

of John Seale's death
will from July 1818

The last Will and Testament with Codicils annexed

I, John Seale of the County of Shachin and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory, do make this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and annulling all former wills made by me at any time,

1st I direct that all my ^{just} debts and funeral expenses to be paid as soon as possible after my death, out of any money at hand, or out of any that may come in the hands of my Executor.

2nd I give to my wife Nancy C. Seale, absolutely all my household and Kitchen furniture and the personal property of every description that I may own at my death, all to be and solely for from the Control and the debts of her husband if she should marry again. 3rd I hereby specially set apart the fourteen hundred dollars due me in Gold by James C. Greenway of Abingdon Virginia, for the sole use and benefit of my wife Nancy C. Seale during her life for from the debts or Control of her husband if she should marry again, and the fourteen hundred dollars so set apart for the benefit and support and support of my wife is either to be loaned out at interest, the interest on what amount I give to her absolutely or invested in land as she may prefer.

4th I hereby direct my Executor as soon after my death as convenient to cause the note which I hold on James C. Greenway due one day after date, in her own name, so that in the event she should determine to invest it in land, she can get the money whenever a good opportunity offers to make a good purchase.

5th Should my wife Nancy C. Seale determine to loan out the fourteen hundred dollars, and use the interest thereon for her benefit and support instead of investing in land, then I direct and enjoin upon her to require at least two good bondsmen, and should there be a doubt at any time about their solvency, I direct that she may have one or more collected and secure a still good parties with at least two good securities, and should the party or parties to whom the money is loaned she think it is to be collected at once and secured by a time to other good parties with at least two good securities.

6th When the money due me by James C. Greenway is collected by my Executor, I direct and enjoin upon her, not to keep it on hand any material longer than she can loan it out with good security, or invest it in land and if she determines to loan it out, or invest it for her support, and she cannot find it out at once upon interest to good parties, I further direct and enjoin it upon her to deposit at once in Bank at interest if she can get interest but if she cannot get interest to deposit it in Bank without interest unless she can loan it out to respectable parties or invest it land as she may prefer, my desire being that she should not keep the money on hand.

7th Should my wife determine to invest the fourteen hundred dollars in land for her benefit and support instead of loaning it out at interest and using the interest, then it is my wish and direction that she should invest it in good land and not poor land with fine improvements, good land with fine improvements, poor land with fine improvements. The land is to be free from the debts and Control of her husband, if she should marry again, but she is to have the exclusive use and benefit and Control of it during her life and no longer.

8th As soon after my death as possible, I direct my Executor to collect all debts due me, except the debts due by James C. Greenway, which I have already disposed of, and after paying my ^{just} debts and all other expenses I direct him to pay over the balance to whom I direct by a Codicil which I will make to this will, but if paid any Cash, then should not be as much as fourteen hundred