

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and seal this 17th day of July
One thousand Eight hundred and seventy six
1876"

Amazi Reed

Second read and attested in our presence
and in the presence of each other this 17th
day of July 1876

Witness

J. H. Dadds
H. P. Powers

Alexander Doran's Will

In view of the uncertainty of life and the certainty
of death and being of sound mind and disposing
memory I Alexander Doran of the County of Hardin and
State of Tennessee do hereby make public and declare this
as my last will and testament hereby revoking and
making void all others at any time heretofore made by
me

First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts
be paid out of any money I may die possessed of
as soon after as possible or may come into the hands
of my executor

Second I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Annie Doran
the house and land on which we now reside including
all the lots and out houses and appurtenances there
to belonging and all the stock of every description
on said place consisting of Cattle Horses mules
and hogs absolutely

Third I do bequeath to her for her use and ben-
efit all my land lying below and north of Saranah
during her natural life and also a piece of land
lying in the North West corner of my old home place
when my son W. P. Doran lives bounded as follows
by A. H. Frank on the South by Bain in the East East
South on the East and my old home place line
in the North in the West by the Spencer tract and
known as the Frank land and also my best land
and lot in the town of Saranah

Fourth It is my will and I do direct that my wife
shall not be charged with anything I gave her
before or after marriage that is to say I gave
her a small box containing two or three hun-
dred dollars in gold also one buggy and
harness team and farming tools enough to carry
on the farm all of the above articles mentioned
in section 4 were presents from me to her and she
is not to be charged with them

Fifth I bequeath all my lands not heretofore dis-
posed of to W. P. Doran and the heirs of James

Doran including the lands in which W.P. Doran
now resides & being my old home place
and the land where Ed Doran lives and
also the land W.L. Doran now lives on
and the land lying on Tennessee River now
rent to W.R. & J.L. Baker and I also will
the balance of my lands that is set apart
to my wife during her life to the said Ed
and the heirs of my dead son James

Doran to be equally divided between them
at my wife's death but my said wife is to in
no wise be interfered with during her life but is
to have the entire control of the same and to
receive all the rents and profits of the same

Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint
W.P. Doran & W.L. A. Doran my executors
In witness whereof I hereunto set
my hand and affix my seal this the
29th day of February 1884

 Alex Doran
Witnessed in our presence
and we have subscribed our
names in the presence of
the Testator
This the 29th day of February 1884
J.A. Martin
D.A. Wilek

See Pages 117 + 118.

W B Morris & Will

I W B Morris of the County of Hardin & State of
Tennessee being of sound mind and memory and
considering the uncertainty of this frail body do therefore
make ordain and publish and declare this to be my
last will and testament

That is to say first after all my lawful
debts are paid and discharged the residue of my
estate real & personal I give to my beloved wife
Polly Ann Morris all of my real & personal
estate that I am seized or possessed of at my
death during her life time and at her death
of my beloved wife after all the funeral expenses
and paid and debts the balance to be equally
divided between two beloved sons to wit

Harrod & W Lewis & Morris all of my real
and personal estate one tract of land divided
to me by William Pace & wife Cynthia Pace
registered in Book "M" Page 319 Col 18 1869
for 46 acres One other tract divided to me by
W Morris for 100 acres 12th day of February
1860 This tract includes and excludes the land

that I sold to Gmoffet One other tract divided
to me by L.H. Gancy for 20 acres bearing date
the 26th of January 1866 And the balance of the
above land I have given to my daughter
C.A. Purkin her part of my property died
bearing date September the 30 1882

Lastly I do hereby appoint J.R. Gancy
my executor

In witness whereof I do to this my will
set my hand this the 11th day of August
1884

This will is not to take effect till after the
death of my beloved wife Polly Ann.

 Wm Morris
J.R. Gancy
William Morris (seal)

Ann McDougals will

I Ann McDougal of the County of Hardin and State of Tennessee in view of the uncertainty of life and being desirous of settling my worldly affairs and being of sound and disposing mind do make and publish this my last will and testament that is to say after the payment of my debts and funeral expenses

First It is my will & desire that my sons John A and W. E. McDougal have the third of land which I now live containing about two hundred acres which I consider to be worth to be enjoyed by them equally or tenants in common after my death share and share alike.

Secondly I have advanced to my daughter property & money estimated by me as follows

To H. S. Johnson wife Sarah Jane Johnson
Three hundred and fourteen $41/100$ dollars
To Alex A. S. McDougal Seven hundred and seventy dollars

To John D McDougal Two hundred and fifty two $00/100$ dollars

To Elizabeth Brockmudge Two hundred dollars

To W. E. McDougal one hundred and twenty dollars

Thirdly It is my will and desire that all the real and personal of my real estate both in this County (Hardin) and in the County of Wayne be sold by my executor herein after mentioned & either publicly or privately in such way & on such terms as they in their discretion may think best as soon after my death as they may think best and the money when collected to be disposed of as herein after directed.

Fourthly It is my will and desire that my said executor with the proceeds of said real estate directed to be sold as aforesaid & together with the proceeds of any personal estate including debts due me

or money in hand of which I may die possessed not otherwise disposed of in this will proceed to distribute to my said heirs & devisees so as to make them who have received the least equal to those who have not. The more or as near as may be to make them all equal and if it should happen that there should not be enough to make all equal with said John A & William E. after paying the necessary expenses of the estate then I desire that they may contribute to any of the shares who may not have received an equal amount taking into the account the above mentioned advances & so as to equalize the shares received by each.

Fifthly It is my will and desire that the shares going to my deceased son John be retained in the hands of my said executor as testamentary guardians for the benefit of said children and as much thereof be expended as may in their judgment be necessary for ^{their} education & wellfare and I give to my grand daughter Annie Johnson in addition one feather bed and shawl & furniture.

I desire that part that may be going to my daughter Elizabeth E. Brockmudge & the same is given for her sole & separate use & free from the debts or debt of her present or any future husband who may have & I give to her little daughter Willie Brockmudge one feather bed and furniture.

Sixthly It is my will and desire that the stock & all kinds that I now have and that which and that which I have an interest in with my son John D McDougal with the income of the same I hereby give to my said son John D McDougal in consideration of of his services & can and attention rendered for me and I feel that it is due to give him this much more than an equal share with the other children.

Lastly I appoint my said son John D McDougal & W. E. McDougal ^{executors} of this my last will

with full power and authority to execute
the same fully without giving bond and security
having full confidence in their honesty and integrity
I intend and sign myself

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand
and seal this 7th day of August 1883
Ann M. Dugan

Attest

Second & acknowledged
in our presence & we have witnessed
at the equal & in the presence of
Tested the 7th day of Aug 1883

E. D. Patterson

E. M. Patterson

A. S. M. Dugan

Daniel Maddox Will

State of Tennessee

Hardin County, November 14th 1884

I, Daniel Maddox,

being of perfect

sound mind and

memory, do make and publish this my last Will and
Testament, hereby revoking all others by me made in
manner and form, to wit: First. After my death, I want
all my just debts and funeral expenses paid. Second.
I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Leuthia Caroline
all my personal property and real estate I do own and
possessed of to her use and benefit, her natural
life time; then to divide equally between all my heirs.

Third. I do appoint my beloved wife Leuthia Caroline
my sole executrix to this my last Will and Testament.
In witness whereof I set my hand and seal in
the presence of these witnesses.

Signed and sealed in the presence of us, this 14th
day of November, 1884.

Daniel Maddox

Witnesses: Hiram Boyson
J. Jeff Dixon

Will of James B. Payson

Feeling the uncertainty of human life and not
wishing to leave my temporal affairs in an unsettled
state should I be suddenly called out of life and
being at present in the full possession of my nat-
ural faculties I now make my will and leave to
my wife Sarah E. Payson all my real and personal
property consisting of one quarter acre lot 100.50
in the town of Saramak Hardin County Tennessee
with all the furniture (garden implements) bedding
within the house or attached to the premises. It is my
will that the said property be exclusively hers at my
decease to be disposed of as she shall choose
I mean

John H. Cooper
David S. Cooper

Beas Creek near Columbia Tennessee
July the 12th 1884

Will of Mrs. Annie Koolittle

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I, Annie K. Koolittle, of Hardin County, State of
Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory, do make
and publish this as my last Will and Testament. That
is to say it is my will and wish and I do hereby bequest
to my dearly beloved husband L. S. Koolittle in fee simple a
certain tract or parcel of land lying McNeely Co. Tennessee,
deeded to me by E. R. McNeely & wife on the 20th day of July
1877. Said tract contains 740 acres more or less and is
the same tract that has been under my control of myself
and husband since that date. It is my wish and will
that he may sell or dispose of it at his will, but I
also request and desire that when he does sell it, that
he retain out of the proceeds the sum of five hundred
dollars to be evenly divided between my two children
Sarah Edith and Corvella R. Koolittle.

Trusting implicitly in the honor and integrity of my
said husband L. S. Koolittle, I do hereby appoint him executor

William White's Will

I William White do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all others by me at any time made.

I direct that funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any monies that I may be possessed of as may come first into the hands of my executor.

Secondly I give and bequeath to my wife

Amanda White sixteen acres of land including the dwelling house and out buildings and to have access to as much timber of any lands that I have that will run up her place also one

acre and one half of the hog and the beds she had when we were married and one centimeter

this is to have this part of my estate so long as she lives on the place or remains a widow

and then to go back to my heirs herein after

mentioned James J. White, W. J. White and

children R. W. White, children J. M. White children

J. M. White children Jasper White and D. J. White

They are to have all the balance of my property both personal and real to be equally

divided between them the heirs that I have mentioned in this my last will and testament except

R. W. White's heirs children is to have one hundred and forty nine dollars less than the rest as they

have had that amount advanced to them

Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint James J. White and Jasper White my executors

In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand this the 24th day of August one thousand

eight hundred and eighty two

William White

At and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator this the 24th day of August 1882

Deeds - J. H. Brown

Will of Mrs. Annie W. Woolittle

I, Annie W. Woolittle, of Hardin County, State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory, do make and publish this as my last will and testament that is to say, it is my will and wish and I do hereby bequeath to my dearly beloved husband J. S. Woolittle, in fee simple, a certain tract or parcel of land lying in McNairy Co. Tennessee, deeded to me by E. H. McPeters wife on the 20th day of July 1877. Said tract contains 740 acres, more or less, and is the same tract that has been under the control of myself and husband since that date. It is my wish and will that he may sell or dispose of it at his will, but I also request and desire that when he does sell it, that he retain out of the proceeds the sum of five hundred dollars to be evenly divided between my two children Sarah Edith and Everett R. Woolittle.

Trusting implicitly in the honor and integrity of my said husband J. S. Woolittle, I do hereby appoint him Executor of this my Will and Testament and that he proceed to execute the trusts and bequests herein named without giving bond for the same as usually required by law.

Witness my hand this 28th day of September, 1885.

We, the undersigned were called by Annie W. Woolittle.

as witnesses to the foregoing Will of Annie W. Woolittle and saw her sign the same in the presence of each of us, and we sign our names as witnesses hereto in the presence of each other.

J. W. Chandler
C. C. Meeks

J. N. Dickson's Will

I J. N. Dickson of the County of Hardin State of Tennessee make this my last will

I give and devise and bequeath my personal and real property as follows that is to say I want all my debts first paid by my son J. N. Dickson without the appointment of an Administrator out of the property I leave a (my) death what of personal and real property is left after my debts are paid I want my wife Amanda Dickson to have during her life time and after her death I want my son J. N. Dickson to have all the property both real & personal and I want my said son J. N. Dickson to take care of my daughter Mary Alice Dalany and assist her as long as she needs assistance

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my name and published and declared this instrument as my will: This the 4th day of May 1885

John N. Dickson

The said John N. Dickson signed and sealed this instrument and published and declared the same as and for his last will and in the presence of each other have hereunto written our names as subscribing witnesses on this the 4th day of May 1885

Calvin Haman
W. H. Haman

Mary Goory's Will

State of Tennessee In the name of God amen Hardin County I D. Mary Goory, being old and infirm, but of perfect mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in the words following to wit:

Item 1st It is my will and desire my soul to God who gave it and my body to be buried in Christian form

Item 2nd That all of just debts and funeral expenses be paid

Item 3rd It is my will and desire that Rosa Irvin wife of Jas. Irvin to have and to hold my undivided half of the lands when the said John Irvin next dies.

Item 4th It is my will and desire that my household and kitchen furniture and my wearing apparel be equally divided between my sister Jane S. James and Rosa Irvin.

Item 5th I do appoint my trusty friend S. E. Goory to be Executor of this my last will and testament.

This 21st day of February 1889.

Signed and sealed in presence of
M. W. Goory and S. E. Goory

Mary^{her} Goory^{mark}

T. W. Byrds Last Will & Testament

I Thomas W. Byrd, of Hamilton County, Tennessee knowing the uncertainty of life and that it is appointed once for all men to die, do make, publish and ordain this as my last Will and Testament hereby making and making void all other Wills by me at any time made.

- First. I commend my soul to God who gave it and request that my body be buried in a decent and Christian like manner.
- Second. I desire that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my death as practicable out of any money on hand or that may first come into the hands of my Executor herein after mentioned.
- Third. I desire that my grandson Alfred Cherry Byrd have six hundred dollars in cash, to be paid to him or to his regular guardian if I should die before he arrives at the year of manhood by my said Executor and if there should not be a sufficient amount of money on hand to pay my just debts &c and said item of \$600.00 to said Alfred C. Byrd, I desire that a sufficient amount of personal property be sold or debts collected to pay the same.
- Fourth. I desire that my beloved wife Jane Byrd, have all my personal property of every description, including cash, notes, &c's, stock of every description, provision household and kitchen furniture except enough to meet the requests provided for in item two (2) and three (3) for her sole use and benefit.
- Fifth. I desire that my two tracts of land known as the home place; being the west half of the 374 acre tract on the river, and 200 acre tract in the hills on which I now live, except some small lots heretofore deeded off and special requests hereinafter mentioned, remain the property of my beloved wife during her natural life subject to her cultivation control and at her death, I desire that the same descend to our daughter Bettie Byrd and her heirs or assigns forever.
- Sixth. I desire that the east half of said 374 acre tract of land on the river be equally divided between my two sons W. R. Byrd and C. C. Byrd; also so many

off the 200 acre tract bequeathed to my wife; Beginning at the N. E. corner of said tract running south to the public Road then west a sufficient distance to make 20 acres.

Seventh. I desire that my lands known as the Woods land, containing about 400 acres, also a 43 1/2 acre tract of land lying on the west side of Sulphur Creek on the River bank be equally divided between my two daughters Emaline Byrd wife of A. R. Byrd and Mary Susan, common wife of J. M. Byrd and their bodily heirs forever free from any control of their said husbands, further than to receive the benefits from rents or cultivation.

Eight. My daughter Martha Jane Thomas having received sixteen hundred dollars from me in cash to buy her a home in Arkansas. She is not entitled to any part of my estate.

Ninth. I desire that my executor pay out of any money he may receive to my son W. J. Byrd five dollars in cash which together with what he has heretofore received constitutes his equitable portion of my estate.

Tenth. I desire that my Executor pay to Jimmie, wife of ----- said to be the daughter of my son Jas M. Byrd now deceased, the sum of five dollars.

Eleventh. I desire that my executor execute to each of my children deeds to their portion of my estate upon their having the same surveyed and furnishing the calls &c.

Twelfth. I hereby appoint my friend H. R. Kieble Executor to this my last Will and Testament and request him to carry out the provisions thereof.

And testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 20th day of May, 1885.

Signed and acknowledged in our presence and in the presence of each other the date above written

J. T. Macdonald,
R. E. Bennett,
J. D. McDougal

T. W. Byrd (seal)

Codicil To the Will of T. W. Byrd.

I, Thomas W. Byrd, being of sound mind but of feeble health, do make and publish this as a Codicil to the last Will & Testament made and executed by me on the 20th day of May, 1883.

It is my will and desire that item three in said last Will and Testament be so changed and amended that my Executor therein named after my death pay to my Grandson Alfred Cherry Byrd the sum of one hundred dollars in lieu and stead of the sum of six hundred dollars as it appears in said last Will and Testament and the said one hundred dollar as above bequeathed is the whole amount of my estate that I desire him the said Alfred Cherry Byrd to have, he having deserted and neglected me in my time of need. In all other things I desire that my said last Will & Testament so executed on the 20th day of May, 1883, remain without change.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 29th day of October, A.D., 1883.

Signed & delivered in our presence ^{his} Thomas W. Byrd and we have signed our names hereto at the request of the Testator

I. W. Ross.

A. W. Stout.

Order Probat in Minute Book K page 222.
December 7. 1885

Stephen H. Gralls Will

Know all men by these presents that I Stephen H. Gralls of the State of Tennessee and the County of Hardin being at my right mind and feeling that I soon must leave all that dear on earth to me, do will and bequeath unto my wife beloved my home place on which I now live and the my children my land lying upon the waters of Hollands Creek and I do further appoint my father Arch Gralls as my sole Executor to wind up all of my business, to sell my black mule and to pay all of my just debts and such other stock as he thinks necessary and to by all as he thinks best to do and also my place known as the Jet I have place to go to my children. I now leave all of my earthly affairs to my father to do as he thinks right for my wife and children. This the 2nd day of July, 1883.

Witness

Henry Sigub

Abraham Gralls

Stephen H. Gralls

James Thomas Sr. Will

I, James Thomas Sr. of the County of Hardin and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and disposing memory and knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, do make and publish this as my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and making void all others by 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 I may die possessed of or that may first come into the hands of my Executor, to be hereafter named.

Secondly,

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Eliza C. Thomas all my lands of every description and personal property to have and to hold during her widowhood or until our youngest child comes of age, for the purpose of supporting and educating and raising the following named children, to wit: Anna Thomas, Augustus Irwin Thomas, Anniggi T. Thomas, Robert Edward Lee Thomas and Richard T. Thomas, the children of Eliza C. Thomas.

But should the said Eliza C. Thomas marry or die, then it is my will that all my property, both personal and real be divided equally between the within named children to share and share alike.

I hereby nominate and appoint S. B. Burks Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I do to this my last Will and Testament set my hand & seal, this the 23rd day of Oct., A.D. 1876.

James Thomas Sr. (seal)

Signed and stated in our presence and we have subscribed our names herunto in the presence of the testator, this the 23rd day of Oct., 1876.

S. B. Burks

R. M. Pilder

Alex Doran's Last Will and Testament

In view of the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, and being of sound mind and disposing memory, I, Alexander Doran, of the County of Hardin and State of Tennessee, do hereby make, publish and declare this as my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all other will at any time heretofore made by me.

First.

I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid out of any money I may die possessed of as soon after my death as possible, or may come into the hands of my executors.

Second.

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Emma Doran, the house and land on which we now reside, including all the lots and out houses and appurtenances thereto belonging, and all the stock of every description on said place, consisting of cattle, horses, mules and hogs absolutely.

Third.

I also bequeath to her, for her use and benefit all my land lying below and north of Savannah during her natural life and also a piece of land lying in the north west corner of my old home place, where my son W. P. Doran now resides, bounded as follows: by A. F. Tranks on the south; by Bain on the east and my old home place line on the north, and on the west by the Spencer tract and known as the Grant land - and also my brick house and lot in the town of Savannah.

Fourth.

It is my will and I so direct that my ~~wife~~ shall ~~not~~ be charged with anything I give her before or after marriage, that is to say I give her a small box containing two or three hundred dollars in gold, also one buggy and harness, one two-horse wagon and harness and team, and farming tools enough to carry on the farm - all the above articles mentioned in section 4 were presents from me to her and she is not to be charged with them.

5th

It is my will and I so direct, that my executors collect all the money due me, and assets of all descriptions as soon as they can after my death and after deducting three hundred dollars, that I will to my granddaughters, Mary Holt and pay the same over to her - which I give her as her part of my estate. They divide the balance, after deducting said amount equally into three parts between my wife, W. P. Doran, and James Doran's heirs.

6th

I bequeath all my lands not heretofore disposed

of to W. P. Moran and the heirs of James Moran including the lands on which W. P. Moran now resides, it being my old home place and the land where Ed Moran lives and also the land W. P. Moran now lives on and my land lying on the Tennessee River and now rented to H. C. and Jasper Bates.

And I also will the balance of my land that is set apart to my wife during her life to the said W. P. Moran and the heirs of my dear son James Moran, to be equally divided between them at my wife's death. But my said wife is in no wise to be interfered with during her life, but is to have the entire control of the same and to receive all the rents and profits of the said.

I do hereby nominate and appoint W. P. Moran and M. J. Alford my executors.

In witness whereof I have set my hand and affixed my seal this the 29th day of February, 1884.

Signed, sealed and published Alex. Moran

in our presence and we have

subscribed our names thereto

in the presence of the testator

This the 29th of February 1884.

J. D. Martin

W. A. Welch

Curative Will of Mrs. L. E. Smith

The last will of Mrs. L. E. Smith, was Mrs. N. E. Welch and Mrs. Barbara Primm being called on by Mrs. L. E. Smith to witness her will some time before her death, which is as follows, to wit:

First she said she wanted all her debts paid, her funeral expenses out of her effects as soon after her death as possible and her if there was any left after paying her funeral expenses and debts to go to her Church.

Mrs. L. E. Smith died the 31st day of March, 1886.

N. E. Welch

B. S. Primm

Last Will & Testament of Alexander Richardson

State of Tennessee & Being sound in mind and memory I make /
Hardin County, Tenn. and declare this my last Will and Testament in
matter and form as follows:

I give and bequeath to Andrew J. Stricklin my land that I now live on, lying on the waters of Horse Creek in the 7th Civil District in said County of Hardin and State of Tennessee and containing sixty acres more or less. I make this my last will and testament and the said Andrew J. Stricklin is to take care of me my life time or during my natural life and I make and appoint Andrew J. Stricklin my executor to this my last Will and Testament revoking all former Wills by me made. I witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this August 31st 1886.

Witnesses

H. H. Cherry

J. S. McCoy

Alexander Richardson

G. W. Rose Will

I hereby make and publish this my last will and testament, revoking all other wills made by me. I will all my just debts to be paid out of my effects.

1st

2nd

I will my wife Claudia Rose a sufficient quantity of my land to make good support for her and the children during her natural life. The balance of the land to be rented out and if the other effects do not pay all my debts, the rent of land to be used for that purpose as far as is needed.

3rd

I will that as I have given my son J. A. Rose, a horse. I want the rest of my children to have a horse or one hundred dollars each, to make them up with him, if it can be done before the land is sold; if not, to be done when the land is sold.

4th

I will and appoint my son J. A. Rose Executor to this my last will and testament.

Witness my hand and seal, this the 25th day of April, 1887.

Witness.
E. B. Spanton &
J. J. Gillis
A. Cook

G. W. Rose (Seal)

Arch Qualts Will

I, Arch Qualts, being of sound mind, know that I must soon leave all that is near and dear to me on earth, do hereby will and bequest to my beloved wife Rachel Qualts, all of my property both real and personal, except as herein after named; during her widowhood or life, and then, for all to be sold, and divided equally with my children.

I wish that for my son Stephens Children at my wife's death or marriage, to have five dollars each, and my son John to have the mule now that he claims to be his, also for him to buy him a new saddle out of my effects.

And I do hereby appoint Henry Austin my Administrator to settle all just claims that may be produced, and if there is not money sufficient to pay all claims he must sell such property as he thinks best and pay them. And I wish him to take charge and manage as he thinks best to do and act, as if he were acting for himself. This the 13th day of June, 1887.

Witness. W. R. Qualts
R. F. Brison

Arch Qualts

Last Will and Testament of Wm M. Boggus

I, William M. Boggus do make and publish this my last will and testament. First, revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made, either written or spoken. First, I direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my death as possible, out of any money that I may die possessed of, or may first come into the hands of my executor. Secondly, I give and bequest to my wife Margaret Allen Boggus during her life or widowhood the home place, my two sons George Lafayette and Washington to have control of the farm, or to cultivating it, and take care of and support and clothe their mother during her life, and at her death I give to my two sons George and Washington fifty acres off of the south side of my home place or farm, including the mansion house that I live in, including all the improvements and spring. I give to my wife during her life all my household effects and if my sons George or Washington shall marry before their mother's death, they to have a bedstead and bedding and if not, at her death they to have a bed each and further, I give and bequest to my two sons George and Washington the farm known as the Cotton farm in addition to the fifty acres that I give them off the home place to be equally divided between them, and I give to George and Washington each a horse or mule, if I die possessed of any and at my death I give to my daughter Martha Caroline Northernt twenty five acres of land off of the east end of my home place so as to include the little field on the east part of the home place. My daughter to have and to hold it during her natural life, and at her death to go to her bodily heirs and if she dies without heirs of her body, then to be divided between her brothers and sister. Third I give to my daughter Rebecca 50 acres of land off of my home place to be taken off of the west side of the place, so as to give building situation convenient to water. She to have it during her life, then to her bodily heirs, and if she dies without heirs of her body then to be divided equally between her brothers and sister. I also give her a bed and bedstead & bed clothing and also my sewing machine, the balance of my land belonging

to my home place, I give equally to my two sons George and Washington. I also give to my son Calvin a part of my Smith's Fork lands beginning with the cross fence running west with the fence and ditch to the line between me and Temple Johnson, including the old home place and buildings; the balance of my Smith's Fork lands, I give and bequest to my three sons Lem, Orrin & Reuben Boggus to be divided between the three sons in number of acres. The new house on the south known as the Calvin Boggus house to be on the lot of land falling to Lem, the lot of land falling to Lem, I give to him during his life, then to his bodily heirs and when I die, if I have more stock than the law allows to my wife that I have not otherwise disposed of I direct that it be sold and the proceeds be equally divided between all my children.

I do furthermore nominate my son George Guardian of my two minor children Washington and Rebecca, to be their guardians until they arrive at the years of maturity.

Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint my two sons Calvin and George my executors to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 9th day of June, 1861.

Signed and sealed and published in our presence, and we have subscribed names hereto in the presence of the testator, this the 9th day of June, 1861.

Witness John A. Smith
B. W. Smith

Last Will and Testament of Jasper Parullo

I, Jasper Parullo, of the County of Hardin and State of Tennessee, knowing the uncertainty of life, do hereby make and publish this my last will & Testament, hereby revoking and making void all wills by me heretofore made.

First. I desire that all my just debts be paid out of the first money coming into the hands of my executors.

Secondly. I desire that my beloved wife Anna have control of the farm after my death just as I do before my death, so long as she may live; and at her death, the title to pass to hereinafter designated.

Thirdly. I desire, after my death, that a sufficient amount of live stock be kept on the farm to support the family and run the farm during the lifetime of my beloved wife, and should there be a surplus on hand, I desire that it be equally divided among my four children, or sold, and the proceeds divided.

4th. I will and bequeath to my daughter Roxanna H. Truman wife of C. A. Truman, and her bodily heirs, the following described tract of land lying in Hardin Co., Tenn. 4th Civil Dist. Beginning at a stake standing in the center of Horse Creek at the mouth of the Carr Spring ditch, running thence N. 66th East 29 poles to a stake in the center of the road on Carr ridge, with two elms & Sassafras fr. Then north 10th west 87 poles to a stake with poplar, Sweet-gum fr. Then east 74 poles to a stake in the W. B. line of John White's land; then north with his line 45 poles to Brachyridges S.E. corner, then west with his line 143 poles to a stake in his field; then south 14 poles to a Sweet-gum; then S. 48th E. 54 poles to a stake in a slough; then south 18 poles to a stake; then S. 68th W. 10 poles to a stake in Horse Creek with White oak fr. standing on the east bank of the creek; then up the center of the creek to the beginning. Containing 56 1/4 acres, more or less.

5th. I will and bequeath to my son J. N. Parullo the following tracts of land: One tract beginning on a stake in the center of Horse Creek with White oak fr. standing on the east bank at the upper end of a field, known as the elder thicket, running thence N. 68th East 12 poles to a stake; then North 18 poles to a stake in a slough; then N. 45th W. 25 poles to a stake in a slough; then N. 35th W. 54; then west 36 poles to the center of Horse

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Creek; then up the creek with its meanders to the beginning, containing 37 acres, more or less, also one other tract where he now lives, beginning on a stake standing in the S. B. line of N. W. Watson's home place, first S.E. from his dwelling house, running thence east about 140 poles to S. L. Fowler's W. B. line, being the E. B. line of the "Portune" land; then south 94 poles to J. M. Black's line; then west with the same about 146 poles to a stake; then north 94 poles to the beginning, containing 90 acres, more or less and containing in said two tracts, 127 acres, more or less.

6th. I will and bequeath to my son J. N. Parullo the following tracts of land, one of which begins on a stake standing on the south side of a ditch in Horse Creek bottom, between the mill and Blue Spring, 8 poles west from the N. E. corner of the Broyles land, running thence west 100 poles to a stake; thence N. 23th E. 106 poles to a gum stump with fr. then N. 38th East 70 poles to a stake in the center of Horse Creek with 2 Sycamore fr. on the west bank; thence up said creek with its meandering to a stake, standing in the center of the creek, 8 poles west of the W. B. line of the home place; thence south 88 poles to the beginning, containing 41 1/2 acres, more or less.

Also one other tract beginning at a stake with Blk oak and Post oak fr. the square being J. M. Black's N. W. corner, thence north with the E. B. line of R. S. Hurst and C. A. Truman, 93 1/2 poles to a stake; Maple and Post oak fr. the same being N. W. Watson's N. W. corner; thence east 60 1/2 poles to a stake at the corner of said Watson's place; thence south 94 poles to a stake on J. M. Black's N. B. line; thence west 64 1/2 poles to the beginning, containing 38 acres, more or less, and containing in the two tracts 55 acres, more or less.

7th. I will and bequeath to my son John A. Parullo the following described tract of land. Beginning on a small Black-oak, Black oak, chestnut and Post oak fr. in the N. B. line of D. R. Hurst's land, being the S. E. corner of my own place, running thence west 82 poles to Horse Creek and crossing the same in all 183 poles to a White oak in the Broyles E. B. line; thence north 22 with the ditch to Broyles N. E. corner, thence west 8 poles to a stake on the south bank of said ditch, then north 86 poles to a stake in the center of Horse Creek; then up said creek with its meanders to a stake standing opposite the mouth of Carr Spring ditch; then N. W. E. 29 poles to a stake

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In the middle of the road off to the east ridge with two clous and sassafras trees. Then N. 10° W. 39 poles to a stake with poplar and Sweet gum trees. Then east 74 poles to a stake in the W.B. line of the School land; Then south 15° poles to the beginning containing 100 acres, more or less.

8th I desire that my Executor hereinafter appointed shall execute deeds with general warranty to my children for the respective tracts of land above described and see that the provisions of this will are carried out according to the spirit of the instrument.

9th I hereby appoint Executor to
this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal, this the 27th day of April, 1888.

Witness
A. A. Watson,
J. W. Blount.

Jasper Paulk (Seal)

Will of Testament of Eli Rose

I, Eli Rose, do make and publish this as my last will and testament.

First: I direct that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I may die possessed of or may hereafter come into the hands of my executor.

Second: I give and bequeath to my son Jesse Rose one tract of land on the south side of the creek, beginning on a poplar, running east to a pine; thence north to a stake in the creek; thence west with the meanders of the creek to where the line crosses the creek; thence south to an ash corner thence south by to the beginning.

3rd I give to my son Isaac one tract of land, beginning at a stake in the creek N. E. corner of Rose's lot; thence north to a stake and two poplar oaks; thence west to a chestnut tree; thence south down a big hollow to a cross fence with the same to the creek, with the creek with the meanders of the same to the beginning. I desire that Isaac sell the above land and pay off to note he holds against me.

4th I give to Wiley Rose one tract of land beginning on a stake in the creek running N. with the cross fence to a chestnut thence west to a poplar oak corner, pine and poplar oak; thence N. to a stake in the bridge road that divides Dickey and Harbours creeks then W. to where line crosses the road (stake); then S. to a white oak; then S. by to the creek; thence E. with the meanders of the creek to the beginning.

5th I give to Peggy Brady one tract of land beginning on N. side of Harbours creek at the branch running N. following the corner ground back to the branch, back corner up the meanders of the same to the beginning.

6th I have heretofore given my son John Rose, deed, 200 acres of land, \$1000 moneys, and \$20 cash. I desire that this is all that his estate or heirs shall ever have of my estate.

Lastly: I do hereby nominate and appoint Jesse Rose, Executor. In witness whereof, I do to this my will set my hand and seal, this Apr. 24th, 1888.

Attest J. W. L. Gratts
A. J. Montan

Eli Rose (Seal)

Lewis Crofts Will.

I, Lewis Crofts, do make and publish this as my last Will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all others by me at any time made.

First. I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible, out of any monies that I may die possessed of, or may first come into the hands of my executor. And I direct that after my death my property of which I die possessed of, shall be sold, and out of the proceeds of said sale, Rhoda M. Howard shall be furnished a saddle and then Margaret C. Crofts shall be furnished a horse, so as to make them equal with the rest of my children in horses and saddles. And I direct that the mule which Lauffer McCurry brought me from Highland, and which I afterwards delivered to D. M. McCurry, the husband of Martha Ann McCurry, shall be a gift to her, the said Martha Ann McCurry, making her equal with the rest of my children in horses.

Secondly. I direct that after my heirs are all made equal out of the proceeds of the sale of my property and my debts are all paid, the remainder of the proceeds of said sale shall be divided equally among my heirs, if a remainder then be.

Thirdly. I give and bequeath to my son John C. Crofts that portion of my real estate to which I have this day made him a deed of gift, including about 60 acres off of the south side of my home tract of land and designated in the division of my home tract of land as lot no. 1, and one tenth of all my river land in the 6th civil district.

Fourthly. I give and bequeath to my son Jacob C. Crofts that portion of my real estate to which I have this day made him a deed of gift; being about 60 acres of my home tract of land designated in the division of the same as lot no. 2, but excepting one half of the buildings thereon; and also bequeath to him one tenth of all my river land in the 6th civil district.

Fifthly. I give and bequeath to my daughter Margaret C. Crofts that portion of my real estate to which I have this day made her a deed of gift; the same being about 60 acres of my home tract of land and designated in the partition of the same as lot no. 3; also one half of the mansion house I now live in and one half of the other buildings on lot no. 2, which I give Jacob C. Crofts and also one tenth of all my river land on the Tennessee River in the 6th civil district.

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Sixthly. I give and bequeath unto my son David A. Crofts that portion of my real estate to which I have this day made him a deed of gift; the same being that portion of my home tract of land designated as lot no. 4 in the partition of the same, containing about 60 acres. And one tenth of all my river land in the 6th civil district.

Seventhly. I give and bequeath to my son Francis M. Crofts that portion of my real estate to which I have this day made him a deed of gift; the same being about 60 acres of my home tract of land designated in the partition of the same as lot no. 5, and also one tenth of all my river land in the 6th civil district.

Eighthly. I give and bequeath to Polly L. Howard, my daughter, that portion of my real estate to which I have this day made her a deed of gift; the same being about 60 acres of land on my home tract and designated in the partition of the same as lot no. 6; also one tenth of all my river land in the 6th civil district.

Ninthly. I give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy S. Howard that portion of my real estate to which I have this day made her a deed of gift; the same being about 60 acres of my home tract of land and designated in the partition of the same as lot no. 7, and also one tenth of all my river land in the 6th civil district.

Tenthly. I give and bequeath to my daughter Rhoda M. Howard that portion of my real estate to which I have this day made her a deed of gift; the same being about 60 acres of my home tract of land and designated in the partition of the same as lot no. 8, and one tenth of all my river tracts of land in the 6th civil district.

Eleventhly. I give and bequeath to my son Joseph V. Crofts that portion of my real estate to which I have this day made him a deed of gift; the same being about 50 acres of my home tract of land and designated in the partition of the same as lot no. 9, and also one tenth of all my river tract of land in the 6th civil district.

Twelfthly. I give and bequeath to my daughter Martha Ann McCurry that portion of my real estate to which I have this day made her a deed of gift; the same being about 50 acres off of the north side of my home tract of land and designated in the partition of the same as lot no. 10, and also one tenth of all my river lands in the 6th civil district.

Lastly. I do hereby nominate and appoint Thomas M. Howard my executor. In witness whereof I do, to this my will, set my

Lewis & Clark

hand this the 15th day of March, 1881.

Signed and published in our presence,

and we have subscribed our names hereto in

the presence of the testator, this the 15th day of

March, 1881.

John Swin

A. M. Williams.

W. G. Thomas' Will.

I, W. G. Thomas, do make and publish this as my last will and testament, hereby making void all other wills by me at any time.

First.

I direct that my funeral expenses, and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I may die possessed of, or may come into the hands of my executor.

Secondly.

I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth B. Thomas my home place, including the mansion residence while she wishes to inhabit it, then to my son Henry C. Beginning at the north-east corner about one pole below the mouth of a blind ditch on the bank of Turkey creek; running then south to Andy Allison's line; thence west to a large white oak log near the Ed Godwin house; thence north near or about 20 rods, so as to leave the Ed Godwin house south of the line; thence west to Martin Haggard's line; thence north to the corner of a hundred acre tract, which is the S.E. corner of said tract; thence west within 12 rods of the S.A. Brown house; thence north 10 poles; thence west to Nail Pulls East boundary line; thence north to Lewis Welch's south boundary line; thence east to the grass yard; thence south to the grass yard corner; thence around the grass yard back to the Lewis Welch land; thence north with the Welch line near the mouth of the Spring branch; thence east with the Welch line to Turkey creek; thence up Turkey with its meanders to the beginning, which I give to my wife and son Henry C. Thomas. And I also give to my wife and son C. and large sand mare and bay horse, mule that Sam Anderson has now bought. And also I give to my son C. a gray female Mule one year old, and also I give all of my cattle and hogs to my wife and also I give my wagon and buggy and harness. And also I give to my wife all my farming tools and also I give all my household effects to my wife and I also give to my wife two hundred dollars in cash out of any money that I die possessed of. I also give to my son hundred and fifty barrels corn out of the growing crop; also fifty bushels wheat. I give to my daughter Mary J. Haggard, beginning a tract of land on the east bank of Turkey creek, beginning at the Water gap on Turkey creek, running thence east with my line and M. B. Parker to the upper end of the field; thence south to the upper end of the Elder patch on Turkey creek near the mouth of the ditch; thence down Turkey creek with its meanders to the beginning. And I also give to my daughter Mary J. Haggard forty acres of land off of the Camp Ground tract. Beginning at a hickory, the S.W. corner of said tract, near where Mrs. Nail now lives so as to lay it off running S. and west

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clear across the tract, I also give to my daughter Saline S. Thomas a tract of land beginning at my S.E. corner thence north to the creek corner between W. F. Parker and myself, thence west to the corner I made to Mary J. Haggard; thence south to Parker's creek, thence up the creek near the head of the island; thence south passing near the big gate so as to get to the ditch; thence with the ditch to Andy Allison's line; thence E. to the beginning. Also I give to my daughter, sixty acres of land off of the Campbell's tract off of the north side of said tract. Also I give to her the Dr. Jordan house and land adjoining for a building location. I also give to my grandchildren, the children of my daughter Maggie Porterfield, the lands lying between the lands that I give to my daughter Saline and my son Em. and also sixty acres the balance of my Campbell's tract of land. And also twelve or fifteen acres of land lying two poles west of the Brown's house which was excluded from the home place for building location which I give to my grandchildren of my daughter Maggie Porterfield. I also give and bequeath to my son W. O. Thomas five hundred dollars in cash, notes or stock. I also give to my daughter Martha E. White six hundred dollars in cash, notes or stock. I also give to my son John F. Thomas one hundred dollars in cash notes or stock. And when I die if I should be possessed of any means not herewith bequeathed, I direct that it be equally divided between all my children. I do hereby nominate and appoint M. F. Parker my executor, in witness whereof I do to this my will, set my hand and seal. This 30th day of June, 1888.

Witness

John A. Smith

W. O. Thomas (Seal)

John F. Thomas

I, W. O. Thomas, having heretofore made and published my last Will and Testament, do make and declare this as a Corollary, to wit: That I give to my daughter Mary J. Haggard a tract or parcel of land that I formerly gave to the Porterfield children, children of my daughter Maggie beginning at the S.E. corner of the lands I gave to my daughter Mary J. Haggard running up the creek with the old bed of the creek opposite a large walnut that is now burnt down; thence west with the fence and now stands to the beginning. Secondly, My daughter Mary J. Haggard is not to have any more of the proceeds of my estate only the land that I have formerly given her.

August 14th, 1888.

W. O. Thomas

Attest

J. F. Thomas

John A. Smith

William K. Hardin's Will

I, William K. Hardin, of the County of Hardin and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory, do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and following, that is to say, 1st. It is my will that my funeral expenses thereof together with all just debts, be fully paid. I give, devise and bequeath to beloved wife Sarah Hardin, the farm we now live on also also the residence and all the fixtures thereunto, also the farm known as a part of the Mack Hardin lands lying on the waters of Smith's Fork and Indian Creek. My wife Sarah is to be as fully vested with right and title and control of the above named farms as I am myself during her natural life and then the above named farms shall be divided at her death as named. I further give and bequeath to my wife Sarah all my personal property of every kind, including money, notes and acts to have and control her lifetime, and at her death my executor will dispose of all personal property and money on hand in the following manner. 2nd By paying off all debts that she may owe at her death, that is my wife Sarah, the remainder to be divided equally among my sons and daughters, or their heirs if any of them should be dead at that time, except my son Andrew K. Hardin, whom I have already given as much of my estate as I intend for him to have, as he has displeased me in adopting William Haggard child. I also give to my grand-son Watt Hardin one horse, saddle and one bed and necessary bedclothes for said bed and one hundred dollars in money provided he lives on with me & his grand ma. My daughter Eliza Ann is still have a home in the house with her mother so long as it her mother wish or will.

I give and devise to my son Watkins Hardin the farm he now lives on and controls I having already made him a deed to same which is described in the deed made to him.

I give and devise to my daughter Mary H. Clark the farm on the south side of Hardin's Creek, I having already made her a deed to the same which is described in the deed.

I give and devise to daughter Eliza Ann Hardin the farm we now live on known as the home place bounded on the east by Amos Hardin land on south by Smith & Cuffles on the west by Eli Cuffles North Brooks lands. She is to have all the improvements and fixtures there belonging to the said farm, except forty acres of the timber land which lies south of the farm and adjoining Dr. Smith's hill lands the

forty acres to be cut off west by Smith line, beginning at the south west corner of my home place running there east with Dr Smith line to my south east corner of my home place thence north a sufficient no of poles so as to run thence west to the west boundary line of my home place so as to make forty acres which I give to my son J. S. Hardin.

I give and devise to my daughter Margaret McMin one half of my farm known as a part of the Mack Hardin lands, bounded on the west by Dr Smith on the north portion of Harbourn lands on the east by J. S. Hardin lands formerly owned by J. S. Hardin's heirs Primus's heirs land, the division to be made equal between her and J. S. Hardin. She is also to have a tract of about 40 acres of timber land north of Smith Fork Creek.

I give and devise to my son J. S. Hardin one half of my farm known as the Mack Hardin lands herebefore mentioned the farm to be equally divided between my son J. S. Hardin and my daughter Margaret McMin. My son J. S. Hardin is to have forty acres of timberland land of the home place herebefore mentioned and described.

I give and bequeath to my son J. S. Hardin eight hundred and eighty dollars, this amount he has already received the reason for not giving him no more is herebefore mentioned.

The above named divisions of lands to take effect at my wife's death all the above named parcels of land. I consider them equal in valuation, or at least I intend for it to stand that way except Mary H. Clark's part of land which she is to have one hundred and fifty dollars out of my personal property at my wife's death without interest.

And last I hereby appoint my wife Sarah and my son Watkins Hardin to be the Executors of this my last will and testament. This Sept. 6th 1888.

Witness
J. M. King
J. M. Franklin

W. H. Hardin

Note: The above copy of W. H. Hardin's will is scanned on account of a clerical error. A true copy is on page 135 & 136.

W. H. Hardin's Will.

I, William H. Hardin, of the County of Hardin and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and following, that is to say 1st. It is my will that my funeral expenses thereof together with all just debts be fully paid. I give devise and bequeath to beloved wife Sarah Hardin, the farm we now live on also the residence and all the fixtures thereto, also the farm known as a part of the Mack Hardin lands lying on the waters of Smith's Fork and Jordan Creek. My wife Sarah is to be as fully vested with right and title and control of the above named farms as I am myself during her natural life and then the above named farms shall be divided as hereinafter named. I further give and bequeath to my wife Sarah all my personal property of every kind including money, notes and debts to have and control her life time, and at her death my executor will dispose of all personal property and money on hand in the following manner: 1st By paying off all debts that she may owe at her death. That is my wife Sarah, the remainder to be divided equally among my sons and daughters or their heirs if any of them should be dead at that time, except my son Andrew J. Hardin, whom I have already given as much of my estate as I intend for him to have, as he has displeased me in adopting William Keasht's child. I also give to my grand son Watt Hardin one horse, bridle and saddle and one bed and necessary bedclothes for said bed and one hundred dollars in money provided he lives on with me & his grand-ma. My daughter Eliza Ann is still here a home in the house with her mother so long as it her mother wish or will.

I give and devise to my son Watkins Hardin the farm he now lives on and controls, I having already made him a deed to same which is described in the deed made to him.

I give and devise to my son Columbus Hardin the farm he has control of, I having already made him a deed to same which is described in the deed made to him.

I give and devise to my daughter Mary H. Clark the farm on the south side of Hardin's Creek, I having already made her a deed to the same which is described in the deed.

I give and devise to daughter Eliza Ann Hardin the farm we now live on known as the home place, bounded on the east by Amos Hardin lands, on the south by Smith & Chaffee, on the west by Eli Chaffee, north Brooks lands. She is to have all the improvements

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and fixtures there belonging to the said farm except forty acres of the timber land which lies south of the farm and adjoining Dr. Smith's hill land. the forty acres to be cut off east Dr. Smith's line beginning at the south west corner of my home place running thence east with Dr. Smith's line to my south east corner of my home place thence north a sufficient no of fathoms so as to run thence west to the west boundary line of my home place so as to make forty acres which I give to my son S. G. Hardin.

I give and devise to my daughter Margaret McMillin one half of my farm known as a part of the Mack Hardin lands bounded on the west by Dr. Smith on the north portion of Hardin lands on the east by S. G. Hardin land formerly owned by John Lewis S. Brown Lewis land, the division to be made equal between her and S. G. Hardin. She is also to have a tract of about 40 acres of timber land north of Smith Fork creek.

I give and devise to my son S. G. Hardin one half of my farm known as a part of the Mack Hardin lands heretofore mentioned the farm to be equally divided between my son S. G. Hardin and my daughter Margaret McMillin. My son S. G. Hardin is to have forty acres of timbered land of the home place heretofore mentioned and described.

I give and bequeath to my son A. G. Hardin Eight hundred and Eighty dollars, this amount he has already received the reason for not giving him no more is heretofore mentioned.

The above named divisions of lands to take effect at my wife's death all the above named parcels of lands I consider them equal in valuation, or at least I intend for it to stand that way, except Mary H. Clark's part of land which she is to have one hundred & fifty dollars out of my personal property at my wife's death without interest.

And last I hereby appoint my wife Sarah and my son Mathias Hardin to be the executors of this my last will and testament. This Sept. 6th 1888.

Witness
J. M. King
J. M. Wambles.

W. H. Hardin

Robert Austin Will

Known all men by these presents That I, Robert Austin being of sound mind, do hereby leave all of my property after paying all of my just debts, burial expenses to to my beloved wife Mary Ann Austin all of my property, real & personal, and I do appoint her my executor to take possession of all of my property and do as she pleases with it and dispose of it as she see proper and to sell such stock and other property, as she thinks best, believing that she will do all things well.

July 28th 1888

Witness
Eli Cherry
J. D. Austin

Robert Austin
witness

Alexander Richardson's Will.

Know all men by these presents, that I, Alexander Richardson of the County of Hardin and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind, do hereby will and bequeath unto John McCoy Four hundred and forty dollars in money, provided always that the said John McCoy does agree and covenant with me for the above money described that he will take care of me my natural lifetime and that I am to live with him and he does being himself, administrator &c and that he will clothe and feed me comfortably and administer to all of my necessary wants and after death he must see me buried respectably and the said McCoy is to have the use of said money from this date to use it in any way he sees proper.

Given under my hand and seal this 15th day of August, 1888.
Witness
Eli Cherry
A. J. Stricklin

Alexander Richardson
witness

Martha Delaney's Will

Personally appeared before me J. C. Tucker, an acting Justice of the Peace, Martha Delaney and maker her Will and gave at her death everything that she possessed except enough money to purchase a nice set of tombstones for her grave. Unto Mrs. Adeline Brown for taking care of her while she lived. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 23 day of Nov. 1889.

Attest J. C. Tucker, J.P. —
J. P. Brown

Martha Delaney

E. Churchwell's Will

I, E. Churchwell, being of sound mind, memory and understanding and impressed with the great uncertainty of life and the certainty of death and being desirous to dispose of my temporal affairs, so that after my death no contention may arise relative to the same.

First. I bequeath my body to the dust when it comes and my soul to God who gave it hoping for a happy immortality through the atoning merits of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Savior of the World.

Second. My desire is that our bodies be laid with our beloved daughter and money used by our Executors to put tombs to the graves.

I, E. Churchwell, do give and bequeath to my son J. L. Churchwell One hundred and fifty dollars in money to be paid when collected and I also give and bequeath to him a tract or parcel of land known as the Lewis Hazy lands lying in Hardin County and 11 civil district to have and to hold and control his life time after my death, and after his death, I will the lands to his youngest son by his first wife, name Hannin Churchwell to him and his heirs forever.

And I, E. Churchwell, do give and bequeath to my wife A. L. Churchwell all the balance of my lands or real estate, personal and mixed property and all the household and kitchen furniture, all money that may be on hand, notes and accounts. All this I

E. Churchwell's Will

E. Churchwell, do give and bequeath to my wife A. L. Churchwell her lifetime only such things as she sees proper to dispose of or such things as her necessities may require to be made use of. After her death I, E. Churchwell, do will and bequeath to my beloved granddaughter Fannie Frances Crowl the same lands or real estate, household and kitchen furniture, money, notes and accounts if there be any. The land is known by the name of the Michel Worley lands lying in Hardin County, 11 civil district. All this I will to her and her heirs forever. I bear this as my last will and testament.

T. M. Gathie.

A. J. Worley

E. Churchwell seal

Jesse Hattery's Will

State of Tennessee J. D. Jesse Hattery, this day, being old and feeble County of Hardin. I am feeling my proper mind to do justice to all my heirs. I want Ed Brown, wife of Charlie Brown, her heirs and their heirs to have all the East Woods tract of land 79 acres in the river bottom and 39 acres in the hills and 40 acres when she now lives what is known as the Brynum land. This shall be hers, her heirs & their heirs. They shall pay to Tennessee Harris & their heirs two hundred dollars & to Sallie Harris & their heirs two hundred dollars & the said Brown's wife & her heirs are to have 12 years to pay said four hundred dollars, or sooner if desired, same to be paid at the \$33.33 per year from date this property falls into her hands.

I want Nancy Francis Taylor, wife of John Taylor & her heirs & their heirs to have 73 acres of land on the north end of my home farm & 104 in the hills 101 acres of the tract of land known as the Mark Hattery land & 3 acres off of the N.E. corner of the Brynum tract of land joining the above 101 acres.

John Taylor shall not have any right to sell or rent said lands. I want Nancy's daughter Lottie to her grand mother's sewing machine at the death of her grandmother. They shall pay to Tennessee Harris & wife of Nelly Harris & their heirs two hundred dollars and to Sallie Harris, wife of Tally Harris or her heirs, two hundred dollars and are to have 12 years to pay said four hundred dollars or sooner

John Hatty's Will.

if desired, same to be paid at the rate of \$33.³³ per year from the date this property falls into their hands. I want Ernie Hatty to have the Mulligan tract of land containing 4 1/2 acres & 33 acres on the south side of my home farm on the north and 83 acres of the Mark Hatty land on the west end. divided about the center of tract. Also 21 acres on the north side of the Brinson tract of land. He shall have the fifty dollar and one hundred dollars in cash to be paid out of my notes & personal property. Sallie to have one hundred dollars in cash to be paid out of my notes & personal property. Ernie is to pay to Rebecca here two hundred dollars, also to pay Sallie or her heirs two hundred dollars. He is to have 15 years to pay said four hundred dollars or sooner if he desires. He is to pay said account at the rate of \$33.³³ per year from the date this property falls into his hands.

I want all of my stand land or rents of all my cleared land to support my wife while she lives and at her death, I want all my debts, if any, paid out of the remaining notes and personal property and the balance to fall to all my heirs and to be equally divided.

I want W. W. Mangum to be my executor also that he be guardian for Princess's heirs & agent for Sallie and he shall have pay for his trouble out of the land holders.

Witness my hand this 24th day of March, 1891.

Witness
J. P. Martin
J. C. Moss.

Jessie Hatty
husband.

Parthena Haggard's Will.

State of Tennessee I, Parthena Haggard, make this as my last will and testament. I will give to my heirs of all my real estate November 23rd 1891 and personal property, 1st, to wit: As soon after my death as practicable, that three disinterested men, said men to be men of judgment, visit on said land and go to work and divide said land equally among said children, at the same time laying off, if possible without any damage to any part of said heirs, the meadows and the adjoining lands to the three youngest children, Hops, Hatty and Mollie. After said land is divided and lotted to said heirs, they are to take possession and control of said shares as given to them controlling the same to their best interest, and do they please and it is further known that none of said heirs to sell or convey any of their shares in said estate until the youngest child be twenty one years of age and it is positively forbidden in this my last will that any one of said heirs out, sell or dispose of any of the timber on said land further than is needed to keep said farm in repairs. Witness my hand & seal.

Parthena E. Haggard
Witness John Haden

Amely McLeod

Be it further known that if any heirs should live together or remain on the land as above set out, that they are to have, after all just debts are paid off and satisfied an equal division of all my personal effects, be made between said heirs, as follows: Mollie and Hatty to have the black Man Mule together, Ben to have the gray Mule and Hops to have the bay horse. Said stock to be valued by three disinterested men and made equal in valuation paying those that have the least stock in valuation the difference in money or other property and will be made equal with the other heirs in money or other property and after they are all made equal in the horses, then the remainder, if anything be, equally and severally divided among said children and if said children do not remain on said land, break up and leave the same, then Mollie, Hatty and Hops have a guardian appointed to look after their interests in said property. Witness my hand this the above written date I further state that I want my mother and Rebecca to stay here, if they should desire so to do on

Witness *Asa McCloudland*
John Thacker

Porter E. Haggard

Candace Paris Will.

April 25th 1890

I *Candace Paris* for the love and affection I have for Sarah Paris my only child living I first bequeath unto her all my lands in Hardin County State of Tennessee in the 6th Civil dist then being 39 acres and 118 Poles in the River Bottom Hill Tract containing 39 1/2 acres I further bequeath unto her Sarah Paris all notes and accts and moneys and personal property that I have on hand at my death & after my funeral expenses is first paid This is my last will & testament and I am now in my right mind and I appoint J. T. Martin my Executor
Witness *Candace Paris.*
Henry Austin
M. M. Mangum

James Harbours Will

I *James Harbours* do make and publish this as my last Will & testament hereby revoking and making void all others by me at any time made, first I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any moneys that I may be possessed of or may first come into the hands of my Executor. Secondly I give and bequeath to Elizabeth Hunt and Parmelia Alexander all my wearing apparel and I bequeath to Cord McLean James McLean their raising and Chrys nothing for it. Thirdly I bequeath all my red and white which consists in three tracts of land. Namely, one tract known as the Merryman tract, in the 5th Civil district of Hardin County Tennessee on the waters of Indian Creek, one other tract known as the Corral Harbours tract

lying on the waters of Indian Creek, and one other tract known as the Childrens part of the division of the John Hunt lands on the waters of Indian Creek in the afore- said district County & State and for a description of said land reference is made to the deeds of said land. Now I bequeath these lands to my Children that I name, first Elizabeth Hunt, secondly Samuel T. Harbours, thirdly Mary McLean Children fourth Melinda, fifth Elsie Harbours sixth Cord Harbours Children. Seventh Parmelia Alexander and her Children. I bequeath and equal division of these tracts of land between the said heirs that I have named in this my last Will, and their Children of them that is dead and I bequeath the remainder of my estate in bedding furniture to be equally divided among the heirs that I have named in this Will, and if there is any money or any thing left after my debts funeral expenses is paid to be equally divided with the heirs that is named in this Will. Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint Elsie Harbours my Executor In witness whereof I do to this my Will at my hand this the 23rd day of Oct. one thousand eight hundred and eighty eight
Signed & published in our presence of the *James Harbours*
Witness this 23rd day of Oct 1888.
Wm H Brown
James Brown
Elizabeth Brown

State of Tennessee Hardin County.
October 4th 1888

I P. A. Smith do hereby make this my last will of my goods Chattels Land and Tenements unto the following Persons to wit
I hereby give and will unto Amanda H. Duncan five dollars out of my estate to be paid in money at my death or as soon as practicable then after I also give and will unto Louisey Hardins Hirs five dollars to be paid in money out of my estate at my death or as soon then after as practicable I also ~~also~~ give and will unto Jennetty Russell Hirs five dollars to be paid in money out of my estate at my death or as soon thereafter as practicable I also give and will unto Mary Smith's Hirs five dollars to be paid in money out of my estate at my death or as soon thereafter as practicable I also give and will unto my wife Mary Smith the entire remaining part of my estate Real and Personal to have and to hold during her natural lifetime I also will and bequeath that after my wife Mary Smith have the use of my entire estate both Real and Personal except the portion of my estate I have already willed to the parties before named in this my last will during their natural lifetime I then will and give unto Daniel Hardin and Joseph J. Sharp my entire estate both Real and Personal that may be left at my wife Mary Smith's death to have and to hold and to use sell or dispose of as they please as I give them the said Daniel Hardin & Joseph J. Sharp my said estate Equally to be divided between themselves forever in witness whereunto I

P. A. Smith's will continued

my hand and seal this the above day and date written

witness

P. A. Smith Seal

Edw. McEland

John W. Garner

W. H. Whitlow January 21/1890

Being sound of mind and knowing how uncertain life is I make this will as to dispose of my worldly interests for the best interests temporal of my dearly loved wife and our only living child Mary who is only a child, and to be raised, if she lives and I want her educated and well as circumstances & her disposition for it will allow I hereby will half of all I may be possessed of in any kind of property or valuables to my wife Sallie Crump to do with as she may please to do without interference from any one so that if she finds it necessary or proper she may dispose of this half without question or authority which is hereby given her the other half I would be glad our child Mary could have the benefit of but if during her mother's widow-hood her mother should think best to sell all to support herself and our daughter and to educate the latter I want it done but would be glad they would hold my lands longer than anything else as I would do if living but I want my wife & child to have the benefit of what I have now of my own right May 2nd 1883. A. Crump.

June 11, 1884. witnesses

J. J. Pinner sworn to Aug 11/91

John J. Pinner.

B R Gruman's Will.

I B R Gruman of the county of Hardin and State of Tennessee do make and publish this my last will and testament First I give to my beloved wife Jane Gruman Three Hundred dollars worthe of land to be laid off to include the dwelling house to have and to hold for ever.
 Next I give to my son Billy Wright Gruman Thirty five acres more or less of land on the west side of my home tract of land to include the shop and new barn and the house where Walt Ballard now lives to have and to hold forever. I also give the said Billy Wright Gruman one Hundred dollars money to have to his own use.
 Next I give to my two daughters Saffrona Jane Shaw and Tennessee Hannah Basy and my grand daughter Sarah J. Seaton the tract of land known as the Poor House land to be divided equally between them Shaw and Shaw alike to have and to hold forever for their own use.
 Next after all my debts are paid I give to my wife Jane Gruman and all my legal heirs all the property I have both real and personal to be divided between them equally to have and to hold and I appoint James J. Gruman and Lewis K. Gruman my executors and give them full power to settle all my business as fully as I could at the same myself in witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal in the presence of these witnesses this July the 10th 1891

Witness
 B R Hurst
 R N Jones

B R Gruman (seal)

Probated & settled
 W. M. Wood

Will of Mary S. Hawkins

I Mary Smith Hawkins do make and publish this as my last will & testament hereby revoking & making void all others by me at any time made
 First I bequeath to Martha Jane Smith & Elizabeth Sabrina King jointly & equally one tract of land lying on Piney Creek in the eleventh civil district of Henderson county Tenn. containing about Three Hundred acres more or less known as the Benjamin Smith Homestead place
 Secondly one due note on H. H. Foster for \$235.⁰⁰ Two Hundred and Thirty five dollars dated Nov 10 1890 And lastly I do hereby nominate & appoint J. J. Harris as my executor

In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand this the 18th day of May 1891
 Mary S. Hawkins

As an addition to my will above I also do will and bequeath to my sister Martha Jane Smith and Elizabeth Sabrina King Equally & jointly all of the rest of my individual property I may be possessed of at my death including my real & personal clothes my trunk & wearing clothes &c

Witness
 E M J Smith
 E A Harvey 11/2/91
 Mary S. Hawkins

Liddie Welch Will

State of Tenn
 Co of Hardin I may the 29th of I Liddie
 Welch do make & publish this as my last
 will & testimony hereby revoking & annulling void
 all other wills by me at any time made I
 do this day make over & will to my son W. L.
 Welch my land my stock my household & kitchen
 furniture & everything I possess except I will
 to my son R. E. Welch Five dollars in cash
 as a Rupture this may the 29th 1884 witness
 my hand & seal Liddie Welch X Seal

Geo. C. Morris, witness Seal
 J. Martin Seal
 C. C. Warren Seal

proven in open court at Savannah Tenn
 Dec 16/01 by C. C. Warren one of the subscribing witnesses
 McWood Clerk

James McMen Will

On the 18th day of November 1891 James
 McMen died at his own habitation in Hardin
 County Tennessee and in his last sickness
 on the 7th day of November 1891 eleven days
 before he died he sent for G. H. Whitlow
 one of the undersigned to come and write
 his will the said G. H. Whitlow went to the
 home of said James McMen accompanied
 by Daniel Hardin one of the undersigned
 on the arrival of the undersigned the said
 James McMen especially requested them to
 bear witness to what he was going to say
 about the disposition he wished made of his
 property after his death and stated to them
 that his will was as follows

He wanted to say in the presence of
 the undersigned that he had been told
 by friends that a verbal will was just as
 good as a written one that he might
 pull through but it would make him no
 worse to tell them what he wanted to do
 with his property that he wanted his wife
 Maggie K. McMen to have all the property he
 owned in Hardin County

The said James McMen died Novem-
 ber 18th 1891 written and signed by us
 November 26th 1891

G. H. Whitlow
 Daniel Hardin witnesses

State of Tenn
 Hardin Co I personally appeared before me
 W. C. Wood clerk of the County
 Court for Hardin County G. H. Whitlow & Daniel
 Hardin subscribing witnesses to the will of
 James McMen & after being duly sworn
 before & say that the above will is the last
 conversation they had with James McMen a
 few days before the (McMen) died to the best of
 their recollection belief and that he was in his
 right mind at that time
 W. C. Wood Clerk

Elizabeth Crump will

I Mrs. Elizabeth Crump of the county of Hardin and state of Tennessee make this my last will

First I desire that my body be buried at the Purdy Cemetery by the side of my late husband's

second I desire that my just debts be paid as soon as possible after my death including funeral expenses

third I will and bequeath to my daughter Mrs Mary Riggs the one fourth interest in my dower out of the R. W. Crump land it being the same that I bought from J. Brader and wife and deeded to one by them

Fourth I will and bequeath to my daughter Mrs Mattie Braden wife of J. Brader two hundred dollars to be paid out of my personal effects should she be owing me any amount at my death the said amount is to be subtracted from the two hundred dollars willed her

Fifth I will and bequeath to my daughter Mrs Laura Crump Mrs. Adia Luter and my son J. Crump the sum of one dollar each

sixth I hereby appoint J. Brader and John Luter Executors to the will my last will this August 29th 1887

Witness
E. Crump -

Asa Bell
Att. Jopling

State of Tennessee Personally appeared before Hardin County 3 me & record county at 18 for Hardin Co Tenn Asa Bell and Att. Jopling witnesses to the above will who bring by and duly sworn before and says that they were present and saw Mrs. E. Crump make the above will & was in her right mind and acknowledged it to be her own free act and for the purposes therein expressed witness my hand and seal this 29th day of August 1887

Jacob Vanhousen will

In view of the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death in the name of God. I. Jacob Vanhousen of the county of Hardin and state of Tennessee being of sound mind and disposing memory. do make publish and declare this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all others by me at any time made

Item 1st I direct that my funeral expenses and all my 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 executors to be hereafter named.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath my land on the Tennessee River in the 6th civil district of said county as follows to wit

Lot no 1 to the heirs of John A. Vanhousen dead
Lot no 2 to the heirs of J. N. Vanhousen dead
Lot no 3 to the heirs of Mariak B. Pickens wife of E. S. Pickens during her natural life and the heirs of her body at her death
Lot no 4 to the heirs of Casander J. McLaren Hill or Upland as follows

Lot no 5 to the heirs of J. N. A. Vanhousen dead
Lot no 6 to Mariak B. Pickens during her natural life and at her death to the heirs of her body

Item 3rd Lot no 7 to the heirs of my daughter Casander J. McLaren

Item 4th

I give the tract of land containing 49 1/2 acres in which Sarah J. Frootman did live and deeded to me by John A. Vanhousen to the heirs of J. N. Vanhousen

Item 5th I give to my daughter Sarah J. Frootman and the heirs of her body my home place on Turkey Creek in the 3rd civil district of said county