

I will assign it on some of my Executors at my death to take
 an Inventory of my property that is not specially willed
 and to same returned to Court. In furnishing this my
 last will I have been influenced only by what I consider
 what is right & just. I wish my children to act like Brothers
 & Sisters and be friendly.

In testimony whereof I set my hand & affix my Seal
 December the 27th 1855.

Signed and acknowledged before us:

Wm. H. Appleton, Joseph M. Clark

Charles W. Wardlock & Jeremiah

Clauver, Martin Marcus Lyrick

John P. Hammett

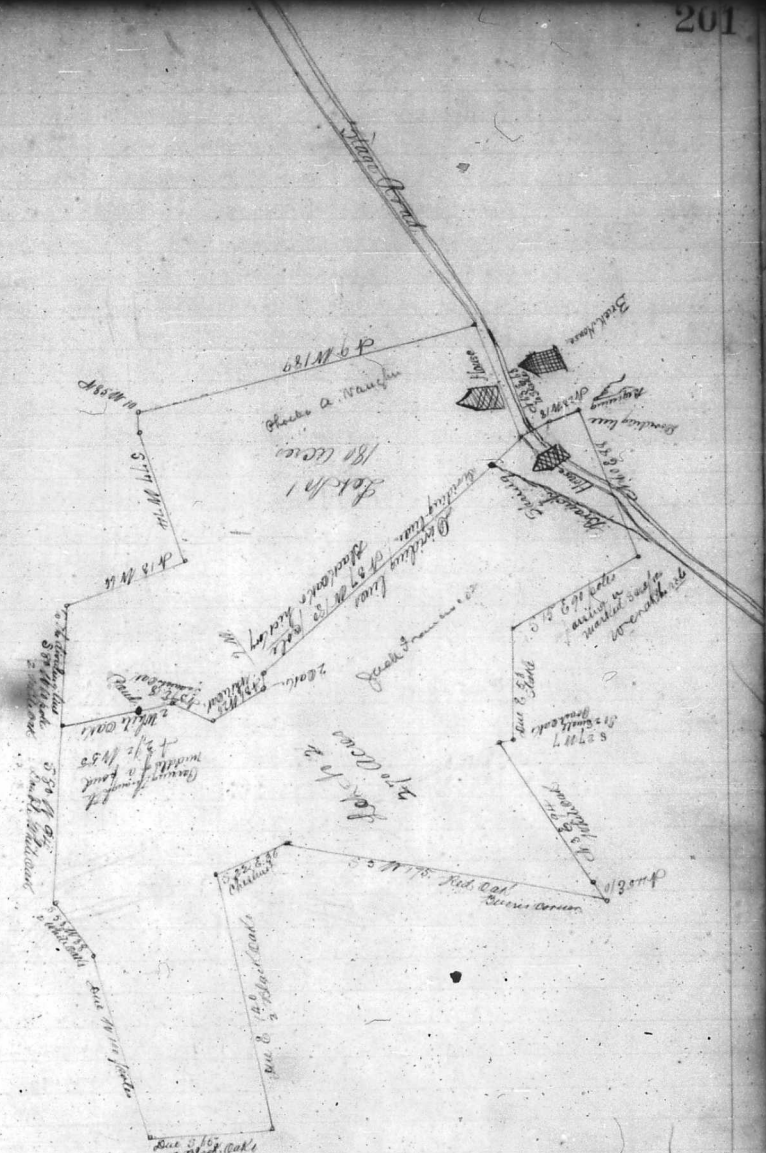
James Francisco

The Robert Cooper, Philip C. Nord, appointed Commissioners
 by the last will & Testament of Jas. Francisco dec'd met the day
 at the house of said Jas. Francisco (dec'd) and have proceeded
 under the will to value the land lot No 2 as described in the
 will at \$25.33 33¹/₂ to Jas. Francisco & lot No 1 to Peter A. Vaughan
 Vaughan at 20.33 33¹/₂ and five negroes, Carson a man at \$500
 Lucy a woman at \$320.33¹/₂ & Mary & her children at \$144.33¹/₂ to
 W. C. Francisco.

Ed. Nord

P. Critt

Robt. Cooper



Mc Jackson Francisco and Peter A. Vaughan do both agree that the land shall
 run a straight line from the Road to the head of the Spring then a straight
 line to a black oak on the top of the ridge near the corner
 of the field as the plat will show all the courses. This 3 day of
 August 1855

Jeremiah Clauver

Peter A. Vaughan
 James M. Francisco

State of Tennessee
 Nashville County Personally appeared before me James Lacey, Clerk
 of the County Court of said County, Jeremiah Brown
 and Charles Murdock subscribing witnesses to the foregoing instrument
 who being duly sworn according to law depose and say that they
 are personally acquainted with Peter A. Vaughan Jackson M.
 Francisco the makers thereof and heard them severally acknowl-
 edge the same to be their act and deed for the purposes therein con-
 tained. Witness my hand at office the 7th day of August 1855
 James Lacey Clerk
 By J. H. Vance D. Clerk

Will of Rachel Dorsey

Nov 24 1855

Dorsey Decr. 24th 1855

I Rachel Dorsey knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty
 of death and being weak of body but sound of mind and memory
 do hereby make and constitute the following my last will and testament
 to wit: I leave first, my will and desire is that my body be
 decently buried in a plain manner and that all my funeral ex-
 penses and last debts be paid in the first place.

Item second, My will and desire is that my two step daughters
 Manerva and Matilda Dorsey and my own daughter Susan
 Dorsey have each one negro girl in addition to those left
 them by their father, all to be set apart to them by my Executors
 hereafter appointed, each of them two good beds and furniture
 to be set apart in like manner.

Item third, My will and desire is that my son James R.
 Dorsey have in fee simple and to hold and enjoy all the land
 that I now do seize and possessed of, it being the land of
 inherited by his last will and testament of my husband James
 R. Dorsey and in addition to said land, I will and desire
 my Executors to pay to him the sum of James R. Dorsey the sum
 of two thousand dollars (\$2000) in cash or notes belonging
 to my estate to be decided by them and paid accordingly.
 The reason of this bequeath to my son James is his father
 provided for my son Gabriel in his will and did not for
 James and this I think will make James nearly equal
 with Gabriel.

Item fourth, My will and desire is that my Executors sell
 all the residue of my property of every kind whatever and such

credit as is usually given in such cases, and out of the pro-
 ceeds of the same, and out of the residue of my estate of all kinds,
 I desire them first to pay my daughter Susan Dorsey three
 thousand dollars (\$3000) if so much there be, and all
 the residue if any, to be equally divided between my three
 children Susan Gabriel and James R. Dorsey. I further
 request that my two step daughters Manerva and Matilda
 and my daughter Susan have a home with my son
 Gabriel at the old place so long as they remain single.

I do hereby nominate and appoint C. L. Miller
 and John Young Executors of this my last will and tes-
 tament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand and seal the 24th day of November 1855

Signed sealed and acknowledged Rachel Dorsey
 in presence of us

Jacob Miller
 David Laughmiller
 John Young

Will of Alexander Grant

Dated June 13 1799

In the name of God, Amen

I Alexander Grant of Hawkins County in the State of N^o Carolina being weak in body but of sound mind and memory and understanding do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following to wit: First It is my will and desire that my just debts be honestly paid, and as for the Estate real and personal that is, hath pleased the Almighty God to bestow on me, I give & bequeath my son & daughter Thomas & Mary Grant, then heirs & forever. But in case any of the said Children should die under age then and in that case the surviving Child is to have the whole of the Estate real & personal. After my loving wife Ellen Grant decease or she is to have her living out of said Estate as long as it may please God to let her live. My landed Estate both contain two hundred acres more or less including the plantation I now live on which is to be equally divided between my two Children Thomas & Mary Grant. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the 12th day of June in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and eighty nine in the above named County Grant for his last Will and Testament in presence of us who have hereunto affixed our names as witnesses.

Alexander Grant Seal

John King
Nicholas Wilson
John King

Will of Elizabeth Grove

Dated Mar 13 1805

In the name of God, Amen

I Elizabeth Grove of the County of Hawkins in the State of Tennessee being of sound mind but in an infirm state of health hereunto present do will and bequeath all the effects I now possessed of to my son in law David Swabach and his wife except my wearing apparel which I bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Haw. In witness whereof I have set my hand & seal this 13 day of March 1805.

Elizabeth Grove Seal

John Jackson
Joseph Clippor

Will of Thomas Gibbons

Dated June 13 1809

In the name of God, Amen

I Thomas Gibbons of the County of Hawkins & State of Tennessee being weak in body but of sound and perfect memory. Bequeath to Almighty God do make and publish this my last will & Testament in manner & form following (that is to say)

It is my will that all my personal estate which I now claim be equally divided between my children Thomas Gibbons, Isaac Howard, Peter Gibson, Edmund Gibbons, William Gibbons, Sally Gilchrist & Ephie Gibbons and a child's share to be equally divided between my grand children Mary Gibson, James Gibbons & Elizabeth Gibbons children of my daughter, Mathe Gibbons. I further bequeath to my son Edmund Gibbons two hundred pounds in lieu of land over & above his share. I also give and bequeath to my daughter Rebecca Gibbons one dollar. I also give & bequeath to my son John Gibbons one dollar. I also give to the heirs of my son James Gibbons one dollar they having already received their share of my estate. I hereby appoint my son in law W^m Noel, or my son Edmund Gibbons my Executor of this my last will & Testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 13 day of June A.D. 1809

Thomas Gibbons Seal
Signed, sealed, published & declared by the above named Thomas Gibbons to be his last will & Testament, in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses to the same.

John [Jewettman]

John [Jewettman]

[Spiker]

Isaiah [Jewettman]

John Elam [Jewettman]

John Elam [Jewettman]

Will of Christy Grove

Dated Oct 16 1809

In the name of God, Amen

I Christy Grove of Hawkins County within the State of Tennessee being of full age and sound memory do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in the words and figures following (to wit)

Now I give and bequeath to James W. Day of said County a certain tract or parcel of land lying in said County of

Nowline, containing one hundred and fifty acres lying upon
the lands of Thomas Sugrue and John Yalling, between Carleton
and Stanley, Valley. Also I give unto said McVay one full
containing sixty five gallons, and that the my last will may
be more fully understood, I do ordain that the said James
McVay be my sole and entire heir of all the property that
I now have both real and personal. In testimony whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twentieth day
of October 1809.

Test
Jas McVay
James McVay

Christley Grace ^{Test}

Will of Philadelphia Grills. [see original]

Dated Aug 14 1782

In the name of God Amen

I Philadelphia Grills being in sound judgment
and memory, calling to mind my latter end being willing to have
what little fortune that is, both please God of his goodness to
have me with, divided in the manner following. I do hereby
claim as my right and property that is, real and her
five children Samuel, George, Mathias, Robins and Siler my issue
is that the be sold, and the money to be divided in the manner
as follows, that is, to my loving husband John Grills my wife
would be that he would have the sum of fifteen pounds paid
to him yearly during life by the hands of the Legatee, each
paying an equal portion to him out of their parts. And the whole
annual of the negroes that was the property of the late Philadel-
phia Grills deceased, is to be equally divided between Richard
Grills, Elkanah, Angles, Mildred Johnson, Mariah ^{McVay} and
Elbert Grills. Said Legatee is each of them to receive their part
as soon as sale can be made and the money collected, only
Mildred Johnson, and her part is to be kept in the hand of a
trustee to be divided among the heirs of her body, at her
death, only the interest, she, the said Mildred Johnson is to re-
ceive yearly. And I further declare that Richard Grills
should have the sorrow horse that I the deceased Philadel-
phia Grills claimed as my property. And I leave my bay
mare to Mildred Johnson and said mare with I leave to
Elkanah Angles. And to Mariah McVay I leave the black
mare. And said mare with I leave to Elbert Grills.

And I do here appoint and constitute James Sugley, John Mc
Adow & Elbert Grills to be my Executors to put this my last will
and Testament into execution, and I do disavow and
revoke all wills that have been heretofore made and do
acknowledge this to be my last will and Testament, Witness
my hand and seal this 13th day of August 1789

Signed in presence of
Jeremiah Chamberlain
James Carmichael

Philadelphia Grills ^{Test}

And it is my desire that my husband John Grills
should have any of the horses that he the said John Grills
should make choice of that is mentioned to the aforesaid Leg-
atee in the other part of the will. And said horses is to be
refused to said Legatee at his death, and when ever that
it is that the said John Grills chooses them horses that is men-
tioned to him in the aforesaid will each of them is to have
the sum of five pounds paid out of the estate. And further
I leave to my son John Grills the sum of twenty five pounds
to be paid out of said estate. And to my daughter Elizabeth Cox
the sum of fifteen pounds. And to my son Elbert Grills I
leave the new bed that I am making up. And the Bed that I
lay on after the death of his grand father John Grills I leave to
Washington Johnson. In witness whereof I the said
Philadelphia Grills have to this my last will and Testa-
ment set my hand and seal this 13th day of October 1789

Philadelphia Grills ^{Test}

Signed, sealed and delivered by the said Philadelphia Grills
as and for her last will and Testament in the presence of
us who were present at the signing and sealing thereof
Jeremiah Chamberlain
Thos. Dillip

Will of Joseph Galbraith

Dated Sept 26 1800

In the name of God Amen

I Joseph Galbraith of the County of Hawkins and State
of Tennessee, being aware of the mortality of my body, that is, is
appointed for all men once to die, do make and Ordain
this to be my last Will and Testament, in manner and form fol-
lowing, to wit,

Dish and principally of all, I give my soul into care of Almighty God, who created and gives it. I commit my body to the earth to be buried in a decent and Christian like manner, at the discretion of my heirs or named Executors. And Third and lastly, my earthly estate wherewith I may die seized or possessed I give and bequeath in manner following.

To my beloved wife Mottine I give and bequeath all my household and kitchen furniture without reservation, to her use and benefit forever. Also two cows and calves and three hundred dollars out of the money and personal property I may be possessed of at the time of my decease.

My negro woman Est I give and bequeath to the Infant (or Infants) of which my wife is now pregnant, should it survive, to its use and benefit forever, and during its minority, it is my wish that the said negro woman remain under the direction of one of my heirs or named Executors and her labor to go towards the support of our said wife and child, during the minority of my said child, and widowhood of my said wife, and in case of her marriage then over after, to the benefit of my said child. But in all cases it is my wish should said negro have child, that they should be for the use and benefit of my said child. And in case of my said child's death and death or marriage of my wife, then said negro Est I give to my nephew Joseph Carrington to her use and benefit forever.

Now, I give to my said child should it survive all the estate personal that I may be possessed of at the time of my decease, after paying all debts and the heretofore named Legacies and in case of its death, then and in that case I give three hundred dollars more to my said nephew Joseph Carrington out of said money that may be at hand.

Now, I will that my tract of land containing four hundred acres in Roan County (Poplar Creek) shall be sold when recovered and it is my wish that my brother Andrew Galbraith shall have the sole direction of all matters touching said land, while in dispute and full power to sell and dispose of the same when recovered, and he hereby authorized to dispose of any part of said land in prosecuting said suit until recovered for the purpose of obtaining the land that he may find proper.

And it is my will that if said land is recovered when sold, and all costs and charges defrayed that my wife Mottine have one third part of what may remain of the price of said

land and the remaining two thirds to my aforesaid infant, to be disposed of for its use during its minority as my said Executor think proper. And in case of its death the said two thirds of said land to be equally divided between the following persons, viz. To my sister Margaret Young, my brother Andrew Galbraith Harvey Young (son of my sister Sally Young), my sister Julia Davis, my nephew Phineas Henderson (son of my sister Phyllis Henderson) and Emma to Galbraith to each of the above named persons share and share alike, it is further my will that any money that may be belonging to my estate not already herein disposed of, shall also be divided equally between the above six persons last named. Now, It is my will that in case my said Infant lives and my wife decease, remove or marry that my said Executor should have the direction of my child's education in every manner whatsoever.

Now, I herewith declare to be my last will and Testament in all its parts, publishing and declaring it as such, disavowing and revoking all others. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the 28th day of September in the year of our Lord 1811.

Now, I hereby constitute and appoint my two brothers Andrew Galbraith and Emma to Galbraith Executors of this my last will and Testament. This I further publish. And declare to be part of this my last will & Testament. Now, I will in case my said negro should have children and my said child decease during its minority and my wife decease or marry, then and in that case, it is my will that my said nephew Joseph Carrington shall have said woman child or children as well as said negro Est. This I also declare to be part of this my last will and Testament.

In testimony of all and every part herein contained I herewith set my hand and seal the day and year first before herein written.

Signed, sealed, published & declared in presence of us
Robert Young &
Arthur Young

Joseph Galbraith *Test*

(Arthur)
Will of Arthur Galbraith

Dated Feb 23 1820

In the name of God Amen

I Arthur Galbraith of the County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee being weak in body but of perfect sound mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of my body that it is appointed for all men once to die. do make, ordain, publish and declare this to be my last will and Testament, in manner and form following:

First and principally of all, I give my soul into care of Almighty God who created and gave it. Second, my body to the earth to be buried in a decent and Christian like manner with the direction of my hereinafter named Executors. And third and lastly, my earthly estate wherewith I may be seized or possessed I give and bequeath in manner following:

First, I allow all my just debts to be paid.

Second, I will to my son John Galbraith my negro boy Albin and negro girl Fannette and one hundred dollars in money like my old servant negro man Aaron. The said negro having been faithful servant, and it is his wish to went with my said son John.

Third, I will to my daughter Elizabeth Carrington my negro boy Mitchell.

Fourthly, I will to my son Andrew Galbraith the sum of Five dollars which I consider his part having hitherto provided for him.

Fifthly, I will to my son Isaac & Galbraith my negro woman Minna, and her younger child Nancy to my grand daughter Elizabeth Galbraith daughter of my son Isaac.

Sixthly, I will that all my stock of every kind, Household furniture, Farming utensils and money on hand and every kind of property not heretofore disposed of, to be sold and the money arising thereon to be equally divided among my hereinafter named children, John and Charlotte (Deceased) my daughter Margaret, Maria, Elizabeth Carrington, Polly Looney, Sally Young Julia Davis, Rebecca Henderson and Lucinda Carrington.

Fourth and lastly, I constitute and appoint, men two sons John Galbraith and Isaac & Galbraith Executors of this my last will and Testament. The foregoing I publish and declare to be my last will and Testament, revoking all others.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand

and affixed my seal. This 23rd day of February 1820

Signed, Sealed, Published and
Declared in presence of:

James Allen, Junr
Henry Boone Young Junr
Henry Brown

Arthur Galbraith

James
Will of James T. Lewis

Dated Dec 29 1820

I James Taylor Lewis of the County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee being weak in body but in sound mind & memory, meditating on the uncertainty of human existence, do desire this to be my last will & Testament, first giving up to Almighty God my soul & body the given & made up of it.

1st It is my wish & desire that the tract of land whereon I now live with all the lands adjoining the same our shared of Jose & McWain and my part of an undivided tract granted to David Althead be sold on condition eight thousand dollars can be had for them & do here by empower and authorize my Executors or Executor here after named to convey the same to any person or persons that may pay that cost for the same or secure the payment for that and for the same & subject to the following conditions to wit: I wish my Father & Mother's residence in the house where they now live, or in the house at the head of the Spring where James Childress Childs resided, to them & theirs to hold during their natural lives with the following premises, the upper field or fields above the branch with the back yard field as low down as the first drain that empties into the river from the long ditch with the Orchard field but not the exclusive privilege of the fruit but an equal share of it. Also have free privilege of the large wood land, pasture for the use and benefit of them & their stock. As a further wish & desire that they have my several horses, likewise by the name of the big sirel also old Balle & I mol some two cows & calves four head of young cattle of an average quality, and half my stock of sheep on hand and as much corn & wheat as will be sufficient for their support & family until they can raise or make a crop & further I desire that my negro Ben be retained by me.

my Father during their lives to assist in making a support. After their death I wish Ben sold with any of its property that may be remaining on hand, hereinafter directed to be paid into the possession of my Father & Mother. The money arising from the sale of the same to be loaned or vested in some kind of stock that will be most profitable to my wife & Children. I also desire that my Father & Mother have the privilege of half the Garden with the before described premises during their natural lives or so long as they think proper to reside on the same.

I bequeath to my beloved Sister Sarah Jane my negro girl Malinda & her heirs forever together, with my horse known by the name of Jany. I also will and bequeath to Joseph Correll and his heirs the plantation where my sister Children and her family now reside. Such subject to the following uses & trusts, to wit: That during the natural life of my said Sister Children that he shall permit her to remain in the use and occupation of said farm or pay over to her for her sole use & benefit the rents & profits of same as shall be most to her benefit & advantage. And after the death of my said Sister Children it is my will that the said Joseph Correll or his heirs shall expose the said tract of land to sale for the highest price that can be procured for the same and then divide the money arising from said Sister Children share and share alike, to wit: James, Phoebe, Edward, Henry, Elizabeth & Benjamin.

It is also my will that the ten shares & hold of the town of Xenapolis in the State of Alabama be sold by my Executors or Executor herein after named & do hereby authorize & empower them to assign transfer, or convey the same. The money arising from the sale of the same be paid over for the use of my wife & Children equally. It is also my will that all my personal property with one hundred acres of land adjoining the lands of Rouse large survey & Alameda lands be sold except the property above devised or bequeathed & the following negroes to wit: Jack, Simon, Dick, Minerva, Gilbert, John & Angus which negroes I wish retain with their increase for the equal use and benefit of my wife & Children Elizabeth, Mary, James & Thomas. The money arising from the sale of my property after paying all my debts I wish equally divided between my wife and my two daughters before mentioned.

It is my will in case my lauded estate whereon I now reside with the adjoining lands cannot be sold for the

same herein directed. Nor it to be rented or occupied by my wife & Children as she may think most proper.

It is my will & desire that my beloved wife Drucina I desire to act as my Executor with my friends John & Lewis & Clinton Almond as Executors of this my last will & Testament, hereby revoking & making void all former wills by me made whatever.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 29th day of December 1820.

Dequed and acknowledged in presence of us the Subscribes

James D. Gaines Seal
Jas A Rogers
P. Parsons
John Shough

Will of James Eddison

Dated Aug 20 1823

In the name of God, Amen.

James Eddison Senior of the County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee being weak in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory, calling to mind the mortality of my body, knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, First of all, I give my body to the earth to be buried in a Christian burial at the discretion of my Executor and my soul I give to Almighty God who gave it, nothing doubting but at the resurrection I shall receive both at the right hand of God. And as it has pleased God to bless me with much worldly estate whereunto I am blessed with domestic constitution, ordain and appoint this my last will and Testament in the following manner and form.

First, I give and bequeath unto my son Edward Eddison fifty dollars to be levied out of my estate in trade, at trade rates the next place, I give and bequeath unto my son William Eddison one dollar in like manner, next I give to my son James Eddison fifty dollars to be paid twelve months after my decease in trade at trade rates. Next I give and bequeath unto my son Shamus Eddison a certain boundary of my land whereon I now live, beginning on a forked Dogwood tree running north to the dogwood Shum. Oak with a conventional line between Shamus & John Eddison to a horn beam on the old line thence a South East course with the old line to a Stake near William

tidious house, Thence West with a conditional line made to
 between myself and my son William Gideons to a sugar tree
 Thence a South East Course with a conditional line to the
 old line to a stake near the top of blind mountain Thence
 with the old line to the beginning West, I give and bequeath
 unto my two daughters Elizabeth Davis and Mary Reed all
 my house hold furniture with the exception of one bed and
 furniture, to be equally divided between them all my deacons
 and my wives, likewise, I give unto the above named daughters
 all my stock of every kind, likewise to be divided equally
 between them. And in the next place, I give and bequeath
 unto my son John Gideons one feather bed and furniture
 it is further my will that my son John Gideons
 be my Executor And I do hereby appoint, constitute and
 ordain my son John my Executor to attend to the business
 as my Executor, And it is further my will that my son
 John Gideons see to take care and support my beloved
 wife Martha Gideon of the substance of my estate during
 her natural lifetime, And it is further my will that if any of my
 children are dissatisfied with the my last Will I shall go to
 law about my property, that they forfeit all claims to any
 part of my estate and the part that was allotted to them to
 be divided, meaning the balance of my estate, Now know ye that
 James Gideons Senior do hereby this to be my last Will and
 Testament, revoking and annulling and disallowing all
 other wills and Testaments.

Second value was delivered the twentieth day of August, in
 the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty
 three, in the presence of us who in the presence of each other
 have hereunto set our names as witnesses.

Test
 At Hand
 Nicholas Wether
 James H. Gideons

James Gideons ^{hus} _{near}

Will of John Gripsby

Dated Sept 28. 1825

Know all men by these presents that I John Gripsby of the
 County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee being sick and
 weak of body but of sound mind and memory do this day

make my last will and Testament.

First of all I give and commend my life into the hands of
 Almighty God who gave it and my body to the earth from whence
 it sprang. I give and bequeath to my wife Minny Gripsby
 my negro man Will and his family viz. Susan, Frank and Eliza
 as long as she lives. I give and bequeath to my son Nathaniel
 Gripsby and Ashby Gripsby all my lands and tenements
 lying on the South Side of Holston River adjoining on the way
 to James Sanders land and to James Brien on the East
 to be equally divided. Thence Thence. Nathaniel Gripsby is to
 have the part of the land I now live on together with the
 buildings. The said Nathaniel Gripsby and Ashby Gripsby are
 to have no part of the remainder of my lands. My negro man
 Will is to be no longer a slave after the death of me and my
 wife Minny Gripsby. He shall be allowed to live with any
 of the children or he pleases or with any body else.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Judy Smith ten dollars
 out of my estate and all I have gave her and no more.
 I give to my daughter Elizabeth Ridenford and John Ridenford
 her husband ten dollars each of the estate I now have and
 all I have gave them and no more. I give to my daughter
 Nancy Wood and John Wood her husband ten
 dollars each of my estate and all I have gave them and no more.
 I give to my daughter Polly Smith and James Smith her
 husband ten dollars each of my estate and all I have gave
 them and no more. I give to my daughter Minny Ridenford
 and John Ridenford her husband ten dollars each
 of my estate and all I have gave them and no more.

William Gripsby my son is to have ten hundred and thirty
 five dollars out of my estate and all above an equal share
 of the remainder of my estate lands excepted being indebted
 to him for the same and all I have gave him and no more.

James Gripsby is to have an equal share of my estate lands
 excepted. Also Samuel Gripsby is to have an equal share of
 my estate lands excepted. John Gripsby is to have the price of
 a plantation out of my estate to be worth five hundred
 dollars estate and equal part of the estate.

Nancy West and her husband James West is to have an equal
 share of my estate lands excepted. Lucy ^{Harriet} ^{East} ^{of} ^{the} ^{state} is to have an
 equal share of my estate lands excepted. And negro Edie and
 negro Aloy also. I give to my two grand daughters Louis

and all I have give them shall be ten and no more.
So this my last will and Testament whereunto I have set
my hand and affixed my seal. This twenty eighth day of
September 1826. Attest I will that my son James Gross
be appointed Guardian for Louisiana, Leitch and Minerva
Smith my grand daughters even though I have gave them
above mentioned.

Witness
Josee Grech,

John ^{his} Gross ^{mark}

Will of William Going

Dated Aug 21 1827

In the name of God Amen
I William Going of the County of Hawkins and State
of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory do hereby
testify that on the 21st day of August in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and twenty seven made and pub-
lish this my will and Testament in manner following that to say
first of all After paying my just debt I wish my personal
property and the back of land amounting to me from the United
States be sold to pay my debt and the complete money of
this be my to be divided equally between my sons except
Edward and Andrew Going my two sons to have the fifty
acres of land I now live on equally between them of the debt
can be settled without it worth same. And I do Ordain and
appoint Nicholas Long my Executor of this my last Will and
Testament without his giving bond and security in the presence
of us who are present at the time of his signing and sealing
thereof

Witness
John ^{his} Going ^{mark}
William, Milford

William ^{his} Going ^{mark}

Will of William Gross

Dated Dec 22 1827

Given 25th Nov 1828

In the name of God Amen I William Gross of the County of
Hawkins and State of Tennessee being old and infirm and
knowing that all men are born to die. But being of sound mind
and memory do make and Ordain this my last Will and Tes-
tament in writing. I wish all my just debts to be paid and

of my Estate. Secondly, I give unto my beloved wife Nancy Gross
the plantation whereon I now live, including all the land that
lies on the South side of Big Creek within the fence made
I wish my household and kitchen furniture, Stock and
farming utensils to be sold and my just debts to be paid
and if any money should be left after all my just debts is paid
I wish it to be appropriated to the use of my beloved wife Nancy Gross
during her life. I further will and bequeath unto my daughter
Catharine Murphy fifty acres of land to her and her chil-
dren during their life. Beginning on Absalom Loomer line
and running through the hundred acre tract including
the farm where she now lives. I further will and be-
queath unto my daughter Polly Gross forty acres of
land. Beginning at Big Creek and running to Catharine
Murphy line. I further will and bequeath that the
balance of my land shall be equally divided between
my three sons James William and Cornelius Gross

I further will that my three sons James William and Cor-
nelius Gross pay my daughter Sally Gellman one hundred
and thirty dollars in current money half to be paid three
years after my death and the balance three years after the
death of my wife Nancy Gross Admitting she out lives
me. And also I further will that my three sons James
William and Cornelius Gross pay Lewis Gross son of John
Gross debt to sum of eighty dollars in current money
and Margaret Rorack fifteen dollars. And Mary and Nancy
Gross children of my son John Gross each thirty dollars each
to be paid in like manner. And I will and bequeath unto
my daughter Elizabeth Ford the sum of five dollars.

I do appoint my sons James and Cornelius Gross my
Executors of this my last Will and Testament in writing. And
wish them to enter on the business without giving security
revoking all other wills by me made. In testimony whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this
22nd day of December one thousand eight hundred and
twenty seven in the presence of us
James W. Campbell William Gross ^{his} Seal
Stephen Nelson

and all I have now shall be then and no more
 So by my last Will and testament, wherein I have set
 my hand and affixed my seal the twenty eighth day of
 September 1832. I do give that my son James Cross
 be appointed Guardian for Louisiana Smith and Micaiah
 Smith my grand daughters even the negroes I have gave them
 above mentioned
 Witness
 Jesse Orzech

John Cross

Will of Francis Goddard

Dated Sept 27, 1828

In the name of God Amen

Be it remembered that I Francis Goddard of the
 County of Hancock and State of Delaware, being weak in body
 but of sound mind and memory and considering that it is
 appointed for men once to die, do make this my last Will
 and Testament in words and form following to wit:

First of all I commend my body to the earth and my spirit
 to God that gave it, that is to say my body to be buried in a de-
 cent Christian order, hoping in the resurrection I shall receive
 it again. Second. It is my will that my dear and well
 beloved wife Sarah Goddard should have and hold all my
 estate my lands and all my perishable property, stocks of all
 kinds household and kitchen furniture of every kind together
 with all my farming utensils and every part and parcel thereof
 to have and to hold during her natural life. And at her decease
 my son Solomon Goddard should have all the land which
 is one hundred and sixty acres. Also at my wife's decease
 I grant all the perishable property to be equally divided amongst
 my three single daughters namely Polly Goddard and Rebecca
 I and Gideon I & those three to have the privilege to abide
 with her mother as long as they live single.

Third. It is my will and desire that my eldest daughter Gady and
 Abner and Gally should have five dollars each out of my property
 that the legacies previously named should pay them that sum
 out of the property. Also my daughter Nancy to have ten dollars
 out of the estate. And I do hereby appoint my dear and well
 beloved wife Sarah as my sole Executrix or Execution.

And the same mentioned to be made at that place another
 with William Heagins as assistant and do hereby disannul

all former wills by me made and do hereby acknowledge
 this to be my last will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
 affixed my seal this twenty day of September another
 said eighth hundred and twenty eighth

Signed sealed and acknowledged

Francis Goddard

in the presence of us

William Heagins

James Priper

Isaac D Cox

Will of John Galbraith

Dated Aug 22, 1832

In the name of God Amen

I John Galbraith of the County of Hancock State
 of Delaware being of perfect mind and memory and calling
 to mind the mortality of my body that it is appointed for all
 men once to die, do make, ordain, publish and declare this
 to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form
 following. First and principally of all I give my soul
 into care of Almighty God who created and gave it.
 Second. My body to the earth to be buried in a Christian
 like manner at the discretion of our lawfully removed
 Executors. And Third and lastly I give my Earth estate
 wherein I may die seized or possessor of in manner following.
 First. I allow all my just debts to be paid.

Second. I give to my son Andrew J Galbraith one hundred dollars in money.
 Third. I give to my daughter Priscilla Wright a negro girl
 named Araminta which I consider worth two hundred
 dollars. Also three notes of hand given by her husband Robert
 Wright for three hundred & eight dollars, mature in all the
 sum of five hundred and eight dollars which sum is to
 be counted in her down as part of my estate and my just debts
 given paid. I also give her one cow & calf of my stock & one
 bed & furniture.

Fourth. To my daughter Gally Mattison I give one bed & fur-
 niture or so and above what she has heretofore received.

Fifth. To my son John Sharp Galbraith two horse teams, & with
 one brown horse called his horse & one sorrel mare, a new three
 horse wagon and seven hundred dollars in money also two beds
 & one bedstead & furniture

First. To my daughter, Juliana I give one hundred dollars in money
one horse two beds & furniture.
Second. To my son Arthur Wright Galbraith I give my
large family Bible, Eleven hundred dollars in money, a new
boy named Spencer, a mare and young horse two beds and
furniture provided he goes to the State of Missouri and reside
and remains there but in case he does not go to the State of
Missouri or if said State should not agree with him and
he may return and prefer living elsewhere in that case, I wish
that he have the half of land I now live on in Taylor Valley
containing one hundred seventy eight acres, also an acre of
fifty acres, making in all two hundred twenty eight acres
more or less. The crops be also owned. Both the said Beds.
The rest of my stock, I wish equally divided with all my
children except William M. Galbraith, and my hereinafter named
Executors to make & divide. I will that all my negroes
together with all my stock of every kind, household furniture
& farming tools and every kind of property not herein already
disposed of be sold and the proceeds of the sale & money on
hand be equally divided among my hereinafter named children,
Thos and Thos wife, Priscilla Wright, Matilda Harwood
Baths Watson, Melinda, Sarah & Juliana Galbraith.
Lastly I constitute and appoint my son Andrew L.
Galbraith & brother Henry & Galbraith, Executors of this my last
Will & Testament, they foregoing I declare to be my last Will and
Testament, disavowing & rejecting all others. In testimony
whereof I set my hand, and affix my seal, the 22nd day
of August, one thousand eight hundred and thirty two
Signed in presence of
H. W. Watson
Elijah C. Littlejohn
Abraham D. Loring

Witnessed at Mill of Jacob B. Groves.

Dated Jan. 13 1837

Be it remembered that on the sixth day of January in the year 1837
McPherson, Edson, William, Rogers and Jacob Bensabough Citizens
of New-Kim County in the State of Tennessee being near neighbors
of the late Jacob B. Groves, and being in the house of the said
Jacob B. on the night after said 6th of January and a short

time before the said Jacob B. died, and whilst the undersigned
Thomas Edson was behind the said Jacob B. on the bed sup-
porting the said Jacob, and the undersigned William, Rogers and
Jacob Bensabough were standing by the bed side of the said
Jacob B. The said Jacob B. said, "Pammy, Pammy I was to
make a will to my children for the land of Jacob B. Now but
have never made the will, I aimed to make a deed yesterday
when I went to Dover but I did not go." He continued John & [unclear]
Hendricks wife have no share in it for I have paid them for their
shares. And I want the land divided among the balance of
the children. And then he observed, "Now take notice, just at that
time Mrs. Pammy Groves, the mother of said Jacob B. approa-
ched the bed, and the said Jacob B. continued, "mother don't
give after me, for you have a plenty here to last you
your time and what is mine is all yours." The old lady
seemed much affected. Shortly after his sister Mrs. Charles
came, and she observed you are very sick brother, he replied I am, my days are nearly numbered, and
in about one hour after expired, without saying any
thing more as to his property.

The undersigned Jacob Bensabough state that he did
not pay particular attention to what the said Jacob B. Groves
said in relation to his lands, but distinctly recollects
hearing him state that he did not want the bal-
ance of his children wrangled out of their land. He also
distinctly recollects & paid particular attention to what
Mr. Groves said to his mother, that what was his was
all hers. The undersigned further state that the said Jacob
B. was of sound disposing mind and memory at the
said time. In witness whereof we have hereunto set
our hands this 13th day of January 1837.

Witness
D. Alexander
W. D. Deane

Jacob Bensabough
Thomas Edson
William Rogers

Will of Lazarus Gully.

Dated March 1. 1837

In the name of God, Amen
I Lazarus Gully of the County of Nashville and
State of Tennessee being of sound and disposing mind and
memory, blessed be God, do this first day of March in

The year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven, do publish this to be my last will and Testament, in manner and form following, that is to say, First of all after paying my just debts, I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Nancy Gully all my land and all my other personal property of every description except one single gun. The said which the same is with me now when I should be the property of my son Nathan Gully. The rest of the property to be and remain with my said wife Nancy Gully during her natural life or widowhood for the support of my four younger children, namely, Priscilla, Thomas Nelson, Isaac, and my daughter Sally Gully. And if my said wife should marry said property to be sold and applied to the support of my said four children as before mentioned, and do appoint my loving wife Nancy Gully sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the year and date first written in presence of:
Nicholas Lang
George Gully
Lazarus Gully of said
mark

Witness my hand and seal the year and date first written

Signed July 21, 1837

In the name of God, Amen.

I William Briggs a free man of color being weak of body through sickness and being mind and memory do make this my last will and Testament, First it is my desire that at my death I should be decently buried. It is also my wish and desire that Made H Smith be my sole Executrix to attend to my business, and that after my death, he the said Made H Smith shall attend to the selling of all my property that I have any claim to, to be sold at public sale and a credit of twelve months. And it is my wish and desire that first of all that all my just debts be paid, and so candidly that my wife Susan be decently supported out of the balance of the proceeds of my property as long as she shall live and if there shall be anything left at her death to be equally divided between my three children, Isaac, Frank and Ephraim. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 21 day of July 1837
John Reynolds
William Briggs of said
mark

Will of Thomas Cullenwatus

Dated Mar 30, 1841

In the name of God, Amen.

I Thomas Cullenwatus Sr. of the County of Hawkins & State of Tennessee being afflicted in body but of sound mind & memory calling to mind the certainty of death, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament. In the first place I recommend my soul to that God who gave it, trusting that He will receive it into glory, next, I recommend my body to the grave in a plain Christian manner.

As touching my temporal matters, I desire that all my just debts be paid in the first place. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary my young son Isaac, two cows & calves, one head of sheep, one sow six pigs & Anna four, two beds, bedstead & bed furniture one Bureau, one Cupboard, one folding chair, table, one chest, four chairs, one set of plates, set of cups & saucers, set of knives & forks, such of the clothing as she wants for her own use, at her own disposal, I further give unto my beloved wife all the proceeds of the remaining perishable property which I may die in possession of, which property not otherwise disposed of in this instrument, shall be sold on a twelve months credit or kept to her use during life, at her death if there be a remainder, it to be divided among the children. My land whereon I now live I give to my daughter Rachel Kyle & Robert Kyle her husband containing two hundred and ten acres down to the Road called Core road, to the same more or less, on the condition &c. Robert Kyle to pay five hundred & fifty dollars within five years next after being possessed of &c. &c. to be paid in the following manner, To Peter Klappin or order one hundred dollars, To Mary McNamee one hundred dollars, To Nancy Klappin one hundred dollars, To John Cullenwatus one hundred dollars & the remaining fifty dollars to be paid to my four sons William, Robert, John & Thomas Cullenwatus each an equal part, I also give to Rachel and her son Robert & furniture, one pair, one table, three cows & lambs. I give and bequeath unto my younger daughter Sally Cullenwatus a tract of land containing thirty acres more or less adjoining the road I live on, on Molsters Branch, beginning on a white oak William Cullenwatus corner near the mouth of Molsters Branch then with Core road to run and line Molsters Branch then crossing the Branch various corners to the beginning. I also give Sally one bed, bedstead & furniture

one large saddle. And I give to my daughter Polly Mistle.
I give to Calvin M. Gillewader my grand son three ewes &
lambs, one bed, bedstead & furniture and further the crop
being now commenced for this year by Robert, Myl. & Calvin
Gillewader. Robert is to have two thirds of all that may be raised,
and Calvin one third, by them continuing to work together until
the crop is finished & to have what become of corn it will re-
quire to do have his year of what we have on hand, my 9 year
coat I give to Calvin, all my other clothing to be give to my
beloved wife. In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand
and affix my seal this 30th day of March, in the year of our
Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty one.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of

Wm

Calvin M. Gillewader. I further desire that James G. Gillewader
be appointed my Executor and Administrator and that
he make no sale of my goods or chattels until in August
next. Also that said Gillewader be not required to give se-
curity in this matter. Also I give to my youngest son Thomas
my family Bible. I desire that this shall be considered a
part of my last will, and to be good and valid in fee simple.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand, to day
and year above written.

Thos. Gillewader
William Gillewader
David Patterson
Geo. Gillewader

Will of Shepard Gibbons

Dated Dec 7 1842

I Shepard Gibbons do make & publish this as my last Will &
Testament hereby revoking & making void all other wills by me at
any other time made. First, I direct that my funeral ex-
penses & all my debts be paid as soon after my death as pos-
sible out of my money. That I may be possessed of or re-
ceive of cash in the hand of my Executor. Second, I give
& bequeath to my beloved wife Matilda Gibbons all the lands
whereon we now live & all the lands elsewhere which is in
my name & all my live stock of personally property, horses,
cattle, pigs & sheep & all the household & kitchen furniture.
Thirdly, I give & bequeath to each of my brothers & sisters the

sum of one dollar each, paid as soon as it shall come into
the hand of my Executor.

Fourthly and lastly, I do hereby nominate & appoint Wm. C.
Collins my Executor. In witness whereof I do to this my
will set my hand and seal. This 7th day of December 1842

Shepard Gibbons

Signed, sealed & published in our presence & we have sub-
scribed our names hereto in the presence of the Testator,
This the 7th day of Dec 1842,

Witness
Timothy Williams.

Wm. C. Collins

Proven 2^d Jan'y 1843

J. L. Gillewader

(X)

Will of John Gibbons

Dated May 31 1852

Proven Dec. Term 1852 J. N. T. 1852

In the name of God, Amen,

I John Gibbons of the County of Hawkins
and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory, full
weak of body, 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 annulling
all others made by me.

First, I direct that all my funeral expenses be paid
and all my just debts as soon after my decease as
practicable out of my money in the hands of my Ex-
ecutor hereafter named. At my decease.

Second, I give and bequeath to my son William Gibbons one
negro slave named William, and one bed and bed clothes.

Third, I give and bequeath to my son James Gibbons the sum
of one thousand dollars in money on the express condition
that the said James Gibbons shall apply in proper place
to my Executor within the period of two years from the
time my said said Executor shall qualify in Court.
Otherwise should he not apply for said money within said
period then and in that case my Executor shall divide said
sum of one thousand dollars among my three children.

Fourth, I give and bequeath to my son Robert Gibbons one negro
slave named Bob.

Fifth, I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Larkin
one negro slave named Julia Ann, and one other named Mary.

which is all I intend my said daughter to have of my Estate
 Birth. I give and bequeath to my daughter Maria Godsey one
 slave named Maria, and one other named Prieson, And
 one other named Scalah, which slaves and their increase are
 to remain in the possession of my said daughter & be subject
 to her control during her natural life, And at her death said
 slaves & their increase are to be equally divided among her children.
 7th. After my decease I desire that all the money that I
 have on hand at my death and all that is due to me, be
 divided by my said Executors equally among my children
 as follows, to wit: My name Children: Mary Ann Gillowater,
 Elizabeth Gillowater, Nancy L. Miller, and Jeremiah A. Gillowater.
 The Children of my daughter Maria, Nathaniel & Ecob
 draw the portion of her mother and to be equally divided
 among them, And the balance to be equally divided among
 William Gibbons, James Gibbons & Robert Gibbons my sons
 & my daughter Mary Godsey.

8th. It is my will that after my death my slave Ruben
 and Mary be set free.
 9th. The property remaining at my death of every kind shall
 be sold by my Executors, And the proceeds thereof be divided
 among the following named Children, namely: My grand children
 Mary Ann Gillowater, Nancy L. Miller, and Jeremiah A.
 Gillowater. The Children of my daughter is to draw their
 mother's part, And William Gibbons & James Gibbons & Robert
 Gibbons & Mary Godsey.

10th. I do hereby nominate and appoint my friend Nath
 Cooper Esquire And my son Robert Gibbons to be Executors
 of this my last will and Testament, and desire that the
 County Court shall not require bond & security of them.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand
 & seal this 31 day of May 1852

Signed & Published in our presence

William A. Pearson

James Carmack

Robert Cooper

John Gibbons ¹⁸⁵²
 Seal

Will of James E. Guthrie

Dated, Feb 12 1853

Prova March 1853

In the name of Almighty God Amen.

I James E. Guthrie of the County of Hawkins
 in the State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory do
 make and publish this as my last will and Testament
 hereby revoking and annulling all other wills by me made
 at any time heretofore.

First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my
 just debts be paid as speedily as possible.

Second. I will and direct that my personal representa-
 tives hereinafter to be named, dispose of such of my prop-
 erty including my stock in the East Tennessee and Vir-
 ginia Rail Roads, and my interest in a Grant of Land
 on Bear Mountain, whenever they may deem it advisa-
 ble to do so either at public or private sale.

Third. It is my wish and desire that each of my children
 be as well educated as the means I leave in the hands
 of my beloved wife Mary Ann will justify and she may
 deem proper & advisable.

Fourth. I desire that my beloved wife retain posses-
 sion of all my effects in the raising and education
 of our children, except so much as my said personal
 representatives with the assent of my beloved wife may
 determine to invest in Western Lands. And also of claims
 expedient for them to do so, to purchase a farm or home-
 stead for the use of my said family. Having the fullest
 confidence in my wife doing justice to each and all of our
 children. And I expedient hereby leave it with her to ap-
 portion to them such property and means as her ability
 to do so will allow giving to each child an equal share
 at such time or times during the time she may remain
 unmarried, as she may think proper to do, And also if deemed
 wise for the interest of my family my said personal
 Representatives may invest such sum or part of the means
 in their hands belonging to my Estate in the Mercantile bus-
 iness or any other branch of business, as to them may seem
 best calculated to promote the interest of my family, And
 I do hereby invest my said personal representatives here-
 after to be named with full power and authority to use
 and control & manage said Estate with the assent of
 my said wife, as though I were still alive.

And to this end I do hereby authorize and empower them to dispose of any of my negroes, when deemed advisable, & to purchase others with any funds or means belonging to my estate, and if deemed best by them to loan said funds, then to take bond & good security from time to time so as to secure the principal and interest.

Sixth. I desire that my son William & Catherine remain with his mother and assist her in raising and educating our children and assist in managing her business, and should be more obedient, kind and attentive to his mother, and I am well assured that he will. Then I desire that she & her co-Executors hereafter to be named, assist my said son in going into business, allowing him an equal share with my other children of my estate, besides what she may think he is entitled to on account of the care and attention bestowed by him as above stated towards his mother & the business of the estate, leaving it discretionary with her to say at what time these shares shall be paid over during her widowhood.

Seventh. In the event that my beloved wife hereafter should conclude to marry again, then and in that case, I desire and direct that my Executors forthwith make a settlement with her and allow to her a child's share of my estate, and for them to retain in their hands the remainder of the assets &c. belonging to my estate, or if not in their hands then to proceed immediately to recover possession of them in order to have them distributed among my children or those of them entitled to said assets, as they may respectively attain the age of twenty one - or should any of my daughters marry, then in their sound discretion my said Executors may pay over to the husbands of my said daughters such shares or balances coming to them respectively, or if deemed most expedient by my said Executors retain in their hands such shares or funds of said estate until my said daughters shall respectively attain their full age of twenty one years, giving to each one an equal share after deducting whatever may have been expended on account of their raising & education & according to equity & justice.

Eighth. I desire that the claims due by me to the late firm

of Hill & Simpson and to the estate of William Simpson dead be recognized & allowed in the division of the estate of the said William Simpson dead.

Ninth. And I do hereby appoint my beloved wife Mary Ann, Executor, & my friends James H. Simpson & Robert Simpson Executors of this my last will and Testament, giving them full and plenary powers to manage my said estate in such way and manner as in their judgment & sound discretion will promote the best interest of my family and estate - and having the fullest confidence in their integrity and ability to manage the same. It is my request that the County Court do not require bond & security of them, but simply that they qualify as my Executors &c.

Tenth. In case of the death of any of my said Executors and it should be deemed proper by the survivor or survivors to fill their places thus made vacant, or in case all of them should die or wish to resign, then and in that case, I desire that the Chancellor of the district where my property may be, may appoint other suitable persons to fill such vacancies, possessing the confidence of my said family or heirs & possessing discretion & ability to discharge the duties devolving on them.

And lastly, I bequeath my soul to Almighty God who created it, desiring my body to be decently interred in the graveyard of the first Presbyterian Church where my children repose.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this the twelfth day of February 1855.

Signed sealed & published in the presence of
D. Alexander
J. A. Vance
John Brown

Will of Mary Lilliam
Proven in part Nov. 1855

In the name of God, Amen,
I Mary Lilliam widow & relict of Thomas Lilliam deceased of the County of Nantux in the State of Tennessee, being weak of body but of sound mind and

And to this end I do hereby authorize and empower them to dispose of any of my negroes, when deemed advisable, & to purchase other with any funds or income belonging to my estate. And if deemed best by them to loan said funds, then to take bond & good security from time to time so as to secure the principal and interest.

Sixth. I desire that my son William & Catherine remain with his mother and assist her in raising and educating our children and assist in managing her business, and should be pious, obedient, kind and attentive to his mother, as I am well assured that he will. Then I desire that she & her co-Executors hereafter to be named, assist my said son in going into business, allowing him an equal share with my other children of my estate. Besides what she may think he is entitled to on account of the care and attention bestowed by him as above stated, towards his mother & the business of the estate, leaving it discretionary with her to say at what time these shares shall be paid or during her widowhood.

Seventh. In the event that my beloved wife hereafter should conclude to marry again, then and in that case, I desire and direct that my Executors forthwith make a settlement with her and allot to her a child's share of my estate, and for them to retain in their hands the remainder of the assets &c. belonging to my estate, or if not in their hands then to proceed immediately to recover possession of them in order to have them distributed among my children, or those of them entitled to said assets, as they may respectively attain the age of twenty one, or should any of my daughters marry, then in their sound discretion my said Executors may pay over to the husbands of any said daughters such shares or balances coming to them respectively, or if they wish expending by my said Executors retain in their hands such shares or funds of said estate until any said daughters shall respectively attain their full age of twenty one years, giving to each due an equal share after deducting whatever may have been expended on account of their raising & education & according to equity & justice.

8th. I desire that the claims due by me to the late firm

of Heiler & Simpson and to the estate of William Simpson, died be recognized & allowed in the division of the estate of the said William Simpson, died.

9th. And I do hereby appoint my beloved wife Mary Ann, Executor, & my friends James N. Simpson & Robert Simpson Executors of this my last will and Testament, giving them full and plenary powers to manage my said estate in such way and manner as in their judgment & sound discretion, will promote the best interest of my family and estate. And having the fullest confidence in their integrity and ability to manage the same, it is my request that the County Court do not require bond & security of them, but simply that they qualify as my Executors &c.

Tenth. In case of the death of any of my said Executors and it should be deemed proper by the survivors or survivors to fill their places thus made vacant, or in case all of them should die or wish to resign, then and in that case, I desire that the Chancellor of the district where my property may be, may appoint other suitable persons to fill such vacancies, possessing the confidence of my said family or heirs & possessing discretion & ability to discharge the duties devolving on them.

And lastly, I bequeath my soul to Almighty God who created it, desiring my body to be decently interred in the graveyard of the first Presbyterian Church, where my children reside.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this the twelfth day of February 1853.

signed sealed & published

in the presence of

D. Alexander

J. H. Vance

John Brown

Will of Mary Gillewade.

Proven in fact Nov. 1853

In the name of God Amen,
I Mary Gillewade, widow & relict of Thomas Gillewade deceased of the County of Hawkins in the State of Tennessee, being weak of body but of sound mind and

memory, considering the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and annulling all that by me made, I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God and hope to enjoy eternal happiness when He shall please to call me from this mortal life. And it is my wish and desire that my body shall be buried in a plain Christian manner, and as to what worldly property is hath pleased the Almighty to place in my hands I dispose of the same in the following manner, that is to say, I do hereby give and bequeath unto my beloved son in law Thomas Gillenwater for his use and that of my beloved daughter Polly who intermarried with him all my personal property which I may have and possess at my death, consisting of all my stock on the farm, household and kitchen furniture, bedding and clothing, and in short all that I possess for their present benefit.

And I do hereby nominate and appoint my said son in law Thomas Gillenwater Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and request the Court of Wardens County not to require him to give bond or security as is usual having confidence in the said Thomas that he will act faithfully in the matter. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, seal and acknowledged this to be my last Will and Testament, in the presence of the following witnesses.

Des. Elijah C. Gillenwater

Thomas Gillenwater

And C. Gillenwater

David Molsbor

Will of William Gillenwater

Dated Oct 23, 1856

Proven Jan 1857

Proven Jan 1857 [Record page 51]

In the name of God Amen, I give my body to the mother dust and my immortal soul to God who gave it. The first I wish to be buried in a Christian manner, second I wish my burial expenses paid out of my estate. Third I will to my beloved wife Sally for life time all my property and one half of my plantation I bought in the State of Kentucky in Monroe County of James B. Donnas and the half belongs to my beloved son George in the

partnership purchase. And at my death and my beloved wife Sally I give the whole of my plantation to my son George and I bind him in this my will to pay to my beloved daughter Lucretia the sum of four hundred dollars in cash. Also to pay unto my daughter Malvina King one hundred dollars to be paid in two years after my death & my wife Sally. Also I give all the money I have on hand to my son George to lift my bond from James B. Donnas for the above tract of land. And my personal property to be sold at my death and my beloved wife. And to be equally divided among all the balance of my children. I also bind my son Geo to pay all of my just debts.

In testimony given under my hand and seal this 25th day of October 1856
In presence of us
Des. Elijah C. Gillenwater
A. Carmichael

Will of Andrew Galbraith

Dated Nov 17, 1857

Proven Dec 1856

In the name of God Amen, November 17, 1857
I Andrew Galbraith Jr of the County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory but calling to mind that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner following. I give my soul to God who created and gave it, my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors. And lastly my estate in the manner following. I will that all my just debts be paid. I give to my daughter Laura Mc Cause the sum of five dollars in addition to what she has heretofore received at the time of her marriage. I give to my son Alexander M. Galbraith the sum of two hundred dollars in addition to what he has heretofore received. To my son John M. Galbraith the sum of five dollars in addition to what he has heretofore received. To my daughter Maria Maria Galbraith one feather bed and furniture and one half of the proceeds of a plantation sold to Nelson Bates in July or August 1853, it being the farm on which said Bates

now live, containing 300 acres more or less which was sold for
 one dollar p acre, that the proceeds and interest arising there-
 on be maintained and controlled by my Executors for her benefit
 and support as I deem her incompetent to manage her own
 property. The proceeds and interest of the other half I will
 and bequeath to the heirs of my daughter Elizabeth Lee deane.
 I give to my daughter Sarah Elmore my negro boy Page and
 girl Laura also an equal divide of any other children and
 girl Harriet my have previous to my death not otherwise dis-
 posed of by my will. I also give her my young gray horse
 Bob which horse is given in trust for the benefit of her son
 William Gordon Elmore. I give to my daughter Umunda Mc
 Cart my girl Harriet and her sons George & Masha
 and an equal divide with Sarah Elmore of any other child-
 ren said Harriet may have as above provided. If I
 do not in my lifetime make any arrangements for my
 daughter Umunda a home my Executors are hereby authorized
 to invest with hundred dollars out of any monies belonging
 to my estate in the lands where she lives for the benefit of her
 and her children. To my son Joseph and Andrew I give
 the farm on which I live except the marble quarry contain-
 ing seven hundred acres more or less by then paying to my
 son Anderson one thousand dollars and to the son and
 daughter of Andrew Galbraith & son two thousand dollars
 and to my son William Galbraith five hundred dollars
 with interest on these sums from one year after my death
 till paid. They may have indulgence if they desire it, and the
 money to be paid the same children of Andrew Galbraith
 died until they are of age, by paying the interest.

It is my will further in relation to the part of the farm given
 to my son Andrew, that should he have no children at his
 death that it should go back to my other children or their heirs.
 I give to my son Andrew my waggon & gears also the farm-
 ing tools, one feather bed and furniture my negro girl Sarah,
 my desk & book case and gift gun, my son Andrew is to
 have the part of the farm where I now live, and Joseph
 the other part where he now lives dividing by the line that
 now leads to the bottom. The lands up the River to be divided
 between them giving each necessary ways to & from his lots.
 This relates to the lands above the big Spring branch. The money
 to be paid Andrew, A Galbraith and Mary D. Galbraith.

children of Andrew Galbraith died to be equally divided. Mine
 and share alike. The marble quarry on the same place
 to contain fifty acres more or less containing all the marble
 land on the potatoe hill I give in equal interest to all my
 children and their heirs including both families. The proceeds
 and profits arising therefrom after my decease to be equally
 divided amongst all my children or their heirs. Joseph
 and Andrew to have the benefit of the rents of my house
 on the quarry lands during the present lease and the
 proceeds of wood sold during said lease to be equally
 divided between Joseph, Anderson & Andrew it is further
 provided that ^{Share of} name of the quarry property shall be sold
 off in lots or ^{shares} but if ever sold to be sold altogether
 and the proceeds equally divided amongst the beneficiaries
 and not to be sold for a less sum than fifty thousand
 dollars. It is my will that my son Andrew have my
 negro boy Naden. I give to Sarah Elmore my Bible
 Commentaries on the new Testament. To Anderson Galbraith
 my history of the Methodist Church. To Wm Galbraith
 Watsons Institute. To Joseph Galbraith, Deacons Check.
 To Andrew Galbraith my family Bible. To William
 Harvey Galbraith Beza's Commentary. To Umunda
 Mc Cart my life of Bascom, Bascoms Sermons, Life
 of Lady Marys Berrons Sermons. The balance of
 my books to be divided amongst my heirs by my Executors.

My household furniture or other property not disposed of
 to be sold and any thing remaining after paying the bequests
 herein provided for the balance to be divided amongst all
 my children. I appoint my three sons Joseph, William
 and Andrew Galbraith Executors to this my last will and
 Testament. In testimony of all and every part herein con-
 tained, re-reading all other, I have hereunto signed my
 proper name and affixed my seal the day and date first
 above written.

Signed, Seal & acknowledged

A. Galbraith

in presence of
 W. H. Moffett.
 A. Blackburn.
 J. D. Moffett.

Say A. Galbraith Sr

August the 12. 1860. The foregoing will reviewed
 and approved in all its parts.

Witness my hand and seal.
James L. Eldon
C. C. Eldon
William M. Eldon Junior

A Galbraith Seal

Will of Levin Gladson

Dated Mar 19, 1858.

Proven April 1858.

In the name of God, Amen.

I Levin Gladson of the County of Hancock and State of Tennessee being in sound and perfect mind and memory. Blessed be God, calling to mind the uncertainty of this life, I do this 19th day of March 1858 make this my last will and Testament in the manner following viz. I have here before given Joshua Gladson Milton Gladson their portions. I make no further provision for them. I do hereby give and bequeath all my property to my sons & daughters viz. Nathan Gladson, Elizabeth Gladson, Mark S. Gladson, Parmalen Nabrau, Polly Brooks to them & their heirs forever, share and share alike.

I give all my property to remain on the place until after my death in the case of Nathan Gladson. I do hereby appoint Nathan Gladson Executor of this my last will and Testament, provided he be qualified and give security. I further witness that the said Levin Gladson have to this my last will and Testament, set his hand and given my seal the day and year above written.

Signed and acknowledged in the presence of:
John Nabrau, George Davis,
J. M. Davis, John Shanks.

Levin Gladson

Will of Nathaniel Griest

Dated Feb 23, 1857.

Proven March Term 1858.

I Nathaniel Griest do make and publish this my last will and Testament, hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made.

First, I direct that all my 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, and should there

not be sufficient means in his hands to pay all my debts, then I desire that my Executor sell my personal property that my wife Elizabeth may designate sufficient to pay any balance.

Secondly, I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth all my household and kitchen furniture, together with all the stock (except a small felly) I may die seized and possessed of at the time of my death, and all the farming tools of every description that I may have on hand at the time of my death also my negro man named Jim, whom and to hold during her natural life. And at her death said property is to be sold, and equally divided between the following named sons and daughters to wit: Minny (now Minny Lane) Henry Jesse, Samuel, Larena, Patsy Jane and James.

Thirdly, I give and bequeath to my son John, Ten dollars out of any funds that may remain in the hands of my Executor after my just debts are paid, and should there be any money left in the hands of my Executor after paying the Ten dollars mentioned in this bequest to all my just debts and funeral expenses, I direct that it shall be paid even to my wife for the transfer of my three youngest children to wit: Larena, Patsy Jane, and James.

Fourthly, I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth the use and control of the land I may die seized and possessed of at the time of my death, for the benefit of herself and the three youngest children, Larena, Patsy Jane and James, during her lifetime. And as my son Jesse's man living on my farm with me, my will and desire is that should he remain on the farm and pay my wife for the use of so much of the same as she may now want for cultivation Ten bushels of corn and Ten bushels of wheat per annum during her life. That he shall have one third part of the land, and should he from any cause fail or refuse to pay said rent to my wife, then and in that case that part of the land devised to him shall go to my son James.

Fifthly, I give and bequeath unto my son James the remaining two thirds of all the land I may die seized and possessed of, and also the one third part devised of Jesse should he fail or refuse to comply with the conditions mentioned in the fifth bequest. I also give my son James

The Sorrowfully I now write.

Severally, I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Mary Ann Carver & Martha Corrick one dollar, and no more. Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint Jas^m Nord my Executor. In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and seal. This 23^d day of February 1859. Entered & read before signing. *Nathaniel D. Smith*

Signed sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto, in the presence of the Testator. This 23^d day of February 1859.

Joseph D. Nord
William ^{the} Jones

Will of Robert Hamilton Sr.

Dated, Feb. 21 1860

In the name of God Amen

I, Robert Hamilton, Senior of the County of Hancock & State of Tennessee, being in a low state of health & weak in body but of sound mind & memory, calling to mind the mortality of our nature, that it is appointed unto all men once to die, I do declare this my last Will & Testament in form following to wit: After commending my soul to God & my body to the dust to be buried in a decent Christian manner by Christian friends, hoping the will be again united at the General resurrection of the just. I dispose of my worldly goods as follows viz:

I allow in the first place all my lawful debts to be paid out of movable property.

I give and bequeath my plantation & live on, on the South bank of Holston containing 225 acres, to my son Robert, he paying his brother John who is my son, one hundred pounds Virginia money. I leave my negro man Lilla to my son John & Robert, the one to take the man & pay the other forty three pound Virginia money.

I leave my son James one dollar.

I leave my daughter Catharine one dollar.

I leave my daughter Eliza one dollar.

I leave a bequest to my daughter Elizabeth fifty pounds value in trade to be paid as soon as my two hundred acre survey on the head of Grassy Creek is sold, to be paid in such parts as need for the land.

I allow my two acre cutoy on the north bank of Holston between Thomas Morrison & David Highland Esqr to be sold & the monies arising therefrom to be divided as follows viz: To my grand children Robert & Nathan Page, each the sum of fifty dollars to be paid in the same kind of pay that is good for the land. To Robert McWilliam & Robert Brumby each the sum of ten pounds in like pay as above.

To my son John Hamilton the son Robert & William each ten pounds.

I leave the house I now live in & the part of the crop I now receive from my son Robert to wit: one third, & all the household & movable property to my wife Margaret during her life with & horses inclusive.

I leave a judgment I obtained in Sullivan Court against John Snodgrass to Jesse McWilliam.

I leave my horse, saddle & household furniture after paying all my debts at the death of my wife to be sold & the sum not otherwise appropriated to be divided between my son Robert, son John, John, son William & John Pershire.

I nominate & appoint Samuel McPherson, my son Robert Hamilton, George Maxwell my Executors. They or a majority of them to execute this my last Will & Testament, in witnessing & declaring all former wills by me made and void. I declare and ratifying this my last will & Testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal This 21st day of February A.D. 1860.

The words in the will, entered before signed.

Signed & acknowledged before us.

Esq^r Young

John Young

Robert Young

I, Robert Hamilton Senior the Testator of the foregoing will and Testament, having through the mercy of God survived to the present date, and being in sound mind and memory, this week in body, I think proper to amend the following alterations to the foregoing will, to wit:

I leave the plantation I live on to my son Robert, on his paying me one hundred dollars to my son John & ten dollars to his eldest son.

I allow my negro woman Billa after my death to live with either my son Robert or Jesse McWilliams my son in law, and he and she live with shall pay annually to the other twenty dollars. I give & bequeath to my Elizabeth in lieu of the fifty pound & dollar. My two acre entry on the north bank of Holston between the marriage of David Hinkle. I allow my son Robert to sell and the money arising from the sale to be disposed of as follows: I allow my son Robert one hundred & ten dollars. The residue to be equally divided between my grand sons. The Executors named in the foregoing will I approve of. Signed & sealed the 24th day of June A.D. 1801

Signed sealed & acknowledged

in presence of us:

Robt McWilliams

George Curry

Robert McWilliams

Will of Daniel McWilliams

Dated Mar 25 1801

In the name of God Amen.

I Daniel McWilliams of Newbern County, being very weak in body but of perfect mind & memory do make this my last Will & Testament.

I give I leave my beloved wife Abigail and in possession of all the land & plantation for the support of my wife and family of children until my son Pascal shall rise to the age of twenty years. Then for him to take his land in possession which shall be hereafter mentioned & so in rotation with the rest of my sons as they shall rise to the age of twenty years as their land shall be mentioned hereafter. I also leave her in possession of the land & houses whereon I now live with a reasonable support out of the profits of the said land for her support alone during her life or widowhood & at her death or marriage for the said land to return to the use of my heirs.

I also give to my wife one negro woman named Abigail also my Chesnut mare & black mare, four cows & calves of her choosing, all my hog & sheep, one big plow & the rest of my farming

implements, all my household & kitchen furniture (except one good feather bed & furniture to each of my daughters not yet married) & her & her heirs forever.

I give to my daughter Sally one negro girl named Charity to her & her heirs forever.

I give to my daughter Sarah one negro woman named Janet and good feather bed & furniture to her & her heirs forever.

I give to my son Pascal the hundred acres of land I bought of Mrs Cox joining Henry Barren & John Rice lying on the south side of Holston River to him & his heirs forever. I give to my son Edwin the hundred & a case of land I bought of John G. Plitcher to him & his heirs forever.

I give to my sons Henry & Frank the land I bought of Richard Welch containing one hundred & fifty acres to be equally divided between them by running a direct line from the River and towards Greek Creek concerning Henry shall take the lower part & Frank the upper part to them & their heirs forever. Also if one of my three sons Edwin Henry or Frank should die before coming to the age of twenty years, the best part of land shall be divided between the other two.

I give to my daughter Sally three hundred and thirty three dollars & one third of a dollar to be levied of my stock & implements not yet mentioned, one good feather bed & furniture to her & her heirs forever.

I also constitute & ordain my wife my sole Executor of this my last Will & Testament. In witness whereof I have put my hand & seal this 25th day of May 1801.

Witness present

Mary Ann Curran, Henry Barren, Saml. Brown, Lincoln Ames, James Gordon

Daniel McWilliams

Will of Thomas McWilliams

Dated Aug 15 1801

Proven July 1823

In the name of God Amen:

I Thomas McWilliams of Newbern County and State of Tennessee being very sick and weak & imperfect health of body but of perfect mind and memory thank to God for the same and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last Will &

Testament (or) Principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it, And my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the Almighty power of God. And as touching such worldly estate which it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give demise and dispose of the same in the following manner.

1st I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Elizabeth all my property (after all just debts are paid) and the use of the said estate my son John shall arrive at lawful age.

2nd it is my desire then for her to have her third her lifetime.

3rd Now it is my desire when John comes to age for an equal division of the two thirds to take place. And at my wife Elizabeths death an equal division of her third to take place.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal This 15th of August A.D. 1811

Wm. P. Reynolds
Thos. Gilleman

John Casnach
Coraelius Canuel

I likewise constitute and appoint John Casnach's my lawful Executor to act in the said manner as if I myself were present. As witness my hand and seal the day & date above written.

Thomas H. Norton

Will of John Hessel

Dated Sept. 9. 1811

In the name of God, Amen

I John Hessel of the County of Newton and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory, but being old and knowing the frailty of man and the uncertainty of his life, do make and Ordain my last Will and Testament in writing in presence and firm as follows: That after recommending my soul to God and my body to the dust from whence it came, to be buried in a plain manner, At my decease, And concerning such worldly goods as it has pleased God to bestow on me, I dispose of them in the following manner: First, I desire my funeral charges to be paid out of my Estate,

And my debts to be paid in like manner.

Item 1. I give unto my daughter Polly du Sallais and all my household goods, at my wife's death.

Item 2. I do allow all the rest of my property including negroes to be sold at the discretion of my Executors which I will hereafter nominate. And the moneys when sold shall be equally divided between my daughter, Polly Norman, Sister Aborth, Saly Combs and Sally Hessel. Anna and Samuel Woods my grand sons before the time to have an equal part with my daughter which I have named and my son Enock Hessel & John Hessel & my daughter Betsey Sears and William Penick. I have herefor given them shares. The boys in the way of land and the girls in a negro's piece, which I hope the will be content with. And I do nominate and appoint John Hessel & Jacob Miller Executors of this my last will and Testament in writing. And do by these presents revoke, disannul and make void every other will or wills by me made.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal This ninth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and fifteen.

Witness stated, published & declared, by John Hessel to be his last will and Testament, in writing in presence of us who man, subscribing witnesses, hereat,
David Hershner, Jesse McWilliams
John Travis, J. Wilson

John Hessel

Will of John Hessel

Dated Oct. 8. 1811

Admitted to Records Sept. 7. 1811

I John Hessel of Newton County, State of East Tennessee do hereby make my last Will and Testament in manner and form following: That is to say

First, I desire that all my just debts be paid, paid and satisfied. Secondly, After the payment of all my just debts I give to my wife Elizabeth Hessel one half of my Estate both real and personal. The other half to my children, she is now pregnant with, provided said child should live to the age of maturity, but if it should please God that the child should die an infant, I will the whole of my Estate as before mentioned to my wife Elizabeth Hessel and her heirs forever.

And lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my loving wife Elizabeth Henson Executor and my friend Gabriel Mc Graw Executor of her my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other former wills or Testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the 8th day of October, in the year of Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty.

John Henson
Signed, sealed, published, declared as and for his last Will and Testament of him personally John Henson, in presence of, William P. Richardson
Geo. M. Oliver, John Caldwell.

Will made, held for Fair for County of Fairfax, Va. the 5th day of October 1831. The last Will and Testament of John Henson deceased, was presented in Court and the same being proved by the oath of Geo. M. Oliver and Affirmation of William P. Richardson is admitted to record.

Test. Wm. Mass Clerk
The Commonwealth of Virginia, Fairfax County, to wit:

William Hays Clerk of the County Court, appears and deposes that he has forseen a true copy of the last Will and Testament of John Henson deceased, from the records of said Court.

On testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said County the 23rd day of November 1831 in the 4th year of the Commonwealth of Virginia.
Wm. Mass Clerk

Fairfax County, Commonwealth of Virginia, to wit:

A Richard, P. Delige, a Justice of the Peace, in and for the County of Fairfax, in the State of Virginia, Mass. whose Signature, Seal of Office, I have affixed, is duly commissioned & qualified Clerk of the Court of the said County and that due faith & credit is to be given to all his attestations as such. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 23rd day of Nov. 1831.

R. P. Delige Clerk

Will of John Henson

Dated Nov. 8, 1830

In the name of God, Amen

Proven August 1831

I John Henson of the County of Fairfax and State of Virginia do make, declare and declare this instrument which is written by my order, hereby subscribing with my name

to be my last Will and Testament, wishing all other, all moneys of which I am or are to be paid punctually and specially paid, and the legacies hereafter bequeathed are to be discharged as soon as circumstances will permit, and in the manner directed.

To my dear beloved wife Mary Henson I give and bequeath the use, profit and benefit of all the Slaves that I am now in possession of, which is, Luce, Lilla & Ruth. One horse named Black Horse and name are called Dick and Prime. And two cows and calves her choice. Three beds and furniture and all the Kitchen furniture, and to have possession of the house that we now live in, and one hundred acres of land during life, and at her decease the land to fall to my youngest son Wm. B. Henson, and my wife to have four sheep. The profit of the flock one due of the best sows and pigs and nine hogs. And to keep all her gear and poultry with her Cupboards and furniture and one bar shoe plane and shovel. And let Mattison Elizabeth and Betty have one heifer apiece, and Sara one cow the name of Spot, black and one the name of Little Brown, and one hundred acres of land where William Hays now occupies and one trap line that David Lamm settled the whole, later any bedstead and furniture, and two bar shoe plane and table. To Sarah one hundred acres of land lying in middle bottom joining John Pock's land, one bedstead, bed and furniture, one cow, two shooel plane and one collar. And let her and James shall pay their sisters fifty dollars apiece that is Nancy, Sally and Betsey. And Mattison to have one hundred acres of land, a place called Salt place. And Wm. to have one hundred acres of land where I now live house and to pay Mattison one hundred and fifty dollars when Wm. arrives at the age of twenty five years of age.

And Lilla to have bedstead, bed and furniture, and one cow, bedstead, bed and furniture. And all the rest of my property that is not provided here is to be sold and the money divided between William, Nancy, Sally and Betsey. Cattle, hogs and sheep what is not gone away.

Lastly, I constitute and appoint my overther with John Daniel Chambers and Nanny Ann Executors of my Will and Testament. In witness of all and each of the things herein mentioned I have set my hand and seal

The tenth day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty

John N. Smith
William C. McCoy

John N. Smith Seal

Will of James Nagon

Dated Aug 27, 1822

From May Term 1822

I James Nagon of Newlin County and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory but of weak body knowing the uncertainties of human events Ordain and direct this to be my last Will and Testament. After giving my soul to Almighty God I direct my worldly affairs in the manner following to wit: 1st I bequeath to my daughter Frances Nagon my negro or mulatto girl Almira the daughter of Est 2nd I bequeath to my son John Nagon, Thomas Nagon, Alexander Nagon each a horse, saddle and bridle to the worth one hundred dollars. 3rd I bequeath to my daughter Margaret Nagon when she comes to be one of twenty one years a horse, saddle and bridle to the value of one hundred dollars. 4th I bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth De Nagon my negro boy Harvey son of Harvey who is at the time in State of Kentucky in the care of my brother Alexander Nagon, Heir of which devise I wish kept under the direction with all my real and personal estate of my beloved wife Rachael Nagon during her natural life or her widowhood. After her death or in case she should intermarry I wish that all my estate both personal & real to be equally divided by four persons chosen by the Court of pleas quarters for the said County of Washington among all my children viz. Margaret John Thomas Alexander Alice Mary Frances & Elizabeth. It is my desire that my wife Rachael Nagon act as my Executor with my son John Nagon when he arrives at the age of twenty one years as executor. Heirs, executors and witnesses and all other mills Given under my hand & seal the 17 day of August, eight hundred & twenty

Sign Seal and acknowledge in our presence the date above written.

Geo A. Rogers
John N. Smith

James Nagon Seal

Will of John S. Hill

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Dated May 20 1823

Altho at present in tolerable health, thanks be to God, yet certain circumstances render it my duty to provide for the disposal of the little property I now possess or may hereafter possess. And with the blessing of health & a sound mind offer I John S. Hill of Newton County State of Tennessee make this my last Will & Testament in the following manner

1st I request that all the debts I owe may be paid by my Executors & Executors hereafter named as soon as may be convenient after my decease.

2nd I give to my sons Charles Hill, Will & James Hill the sum of five dollars each only - as I consider they have already a full & equal share with what I have chosen to give my other children.

3rd To my ever dear & respected wife Martha Hill I give the whole & even part of the balance of my property lands, negroes, stock of every kind, household & kitchen furniture farming utensils &c. during her life.

4th At my decease my wife is that the whole of my property be divided among my children in the following manner. That all those of them who may be under sixteen years of age at the time of their mother's death shall to the amount of two hundred dollars worth of property each, over and above their equal share with those that may be at that time twenty one years of age or over - And likewise to all those at that time who may be between twenty one & sixteen years old one hundred dollars worth of property each more than those who may be then twenty one years of age or more.

5th I give to my children Peter Hill, Terin Hill, Sally Hill, Martha Hill, Abby Hill, Anna Augusta Hill & Thomas Robinson Hill at the death of their mother the whole of my lands, also negroes, stock, cheese, Dick, Eiza, Martha & all the children that Cherry, Eliza & Martha may hereafter have, also all the stock of every kind, the whole of the household & kitchen furniture, the farming utensils of every kind & the whole of the provisions that may be on hand at that time, each to have an equal share to them & each of their heirs.

6th To Polly Moore, Benjamin Hill, John Stephen Hill, Peggy Hill, Jennie Colfells & Joshua Hill I give all & every part of the balance of my property to be equally divided amongst them. The following few articles are mentioned only excepted to each

of them & to their heirs to wit: To Polly Moore three silver table spoons
marked J B M & to Peggy Hill the three other silver table spoons
marked in like manner with initials of the names of her grand
grand father & great grand mother Joseph & Barksheba Willard.
To young Boltzell five silver tea spoons marked J M D. The
initials of the names of her grand father & grand mother James
& Mary Deane, & likewise all the finger & con rings, necklaces
lockets &c that formerly belonged to her deceased mother To
Joshua Hill six silver tea spoons marked J M D. And to
Thamias Robinson Hill, he being the youngest & there not being
a sufficiency worth dividing. I give six silver tea spoons a
large silver soup spoon & a pair of silver sugar tongs all
marked with the initials of his mother & my name J M N.
And to my son Lewis Hill my watch it being an inexpensive
one. Therefore I request him to keep it for my sake.
I do provide as much as possible for my childrens welfare
after my decease guard against the destructive power of a
step father, my will is that if my wife should take a second
husband that she should be entitled to no more of my
property than the law will allow her, & in that case, thereby
to be all and every bequest hereby made to her & that in
division of it may take place as some heretofore as my benevolence
8th and lastly, I appoint my dear wife Martha Hill &
my old friend Anderson Galtman to be the Executors & witnesses
to this my last Will & Testament.

In witness to the above I the said John B. Hill have
to this act set my hand & seal this twentieth day of May in the
year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & twenty three
Signed, sealed and acknowledged
by the said John B. Hill for his last
will & Testament, in the presence of,
John Burkhois, Aquilla Jones
Alexander M. Galtman

Will of Pinney Haines
Harvis [See original]

Dated Dec 10, 1829

Be it remembered that I Pinney Haines of the County of Washington
and State of Tennessee being now in body but of sound and
perfect mind and memory doth make this my last will
and Testament in the manner and form following:

First, I do order that all my lawful and just debts be paid out
of my personal property. Then I do give and bequeath unto my
beloved wife Rachael all my personal property during her
widowhood. And also I give and bequeath unto my beloved
wife Rachael full possession of all my lands during her wid-
owhood. And then I do order that when my two youngest
sons, William and Isaac shall become of age, that she
shall let them have one horse, saddle and bridle worth
one hundred dollar, to make them equal with my two eldest
sons, Absalom & James Haines. And then I do order
that as my daughter shall become of age, namely, Sally, Polly,
Jenny, Lucy & Elizabeth Haines, that my wife Rachael
do let each of them have one cow and calf with each of
them a bed. And I do order that at the end of my wifes
widowhood the residue of my personal property with
all my lands be sold and in equal divide made
between all my sons of the widow living from such
sale. And I do appoint my wife Rachael Haines
as Executor of this my last will & Testament, revoking
all former wills made by me. In witness whereof I
have set my hand and seal. December 10 1829
John B. Hill
George White
John Haines

Will of Goodlyff Haffeworth
Dated Dec 13, 1829
May 1844

In the name of God, Amen

Be it remembered that I Goodlyff Haffeworth
of the County of Washington and State of Tennessee, considering the
uncertainty of this mortal life, and being of sound and perfect
mind and memory, blessed be Almighty God for his grace,
do make and publish this my last will and Testament
in manner and form following, that is to say:
First, I give and bequeath unto my son John my plantation
where I now live, being in the County and State as aforesaid
for which he is to maintain me and my wife for life time.
Likewise, I give him my son John all my farm and utensils
for which he is to pay forty dollars at my death in the fol-
lowing manner, that is to say, unto my son Joseph Dwyer five

dollars, unto my son Jonathan ten dollars, unto my son Daniel ten, by the Unity Five dollars and after my wife's death all the household furniture, that is to say, her beds, clothes, cloth, and in a word all the loose property about the house is to be equally divided among my four daughters, that is to say, Barbara, Mary, Sally, and Poley, and for this I appoint my son Joseph Haffmans and Isaac Landbeck to be Executors to see to the dividing of this property equally 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 the English day of April, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and twenty nine.

Good George Haffmans

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the above named Good George Haffmans to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses to the same, John Nathan.

(Other witnesses name illegible)

Attest Christy Ann Haffmans

Dated Dec 9 1832

In the name of God, Amen.

I do hereby constitute this my last will and testament revoking all others heretofore made. I now proceed to make the following disposition of my property both real and personal which direction shall take place after my death. I give unto my wife Francis a negro woman Peggy a negro woman Mide and a negro boy Manson during her widowhood, and likewise give unto her my wife one cow and calf, one feather bed and furniture for the same forever. I do give unto the heirs of my son Thomas Haynes fifteen dollars forever. Unto the heirs of my son Parmer Haynes ten dollars forever. Unto my son Drury Haynes twenty five dollars forever. Unto Lazarus Spears twenty five dollars forever. Unto James Bradley twenty five dollars forever. Unto my daughter Poley Spears a negro girl named Lydia forever. Unto my daughter Sarah Charles a negro girl Edy forever. Unto my daughter Jane Haynes a negro boy named Joe forever. Unto my daughter Mary Haynes a negro boy named John a negro girl Margaret forever. The residue of my property both real and

personal I wish to be sold and the proceeds thereof to be equally divided between my sons John Haynes, Christopher Haynes, Jesse Haynes and Francis Haynes. The above mentioned to my wife at the expiration of her widowhood to be sold and equally divided between my sons above mentioned John, Christopher, Jesse and Francis Haynes.

I do hereby constitute my son in law James Bradley and my nephew Haynes Lewis my sole Executors. In testimony whereof I do hereunto affix my hand and seal the ninth day of December A.D. eighteen hundred and thirty.

Witness

Christopher Haynes

John Hershman

(Name of son witness illegible) Hugh Woods

Thomas J. Davis

Will of James Nagood

Dated Aug 9 1832

Whereas James Nagood of Hawkins County in the State of Tennessee being frail in body but of sound mind, taking into view that all men must die and being desirous so to settle and adjust my affairs that my family may be provided for in the best manner possible consistent with the command of providence, I hold, and that all difficulties or grounds for dispute or litigation about the same may be removed, do ordain publish and declare this to be my last will and testament hereby revoking and annulling all former wills.

Supremacy. I give and bequeath so much of my personal property as may be necessary to discharge all my debts and expenses of every kind to my Executors to be paid on twelve months credit. I have collected a paid over till all said debt and expenses are paid.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Nancy Nagood my land where I live containing nearly six acres more or less to have and to hold during her widowhood or her natural life if she shall not marry again, and after the marriage or death of my said wife, I will the said land to my daughter Secher, daughter wife of Milton Emory and Anne Caley wife of Philip Caley or their heirs respectively in fee simple, share & share alike. Item I give & bequeath to my said wife Nancy Nagood the following negroes, viz: Franky, Jack, Jesse, Poley & Julia.

to have & to hold during her widowhood, or natural life if she should never marry again, and after her marriage or death to my sons Benjamin D. Nagood, James M. Nagood, & Stephen D. Nagood, in full property to be divided among them equally share & share alike, & if there should be any increase of said negroes during the time they are to be held by my wife, said increase is to be divided among my said sons in the same manner.

Item. I bequeath to my son Benjamin D. my flayed face name called Jacob his working coat & a feather bed & furniture & bed stand & the saddle & bridle he now uses & claims.

Item. I give & bequeath to my son James M. my boy name called Dan, & a bedstead, feather bed & furniture, & the saddle & bridle he generally uses & claims.

Item. I give & bequeath to my son Stephen D. that my Executors shall upon his coming of age, give him out of my estate as good a mare as Dan, that is left to James M., a saddle and bridle worth fifteen dollars, a bed stand, feather bed & furniture & good fur hat.

Item. I give & bequeath that after my debts & expenses & all other legacies are paid, all my other stock, household and kitchen furniture & furniture & furniture shall go to my said wife & may to hold during her widowhood, or natural life if she should never marry again, and after her death or marriage to go to my son Benjamin D. James M. & Stephen D. share & share alike in full property.

Item. I give and bequeath to my son William, one dollar he having already been sufficiently provided for.

I do hereby appoint my wife Nancy and my sons Benjamin D. James M. Executors & Executrices of my last Will and Testament & they are not to be required to give security, and it is also my will that in the event of the marriage of my wife again, then said said sons shall be my sole Executors & their powers shall cease. And in the event of any dispute or difficulty among my legacies or Executors in reference to my estate or this will, I do hereby appoint Jacob Miller, Daniel Chambers, Thomas Sprau, Thomas Caldwell & Orville Bradley as arbitrators to whom said difficulty or dispute shall be referred & any then are sufficient to make their award to be conclusive & final.

Item. It is my will that my Executors be authorized in any manner they may deem proper by agreement, compromise

or otherwise to settle & ascertain the boundary line between my lands & the lands of George Francis co. if the same should not be done during my lifetime.

Item. It is my will that the crop on hand shall go to the support of the family. Given under my hand & seal this 9th of August 1853.

Witness present who witnessed this will J. Nagood (Seal) in the presence of & at the request of the Testator

Orville Bradley,

Geo. A. Pawel,

G. Francis co.

I James Nagood do this 11th day of August 1853 offer the following Codicil or Supplement to the above will & do declare it in all respects to be a part thereof, that is to say, that if my wife should either die or marry before the first day of January 1842, then my Executors is to hold the land until that time to maintain & school my youngest son Stephen D. Nagood.

Item. If either of my three sons Benjamin D. James M. & Stephen D. should die intestate or unmarried, then & in that case the survivor or survivors then is to inherit what is willed to the three. The five barrels of corn that Robert Gray owes me this fall is to be collected & considered as part of the crop. Given under my hand & seal this date above written.

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