Barnes Clerk of
 Grundy County Court do certify that the above power
 of attorney and certificate of acknowledgments
 is a true and perfect copy of the original as
 presented to the Clerk of this Court for recording
 witness my hand at office this 30th of April
 1855- W. P. Barnes Clerk

Good of William guest Executor of Moses guest Deed the sum
 of one thousand dollars it being the value of two slaves
 namely Mary Ann and Jefferson which was coming
 to the heirs of John M. guest heirs at law of Moses
 guest Deed. This 30th of April 1855.

James M. guest
 William J. guest
 Wade Hampton
 Adaline Hampton
 Wm. Sammers
 Martha Sammers
 by J. S. guest
 attorney in fact

State of Tennessee }
 Grundy County } Personally appeared before me
 W. P. Barnes Clerk of Grundy County Court I
 I guest with whom I am personally acquainted
 and who acknowledged that he executed the
 within receipt for the purposes therein contained
 witness my hand at office this 30th of April
 1855- W. P. Barnes Clerk

County of Desha
 The state of Arkansas

To all to whom These presents shall come
 greeting know ye that whereas I J. guest has on
 this day by the Court of probate in and for the said
 County of Desha been appointed guardian for
 Mary & George W. guest minors of under the age of
 21 years by his entering into bond to said minor in the
 sum of one thousand dollars and whereas The said
 J. guest has this day filed his bond in such sum
 to said minor which said bond stands approved by
 the Court I am therefore by the said J. guest
 is hereby authorized and empowered to collect and receive
 all monies, property, and effects that now are or
 hereafter may become due to his said wards and in
 general to do and perform all and singular the
 duties devolving upon him as such Guardian
 by law or that may be enjoined upon him
 by the lawful order, sentence or decree of
 any Court having competent Jurisdiction
 in testimony whereof I James P. Clayton
 Clerk of the Circuit Court and ex officio Clerk
 of the probate Court in and for the said
 County of Desha. hereunto set my hand and
 affixed the Seal of said Court at my office in
 the room of W. P. Barnes on this 8th of August 1855
 James P. Clayton

Power of Attorney from George W Lusk & others
to John Charles of Coffee County &c

" I George W Lusk & Sally Ann Lusk of the County
of Attala and State of Miss do hereby constitute and appoint
John Charles of the County of Franklin and State of
Tenn our true and lawful attorney in fact to demand
and receive all the monies due to us name in the hands
of the clerk of Grundy County Court and if necessary
to prosecute any suit or suits and at our expense to
employ one or more attorneys to assist in the such
suit or suits against said clerk or any other persons and
our said attorneys in fact is truly authorized to give in
our names any receipt, bond or acquittances to said clerk
or other persons that may be necessary or proper for us to
give or upon the receipt of said money or monies and
we hereby for ourselves and for our heirs fully ratify and
confirm the lawful actions of our said attorney in the
aforesaid premises we do hereby further authorize and
empower our said attorney to manage all the business
that we ~~are interested in~~ interest in his hands and we
hereby for ourselves and our heirs jointly ratify the same
fully and completely as if done by us in our proper
person, given under our hand and seals this 31st day
1854

John W Lusk Seal
Sally Ann Lusk Seal
witness

State of Mississippi }
Attala County } I, J. F. Harman a Justice
of the peace in and for said county and state aforesaid
do certify that the letter of attorney hereto annexed was
duly signed by George W Lusk and Sally Ann Lusk
the the principals and maker thereof in my presence and
in the presence of A Mabry who with myself have
attested the same therefore all persons concerned may
accredit it given under my hand and seal this
31st day of July 1854

J. F. Harman Seal
J. P.

Attest A Mabry
State of Mississippi }
Attala County } I, Isaac W Scarborough
Clerk of the probate Court of said County do hereby

that J. F. Harman whose genuine signature
appeared to the foregoing certificate is and was at the time
of signing the same an acting Justice of the peace in
and for said County duly commissioned and that all
his acts as such are and ought to be entitled to full
faith and credit in the premises given under my
hand and seal of office at Kaskiuska this 6th day
of July 1854
J. W. Scarborough clerk
A true copy

Recd of W. P. Barnes clerk of the County
Court of Grundy County Thirty two dollars and ninety
five cents the full amount belonging to the Estate
of James G. Lusk Decd. belonging to George W Lusk
and Sally Ann Lusk heirs of said Decd. which was
paid into the hands of said clerk on settlement
James T. Phillips. Admin of said Decd at the May
term of the Circuit Court for said County
in the year 1853 for the use of said heirs of
said Decd this 19th of Sept 1854

John Charles
Guardian of said Decd.

Recd of W. P. Barnes clerk the sum of thirty two
dollars it being my distributive share of the estate
of James Lusk Decd. it being the full amount
of my share of said estate which was paid into the
hands of said clerk to be by him distributed this
3^d of March 1856

Salina Adeline Duncan
witness

State of Tennessee }
Grundy County } Personally appeared before me
W. P. Barnes clerk of the county Court of said County
Salina Adeline Duncan whose name appears to
the foregoing receipt and acknowledged before
me that she executed the above receipt for
the purposes therein contained witness my
hand at office this 3^d of March 1856

W. P. Barnes clerk

Will of Dr. M. D. Bentley
 of the State of Illinois and County of Union
 being of Sound and Sound mind, unbiassed by passion
 or affection though my body is wreathed with disease and
 pain and knowing that my earthly existence must ^{soon} terminate
 the as earth is not man's only abiding place and being possessed
 of Sundry goods and chattels lands and tenements which by
 the grace of God I have been able to acquire and being desirous
 of disposing of them before I leave this world for that I do
 do make this my last will and testament in manner and form
 following to wit, I give my body to the earth and my soul
 to God who gave it and after defraying all necessary expenses of
 burial and paying all my just debts by my executor hereinafter
 named first I give and bequeath to my brother C. S. Bentley
 all the notes I now hold against him and all surgical
 Instruments in Tennessee, secondly I give and bequeath to
 my brother William H. Bentley all the medicines and drugs and
 all surgical Instruments in Illinois at Dr. G. Standard and
 at John W. Tallops and all notes that I hold against him
 thirdly, I give my sister Elizabeth M. Higgins Ten dollars
 fourthly I give my sister Rose Ann Lynn Ten dollars fifthly
 I give my brother Francis Monroe Bentley Ten dollars sixthly
 I give my sister Maryetta Bentley Ten dollars, eighthly I give
 Dr. J. A. C. Allen all the notes I hold against him and
 all medicines, drugs and ~~medical~~ ^{surgical} Instruments at Mr. Tallops
 in Johnson County Illinois, giving in consideration of the
 amount of his practice shown on books at John
 W. Tallops and Dr. G. Standard by agreement, ninthly I give
 my mother Rachel Bentley the entire Balance and Real
 estate to have and to hold during her natural life together
 with all the privileges and appurtenances thereunto belong-
 ing and I do hereby appoint Wm Standard to be the Ex-
 ecutor of this my last will and testament in testimony
 whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my
 seal this 12th day of August 1854
 Signed and acknowledged before us
 Barnett Weaver
 Daniel G. Standard

M. D. Bentley (Seal)

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 State of Illinois }
 County of Union } Set

At a regular term of the County Court
 of Union County Illinois begun and held at the Court
 House in Jonesboro on Monday the 18th day of Sept
 A. D. 1854 personally appeared Barnett Weaver and Daniel
 G. Standard the Subscribing witnesses to the above and
 foregoing will who are two Credable witnesses who
 being duly sworn in open Court on their oaths do
 say that they were present and saw the above named
 M. D. Bentley sign the above last will and testament
 in their presence that they believed and still believe
 that the said M. D. Bentley was of sound mind and
 memory at the time of signing the same and that
 they attested the signing of said last will and
 testament in the presence and by the request of
 the said M. D. Bentley and in the presence of me
 other in testimony whereof I have hereunto set
 my hand and the Seal of said County Court at
 office in Jonesboro the 18th day of September
 A. D. 1854
 Thos J. ^{Junior} ~~Junior~~ Clerk

State of Illinois }
 County of Union } I do solemnly swear that this
 writing contains the true last will and testament of
 the within named M. D. Bentley Decd: So far as I know
 or believe and that I will well and truly execute
 the same by paying first the debts and then the
~~legacies~~ legacies mentioned therein so far as his goods
 and chattels will thereunto extend and the same charge
 me and that I will make a true and perfect inven-
 tory of all such goods and chattels rights & credits as
 may come to my hands or knowledge belonging to the
 estate of said Decd and render a fair and just account
 of my executorship when thereunto required by law to
 the best of my knowledge and abilities so help me God
 Subscribed and sworn to in open
 Court Sept 18th 1854
 Thos J. ^{Junior} ~~Junior~~ Clerk

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State of Illinois }
County of Union } ss

To all to whom it may concern these presents my come greeting Know ye that whereas of M. D. Bentley late of the County of Union and State of Illinois died on or about the 25th of August 1854, as it is said after having duly made and published his last will and testament a copy whereof is herewith annexed leaving at the time of his death property in this State which may be lost destroyed or diminished in value if speedy care be not taken of the same and inasmuch as it appears that Wm Standard has been appointed Executor in and by the said last will and testament to execute the same and so the said that the said property may be preserved for those who shall appear to have a legal right or interest therein and that the said will may be executed according to the request of the said testator we do hereby authorize him the said Wm Standard as such Executor, to collect and secure all and singular the goods and chattels rights and credits which were of the said M. D. Bentley at the time of his decease in whose ever hands or possession the same may be found in this State and well and truly to perform and fulfill all such duties as may be enjoined upon him by the said will so far as there shall be property and the law charge him and in general to do and perform all other acts which now are or hereafter may be required of him by law in testimony whereof I have herewith set my hand and the Seal of the said County Court at office in Jonesboro this 21st day of Sept 1854

Thomas J. Finley Clk

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State of Illinois }
County of Union } I Thomas J. Finley Clerk of
the County Court of said County and State aforesaid do
certify the above to be a true copy of the last will and
testament of M. D. Bentley Decd and of the probate of the

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same and also of the letters of executorship granted to Wm Standard on the same in attestation whereof I hereb sign my name and annex the Seal of the said County Court this 6th day of June 1855

Thomas J. Finley Clerk

State of Illinois }
County of Union } I Thomas Heileman County Judge
Presiding Judge of the County Court of the County and
State aforesaid do certify that Thomas J. Finley whose
name is signed to the foregoing Certificate is now and
was at the time of signing the same Clerk of the aforesaid
Court and that his attestation is in due form given under
my hand this 6th day of June 1855

Thomas Heileman County Judge

State of Illinois }
County of Union } I Thomas J. Finley Clerk of the County
Court of in and for the County and State aforesaid which is
a Court of record do certify that Thomas Heileman whose
name is subscribed to the foregoing Certificate is and was
at the time of he subscribed the said Certificate presiding
Judge of my said Court duly commissioned and qualified
and that full faith and credit are due to his official
acts as such and that the Signature purporting to be
his is genuine in testimony whereof I have
herewith set my hand and the Seal of said County
Court at office in Jonesboro this 6th day of June 1855

Thomas J. Finley Clerk

Power of Attorney

I George W. Lusk & Sally Ann Lusk of the County of Attala & State of Miss do hereby constitute and appoint John Charles of the County of Coffee & State of Tennessee our true & lawful attorney in fact to demand and receive all the monies due to us now in the hands of the Clerk of Grand County Court and if necessary to prosecute any suit or suits and at our expense to employ one or more attorneys to assist in the such suit against said clerk or any other persons and our said attorney in fact is truly authorized to give in our names any receipt bond or acquittances to said clerk or other persons that may be necessary or proper for us to give upon the receipt of said money or monies and we hereby for ourselves and our heirs fully ratify & confirm the lawful actions of our said attorney in the aforesaid premises we do further hereby authorize and empower our said attorney to manage all the hearings that are intrusted in his hands and we hereby for ourselves and our heirs jointly ratify the same as fully and completely as if done by us in our proper person. Given under our hands and seals this 31st day of January 1854

John W. Lusk
Sally Ann Lusk (mark)

State of Mississippi

Attala County

I J. F. Hoorman

a Justice of the peace in and for said County and State aforesaid do certify that the letter of attorney hereto annexed was duly signed by George W. Lusk and Sally Ann Lusk the principals and makers thereof in my presence and in the presence of A. Mahury who with myself have attested the same therefore all persons concerned may credit it, given under my hand and seal this 31st day of Jan. 1854

J. F. Hoorman Clerk

J. P.

Attest

A. Mahury

State of Mississippi

Attala County

I Isaac Scarborough

Clerk of the probate Court of said County do hereby certify that J. F. Hoorman whose genuine signature appears to the foregoing certificate is and was at the time of signing the same an acting Justice of the peace in and for said County duly elected qualified and commissioned and that all his acts as such are and ought to be entitled to full faith & credit in the premises given under my hand and seal of office at Haskins this 6th day of July 1854
To true Copy
J. W. Scarborough Clerk

Will of Thomas Burrage and

I Thomas Burrage of the County of Grundy & State of Tennessee being of sound mind and disposing memory and calling to mind that all men have once to die, do hereby again make and publish this my last will and Testament.

First it is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid and as to my worldly goods after the payment of my debts in manner following to wit,

Second it is my will and desire that at my death my wife Jane Burrage have one half of the tract of Land on which I now reside for and during her natural life also two negroes to wit, Sam and Billy and their increase and my farming utensils and household and kitchen furniture and also what Stock I may have on hand consisting of horses, cattle, hogs, sheep &c. all of which I give and bequeath to her for and during her natural life for her use and maintenance but not to be disposed of in any other way and at her death to go in remainder to my adopted daughter Harriette Burrage.

Third I give and bequeath to my adopted daughter Harriette Burrage the other half of the tract of Land on which I now reside together with the above bequest and also my negro woman Ann and her child and their increase and a horse bridle & saddle worth one hundred and twenty five dollars to her the said Harriette and the heirs of her body forever, and it is also my will and desire that the land be rented by my executor, herein after to be appointed for the purpose of clothing, educating & supporting my adopted daughter Harriette and it is my request that he see that the negro land her increase be delivered to Harriette at my death and

Fourth I give and bequeath to my adopted daughter Martha Jane Burrage wife of James Burrage

Three hundred dollars or a little Negro worth that sum to her the said Martha Jane and the heirs of her body forever

Fifth I give and bequeath to my adopted daughter Ann Elizabeth Cunningsham wife of James Cunningsham three hundred dollars or a little Negro worth that sum to the said Ann Elizabeth and the heirs of her body forever and lastly I hereby appoint Henry Etter Junior of Warren County Executor of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills & Testaments signed sealed and published Dec^r 25th 1854

Attest

W. P. Barnes
J. P. Ritchey

Thomas T. Burrage
mark

State of Tennessee } August Term of the County
Grundy County } Court 1855

I W. P. Barnes Clerk of the County Court of Grundy County do certify that the within paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Thomas Burrage Dec^d was this day duly proven in open Court by the oath of W. P. Barnes and David P. Ritchey subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded let it be registered witness my hand at office this 6th of August 1855

W. P. Barnes Clerk

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Power of Att'y

State of Tennessee }
Grundy County } I do hereby nominate
and appoint Samuel J. Christian my attorney
in fact to demand and receive for me from
one W. P. Barnes or any other person having
possession or liable for the same a distributive
share which has descended to me from my
husband John Lusk Deed. late of the County
of Grundy and State of Tennessee all necessary
receipts Bonds and acquittances for me and in
my name to execute for and about the same
I do further empower my said attorney to
sue for and receive the same or any part thereof
and for that purpose to employ one or more atty's
for him under him and to do all other acts
& things to accomplish the objects of this power
at my expense and charge and I do hereby ratify
and confirm all the lawful actings and doings
of my said attorney in the premises as fully
as if I was present and doing the same myself
this 5th mo of oct 1855

Rebecca Lusk
witness

Attest

James Lusk

Stephe Winton

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Power of Attorney

State of Tennessee }
Grundy County }

I do hereby nominate and appoint
Samuel J. Christian my attorney in fact to demand
and receive for me from one W. P. Barnes or
any other person having possession or liable for
the same a distributive share which has
descended to me from my husband John Lusk
Deed. late of the County of Grundy and State of
Tennessee all necessary receipts bonds and acquit-
tances for me and in my name to execute for
and about the same I do further empower
my said attorney to sue for and recover the
same or any part thereof and for that purpose
to employ one or more attorneys under him and
to do all other acts and things necessary to
accomplish the objects of this power at my
expense and charge and I do hereby ratify
and confirm all the lawful actings and
doings of my said attorney in the premises
as fully as if I was present and doing the
same myself this 5th of october 1855

Attest

James Lusk

Stephe Winton

Rebecca Lusk
witness

Power of Attorney

I do hereby nominate and appoint J. F. Hall of Bedford County Tennessee my attorney in fact to demand and receive for me from one Jesse Wooten, Adm^r of John Lusk Deed or any other person having possession of the same a distributive share which has descended to me from one John Lusk now deceased late of the County of Grundy and State of Tennessee and all the necessary receipts, bonds, and acquittances for me and in my name to execute for and about the same. I do further empower my said Attorney to sue for and recover the same or any part thereof whether the same be real or personal estate and for that purpose to make and employ one or more Attorneys under him and to do all other acts and things necessary to accomplish the objects of this power at my expense and charge and I do hereby ratify and confirm all the lawful actings and doings of my said Attorney in the premises as full as if I were present and doing the same myself this the first day of Oct 1855

J. B. Lusk *[Signature]*

Test Saml H. Ferguson

Pr. G. Wright

State of Tennessee? Personally appeared before me *[Signature]* James clerk of the County Court of said County. J. B. Lusk with whom I am personally acquainted and who acknowledged that he signed the within power of Attorney of Attorney for the purposes therein contained and on the day it bore date and I do hereby certify that the receipt accompanying this power was acknowledged before me as such *[Signature]* to be his act and deed for the purposes therein specified. In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County Court at office in Mount Vernon this Oct 2^d 1855

W. H. Groves clerk

I do hereby authorize and appoint James Lusk of Grundy County Tenn to execute all the business appertaining to John B. Lusk in my room and stead to receive and receipt for all and any moneys due said John B. Lusk given under my hand and seal of Oct 15th 1855 John B. Lusk *[Signature]*

Power of Attorney

State of Arkansas To all to whom these presents shall come we Thomas B. Crail and James W. Wilson and our wives Elizabeth Crail and Rachel Wilson Firmly Elizabeth Hubbard and Rachel Hubbard Grand daughters and Legates of Moses Gwert late of Tennessee County deceased and greeting
whereas the said Moses Gwert in and by his last will and testament did amongst other things bequeath a negro man and a certain sum of money to his heirs in this State & elsewhere as we suppose (having no copy of the will now known) that we the said Thomas B. Crail and James W. Wilson and our wives, Elizabeth Crail and Rachel Wilson have made constituted and appointed and do by these presents make constitute and appoint aser Newman of the said County of Benton and State aforesaid our true and lawful attorney, for us and in our names and for our use to ask demand sue for, recover and receive of and from the Executor of the last will and testament of said Moses Gwert late of Tennessee and Grundy County deceased as aforesaid, or from any person due in whose hands soever the property of said deceased may be found, all of said legacies or bequests to which the said Thomas B. Crail and James W. Wilson and their wives aforesaid may be lawfully entitled under said last will and testament of the said Moses Gwert deceased living and granting to our said attorney by these presents our full and whole power

Continued
 strength and authority in and about
 the premises, to have and take
 all lawful ways and means in our
 names for the purposes aforesaid
 and upon the receipt of any such
 legacies debts, dues or demands
 disbursements acquittances or other suffi-
 cient discharges or receipts for us
 and in our name to make deal and
 deliver thereby ratifying and affirming
 all and singular the acts of our
 said attorney either in receiving all
 or any part of said legacies or in
 selling for cash our interest in
 the same

In Witness whereof we have
 hereunto subscribed our names
 and affixed our seals This October
 17th 1856

Thomas B. Nail *(Seal)*
 Elizabeth B. Nail *(Seal)*
 James W. Wilson *(Seal)*
 Rachel Wilson *(Seal)*

Attest

In the presence of the undersigned
 Justice of the peace of Calville
 Township in the County of Benton
 on the 17th day of October 1856
 John B. Cowan *J.P.*

State of Arkansas
 County of Benton
 I A. B. Williams
 clerk of the Circuit Court and also
 clerk of the County Court and also
 of the Court of Probate within and
 for said County do hereby Certify that
 John B. Cowan whose signature

appears to the foregoing Certificate
 of acknowledgement is true and was
 at the time of making the same a duly
 commissioned and acting Justice of the
 peace within and for said County and
 his signature genuine
 In testimony whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand and affixed the seal of
 said Court at office This 20th day of October
 1856
 A. B. Williams *clerk*

State of Arkansas
 County of Benton
 I Enock T. Pratt
 Judge of the County Court and Court
 of Probate within and for said County
 do hereby Certify that A. B. Williams whose
 signature appears to the foregoing Certifi-
 cate is now and was at the time of
 making the same a duly commissioned
 and qualified clerk of the Circuit Court
 and also clerk of the County and Probate
 Courts within and for said County and
 his signature is genuine
 Given under my hand This
 20th day of October 1856
 Enock T. Pratt Judge of
 the County Court & Probate Court

State of Tennessee
 County of Sumner
 I J. P. Tipton clerk of
 the County Court of said County do
 hereby Certify that the above Power of
 attorney and Certificate of acknowl-
 edgment is a true and perfect
 copy of the original as presented
 to the clerk of this Court for recording
 Witness my hand at office this
 the 24th day of November 1856
 J. P. Tipton clerk

William County will

State of Tennessee This indenture made and
 bound by County & entered into this the 26th
 day of December one thousand eight hundred
 and fifty six between William County of the
 first part and the second part to all the
 children or heirs belonging to said William
 County his wish is for the children all to lay
 his land off in lots and draw for it there
 is one hundred acres of land lying in what
 is called the little Cove on the waters of
 Colins river, there is seventy acres of
 land abt his home place on town creek
 and also a entry of twenty five acres adjoining
 the same, whereunto I ~~put~~ my hand and
 affix my seal the day and date above
 written

Attest
 George W. Argo
 John E. Argo

William County Seal
 Mark

Recd of Jesse Wootten Schur of John Lusk decd
 one hundred and eighty five dollars also the
 further sum of twenty seven dollars & six
 pence from W. P. Burns clerk of it
 being the full amount of my distribution
 share of the estate of said decd that I paid
 into said court, & clerks hands, to be
 distributed this 5th of Nov 1855

State of Tennessee { Personally appeared
 Grundy County } before me W. P. Burns clerk of said court
 before me W. P. Burns clerk of said court
 James Lusk and acknowledged that he
 executed the above recit for the purposes
 therein contained witness my hand at
 office this 5th of Nov 1855

W. P. Burns clerk

Recd of Jesse Wootten Schur of John Lusk decd
 Two hundred and Ten dollars also the
 further sum of Two dollars and sixty one
 pence from W. P. Burns, county clerk
 it being in full of the amount due me
 from the said Wootten & Burns out of the
 estate of my (decd) father which I paid into
 their hands, to be divided among the
 heirs of said decd this 5th of Nov 1855
 James Lusk

State of Tennessee Personally appeared
 Grundy County } before me W. P. Burns
 clerk of the court clerk of said court
 James Lusk and acknowledged that he
 executed the above recit for the purposes
 therein contained witness my hand at
 office this 5th day of Nov 1855

W. P. Burns clerk
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Recd of W P Barnes clerk of the County Court of Gruney County Two hundred and eleven dollars & thirty six Cents in full of my distributive share of the Estate of John Fisk Esq which amount was paid to the hands of said clerk by said estate this 5th of November 1855
 J. Fisk Esq
 in fact for John Fisk

State of Tennessee
 Gruney County Personally appeared before me W P Barnes, clerk of the County Court of said County James Fisk Esq in fact for John Fisk and acknowledged that he executed the above receipt for the purposes therein contained with my hand at office this 5th of Nov 1855
 W P Barnes, clerk

Recd of W P Barnes clerk of the County Court of said County Two hundred and twelve dollars and thirty six Cents in full of my distributive share of the estate of John Fisk Esq which amount was paid to the hands of said clerk for distribution this 5th of Nov 1855
 Sabbath Christian & Samuel J Christian
 in fact for John Fisk

State of Tennessee
 Gruney County Personally appeared before me W P Barnes, clerk of said County Court Sabbath Christian & Samuel J Christian and acknowledged that they executed the above receipt for the purposes therein contained with my hand at office this 5th of Nov 1855
 W P Barnes, clerk

Recd of W P Barnes clerk of Gruney County Court Two hundred and eleven dollars and thirty six Cents in full of my distributive share of the Estate of John Fisk Esq which amount was paid to the hands of said clerk for distribution this 5th of Nov 1855
 Richard C Gable
 By R B Roberts atty in fact

State of Tennessee
 Gruney County Personally appeared before me W P Barnes, clerk of said County Court Phil B Roberts, atty in fact for Richard C Gable and acknowledged that he executed the above receipt for the purposes therein expressed with my hand at office this 5th of Nov 1855
 W P Barnes, clerk

Recd of W P Barnes of the County Court of Gruney County Twenty two dollars and thirty Cents in full of my distributive share of the estate of John Fisk Esq this 5th of Nov 1855
 Martha Cunningham
 Joseph Cunningham

State of Tennessee
 Gruney County Personally appeared before me W P Barnes, clerk of said County Court Martha Cunningham and acknowledged that he executed the above receipt for the purposes therein contained with my hand at office this 5th of Nov 1855
 W P Barnes, clerk

Recd of W P Barnes clerk of the County Court
of David County Twenty five dollars & twenty
six Cents in full of my distributive share
of the estate of John Lusk Dec^r this 5th of Nov^r 1855
Anderson & Lusk

State of Tennessee }
Grundy County } Personally appeared
before me W P Barnes clerk of David County
Court Anderson & Lusk and acknowledged
that he executed the above receipt for
the purpose therein expressed witness
my hand at office this 6th of Nov^r 1855
W P Barnes clerk

Recd of W P Barnes, clerk of the County Court
of Grundy County Two hundred & eleven
dollars and ten Cents in full of the
amount of the estate of John Lusk Dec^r
which amount was paid by the Administra-
tor of said Dec^r into the hands of the
said clerk of said County Court to be
distributed equally among said heirs
said amount was paid in notes against
Bd & Lusk to the amount of one hundred
and twenty two dollars & nine Cents and
the balance in cash to the amount
of eight nine dollars and one Cent
The above amount was paid by Jesse
Haddon steward of the said John Lusk
Dec^r into the hands of the said clerk
and by him to be distributed among
said heirs equally Dec^r 14th of Dec^r 1855
Byrd Lusk

Recd of W P Barnes clerk of Grundy
County Court Twenty five dollars &
twenty six Cents in full of my
distributive share of the estate of
John Lusk Dec^r this 5th of November 1855
Lusk Rebecca Cunningham
Anderson & Lusk, Lusk & Cunningham

State of Tennessee }
Grundy County } Personally appeared
before me W P Barnes clerk of the County
Court of David County Rebecca Cunningham
and acknowledged that he executed
the above receipt for the purpose
therein contained witness my hand
at office this 6th of Nov^r 1855
W P Barnes clerk

Recd of W P Barnes clerk of the County
Court of Grundy County Twenty five
dollars and twenty six Cents in full
of my distributive share of the estate
of John Lusk Dec^r this 5th of Nov^r 1855
David Lusk

State of Tennessee } Personally appeared
Grundy County } before me W P Barnes
clerk of the County Court of David County
David Lusk and acknowledged
that he executed the above receipt
for the purposes therein contained
witness my hand at office this
5th of Nov^r 1855
W P Barnes clerk

Recd of John Tusk the sum of
John Tusk Dec Ninety one dollar and
ninety seven Cents also the further
Sum of thirteen dollars fifty seven
Cents from W P Barnes it being in full
for part of the minor heirs of John Tusk
Dec that was coming from the estate
of said Dec to said minors. This 5th of
Nov 1855
Test
Amos Tusk
Joseph Cunningham

State of Tennessee. Personally appeared
Grundy County before me W P Barnes
clerk of said County. Cant. Sarah Tusk
guardian for said minors and acknowledged
that she executed the above receipt for the
purposes therein contained. Witness
my hand at office this 10th of Nov 1856
W P Barnes clerk

Recd of W P Barnes clerk of the County Court
of Grundy County Two Hundred & eleven dollars
& thirty five Cents the full amount of
my distributive share of the estate of
John Tusk Dec that went into the hands
of said clerk to be distributed among the
heirs of said estate this 5th of Nov 1855
Rebecca Tusk
by J P Barnes, attorney in law

State of Tennessee
Grundy County. Personally appeared
before me W P Barnes clerk of the Co.
Court of Grundy County, Samuel F. Chris-
tman attorney in fact for Rebecca Tusk and
acknowledged that he executed the above
receipt for the purposes therein contained.
Witness my hand at office this 5th of
Nov 1855
W P Barnes clerk

Jeremiah Walker's Will
State of Tennessee Grundy County
Jeremiah Walker do make and publish this as
my last will and testament hereby revoking
and making void all other wills of me at any
time made first I direct that my funeral
expenses and all my just debts be paid as
soon after my death as possible out of any
monies that I may be possessed of or may
first come into the hands of my executor or
Administrator secondly I give and bequeath
to my beloved wife Polly & Walker I bear
and me and her daughter and their increase
one grey mare and one woman saddle &
two beds and furniture and one bedstead
and bureau to be her share and also to
have possession of my mansion house
I now live in and to be supported off the
proceeds of the place during her natural
life or widowhood and thirdly I have
nothing more to give my son Wm B Walker
because I have given him his portion in lands
& other property and fourthly I have nothing more
to give to the heirs of James H Walker Dec. my
son for I have given him his portion in his
life time in lands and money & other prop-
erty and fifthly I give and bequeath to my
daughter Nancy William the tract of land at
the big Spring that she is now in possession
of and not to be sold from her without
her approbation and the reason why I
give her no more is because I have given
her portion in money & other property and
sixthly I have nothing more to give my
daughter Martha oblige for I have given
her her portion in a negro woman &
money & other property and seventhly I
have nothing more to give to the heirs of
my son John B Walker Dec. for I have
given him his portion in his life time

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In lands & many & other property and
eighty I give & bequeath to the heirs of
Sarah Ann Lillian Deane my daughter
fifty dollar, a piece and the reason I give
no more is be cause I give her her portion
in her life time in many & other property
And ninthly I give and bequeath to the
heirs of Sarah Lockhart Deane my daughter
fifty dollars a piece and the reason I give
no more is be cause I give her her portion
in many & other property in her life time
and tenthly I give and bequeath to my
son Jeremiah & Walker the whole of the
tract of land that he now lives on but
if he dies with out issue the land to
be sold and the money to be equally divided
a mount all of my heirs and the reason
I give him no more is be cause I have
given him his portion in many & other
property And Eleventhly I give and bequeath
unto my two sons the late Francis & E.
Walker & Isaac E. Walker all the tract of land
I now live on with two tracts of Mountain
land a joining it to wit two hundred
& fifty acres be the same more or less of
all of it Except one acre where the great
yard & meeting house now is which I
reserve for public use with all the
property of every description both out
of doors and in the houses with all
the many I may have Except that I give
to my wife and except two hundred &
fifty dollars of this property to be sold
if no money on hand to pay the heirs of
the two Daughters above named Deane
and again except one head and four
and one half to Margaret Walker
that I am now raising when she come
of age or marry I give my negro man
Joseph to Francis & E. Walker my son

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and I give my negro woman Elvira
to Isaac E. Walker my son and his heirs
and I give Robert my negro man to both
of them jointly to take care of until death
and if one of the boys dies before the come
of age the other to have his share lastly
I do hereby nominate and appoint Polly
& Walker my beloved wife my guardian
with out having to give any security for
the two boys until they come of age
to manage their property for them and
also my Executor or administrator
in witness where of I do hereby set to this
my will my hand and seal this 25th
day of October 1854 Jeremiah & E. Walker
signed sealed and published
in our presents and we have subscribed
and names hereto in the presents of the
testator this 25th day of Oct 1854
Test Thomas Brown Jacob Best Charles Tate

30 State of Tennessee Grundy County
 I John Dykes of the County of Grundy State of Tennessee
 do hereby make and publish this my last
 will and Testament first I declare that all
 my just debts be paid secondly I give and
 bequeath to my beloved wife Dolly Dykes my
 real estate the place on which I now
 live being two hundred acres during her
 natural life or widow hood and after
 which term to be sold and the proceeds
 to be Equally divided among all my children
 except my eldest daughter Sarah Tale
 Thirdly I give and bequeath to my daughter
 Sarah Tale one dollar in money
 Fourthly I give and bequeath to my beloved
 wife Dolly Dykes the remaining portion
 of my personal property which I may have
 after my just debts are all paid Fifthly
 that Sanders Dykes sell to the highest
 bidder at public sale my wagon & yoke
 of oxen and apply the proceeds to the
 payment of my debts Sixthly and lastly I do
 hereby appoint Sanders Dykes my Executor
 of this my last will and Testament in
 witness whereof being unable to write
 my name I acknowledge this in presence
 of John Northcutt & Robert Tale on this
 30 day of September A.D. 1855
 John Northcutt Robert Tale John Northcutt

Power of Attorney
 State of Alabama
 De Kalb County 3

Know all Men by these presents that
 I Martha William of the County of De Kalb and
 State of Alabama have made constituted and
 appointed and by these presents do make constitute
 and appoint Daniel William of the same County
 and State my true and lawful attorney for me
 and in my name place and stead to demand
 ask sue for collect and receive all sums of
 money that may be due or coming to me from
 the estate of my grand father Jeremiah Walker
 deceased of Warren County State of Tenn
 and lawfully going and granting unto my said
 attorney full power and authority to do and
 perform all and every act and thing whatsoever
 requisite and necessary to be done in and
 about the premises as fully so all intents and
 purposes as I right or could do if personally
 present hereby ratifying and confirming all
 that my said attorney shall do in and to
 be done by virtue thereof

In testimony whereof I have
 hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal
 this 13th day of October A.D. 1857
 Witness at Tallapoosa Martha William
 John Tale
 The State of Alabama
 De Kalb County 3

This day personally appeared before
 me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace
 in and for said County Martha William
 whose name appears signed to the above
 and foregoing power of attorney and acknowledging
 that she signed sealed and delivered
 the same on the day the same bears date
 and for the purposes therein contained
 given under my hand and seal this 13th day
 of October A.D. 1857 James Parker J.P.

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 The State of Alabama
 De Kalb County

I Nathan Estes Probate
 Judge of said County and the keeper of the
 Seal thereof do hereby Certify that James Parker
 whose name appears signed to the foregoing
 Certificate of Acknowledgment is and was
 at the time of signing the same an acting
 Justice of the Peace in & for said County, duly
 commissioned and qualified that full faith
 and Credit are due to all his official actions
 and I further Certify that his said signature
 is genuine

In testimony whereof I have
 hereunto set my hand and the official seal of
 said County done at Lebanon Ala this
 12th Oct 1857
 N Estes
 Probate Judge

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 Then of D D Epton clerk of the County Court of
 Grundy County Tennessee One hundred and
 twenty two Dollars & three Cents in full of
 James W Wilson his distributive share of the
 proceeds of a negro boy named Jesse sold by
 a decree of the County Court of said County
 in the case

James Winston Guardian & others
 vs
 Elizabeth Bail & others
 Witness my hand and seal this 5th day of
 March 1857
 attested
 John Epton
 William H Tate
 Jyres Newman
 atty for James W Wilson

State of Tennessee I personally appeared
 Grundy County Tennessee before the D D Epton
 clerk of the County Court of Grundy County
 Jyres Newman with whom I am personally
 acquainted and acknowledged that he
 executed the foregoing Receipt for the purpose
 therein expressed
 given in order my hand at office in Atlanta
 Ga this 5th day of March 1857

D D Epton clerk
 by Charles Jennings Jpt. C

Received of D D Epton clerk of the County
 Court of Grundy County Tennessee One
 hundred and twenty two dollars & three
 Cents in full of Verma Hubbard her
 distributive share of the proceeds of a negro
 boy named Jesse sold by a decree of the County
 Court of said County in the case
 James Winston Guardian & others
 vs
 Elizabeth Bail and others

Witness my hand and seal this 5th day of

34 March 1857.
 Attest
 John Tipton
 William H. Tate

James Winton (Real)
 Guardian for Maria Hubbard

State of Tennessee
 Grundy County Personally appeared before
 me J. P. Tipton clerk of the County Court
 of Grundy County James Winton with
 whom I am personally acquainted and acknowledged that he executed the foregoing Receipt
 for the purpose therein expressed this 5th day
 of March 1857 J. P. Tipton clerk

By Charles George J. C.

Two of J. P. Tipton clerk of the County Court
 of Grundy County Tennessee One hundred
 and twenty two dollars & three cents in full
 of Sarah Newman distributive share
 of the proceeds of a negro boy named Jesse
 sold by a decree of the County Court of said
 County in the case

James Winton Guardian & others

Elizabeth Nail and others
 Witnesses by hand and seal this 5th day of March
 1857 Robert Hubbard (Real)

attest
 John Tipton
 William H. Tate
 attorney for Sarah Newman

State of Tennessee Personally appeared
 Grundy County before me J. P. Tipton
 clerk of the County Court of Grundy County
 Robert Hubbard with whom I am personally
 acquainted and acknowledge that he executed
 the foregoing Receipt for the purpose therein
 expressed this 5th day of March 1857 J. P. Tipton clerk
 By Charles George J. C.

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 Received of J. P. Tipton clerk of the County
 Court of Grundy County Tennessee One
 hundred and twenty two dollars and three
 cents in full of Thomas B. Nail his
 distributive share of the proceeds of a negro
 boy named Jesse sold by a decree of the
 County Court of said County in the case
 of James Winton Guardian & others

Elizabeth Nail and others
 Witnesses by hand and seal this 5th day of
 March 1857 By Charles George J. C.
 attested
 John Tipton
 William H. Tate
 attorney for Thomas Nail

State of Tennessee Personally appeared before
 Grundy County me J. P. Tipton clerk of the County Court of
 Grundy County Byres Newman with
 whom I am personally acquainted and
 acknowledged that he executed the foregoing
 Receipt for the purpose therein expressed
 given under my hand at office in testimony
 this 5th day of March 1857 J. P. Tipton clerk

By Charles George J. C.

Two of J. P. Tipton clerk of the County Court
 of Grundy County Tennessee One hundred
 and twenty two dollars and three cents in full
 of Anderson Hubbard his distributive share
 of the proceeds of a negro boy named Jesse
 sold by a decree of the County Court of
 said County in the case
 James Winton Guardian & others
 By
 Elizabeth Nail and others, Witnesses by hand

and Seal this 3^d day of March 1857

attest

John Dighton

William H. Tate

clerk of the Court
Judge of the Court

State of "imperial" Personals appeared before
Grundy County 3rd Me J. D. Dighton clerk of the
County Court of Grundy County Agnes Keenum
with whom I am personal acquainted and
acknowledged that she Expected the foregoing
Receipt for the purpose therein expressed
Given signed by Grand at office in attes-
ment this 3^d day of March 1857

J. D. Dighton clerk

By Carter & Co. signed

We acknowledge ourselves to owe and stand
indebted to J. D. Dighton clerk of the County Court
of Grundy County at attestation J. D. Dighton
and his Successors in office in the sum
of Twelve dollars to be paid if J. D. Dighton
clerk the sum of \$5.00 & cents apart of
his share of the personal property of the estate
of Moses Guest Dec. Shall pay and refund
to the said J. D. Dighton clerk or his Successors
in office any excess or amount the said
J. D. Dighton has received more than the distrib-
utive share of the said J. D. Dighton in
his Grand Father (Moses Guest Dec. estate
Witness and Seals & Seal this 7th 4 1857

at J. D. Dighton
J. A. Thompson

We acknowledge ourselves to owe and stand
indebted to J. D. Dighton clerk of the County Court
of Grundy County at attestation J. D. Dighton
and his Successors in office in the sum of
fifty Six dollars to be paid if J. D. Dighton
clerk who has this day received from said Dighton clerk
the sum of Twenty three dollars & thirty three
cents a part of James M. Guest Wm & Guest
Adaline Hampton Martha J. Successors
their share of the personal property of the
estate of Moses Guest Dec. Shall pay and refund
to the said J. D. Dighton clerk or his Successors
in office any excess or amount the said
J. D. Dighton has received more than the distributive
share of the said James M. Guest Wm & Guest
Adaline Hampton Martha J. Successors
in their Grand Father (Moses Guest Dec. estate
Witness (By Grand & Seal this 7th day of July 1857

at J. D. Dighton
J. A. Thompson

We acknowledge ourselves to owe and stand
indebted to J. D. Dighton clerk of the County Court
of Grundy County at attestation J. D. Dighton
and his Successors in office in the sum of
Seven hundred and ninety Six dollars
to be paid if Elizabeth Orr who has this
day received from said Dighton clerk the sum
of Three hundred and ninety Six
dollars, ~~the sum of~~ of her share of the
personal property of the estate of
Moses Guest Dec. Shall pay and refund
to the said Dighton clerk or his Successors
in office any excess or amount the
said Elizabeth Orr has received more than
her distributive share in father (Moses
Guest Dec. estate Witness and Seals and
Seals this 19th day of August 1857

Elizabeth Orr
Wm Guest

We acknowledge ourselves indebted to J D Dipton clerk of Grundy County Court at Altamont Tennessee and his Successor in office in the sum of Ninety hundred and fifty dollars to be paid William Gibson admt who has this day recd from J D Dipton clerk the sum of Six hundred and eight dollars a part of Mary Zoan a part of his share of the personal property of the estate of Moses Gust Decd. Shall pay and refund to the said Dipton clerk or his Successor in office any excess or amount or erroneously recd. The said Wm Gibson admt has recd more than the distributive share of the said Mary Zoan Decd in the estate of the said Moses Gust Decd. Witness our hands and seals this 9th day of Oct 1857
Wm Gibson admt (Seal)
Wm Gust Decd

We acknowledge ourselves indebted to J D Dipton clerk of Grundy County Court at Altamont Tennessee and his Successor in office in the sum of forty four dollars to be paid if James Winston Guardian for Ursula Henthord who has this day recd from said Dipton clerk the sum of twenty one dollar and eighty four cents a part his share of the personal property of the estate of Moses Gust Decd. Shall pay and refund to the said J D Dipton clerk or his Successor in office any excess or amount the said James Winston Guardian has recd more than the distributive share of the said Ursula Henthord in her Grand father Moses Gust Decd estate. Witness our hands and seals a civil and legal representative jointly this 5th

day of June 18 1857
attest
John Thompson
James Winston
Guardian for Ursula Henthord
John Northcutt
Seal

We acknowledge ourselves indebted to J D Dipton clerk of Grundy County Court at Altamont Tennessee and his Successor in office in the sum of sum of forty four dollars to be paid if Robert Henthord Guardian of James Henthord who has this day recd \$21.85 from said Dipton clerk the sum of twenty one dollar & 80 cts a part of his share of the personal property of the estate of Moses Gust Decd. Shall pay and refund to the said J D Dipton clerk or his Successor in office any excess or amount the said Henthord has recd more than the distributive share of the said James Henthord in his Grand father Moses Gust Decd estate. Witness our hands and seals this 30th day of April 18 1857
Robert Henthord
attest
John B Burrows
H C Campbell

We acknowledge ourselves indebted to J D Dipton clerk of Grundy County Court at Altamont Tennessee and his Successor in office in the sum of forty four dollars to be paid if Robert Henthord attorney for Charles Newman wife & children who has this day recd from said Dipton the sum of twenty one dollar & 85 cts a part of his share of the personal property of the estate of Moses Gust Decd. Shall pay and refund to the said J D Dipton clerk or his Successor in office any excess or amount the said Henthord has recd

More than the distributive share of the said
 Ayres Newman and his wife Sarah Jane
 Newman in their grand Father Moses Gust
 Deceased estate

Witness our hands and seals this 30th day of
 April A.D. 1857
 attes Robert Hubbard Seal
 John B. Burdett Seal

H. A. Campbell

We acknowledge ourselves indebted to
 J. R. Tipton Clerk of Spring County
 Court at Altamont Tennessee and his
 Successors in office in the sum of
 forty four Dollars to be paid of Ayres
 Newman guardian of children Hubert
 who has this day received from said Tipton
 Clerk the sum of \$21.35 a part of his share
 of the personal property of the estate of Moses
 Gust Deceased shall pay and refund to the said
 J. R. Tipton Clerk or his Successors in office any
 excess or amount the said Newman
 Guardian has received more than the distributive
 share of the said Anderson Hubbard in
 his grand Father Moses Gust Deceased estate
 Witness our hands and seals this 28th day of
 April A.D. 1857
 attes Richard Bradford Seal
 Ayres Newman Seal
 Sarah Jane Newman Seal

We acknowledge ourselves indebted to J. R.
 Tipton Clerk of Spring County Court
 at Altamont Tennessee and his
 Successors in office in the sum of forty
 four Dollars to be paid of Ayres Newman
 Attorney for Thomas B. Nail and Elizabeth
 Nail his wife who has this day received
 from said Tipton Clerk the sum of \$21.35
 a part of their share of the personal
 property of the estate of Moses Gust Deceased
 shall pay and refund to the said J. R. Tipton

Clark or his Successors in office any excess or
 amount the said Newman Attorney has
 received more than the distributive share of
 the said Thomas B. Nail & Elizabeth Nail his
 wife in their grand Father Moses Gust Deceased
 estate

Witness our hands and seals this 28th day of April
 1857
 attes Richard Bradford Seal
 Ayres Newman Seal
 Sarah Jane Newman Seal

We acknowledge ourselves indebted to
 J. R. Tipton Clerk of Spring County Court
 at Altamont Tennessee and his
 Successors in office in the sum of
 forty four Dollars to be paid of Ayres
 Newman Attorney for James Wilson and his
 wife Rachel Wilson who has this day received
 from said Tipton Clerk the sum of \$21.35
 a part of their share of the personal property
 of the estate of Moses Gust Deceased
 shall pay and refund to the said J. R. Tipton
 Clerk or his Successors in office any
 excess or amount the said Newman
 Attorney has received more than the distributive
 share of the said James Wilson & his wife
 Rachel Wilson in their grand Father Moses
 Gust Deceased estate
 Witness our hands and seals this 28th
 day of April A.D. 1857
 attes Richard Bradford Seal
 Ayres Newman Seal
 Sarah Jane Newman Seal

We acknowledge ourselves indebted to J. D. Sipton clerk of Gruney County Court at Ottumwa, Iowa and his Successors in office in the sum of one hundred and sixty dollars, to be paid if Mrs. Gust who has this day received from said Sipton clerk the sum of one hundred and three dollars a part of his share of the personal property of the estate of Moses Gust Decd shall pay and refund to the said J. D. Sipton clerk or his Successors in office any excess or amount the said Mrs. Gust has received more than his distributive share of his father (Moses Gust Decd) estate. Witness our hands and seals this 28th day of April A.D. 1857.

Mrs. Gust *Ed*
David Madison *Ed*

We acknowledge ourselves indebted to J. D. Sipton clerk of Gruney County Court at Ottumwa, Iowa and his Successors in office in the sum of one hundred and sixty five dollars, to be paid if Mrs. Gust attorney for Moses Gust Decd who has this day received from said Sipton clerk the sum of Eighty three dollars a part of his share of the personal property of the estate of Moses Gust Decd shall pay and refund to the said J. D. Sipton clerk or his Successors in office any excess or amount the said Mrs. Gust who has received more than the distributive share of the said Moses Gust in his father (Moses Gust Decd) estate.

Witness our hands and seals this 28th day of April
A.D. 1857
attest

Mrs. Gust *Ed*
attorney on foot for Moses Gust
David Madison *Ed*

Recd of J. D. Sipton clerk of the County Court of Gruney County, Iowa, the full amount of James M. Gust, Mrs. Gust, Adeline Hampton & Martha J. Thompson their share of the personal property of the estate of Moses Gust Decd which was paid into the said Sipton clerk by Mrs. Gust Esq. of the estate of the said Decd to be distributed this 11th May 1858. At J. Gust attorney in fact for James M. Gust, Mrs. Gust, Adeline Hampton & Martha J. Thompson

State of Tennessee Personally appeared Gruney County before the J. D. Sipton clerk of the County Court of said County. At J. Gust attorney in fact for James M. Gust, Mrs. Gust, Adeline Hampton & Martha J. Thompson with Petitioners and personally acquainted, and known and acknowledged the above receipt for the purposes therein contained. Witness my hand at office this 11th May 1858. J. D. Sipton clerk

Recd of J P Dutton clerk of the County Court
of Grundy County fifteen Dollars, 85 Cents
the full amount of \$15.85 at 34 June 1858
being Minors their distributive share of
the personal property of the estate of Moses
Guest Decd which was paid into the said
Duttons hands by Wm. Guest Esq of the estate
of the said Decd to be distributed

this 11 May 1858
at J Guest Guardian
for clk at J Guest &
Philip Roberts B. W. Guest (money)
J N Thompson

State of Tennessee Personally appeared
Grundy County before the J P Dutton
clerk of the County Court of said County
at J Guest with whom I and personally
acquainted who acknowledged that he received
the above receipt for the purposes therein
contained
Witness my hand at office this 11 May 1859
J P Dutton clerk

Recd of J P Dutton clerk of the County Court
of Grundy County eight Dollars 25 Cents
being the balance due me and the
full amount of my distributive share
of the personal property of the estate
of Moses Guest Decd which was paid
into the hands of the said Dutton to
be distributed this 11 May 1858

at J Guest
Philip Roberts
J N Thompson

State of Tennessee Personally appeared before
Grundy County before the J P Dutton clerk of
the County Court of said County at J Guest
with whom I and personally acquainted
who acknowledged that he received the
above receipt for the purposes therein

Witness my hand at office this 11 May 1858
J P Dutton clerk

Recd of J P Dutton clerk of Grundy County
Court fifty four Dollars, 84 Cents a portion
of my distributive share of the estate of
Wm. V. V. Decd being my father's estate which
was decreed in said Duttons hands for
distribution this 4 of January 1859
attest J P Dutton

State of Tennessee Personally appeared
Grundy County before the J P Dutton
clerk of the County Court of said County
personally and acknowledged before
me that he received the above receipt
for the purposes therein contained
this 4 January 1859
J P Dutton clerk

Recd of J P Dutton clerk of Grundy County
Court three Dollars and 25 Cents the balance
of the personal property belonging James
A. & Anderson Hubbard Minors of James
of Lilliana Hubbard Decd which was
decreed into said Duttons hands for
distribution this 26 Sept 1858
James Anderson Guardian

Recd of J P Dutton clerk of Grundy County
Court twenty one Dollars 85 Cents a part
of Anderson Hubbard his share of the
effects of the personal property of the
estate of Moses Guest Decd Witness my hand
and seal this 28th day of April A D 1857

Abner Newman
Guardian of A. Hubbard

Know all Men by these presents that we the County & Alexander County of Grundy County & State of Tennessee are held and firmly bound unto the said State of Tennessee in the personal sum of fifty Dollars the payment of which full and true to be made unto the said State of Tennessee we have ourselves our heirs and representatives jointly severally and firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this 15th day of March 1857

The Condition of this obligation is such that the said Wm. King has this day rec'd of J P Epton clerk of the County Court of said County seven Dollars & fourteen Cents a portion of his disbursement share of the personal property of the estate of Wm. King Dec'd. Stand if the said Wm. King shall refund and pay his ratable part allotted to him of any Debt or Debts that may be owing by the Dec'd at any time then this Bond to be void else to remain in full force & virtue.

Wm. King Esq
at County Seat

Know of J P Epton clerk of Grundy County Court twenty one Dollars & 55 Cents a part of James Hubbards his share of the personal property of the estate of Moses Gust Dec'd Witness by hand and seal this 30th day of April 1857

attest
H. A. Campbell

Robert Hubbard Esq
Guardian of James Hubbard

Know of J P Epton clerk of Grundy County Court twenty one Dollars & 55 Cents a part of Durnesia Hubbards her share of the personal property &c of the estate of Moses Gust Dec'd Witness by hand & seal this 5th day June 1857

attest
John Harbours

James Norton guardian
Durnesia Hubbard Dec'd

Know of J P Epton clerk of Grundy County Court twenty one Dollars & 55 Cents a part of Edgar Newman and Sarah Jane Newman his wife their share of the personal property of the estate of Moses Gust Dec'd Witness by hand & seal this 30th day of April 1857

attest
H. A. Campbell

Robert Hubbard Esq
atly inspect for agree
& Sarah J Newman

Know of J P Epton clerk of Grundy County Court twenty one Dollars & 55 Cents a part of James Wilson & Rachel Wilson his wife their share of the effects of the personal property of the estate of Moses Gust Dec'd Witness by hand and seal this 28th day of April 1857

attest
Richard Bradford

Agnes Newman attorney
inspect J B Stail and
Elizabeth Stail

Know of J P Epton clerk of Grundy County Court twenty one Dollars & 55 Cents a part of J B Stail & Elizabeth Stail his wife their share of the effects of the personal property &c of the estate of Moses Gust Dec'd Witness by hand and seal this 28th day of April 1857

attest
Richard Bradford, being in fact James Wilson

Recd of J P Dighton clerk of County Court five Dollars in part of my Distributive share of the personal property of the estate of Moses Gust Dec which was Dece'd in the said Dighton's hands this 21st day of July 1857 Wm Gust

Recd of J P Dighton clerk of County Court five Dollars in part of Maria's Gust's Distributive share of the personal property (Moses Gust Dec) which was paid into the said Dighton's hands by Wm Gust Esq of the said Dec for Distribution this 21st day of July 1857 Wm Gust
att in fact for Moses Gust's part

Recd of J P Dighton clerk of the County Court of County Court three Dollars & thirty three Cents a part of fees in & out of Wm & Gust's relative Hampton for more addition Gust Martha & Summer's part of off & Gust's share of the personal property of the estate of Moses Gust Dec which amount was paid into my hands by Wm Gust Esq of the said Dec to be Distributed to the said party this 7th day of July 1857

Wm Gust's Mary in fact for James on Gust's Wm & Gust Martha & Summer's relative Hampton

47.
Recd of J P Dighton clerk of County Court five Dollars and forty four Cents a part of my Distributive share of the personal property of the estate of Moses Gust Dec which amount was paid into the said Dighton's hands by Wm Gust Esq of the said Dec for Distribution this 6th day of Aug 1857

Jarvis Merriam
George Merriam

Recd of J P Dighton clerk of County Court six Dollars and eight Cents a part of Mary Fahey's share of the personal property of the estate of her father Moses Gust Dec which was paid into the said Dighton's hands by Wm Gust Esq of the said Dec for Distribution this 6th day of Oct 1857 Wm Gibson Admr of Mary Fahey Deceased

Recd of J P Dighton clerk of County Court four Dollars and 14 Cents a portion of my Distributive share of the personal property of the estate of Wm Stoney Dec this 15th January 1859
at test
John Mezes Commodore ^{for} ~~Martha~~

Recd of J P Dighton clerk five Dollars which was due to me by the County Court of County as a fee out of the estate of Wm Wilson Dec this 22nd day of March 1855
J M Cassin

50
Recd of J P Dipton clerk of Gentry County
Court two dollars & ten cents the full
and of my Distributive share of the
estate of Mary Scott Feb 19th 1857
Oly J. Scott

We acknowledge ourselves to owe and
stand indebted to J P Dipton clerk of
the County Court of Gentry County at
Attendant Gentry and his Successor
in Office in the sum of three
hundred Dollars to the Order of J P
Messick who has this day recd
from said Dipton clerk the sum
of one hundred and forty four
Dollars a part of her share of the
personal property of the estate of Moses
Gust the whole per and reference
to the said Dipton clerk or his Successor
in Office any excess or amount the
said Darcas Messick has received more
than his Distributive share in this
estate with my hand and seal this 8th
day of Aug 1857 Darcas Messick
George Messick Secd
Wm Gust Clerk

Attendant August the 19th day 1857
Recd of J P Dipton clerk of the County
Court of Gentry County fifty Dollars the
amount will to be by my grandfather
Moses Gust I paid into the hands of
the said J P Dipton for the benefit
of myself & baset Wm Garrison
at
J Schristian

51
Recd of J P Dipton clerk of the
County Court of Gentry County fifteen
Dollars and full per by per in the
suit of James Whitton Guardian
ad admsr Elizabeth et al et al
this 26th January 1858

J M Baulch

Recd of J P Dipton clerk of the County
Court of Gentry County eighty seven Dollars
& seventy five cents the full amount
of my Distributive share of the personal
property of the estate of Moses Gust Dec
which was paid into the said clerk
hands for Distributive this 11th of May
1858
Wm Gust attorney
for Moses Gust

Recd of J P Dipton clerk of the County Court
of Gentry County one hundred and
seventy Dollars & 75 Cents the full amount
of my Distributive share of the personal
property of the estate of Moses Gust Dec
which was paid into the said clerk
hands & Melas Exp of the said Dec for
Distributive this 11th day of May 1858
Wm Gust

Recd of J P Dipton clerk of the County Court
of Gentry County seven Dollars & 55 Cents
my per in the case Wm C Hill & others
vs Jesse Smith & others which was ordered
by the County Court of said County
to this 14th day of Jan 1858
J M Baulch