

Elizabeth Crump Mill

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

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

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

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

Fourth I will and bequeath to my daughter
Mrs Mattie Braden wife of J. B. Braden
two hundred dollars to be paid out
of my personal effects should she borrow
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 Kemp Mrs Adia Linder and
my son I bequeath the sum of one
dollar each

with Henry appoint J. Braden and John
S. Swett Executors to the will my last will
in August 29th 1884.

Witness
Ed. B. H.

Asa Bell
At Japling

I State of Tenn. } Personally appeared before
Harding County } me in and county above

for Hardin to turn Asa Bull and Art Goffley witness
to the above will who bring by our duly sworn depositions and
says that they were present and saw Mr. Elrumpf and
the above will, was in his right mind and acknowledged it to
be his own and did so for the purpose therein expressed without
any undue influence or fraud on the part of the witnesses.

Jacob Vanhousen mill

In view of the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death in the name of God. I. Jacob Vanhook 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 anytime made

Sum ^{not} 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 executors to be hereafter named.

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

Lot no 1 to the heirs of John A. Vanhoush dead
Lot no 2 to the heirs of J. N. Vanhoush dead
Lot no 3 to the heirs of Mariah B. Pickens wife
of E. S. Pickens during her natural life and
the heirs of her body to her death
Lot no 4 to the heirs of Alexander J. McFarren
Hill or Upland as follows

Let me go to the hands of Mrs. A. Vanhook, dead
natural life and at her death to the hands
of her body

I put no of to the heirs of my daughter Casander
 G McLaren

Item $\overline{B} \frac{1}{2}$

I give the tract of land containing 49 1/2 acres on which Sarah Frontman died and bequeathed to me by John A. Vanhoose to the Heirs of J. N. Vanhoose

Item 6th. I give to my daughter Sarah J. Frontman and
the heirs of her body my home place on
Turkey Creek in the 3^d Civil district of said
County

Jacob Vanhause will continued

Item 7th I give to my two daughters all the money that I may have on hand at my death not otherwise appropriated to be equally divided between them

Item 8 I do hereby nominate and appoint E. S. Pickens of Troutman and J. C. Powers my Executors to this my last will and Testament in witness whereof I do this my last will and Testament at my hand this 26th day of June AD 1890

Testator

Jacob Vanhause

Witnesses
J. V. Cratts
J. C. Powers

State of Tenn
Hardin Co
Personally appeared in open Court J. V. Cratts and J. C. Powers subscribing witnesses to the above will and made oath in due form of law that the above mentioned Jacob Vanhause signed and acknowledged this his last will and Testament in their presence for the purpose therein expressed witness my signature this May 2nd 1892,
W. C. Woodruff

B. F. Kirby's will

State of Tenn
Hardin County
I B. F. Kirby do hereby make and publish this as my last will and Testament

Firstly I will and desire that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible after my death out of any money or property that I may die possessed of

Secondly I desire and will that my beloved wife Margaret Kirby have full control of all the Personal property that I may die possessed of and also all my Real estate during her life and at her death all the Personal Property that may then be on hand to go to my Son N. P. Kirby and that he at her death shall have (40) forty acres of land of the south end of my Farm and the remainder of my land to be equally divided between my four children Eliza Carroll Nannie Scott John J. Kirby and the above named N. P. Kirby

Lastly - I do nominate and appoint my wife and my friend E. N. Sipes of Adamsville Tenn my Executors to carry out this my last will in witness whereof I hereby set my hand this 31st day of May 1892 and I further will and request that my said Executors be allowed to enter on and carry out this will without entering into bond of any kind

B. F. Kirby

Signed in our Presence and we have subscribed our names hereunto in the presence of the Testator this the day and date above written

E. N. Sipes

W. M. D. Kemp

State of Tenn
Hardin County
Personally appeared before me W. C. Woodruff county court clerk for said county duly authorized to administer oaths E. N. Sipes and W. M. D. Kemp subscribing witnesses to the above will

B. Kirby's Will continued

deposed saying that they were present & saw the testator B. Kirby sign his name to the will and that he was in his right mind at the time of signing said will, witness my signature this August the 4th 1892. H. C. Reed clerk,

Maggie L. Crump's Will

I Maggie L. Crump of the County of Hardin and State of Tennessee being of sound mind & in my usual health do make and publish this my last will & testament hereby revoking & making void all other wills by me made at any time heretofore first.

I desire that any just debts with my general expenses that I may owe be paid first by my Executor out of the first moneys that may come into his hands. Second.

I am one of the legal heirs of the late Dr. R. L. Crump decd. and by virtue of his last will I am entitled to a equal one seventh part of certain tracts of lands owned by him at the time of his death said lands are known as the Crump's Landing property & lands situated on Tennessee River in Hardin County Tennessee & on the margin of Snake Creek in the same County & known as the Hurley old mill tract all of said lands was owned by my deceased father & have never been divided amongst his heirs now I am unmarried & over the age of 21 years & in the event I die without issue meaning without leaving a living child at the time of my death then I will & desire that my entire interest in the lands owned by my father at his death

Maggie L. Crump's Will continued

which is a equal undivided part of one seventh go to my sister Celia Lewis & the children of her body that she has the use and benefit of the lands during her life free from the use & control of her husband in anyway & that at her death the same is to belong to the children she may have born of her body at the time of her death immaterial how many or what their names may be they are to own it jointly between them that she is to have the rents & profits of the same to her sole & separate use that she is not to have the right or privilege of selling the same so that her children will not get the benefit & good of the same I third

I nominate & appoint John A. Pitts my Executor & desire that he has this my will carried out & that he see that the children of Celia Lewis have a Guardian to look after & control their interests in the land I have this day given them furthermore I desire that Executor take particular notice that the interest of my sister & her children is not neglected or abused witness my signature this 7th July 1885

Maggie L. Crump
The above will was assigned & acknowledged in our presence this day July 7th 1885.

Calvin Shell
Isaac H. Nash

On this day J. H. Nash one of the subscribing witnesses to the above will of Maggie L. Crump came into open court and proved and set up the same in common form of law. (over)

Maggie L Crump's will Continued

witness my hand. 10th June 1887.

J. Adams clk
County Court

State of Tennessee
McMinn County
J. Adams clerk
of the County Court of said
County and State do Certify that the
above is a true and perfect copy of
the last will & testament of Maggie
L. Crump died & that same is now
of record & on file in my office.
witness my hand at Purdy this 10th
day of June 1887. J. Adams clerk

the above ^{copy of the} will of Maggie L Crump was
filed with the County Court clerk of
McMinn County Nov the 14th 1892 At 4 o'clock
P.M.
McCord clk

Lewis N. Yancey's Will.

I, Lewis N. Yancey of the State of Tennessee and
County of Hardin, being of sound and disposing mind,
do make this my last will and testament, hereby revoking
all others by me heretofore made. 1st It is my desire and
I so direct that all my just debts including my burial expenses
& mine tombstone, be paid by my executor hereinafter named as
soon as practicable after my death. 2nd That my realty of which
I may die possessed, shall be sold by my executor without
an order of, or by the process of any Court, in lots or as a whole
as may be deemed best by them for holders, to be selected by
said executor, by and with the advice of a majority of
my legal heirs, in such manner and on such terms
as may be deemed best by my heirs or a majority
of them. Said executor being hereby authorized and empowered
to make all necessary deeds of conveyance. 3rd That after
all my just debts in settling the affairs of winding up
my estate, shall have been paid, those of my legal heirs
who have not heretofore received from me either in money
or property, as much as others shall first be made equal

Lewis N. Yancey's Will.

with them. The remainder of my estate including all personal property of
whatever kind I may die possessed of, shall be equally divided among
my heirs, share and share alike, to wit: E. L. Yancey, R. P. Yancey, A. J.
Yancey, K. L. Yancey, Lucy A. Dodds, wife of John A. Dodds, and
Mary Letha Johnson, wife of Edwin Johnson, daughter of my deceased
son John L. Yancey, subject to a provision hereinafter mentioned &
should any of my said heirs named above die before my decease,
his or her heirs shall be entitled his or her share.

4th That whereas I have brought suit in the Chancery Court at Savannah
against the estate of my deceased son John L. Yancey for the purchase
money of a tract of land sold by me to him, the said John L. Yancey
now should I fail to gain said suit and collect all of said
purchase money, then in that case, the said Mary Letha Johnson, the
only surviving legal heir of my said deceased son John L. Yancey,
shall be excluded from any interest in and to my estate, her
father, the said John L. Yancey in that event having received from
me more than his equitable share of my estate, it being my desire
to act justly towards all of my children.

5th The following are the amounts heretofore received from me by each
of my children which they are hereby chargeable with, to wit: E. L. Yancey,
three hundred (\$300) dollars, March 2nd 1866 and one hundred and
twenty (\$120) dollars March 14th 1874; R. P. Yancey, two hundred
(\$200) dollars, Sept. 21st 1869; A. J. Yancey, one hundred and forty
(\$140) dollars, Oct. 26th 1865; one hundred (\$100) dollars, Jan
15th 1872 and fifty (\$50) dollars, Aug. 15th 1883; Lucy A. Dodds
wife of John A. Dodds, three hundred and sixty (\$360) dollars,
March 27th 1866; K. L. Yancey, five hundred and fifty eight & 2/3
(\$558 & 2/3) dollars, Oct. 28th 1872, and John L. Yancey, one hundred
and ninety one (\$191) dollars, March 15th 1878, fifty four and 92
(\$54.92) dollars, Feb. 24th 1882, thirty five (\$35) dollars March
14th 1881 & thirty three & 2/3 (\$33.66) dollars July 6th 24th 1882.

Should I gain said suit brought against said estate of
John L. Yancey deceased, then in that case, my said grand
daughter Mary Letha Johnson, shall be entitled to her
share of my estate after my estate shall have been properly
adjusted among all of my said heirs, the said charges made
against my said deceased son John L. Yancey in section
5th shall be a charge against my said grand daughter
Mary Letha Johnson, they not forming any part of said
purchase money.

Lewis N. Yancy's will

7th I hereby appoint my son L. Yancy executor of this
my last will and testament. This ^{Beq. 6th 1892}
Signed in our presence as witnesses
and we have signed this in the testator's
presence and in the presence of each
other and at his request.
B. D. Syron
D. W. Coffman

Cynthia Ward's will

July 1894
State of Tennessee
Hardin County I know all men by their
persons that I, Cynthia Ward do hereby
leave my lands in charge of my sister
N. E. Grimes to be held and rented by her
the proceeds of said land to be used in
the erection of monuments in our family
grave yard to be paid for as can be
agreed by said N. E. Grimes she holding all
said rents that is necessary for her
support during the period of her lifetime
Witness
Jas. McGowan
Pony Hardin
Cynthia Ward

W. B. Smith's will

The last will & Testament of W. B. Smith
I do hereby devise and bequeath to
my beloved wife M. F. D. Smith all of
my property of every kind to survive to
her sole benefit and I do hereby appoint
her my Executor without bond to
this June 8th 1892. W. B. Smith Seal
Witnesses

D. A. Stelch

R. D. Dillard

The above will of W. B. Smith was duly proven to
be the last will & Testament of W. B. Smith by the
subscribing witnesses to this same in open court
April 8th 1893, in open court
Witness my signature April 8th 1893, notary.

Mary Dickey's will

On the 16th day of March 1893 Mrs. Mary Dickey
deceased on her last sickness at her own
habitation in Hardin County, Tennessee declared
in the presence of the undersigned whom she
especially requested to bear witness thereto that
her will was as follows
That Frank Helton and Mary
Helton should have all of her property then
on the place where she was living the said
Mary Dickey died on the 14th day of March
1893.

Witness and signed by us this March the
29th 1893

J. D. Dickey
Addie White witnesses

Delia Johnson's will

I Delia Johnson of the County of Hardin and State of Tenn. Being of sound mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say

First. It is my will that my funeral and burial expenses ~~being~~ together with all my just debts be fully paid
 secondly I give devise and bequeath to my wife Laura E. Johnson all of my personal property consisting in Horses mules Cattle and Hogs & Stock of every kind also notes accounts money and all of my Household and Kitchen furniture she is to have and hold all of the aforesaid property and sell the same and apply the proceeds ~~first~~ to the payment of my just debts and ~~second~~ to the maintenance of herself and my children and to do perform any kind all lawful business she or be sued as fully as myself I also ask the county court of Hardin County to appoint my wife Laura E. Johnson to be executrix of this my last will and testament and request no Bond from her as such Executrix

As to my Real Estate. Being satisfied with the provisions of the Statute of Tennessee concerning all Realty. I leave my lands with the understanding that the provisions of law be carried out fully to the benefit of my wife and children

Witness my hand & seal this June 29th 1893

Witness B. F. Watson

R. L. Watson

Delia Johnson

J. R. Ladens Will

Know all men. That I J. R. Ladens of the 2nd Civil District of Hardin Co. Tenn. Being of sound mind and memory, make this my last will & Testament

First. I will that my funeral expenses together with all my just debts be paid out of my property
 2nd I give to my son W. S. Ladens my Residence together with my Barn and lot and orchards and a small field most well Beginning at J. H. Ladens S. E. Corner runing thence East with Pitts line to white oak thence south a few Poles to the corner of W. S. Ladens Land thence with said W. S. Ladens line to Eli Russells Spring thence down the Branch with mill Ladens line to the corner of a wire fence thence north to corner of Oak fence thence with Inside field fence to River field fence thence west with River field fence to wire fence or to J. H. Ladens line

thence with J. H. Ladens line south to the Beginning
 3rd I also will that my son W. S. Ladens have one half of the remaining portion of my land and further I give unto my son W. S. Ladens all of my personal property of every description

4th I also give to Alley Robinson nee Ladens Bodily Heirs one Half of remaining portion of my land after setting off W. S. Ladens portion

5th I also will that Emma Nance nee Ladens Heirs Burris & Hag Nance have the remainder of my land

6th It is understood that my will is that should any security debts or debts not provided for in this will come against my estate and Heirs to be paid that each Heir

J R Ladin's Will, Continuing

pay their prorata
 I ask the County Court of Hardin
 County Tenn to appoint my son
 W S Ladin my Executor without Bond
 This Oct 4th 1893. J R Ladin

Witness
 Andy W. Casland
 J R Ladin

This above will was duly proven
 by both witnesses in open court Jan'y 12th 1894
 Wm. H. Hamilton

Drew J. Prara Will

In the name of God Amen I Drew
 J. Prara of the County of Hardin and
 State of Tennessee Being of a sound
 and disposing mind and memory but
 feeble in health and strength of body as
 I am verging on or near eighty years old.
 I therefore make and publish this as my
 last will and testament thereby revoking
 all other wills ever made by me
 heretofore.

That is I give and bequeath my lot in the
 Town of Savannah being and lying and adjoining
 the north west corner of the public square
 and the same lot of ground that was conveyed
 to me by Betty Hooks on the 17th day of
 July 1874 and 3rd day of May 1883. is to my
 son George Halk the son of Mary Jane Halk and
 said to be my child by her. which fact I
 admit to be true. and should it die it
 is my will that the lot shall go to the said
 Mary Jane Halk his mother at my death
 and as I am very feeble at times from
 old age and subject to spells & confinement the
 said Mary Jane has agreed to wait on
 me and take care of me when I am in
 that condition and to board me while I
 live and have me buried when I die but
 the lot to be under my contrall while I
 live Sept 19th 1889.

That
 Wm. H. Hamilton
 D. H. Hamilton
 Drew J. Prara
 mark

This above will was duly proven to be the last
 will & testament of Drew J. Prara by D. H. Hamilton
 one of the subscribing witnesses Jan'y 12th 1894
 I sworn that he was called to witness Drew J. Prara
 signature that the will was read to him (D. J. P.) before
 he signed it & that (D. J. P.) was in his right mind
 when he signed it Sept 19th 1889.
 Jan'y 12th 1894 Wm. H. Hamilton

William Robinson's Will

Know all persons to whom it may concern.

That I, William Robinson do make this my last Will and Testament. First I want all of my debts and burial expenses paid as soon after my death as convenient. Second I do hereby Will and bequeath all of my perishable property, consisting of my farming tools, one wagon, and fourth interest in a Sycamore Mill to my two children namely N. H. Gant & J. B. Robinson and my half interest in the Mill tracts of land to my four children namely N. H. Gant, H. E. Robinson, J. B. Robinson and A. H. Wilson said land not to be sold without the consent of all parties concerned. Fourth I have divided my land among my children and given to each of them as follows:

To my Daughter N. H. Gant Lot No 1 Valued at Three Hundred Dollars

Lot No 2 to my son W. D. Robinson, valued at Three Hundred Dollars

Lot No 3 to my daughter Alice H. Robinson valued at Three Hundred Dollars

Lot No 4 to my daughter Martha A. Wiggins valued at One Hundred and Forty Dollars also 15th acres of land in Johnson Co. Texas valued at One Hundred two and a half Dollars also Forty Dollars worth lumber given her in Texas also I give and bequeath her Four Dollars in money after my death.

Lot No 5 to James B. Robinson valued at Three Hundred Dollars

Lot No 6 to my daughter H. E. Robinson valued at Three Hundred Dollars

The rights of all the above named Lots to terminate after my death I also give and bequeath to J. B. Robinson and W. L. Wilson and wife the balance of my land West and North of Lot No 4. My daughter N. H. Gant is to have the use of timber on said land as she wants it.

Last I want my daughter N. H. Gant and James B. Robinson to support me while I live and to settle all of my debts after my death, if any without any administrator.

P.S. I further give and bequeath to my son W. D. Robinson the privilege of the use of timber

on the land lying North of Lot No 4 for mill purposes This the 18th day of July A.D. 1896

Witness

J. Milton Smith
E. J. Ganey

William Robinson

State of Tennessee } Personally appeared before me, Eli Cherry
Hardin County } Notary Public of said County E. J. Ganey
and Milton Smith subscribing witnesses
to the within Will who being first seen and depared
and said that was personally acquainted with
William Robinson Deceased and that he acknowledged
in this presence that he executed the attached Will
upon the day & date it bears date Witness my
hand and seal this 2nd day
of March 1896



Eli Cherry
Notary Public

A. Barham's Will.

O. A. Barham of the 1st Civil District of Hardin County, Tennessee being of sound mind and memory do make publish and declare this to be my last will and Testament.

First.

All my just debt and funeral expenses shall be first fully paid.

2nd

I give and bequeath to my son A. P. Barham my entire land lying in the above named District County and State containing about (283¹/₂ acres) Two Hundred and Eighty five acres and the improvements there on and my interest in carding factory and also all property in the said A. P. Barham's possession belonging to me to have and to hold to him his heirs

A. Barham's Will, continued

3rd and assigns forever.

I will and bequeath to my daughter E. M. Vandike (\$200⁰⁰) Two Hundred and fifty and all the property in her possession belonging to me to have and to hold her heirs and assigns forever.

4th

I will and bequeath to my daughter-in-law T. C. Barham and her three living heirs (\$150⁰⁰) one hundred and fifty dollars that is the one hundred and fifty dollars is to be divided between the said T. C. Barham and her three living heirs. Newcom. R. and John. S. Barham. And. Arrend Mitchell.

5th

I will and bequeath to my son J. C. Barham (\$10⁰⁰) Ten dollars and all the property in his possession belonging to me. to him to his heirs and assigns forever. He having had already about equal share.

6th

It is my will that my son A. P. Barham pay to E. M. Vandike T. C. Barham and her heirs and J. C. Barham the amount named in this my last will and Testament two years after my death or earlier if convenient.

7th

I nominate my son A. P. Barham to be executor of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills made by me this 11th day of Novr. 1893.

A. P. Barham
mark

Signed sealed published and declared as and for his last will and Testament by the above named testator in our presence who have at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each signed our names as witnesses unto E. J. A. Bloom S. C. Ruth J. P. Mackey.

Archibie Gamonell's Will.

I Archibie Gamonell being of sound perfect mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner and form following.

First I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth Gamonell alias Elizabeth Long my land where I now live containing 160 acres with all and singular the appertinances thereto belonging and all my stock I am possessed of at this time consisting of Horses mules Cattle Hogs & Sheep also all the money notes and accounts on hand at present with household & kitchen furniture.

Second.

Leaving to my wife 160 acres which I do give and bequeath to my said wife Elizabeth and to her bodily heirs I hereby appoint my said wife Elizabeth Gamonell Sole executrix of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made in witness whereof I hereunto set my hand & my seal unto the within will and Testament this the 8th day of March 1875.

Archibie Gamonell.

Signed sealed published and delivered by the above named Archibie Gamonell to be his last will and Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the testator this March 8th 1875.

Ed Patterson

24 Street.

The above will was proven in open court June 27th 1875 by 250 but one of the witnesses named etc.

Testamentary Will of Elizabeth Garrett

Elizabeth Garrett died the 27th day of May 1894 at the home of M. L. Davis in the 6th Civil Dist. of Hardin County Tennessee without having made any regular will. But stated in the presence of Mrs Mary Sisson and another, true in the presence of Mrs S. A. Penny during her last sickness that she wanted her brother D. R. Garrett to have all her property as he had been kind to her and had taken care of her
This July 3 1894

Witness
Mary Sisson
J. M. M.
S. A. Penny
Mar. H.

A. G. Douglass Will

I Archibald G. Douglass of Hardin County Tennessee make and publish this my last will, testament and I hereby revoke all the other wills heretofore made by me.

First After the payment of any debts and funeral expenses it is my will and desire that my Grand son Archie Williams have my farm in the River Bottom known as the Dr. L. E. Cony farm for 147 acres which was conveyed by said Cony to me by deed

Also I give to said Archie Williams Five Thousand dollars in cash or good cash notes to be paid upon his arrival at the age of 21 years but if he die without lawful heirs of his body and unmarried before he arrives at the age of 21 years then it is my will that said farm and said money or notes return to my estate and be divided between my other Grand Children

Secondly I will and bequeath to my beloved daughter Eleanor Mildred Patterson wife of E. D. Patterson all the real and residue of my property of every kind and description, real & personal including money, notes, debts of all kinds & stocks including my stock in the Bank of Savannah, Tennessee which last named Bank stock I give to her for her sole and separate use free from the contracts or control of her present or any future husband to her & her heirs and assigns forever

The property in this devise however (except said last mentioned Bank stock) is charged with the payment to each of the children of said Eleanor Mildred Patterson as a gift from me, upon their becoming of the age of 21 years or marriage Two Thousand dollars in money good notes or such other valuable things as they may most need in the judgment of my executor hereinafter mentioned.

I hereby appoint my son in law E. D. Patterson & my daughter Mildred Patterson Executors and executrices of this my last will & testament with

A. G. McDougals Will Continued

full power and authority to execute the same without giving bond and security as such and if either of them should die the survivor is hereby invested with full power to carry out and execute all the provisions of this will. In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand & seal the 22nd day of January 1893.
A. G. McDougals Seal

Witness the undersigned witnesses to this will have signed the same at the request of the testator in his presence and in the presence of each other the 24th day of Feb 1893.
H. E. Williams
J. Williams

I have paid to Archie Williams Doctor Hundred dollars of the Five Thousand dollars mentioned in this item and have also conveyed to him the the Covey farm of 147 acres mentioned in this item before this date April 10th 1894
A. G. McDougals

Since executing the above last will & testament the stock of the Bank of Savannah has been increased so that I now own \$20,000⁰⁰ of said stock which I devise to my said daughter for her sole & separate use as above stated in the body of this will. The will & resid is all in my own proper hands writing.

This 17th day of August 1894
A. G. McDougals

I have paid Archie Williams \$1000⁰⁰ more on his legacy of \$5000⁰⁰ mentioned in this will this 13th Sept 1894.
A. G. McDougals

John E. Woods Will

I John E. Wood of the County of Hardie and State of Tennessee hereby make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me ~~last~~ any time heretofore made.

Item 1st It is my will and desire that my funeral expenses be paid as soon after my death as convenient out of any money I may have on hand at the time.

Item 2nd It is my will and desire that my wife Calloway Wood have two horses one of them to be my yellow mare named Dixie and if my wife should not desire to take one of the other horses I may own at the time of my death I desire that my executor to be hereinafter named buy for her a gentle horse or mare.

Item 3rd It is my will and desire that my said wife have sufficient food from the hogs I now own to supply her with meat for the present year that she have a sufficient number of the stock hogs now owned by me to keep up the stock for her supply of meat also that she have the three milch cows now owned by me all of the meat and lard on hand and all of the household and kitchen furniture of every kind and description which I now own or may own at my death also that she have from the farming tools now on hand two turning plows stalks and singletrees two ten inch shovel plows four six and seven inch shovel plows two colters and colter bands also my corn planter and whatever she so desires I desire that my executor buy for her a two horse wagon out of any money he may hold arising from my estate.

John C. Wood: Continued

also that my wife have all of the corn which I may have on hand at the time of my death and that she have from the present growing crop one hundred barrels of corn

Item 4th It is my will and desire that my executor take possession of all of my personal property of every kind and description except that to be taken by my wife as above ~~divided~~ and as soon after my death as convenient he will advertise and sell said property in the following manner 1st I direct that all of my horses and mules and farming tools be sold on a credit of twelve months purchaser giving note with approved security 2nd that the balance of my property consisting of cattle hog &c be sold for cash

Item 3rd If I should die before the crop now growing upon my lands is gathered it is my will and desire that my executor after sitting apart one hundred barrels of corn to my wife sell all the remainder of said crop for cash and with the proceeds of sale pay all of my just debts I think the amount received for said crop will be amply sufficient as I owe but very little at this time

Item 6th It is my will and desire that my executor take possession of and collect all of my notes and accounts and hold amount collected as a part of my general estate to be used for the payment of my just debts as well as proceeds of present crop.

Item 7th It is my will and desire that my said wife have the bottom tract of land owned by her at the time of our marriage containing about 100 acres also that she have the use and control for her

John C. Wood: Continued

Special benefit of the house in which ^{we} now live and the hill tract of land on which the same is situated during her natural life and at her death said land to be disposed of as will be hereinafter provided.

Item 8th It is my will and desire that the remainder of my real estate which consists of four different tracts of land a portion of the same lying in the hills and a portion lying in the Duane river bottoms be taken charge of by ^{my} executor to be under his care and control both the tilable and timbered lands I desire that the tilable lands be rented out by him every year to the best advantage. So considered by him and that he take charge of the rents of said lands and sell the same at the time he may deem proper. he will then continue to hold and rent said land until as herein after directed. I also direct that my executor give to my present tenants the preference in renting my land ~~and~~ and the tenements houses on the same.

Item 9th It is my will and desire that in the event my said wife should need assistance in any way or if the rents and profits of the lands held and controlled by her should not be sufficient to properly support and maintain her and my minor children who may remain with her that my executor pay to her from the fund he may have on hand arising from the sale of the rents of the land or otherwise belonging to my estate an amount sufficient to maintain and support her and the minor children living with her.

Item 10th It is my will and desire that my two sons John Wood and Harry Wood and my daughter Eliza Wood be sent to school until they have a thorough English education and in the event

John C Wood Will Continued

Their mother should be unable to pay their tuition and keep them in school until they have a thorough English education it is my desire that my executor pay out of any funds held by him as proceeds of rents and profits received from my lands in his charge or proceeds of any other property belonging to my estate an amount sufficient to educate my said three children as above expressed. It being my chief aim and intention to provide for and protect my wife and to aid her in the support and education of my minor children and I make a special charge and request of my executor to so aid my said wife out of any moneys he may hold as proceeds of ~~my~~ general estate or as rents and profits of ~~my~~ lands.

Item 11th It is my will and desire that my executor continue his care and control of my lands until each and all of my minor children arrive at the age of twenty one years. And if my wife should be living at the time my youngest son Harry Wood arrives at the age of twenty one years I desire that my executor continue in the charge and control of my lands until the death of my said wife and if any of the proceeds of rents are required for her support that he do pay the amount of same necessary to that purpose.

Item 12th If my said wife should die before my youngest son Harry Wood becomes twenty one years old it is my will and desire that my executor upon his reaching twenty one years of age turn over for division of proceeds of sale or partition all of my lands including that held by my wife during her lifetime and which

John C Wood's Will Continued

I desire my executor to take in charge and hold in the same manner as the other lands. in the event my wife should die before my youngest son is twenty one years old and when said lands are thus released by my executor I desire that all of the same be sold for a division of proceeds or partition in the manner and way herein after directed by me but if my wife should be living at the time my youngest son becomes twenty one years old I desire my lands held as directed in Item 11th

Item 13th If my wife should be dead at the time my youngest son becomes twenty one years old it is my will and desire that my lands if practicable be partitioned into eight equal shares as follows to my children W.C. Wood Alfred T Wood George W Wood Annie Wood Flora Wood John Wood Harry Wood and Martha wife of John Moore and my Grand son James Frank Child of my deceased daughter Linda Bell Frank deceased wife of Samuel Frank to be taken by my said children and grand child share and share alike and if any of my children should die without lawfull issue living at the time of their death then it is my will and that such deceased child's part be taken by my surviving children and grand child named above share and share alike but if not practicable to partition my lands I direct that they be sold for division of proceeds among ^{my} said children and grand child and I do not intend nor desire that in the final settlement of my estate and division of same for my three youngest children Flora John and Harry Wood to have to account in any way for the amount expended out

John C. Woods Will Continued

of my estate for their education and support until after they become twenty one years old that is they are to be educated and supported free from any charges against their part of my estate until they are twenty one years of age.

Item 14th It is my will and desire that my daughter Martha wife of John Moore have and hold the land which may be set apart to her or proceeds of same in case of division by sale of same in case of free from the debts liabilities contracts and control of her present husband or any future husband. She may hereafter have and at her death if she have issue living to be held by them in the same manner if she have no issue living at the time of her death I desire that said lands revert back to my estate to be taken as above ~~directed~~ ^{directed} and if my two daughters Flora and Annie Wood who are now unmarried should at any time marry it is my will and desire that they hold the land which may be set apart to them or their portion of proceeds in case of sale free from the debts liabilities contracts and control of any husbands or husbands either of them may have and to descend in event of their death without issue living at the time in the same manner as ~~directed~~ ^{directed} as to share of my daughter Martha Moore. It being my desire to exclude entirely my present Sinsinlaw or any further Sinsinlaw I may hereafter have from taking in any manner any part or portion of my estate or controlling the same be it real personal or mixed.

Item 15th It is my will and desire that my executor deposit all monies which may come into his hands arising from my estate in the Bank of Savannah

John C. Woods Will Continued

or some other solvent bank after paying himself for settling up my estate and caring for and controlling my lands I desire that no part of said fund be laid out.

Item 16th I hereby appoint my ^{son} W. C. Wood my executor to this my last will and testament and I desire that he give bond before entering upon his duties as executor. In witness of all which I have hereunto subscribed my name on this the 26th day of May 1895 in the presence of R. A. Hardin and E. W. Ross subscribing witnesses thereto who became such at my request and in my presence and in the presence of each other.

John C. Wood

R. A. Hardin witnesses
E. W. Ross

I G. P. Shannon Chairman of the County Court of Hardin County Certify that the above Will and testament of John C. Wood deceased was Prohibited and recorded by me the County Court Clerk W. C. Wood being in compliance by reason of relationship and executor to said Will This the 5th day of Aug 1895

G. P. Shannon Chairman

State of Tennessee
Harden County I know all men
that J. C. Sproyles of the County of
Harden and State aforesaid do make
this my last will and testament.
In the first place I give unto Henry
Conway (the son of Matilda Casey) who now
lives on my place ninety acres of
land off of the south west corner
of my Sulphur Spring tract lying on the
waters of Horse Creek. also ten acres
where Alfred Dravers now lives with the
privilege of a road to the first mentioned
piece of land. The land to be laid off
as nearly square as it can be conveniently
done. The balance of my real and personal
estate to be equally divided between
my brothers & Sisters.

This April 4th 1870. in witness where-
of I hereunto affix my hand and seal.
J. C. Sproyles

Attest
H. D. Berry
J. F. Bowen,

The above will was
duly probated & proven in open Court
Sept 3rd 1898, W. C. Ward Clerk

D. M. Jones's Will.

I D. M. Jones in view of the uncertainty of
life and the certainty of death do make
and publish my last will and testament.

I make no provisions in this my will
for my beloved wife Rebecca Jones because
I have heretofore provided for her by contract
in which she accepted the provisions made
for her in lieu of all further claims on
my estate and this will shall in no way inter-
fere with the provisions made for her & if
her claim for said provisions shall have
priority over the claims of all my children
under this my will.

I direct that all my just debts
and funeral expenses shall be paid out of
any property I may own at my death.

I have given to my daughter Cama-
Hughes wife of James Hughes \$600⁰⁰ in land
and a horse worth \$100⁰⁰. I have given to
my son Tonie a mule worth \$100⁰⁰. It is
my will that my son Tonie shall have \$600⁰⁰
out of my estate after my death to make
him equal to my daughter Cama. It is
my will that my sons Robert and Lawson
shall at my death each have \$600⁰⁰ and
that each of my sons Robert and Lawson
shall in addition have a horse or a
mule worth \$100⁰⁰ or \$100⁰⁰ in money to
make them equal to my daughter Cama.
It is also my will that the rest and
residue of my estate shall be equally
divided among my four children Cama,
Tonie, Robert and Lawson.

I hereby nominate and appoint D. A. Welch
executor of this my last will and testament.
In witness whereof I have heretofore sub-
scribed my name this September 6th 1894,
D. M. Jones

Signed and published in our presence
and we have subscribed our names

James Barnes will continued

in the presence of the testator this
Sept 6th 1894.

*J. M. Brayley
C. M. Baker,*

This will was proven Nov 29/1895
in open court by ~~subscribing~~ one of the subscri-
bing witnesses ~~no record kept, clerk~~

In the name of God Amen.

I James Barnes being of sound
mind and memory do give devise and
bequeath all my property both real and
personal as hereinafter provided. revoking
all former wills by me at any time made
I do direct that all my just debts including
funeral expenses and the expense of admin-
istration be paid by my executors.

I do bequeath to my beloved wife Isabelle
all my personal property. I also give
and devise to my said wife the use of
my farm house where she now resides
including twenty acres of land surroun-
ding same, for of rent during the term
of her natural life, to be occupied by herself
or her tenants. I also give and devise to
my said wife the use of six acres of my
bottom land for of rent during the term
of her natural life.

I do devise all the residue and remainder
of my real estate to my children, who shall
survive me, and to the legal issue of any
deceased child or children by way of repre-
sentation of such child or children forever, as
hereinafter provided. Viz. To my daughter
Mahala Bankstone five acres of my bottom
land. To my daughter Amanda Martin
five acres of my bottom land To my

James Barnes will continued

daughter Nancy V. Barnes five acres of
my bottom land. To my son James Barnes
five acres of my bottom land. and to my
son Franklin J. Barnes ten acres of my bottom
land.

To my hill land including the twenty acres
bequeathed to my said wife I give and
bequeath to my children above named
to be divided between them in equal parts.
Signed by the said Testator James Barnes
of Dybarns Bluff Hardin County Tennessee
the 22nd day of November AD 1894 in
the presence of us, who at his request in
his presence and in the presence of each
other have subscribed our names as
attesting witnesses.

James Barnes
Witnesses
T. C. Massey Dybarns Bluff Tenn
D. C. Worley Dybarns Bluff Tenn.

The above will was proven in open court
Dec 2/1895 by T. C. Massey one of the subscribing witnesses.

"I F Little Will"

I F Little of Cerro Gordo, Tenn. do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me at any time made.

First I direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid out of the first money which shall come to the hands of my executor.

Second Subject to the payment of my just debts and funeral expenses, and the pecuniary legacies hereinafter mentioned, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Annie Little, all of my estate and effects of every character and description, absolutely and without limitation or restriction.

Third It is my will and wish that the affairs of the firm of Harbour & Little composed of my brother-in-law E. B. Harbour and myself, including the stock or interest held by said firm in the Harbour Little Thor Co., of Paducah Ky. be settled and closed up as soon after my decease as may be consistent with the best interests of my estate and partner, and that until the Cerro Gordo business can be closed without sacrifice I desire that it shall be continued by my executor and my said partner under our present contract not, however, for a period exceeding six months, after my decease.

In settling up our business both at Cerro Gordo and Paducah Ky. I rely upon my said partner and brother-in-law to see that it is done in accordance with the terms of our written agreement under which we operated for five years originally at Cerro Gordo and which was continued by mutual

I F Little Will continued

agreement after the expiration of that period; and it is my wish that he pay over to my beloved wife my interest with as little delay as possible after the funds are realized and in condition to be paid over; and in the mean time that he advance to her whatever she may need for immediate wants charging same to her, to be accounted for on final settlement, so that she may suffer no inconvenience pending the final liquidation of our business.

Fourth I give and bequeath to my sister, Maria C. Butler the sum of Five Hundred dollars, and to my brother, W. B. Little the sum of Five Hundred dollars, to be paid them by my executrix out of the proceeds of my said partnership interests, when she shall have realized the same from my said partner.

Fifth In recognition of the disinterested and faithful attentions of my special friend, Daniel Gwinn in my last sickness and in grateful remembrance of his many kindnesses, I give and bequeath to him the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty dollars to be paid by my executor in like manner as the above legacies to my sister and brother.

Sixth To my father's faithful old family servant Tyler Little colored, in grateful remembrance of his devoted attentions to me, I give and bequeath the sum of one hundred dollars, which I wish my beloved wife to pay to him from time to time and in such sums as in her judgment his necessities may require; and it is my wish that my beloved wife look after him and so far as practicable and she may be able, see that he does not suffer for the necessities of life.

J. F. Pitts Will Continued

Lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my beloved wife Annie Pitts executrix of this my will and having all confidence in her integrity I request that she be permitted to qualify and execute the same without bond.

In witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my name at my home Corroborado Tennessee this the 16th day of November 1896.

J. F. Pitts

Signed by the testator in our presence and witnessed by us in his presence and at his request the day and year above written

C. V. Helder
J. D. Helder

Witnessed Jan 4, 1906

Laurisa M. Falls, Will

I Mrs Laurisa M. Falls do make and publish this as my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time made either written or spoken.

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, or may first come into the hands of my executor.

Secondly, I direct that all my property that I die possessed of in the house and kitchen and all my stock and farm products be sold on twelve months time with note and good security, except my wearing apparel and my trunk. The trunk and what things I may place in it as keepsakes to remember me in after years I give to my Grand daughter Mary Morgan.

Third I desire that all my estate be divided between the five Morgan Children. The two youngest Children Louis Powell Morgan and Mary Morgan have a double share of my estate over the three older Morgan Children, and as soon as my estate passes into the hands of my Executor or Administrators, each share the money to, shall be loaned at interest until they arrive at maturity. I further desire that the

That the five Morgan Children shall have a Guardian appointed, and he see to the clothing and educating the two younger Morgan Children out of their money that I give them and it is my will that she Mary be sent to the Industrial School at Nashville where her Sister is now in school. The five Morgan Children before spoken of are my Grand Children, names as follows, Nelly Morgan, Laura Morgan, Oscar Morgan, Louis Powell Morgan and

Louisa M. Falks Will Continued

Mary Morgan.
 Lastly, I direct that the County Court
 appoint my Executor or administrators
 to this my last will and testament
 signed in the presence of the subscribing
 witnesses this 3rd day of September
 1876

Witnessing
 John A. Smith
 L. A. Morgan
 Louisa M. Falks
 Mark

State of Tennessee
 Hardin County

In the name of God
 Amen. We Anna Horley
 and Juranah Horley being old and infirm
 but of perfect mind and memory do make
 and ordain this our last will and testam-
 ent. our souls to God who gave them and
 our bodies to be buried in a christian
 manner.

Item 1st It is our will and desire that all of
 our just debts and funeral expenses be
 paid.

Item 2nd It is our will and desire after the
 death of each one of us our niece Anna Jun-
 annah Horley to have the tract of land
 wherein we now live containing one hundred
 fifty acres more or less on the waters of Turkey
 Creek.

Item 3rd Also all the stock of horses hogs, cows
 & sheep household and kitchen furniture
 farming tools of all description and all
 the poultry on the premises,
 also all the corn wheat fodder & oats on
 the premises at the death of the last one of
 us.

Item 4th The property all of it to remain exclusively
 our own so long as either or both shall
 live.

Item 5th It is our will and desire that she
 have all the money we may have on
 hand at our deaths.

6th We do appoint our trusty friends Jacob
 Vanhouse & W. C. Covey Executors of this our
 last will and testament this 3rd day
 of March 1876.

Acknowledged in presence of Juranah ^{as} Horley ^{mark}
 L. A. Covey
 J. N. Vanhouse

Mr. J. F. Parratt's Will.

For and in consideration of the regard, love and affection, I, J. F. Parratt, have for my dear sisters and their children herein named, in this my last will and testament, I do hereby will and bequeath to my dear Nephew Marvin Akin and my dear Nephew James Philip Hawkins and my dear Niece, Hattie Bell Akin jointly and equally my lands.

I further also will and bequeath to said James Philip Hawkins and Marvin Akin \$500. Three hundred dollars each in money to school them being that much over and above their part in the lands.

The Balance of my personal property and effects, to be equally divided among my 3. dear Sisters, Mrs. Sarah Elisabeth Falk, Mrs. Martha Jane Hawkins and Mrs. Candis Jerry Akins.

And I further respectfully request the Han County Court of Hardin County to appoint some one not related to me to execute this my last will and testament. This 18 day of June 1891 I further request that Geo. H. Falk be given a reasonable time on the land notes.

Witnesses

Eli Cuppler

J. McCaffrey

Mr. J. M. Braddy's Will.

State of Tennessee Hardin County
March 31st A.D. 1896.

I John W. Braddy do make and publish this my last will & testament and by these presents I hereby revoke all other wills previously made by me.

First, I will that my executors of this Will after my death take possession of my personal property and real estate and sell enough of the same to the highest bidder on a credit of twelve months to pay my Burial expenses, and all my just debts. And one dollar each to the following named parties, namely, Kessiah L. Esten, M. E. Stricklin, Minnie M. Green, James E. Braddy, Maggie Carroll the wife of Rufus Carroll.

Manda Kemp, Aggie Braddy and Diana Braddy & Fennor Braddy - the last five names given is the heirs of J. W. Braddy deceased. Secondly I will & bequeath to my Present wife, Tobitha the remainder portion of my personal property & Real Estate if there be any, all of which to be her right & property during her natural life and at her death or will the same is to go to her bodily heirs as the law prescribes in the division of Real estate inherited by married women.

Thirdly I hereby appoint E. G. Greer Esq. Executor of this my last will & testament and authorise him at my death to take charge of all my property both real & personal manage & control the same as this will prescribe, and if the same is sold execute a deed of title to the purchaser for the same - all of which is hereby acknowledged the day and date above written.

Witnesses
W. L. Lantry, J. M. Braddy
J. C. Greer

State of Tennessee
Harden County

I this day make my will
to wit:
First give my wife Mary Sparks
a life-time during it being in the land.
I give Thomas Sparks my son and Bud
Luthrie & Mary Luthrie & James Smith all
of this land is to be together untill and
the same rents is to be pay untill all
land debts is paid then they can divide
it if they think best. I also give Amanda
Sparks Children 1 lot or parcels of land
about 30 acres begin at Dr. Altum Road
& the Brough land & runs to Hardin Creek
then down the said Creek to the 4 acre
turn Road then back up to place where
I said when I told my wife Mary Sparks
I also give Mr Sparks a 19 acres of
land on bottom lying on Hardins Creek
joining J.M. Howards & the Benji Sparks land
that is for the said Wm Sparks to
pay our hundred dollars on said
land debt. This day 1895
Warren Sparks

Witness
John Smith
L. S. Smith
Wm Sparks.

The above will was probated July
1st 1896. Proven by John Smith & L. S. Smith
W. Wood cts, clk.

(W.H. Smith's will)

I W.H. Smith do make and publish this
my last will and Testament making void
all former wills by me at any time
made either written or spoken
First. I direct that my funeral expenses be
paid out of any money that I may
die possessed of. or that may first
come into the hands of my executor or
Administrator.
Second. I direct that all my just debts be paid
Third. I give to my wife V.D. all my land
during her natural life or widowhood
all money notes or accounts that I may
have at my death. I give to my wife
all stock and farming implements.
House hold and kitchen furniture I give
to my wife and at her death or remar-
riage. Then my land to be divided between
my children equally. I nominate and
appoint my wife V.D. my executor to
this my last will and Testament July
1st 1896. without giving security
attest:
John A. Smith
A. J. Harrison.

(proven Sept 7/96 by
A. J. Harrison)

I John Austin (sr) being in my right mind and understanding do hereby make this my last will and testament I do hereby appoint my wife Virginia I Austin and my son W Austin my sole Executors without any bond and after death I request all of my just debts paid and burial expenses and then I will and bequeath to my wife during her natural life my home place and all of my stock and other property on hand on said place. and I bequeath and will all of my land lying north and east of the line running to Halland Creek below my dwelling house to my daughter Katie Allie Austin to have the same at her disposal and I want my wife and son W Austin as executor to wind up my estate that to collect all my notes and accounts that may be on hand at my death. And I will and bequeath that after my wife's death that my land and all other property be sold and the proceeds be divided equally between my lawful heirs.

this the 5th day of May 1896

Witness
Eli Cherry
Vianna Cherry

proven Nov 6/1896
by Eli Cherry

I know all men. That I Daniel Hitchcock being of sound mind and understanding make this my last will, testament, I will and bequeath (That after selling all of my personal effects or so much of the same, that will pay burial expenses and all of my just debts) to Laura A. Hitchcock my beloved wife during her life time all of my land consisting of my home place upon which I now live in Hardin County, Tennessee on the waters of Dry Creek 8th dist to have and to hold for her sole purpose for her support during her natural life, and then the same to go to my daughter M.A. Mills wife of W.J. Mills. and I hereby request that W.J. Mills be my executor to wind up my business to the best advantage to all concerned and by law this the 5th day of July 1897.

Witness — Daniel Hitchcock
Eli Cherry.

State of Tennessee Personally appeared Hardin County before me Eli Cherry a notary Public of said County Daniel Hitchcock with whom I am personally acquainted and acknowledged that he executed the annexed instrument for the purpose therein expressed witness my hand and seal this the 2nd day of July 1897



Eli Cherry
Notary Public

proven Nov 6/1896
Eli Cherry

A. W. Price Will

Knowing the certainty of death and the uncertainty of life I hereby make my last will and Testament.

It is my will and desire that at my death my son W. F. Price, receive all my effects, my Shop, Horses, Cattle &c and all my House-hold and Kitchen furniture and effects of every kind and all lands belonging to me in Hardin Co Tennessee which lands are as follows, Two Hundred acres more or less in Hardin Co Tenn in Range 6, Section 1, District 10. It being the land on which I have for many years made my home. For further description see deed by N. H. Kendrick to A. W. Price recorded in deed Book — Page —

It is my desire and intention to make my son W. F. Price my sole heir after my death to everything I possess after my debts are paid May 26th 1894

Attest
 A. W. Price
 N. H. Kendrick
 M. Kendrick
 J. H. Hovner
 O. Kendrick
 J. F. Poindexter

Mrs Joseph Elizabeth Parker Will

Know all men by these Presents That I, Joseph Elizabeth Parker being of sound mind make this my last will and Testament I give and will to my Daughter Martha Jane Downing wife of W. O. Downing my two horses and wagon also one filly Colt now about six months old and my two thirds interest in a tract of land lying near Curro Guards bought of J. L. Callus also all notes and accounts or other property that may belong to me at my death I name A. A. Warsaw as my executor and ask that he wind up my business according to law. This November the 16 1896

Witnesses
 J. N. DeBerry
 W. M. Linnam
 Joseph Elizabeth Parker

Mrs. M. C. Newman's Will

I, Mrs. M. C. Newman 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 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 executors. Secondly I give and bequeath to Luther and Arthur Newman, my entire Household and Supplies and two mules and wagon two cows and 5 hogs. Thirdly I give to each of my Daughters Mallie, Dorie, and Jennie Newman Ten Dollars each. Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint David Perkins and F. L. Strawn my executors in witness whereof I do to this my Will set my hand this 22nd day of March 1897

M. C. Newman

Signed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testators This the 22nd day of March 1897

David Perkins
F. L. Strawn

Thomas Tidwell's Will

The last Will and Testament of Thomas Tidwell of Savannah Hardin County Tennessee, made the 22 day of September 1897. In the name of God Amen

I, Thomas Tidwell of Savannah Tennessee Hardin Co of the age of 60 years Decr 25 1897 and being of sound mind and Memory do hereby make my last Will and Testament in manner following

First: It is my will that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be fully paid.

Second I give and bequeath to my ablest Son F. M. Tidwell Five hundred Dollars which four hundred and sixty nine Dollars and ninety Cents is paid.

Third I will to my Son W. C. Tidwell when collected by the Administrator Three hundred Dollars in Cash One third interest in the Mrs E. J. Johnson Dairy.

Fourth: I Will to my Son Alexander Tidwell Two Hundred Dollars which is done paid.

Fifth: I will my Son Sammie Tidwell my home place to take Care of me and my wife Elizabeth Tidwell our life time and see to our necessities while alive all 2 mules and wagon and all my farm implements and all my crops grown the past Season and one cow and calf and all my sheep and hogs.

My wife Elizabeth shall have my mare and one cow and calf. And give the use of my blacksmith tools all flour of my Sons above named in my will

Next my Daughter Sarah Cassey's heirs whose names are as follows, Florence Cassey, Sellar Cassey, and Etta Cassey three little girls shall have one hundred Dollars in Cash to each one, their Guardian be appointed when my Administrator has collected and settled up all my Dues and he put out an interest until each one has become of age Should any depart from this life before the age then the money be divided equally between the others.

Next my Daughter Mary E. Walters her 21st share name is Arthur Harrison Walters have one hundred dollars in cash and one mule at the age of 21 years in case he should depart this life before that age

Thomas Tidwell's Will

his part shall be divided equally among my children living. My son Samuell Tidwell to give him the mule which he is of age his guardian to appoint also. if after all expenses is paid I will to my Step Son Step Daughter Barnister Gally and Shes ~~Tidwell~~ Carrey five Dollars each.

Lastly I appoint my son Alexander Tidwell to be the Executor of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this 22 day of Sept 1877

Thomas ^{his} Tidwell
Mark

The above instrument consisting of two sheets was now here subscribed by Thomas Tidwell the testator in the presence of each of us and was at the same time declared by him to be his last will and testament and we at his request sign our names hereto in his presence as attesting

Witness to signatures
and marks
Fayette Smith
Lowson Smith

att Tidwell

Prokated Dec 24 1897 A. A. Watson D.C.

John W. Allison's Will

I John W. Allison of the County of Hardin and State of Tennessee in feeble health but of sound mind do make and publish this 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 to 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 Executors.

For the love and affection I have for my wife Bettie Laura Allison I give and bequeath all my lands and Estate that I do here seized and possessed of, consisting of the farm on which I now live bounded on the South by Pitts, East by Hardin, North by Duncan West by Pitts. Also my personal property consisting in horses, mules, cattle and all other live stock that I own and possess, also all my farming utensils of every description that I may have including Wagons and all other tools that I have, also my household and kitchen furniture of every description that I have. Also what produce that I now have on hand consisting of Corn Cotton and bacon and all other personal property of whatever description that I have. And last I appoint my wife Bettie Laura Allison Executrix of this my last will and testament and ask the County Court to grant her Letters as Executrix without bond.

In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand this 24 day of December 1897 J. W. Allison

Attest } W. S. Vance
Watt Hardin

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E. J. Couch's Will

I, E. J. Couch hereby make and publish this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all writings void all other Wills heretofore by me made.

Item 1st It is my Will and desire that as soon after my death as convenient my executor to be hereafter named, pay all of my just debts out of any money or property I may have or have at my death.

Item 2nd It is my Will and desire that my said executor or fund for the benefit of my son M. P. Couch the Sum of One Hundred and fifty Dollars in sending him to some good school and I desire that my said son start to school as soon as convenient and that said sum be expended for him as my executor shall deem necessary.

Item 3rd It is my Will and desire that my son, C. E. Couch have the benefit of the Sum of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars in the same way and manner as expressed in Item 2nd of this my last Will, for my son M. P. Couch.

Item 4th It is my Will that my two younger sons James F. Couch and Joseph T. Couch have the benefit of the Sum of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars each when they shall arrive at the age of Eighteen and Sixteen years respectively to be used in sending them to school, to be expended by my executor for that purpose as expressed in Item 2nd in regard to my said son M. P. Couch.

Item 5th It is my Will and desire that the said amount to be used for my two sons James F. and Joseph T. be liquid at interest by my executor until they arrive at the age of Eighteen and Sixteen respectively. But if after setting apart the Sum of \$150⁰⁰ each to my two older sons as expressed in Items 2nd and 3rd there should not remain \$150⁰⁰ each for my two younger sons then I direct that they have whatever amount does remain in the hands of my executor to be used as directed in Item 4th but in no event are they to have over \$150⁰⁰ each for the purposes mentioned in Item 4th.

Item 6th After setting apart the Sum of One hundred and fifty Dollars to each of my said sons it is my Will and desire that my wife Sallie E. Couch have all of my property of every kind and description whether the same be real personal or mixed during her widowhood and in the event of her marriage or death then it is my Will that all of the property received by her at my death be divided equally among my children M. P. Couch, C. E. Couch, James F. Couch, Sallie E. Couch, James F. Couch and Joseph T. Couch and my Grandson John H. Hugh Johnson share and share alike. But as above expressed it is my desire that my said wife have all

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of my property except the amounts given to my sons to school then for and during her natural life or while she remains a Widow.

Item 7th I hereby nominate and appoint J. W. Roberts executor to this my last will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I hereunto set my hand this the 28th of August 1897

E. J. Couch

Signed and acknowledged as the last Will and Testament of the testator in our presence and we sign the same as subscribing Witnesses thereto at the request of the testator and in his presence and in the presence of each other. This August 29th 1897

J. L. Baker
J. H. M. Crocker