

gate at the Southwest corner of the barn, then southerly to a gate on the way from the house to the barn, then following the fence in which this gate stands, around to the spring and on down to the plank fence that leads around the lot then about 20 feet below the plank fence to a point about six feet south of the branch, then southerly across the branch to a point about 12 feet from the branch, then easterly to the lot fence or rail fence, then southerly to the south east corner of the old plank shop, then easterly with the wire fence until you strike a wire fence running north and south, and then south with that wire fence until it strikes a point something near east of the house on the main turning row which divides the bottom, and then with this turning row to the river.

I have discussed with and pointed out on the ground this dividing line to my brother C. C. Pearson, and my brother-in-law H. F. Amey, and I direct that as soon after my decease as possible they go upon the lands and locate the same, establishing some form of permanent boundaries at all corners, and that they have a survey of the same made, after they shall have located the same, giving courses and distances, a copy of which shall be delivered to my son Charley Pearson, and another copy to my son, Roy Pearson, or his mother for him, and which copies shall be signed by the surveyor and by the said C. C. Pearson and H. F. Amey; and the said line when so located and surveyed shall be final between the parties interested.

I devise to my son Charley Pearson all that part of my said home place lying between the before described line of partition and the lands of C. J. McKimney; and I devise to my son Roy Pearson, subject to the limitations hereinafter named, all that part of my said home farm lying between the said line and the lands of A. P. Davis.

Charley Pearson and his succession in title shall have a right of way over the lands devised to Roy as a means of access to and from the public road and the lands devised to him, and by such routes as may, from time to time, be used by Roy and his successors in title in getting to and from his lands and premises and the public road.

In the event my son Roy Pearson, who is now a minor about eight years old, should die before reaching the age of 21 years, and without issue, then the lands devised to him shall, in such event go, one-fourth to his mother, Mary Pearson, if she be then living, and three-fourths to his brother, Charley Pearson. If Mary should die before Roy, then the whole to go to Charley.

Charley Pearson is given the right to remove from

the lands devised to Roy a crib, which he, Charley, built thereon, and the stock scales which stand on the shore devised to Roy are to be used for the joint use and benefit of both shores, and are to be maintained at the joint expense of both shores.

Item 5. My son Charley and I recently bought from John Mallisot and wife a tract of land lying near the home place, for which we agreed to pay \$2500.00. The sum of only \$400.00 was paid down on this purchase, and that sum was paid by Charley. Notes are outstanding for the balance. Inasmuch as I have no money in that tract of land I devise to my son, Charley Pearson, all my interest and estate therein. But I require of him that he assume the payment of the outstanding notes against the said property, relieving my estate from the obligation thereof; and I make the said notes a charge upon that part of the home-place herein devised to Charley to the exclusion of my other property.

Item 6. I appoint my wife, Mary Pearson, the testamentary guardian of my son, Roy Pearson, and direct that she be required or allowed to serve without bond, and that she be excused from rendering accounts and making settlements with the Courts, as is ordinarily required of guardians. Should she personally use, for her own benefit, any of the proceeds of the estate of Roy in her hands as guardian, I do not want her to be held to account therefor, as I want her to be supported from and by the money given her and the property devised to Roy until Roy shall arrive at the age of 21 years. However, should my wife contract a second marriage, then her guardianship of Roy under this appointment shall cease; and should she thereafter be appointed his guardian, I want her to account for his funds coming to her hands the same as any other guardian.

Item 7. I nominate and appoint my brother-in-law, H. F. Amey, Esq., as the executor of this my last will and testament.

In witness of all which I have hereunto subscribed my name on this August 7, 1918.

Witness:-  
J. O. Phillips  
J. P. Rogers.

W. H. Pearson.

### Will of F. M. Christian.

I, F. M. Christian, of the County of Hawkins in the State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory do make, publish and declare this to be my last will and Testament to wit:

First I give W. E. Christian all of the place where he now lives, known as the Elsdredge Christian place, bounded as follows; on the North by Bruner; on the east by Armstrongs; on south by Long and on West by Long.

W. E. Christian is to take Burley Christian and raise him, build him on his share a three room nice cottage house, also a good small barn by the time he is twenty-one years old, or he marries.

W. E. Christian is to have full control of Burley Christian's share of land to help maintain him.

Burley Christian's share is to begin at the Creek on a line of J. M. Cradic's and F. M. Christian, following the creek to the Gray spring, using the spring as a corner (and creek never to be changed except it benefit both parties). Thence North east to J. M. Christian line; thence on a line of F. M. Christian to top of Mountain and unto Bruner's and R. L. Long's to Bruner's line; thence West with Bruner's line to the beginning.

Laurie Christian Beginning some place as Burley Christian running with the Creek to Gray Spring as the corner. Thence west from Gray Spring a distance opposite a corner of J. M. Cradic and F. M. Christian on top of Alex Mountain, consisting of three chestnut oaks; Thence with Cradic's and Christian line south to a planted rock their corner; Thence east with their line to the beginning.

Geo. Christian. Beginning at Gray Spring thence west with Laurie's line a corner opposite top of Mountain; Thence South to top of mountain being a straight line to J. M. Cradic and F. M. Christian corner; Thence west along top of mountain to Armstrongs and Christians corner; Thence North across the valley with Armstrongs and Christians corner to gum corner; from gum corner to top of Huckleberry ridge; Thence east following top of said ridge to within thirty feet of Powell land leaving a strip some widths back to Gray Spring.

George Christian Christian is to keep Laurie Christian and use her land for her benefit. Also to build her a good small barn when necessary.

Nora Marshall share. Beginning on a gum in the hollow, running with F. M. Christian's and Powell's line to top of river mountain; Thence west with top of mountain to the old Christian corner three chestnuts oaks; Thence South east to top of Huckleberry ridge; Thence east

with top of said ridge and Geo. Christian line to a black walnut on point of ridge to the beginning a gum corner.

Geo. Christian is to have one sorrel mule and one bay horse to make team for the benefit of two minor children.

Remainder of my personal property of every kind to go equally to W. E. Christian and George Christian for the benefit of Burley Christian and Laurie Christian minor.

House hold goods to be divided between George Christian, Burley Christian and Laurie Christian.

I nominate and appoint my son W. E. Christian to be my executor of this my last will and testament to act free from any bonds.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 14th day of August A.D. 1913.

F. M. Christian.

Signed, sealed, published and declared as and for his last will and testament by the above named testator in our presence who have at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other signed our names as witnesses thereto.

J. M. Cradic  
Witnesses R. L. Long

### Will of Sarah E. Cooper.

Filed and proven Oct 4, 1913.

J. R. Baker, CLK

I, Sarah E. Cooper of Hawkins County, Tenn do hereby make and publish this my last will and Testament to wit:

I bequeath all the property of which I may die possessed to my two daughters, Mary and Margaret Cooper or to the survivor of them to have and to hold forever, including all articles of personal property, which under the exemption laws passed to me as widow on the death of my husband J. H. Cooper. My reason for thus preferring my daughters in the disposition of my property to the exclusion of my son is that on occasion of his going to house-keeping after his marriage I gave and advanced to him two beds complete, two tables and a safe - his portion in my judgment.

This Aug 26, 1913.

Sarah E. Cooper  
mark

Witness:  
J. O. Phillips



# Will of Wm Roberts

Filed and proven Oct 6, 1913.

State of Tennessee, Hawkins County.

L. R. Batan, clk

I, W. M. Roberts being of sound mind and memory, do make and declare this to be my last will and testament, to-wit:

First - I will unto W. J. Roberts my son the entire place known as the James McQuinn place provided the said W. J. Roberts pays Miller Swift my daughter Four Hundred and ten dollars (\$410.00) in cash.

Second - To my daughter Lou Archer all the old home place consisting of seventy-five acres more or less.

Third - To my daughter Sue Roberts the balance of my land which joins the old home place consisting of one hundred acres (100) be the same more or less.

Fourth - To my son Bird Roberts Eighty-four acres of land lying on Beech Creek known as the Beards land.

Fifth - All my money and personal property to be equally divided between my five children.

Sixth - My wife Sarah Roberts to have her maintenance from each of my five children, and to make her home where she chooses.

I also nominate and appoint my oldest son Willie J. Roberts as my executor of this my last will and testament to act free from any bond.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 15th day of September, 1913.

W. M. Roberts

Signed, sealed, published and declared as and for his last will and testament by the above named testator in our presence who have at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other signed our names as witnesses thereto.

H. E. Dykes,

W. J. Roberts.

# Will of Henry Price

I, Henry Price of Hawkins Co, State of Tennessee, do make and publish this as my last will and testament, hereby revoking any and all wills by me heretofore made.

First, I direct that all my debts be paid by my executor as soon after my death as possible.

Second, I direct that my executors shall sell all of my real estate at such a time after my death as they think best and shall sell the same to the highest bidder, and said executors shall sell the same in lots to the best advantage or sell all together if they find that they can get more money for said real estate by dividing either of the two tracts of land and selling separate they shall do so, but it shall be in their judgment as they deem best.

Third, I direct that my executor shall soon after my death as they deem best all of my personal property consisting of live stock, farming tools, etc, also a one half interest in one buggy.

Fourth, I direct that my executors shall make the terms in the sale of the real estate, and personal property as they deem best, and in selling said real estate they are authorized and empowered to make deed or deeds to the purchaser or purchasers conveying said lands to them.

Fifth, I direct that my executor shall collect all debts, bonds, certificates and money due me from the sale of the real estate, and personal property, and shall put the same on interest to the best advantage.

Sixth, I direct that my executors shall collect the interest on the above named money, and shall pay to my wife Kate Price as her needs demand as long as she lives, and that if at any time she does not need all the money for her expenses, that is paid in or interest the remainder of interest be put out on interest.

Seventh, I direct that my executors shall pay to my Grand son Emory Price two hundred fifty (\$250.00) dollars, when he becomes twenty one years old.

Eighth, I direct that after the death of my wife Kate Price, sixty dollars be paid my daughter Nora Price, sixty dollars be paid my daughter Ettie Price, and sixty dollars be paid my son Riley Price.

Ninth, I direct that after paying the last expense of my wife's funeral and placing of common tomb-stones at the grave of myself and wife, that balance be equally divided between my children namely

John Ann Dropshire, Maggie Price, Nora Price,  
Ethel Price, and Riley Price.

Ruth, I also direct that in case of continued  
sickness of my wife Kate Price, and the interest does  
not meet all of her expenses of her sickness, I direct  
that they be paid out of money that the executors  
has out on interest.

I appoint my son Riley Price, and my son-in-  
law C. R. Price to be the executors of this will.  
This Oct 9, 1913. Henry Price  
Jr. Price

The foregoing will was signed  
in our presence by the testator  
making his mark and we attested  
the same in his presence and at  
his request. This Oct 9, 1913.

R. D. Price,  
Doaac Brooks.

Filed and Proven Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 1913.  
L. R. Barker, Clerk.

### Will of F. A. Shatwell

Filed and Proven Nov 7<sup>th</sup> 1913. L. R. Barker, Clerk.  
I, F. A. Shatwell, of Rogersville, Tennessee, being of  
sound mind and free from any legal disability, do make this my last  
will and testament, hereby revoking all other wills here-  
tofore made by me.

1. I will and bequeath to my beloved wife, Lucy A.  
Shatwell, all of my real estate, wherever the same may  
be found to have and to hold the same to her and during  
her natural life, and at her death to go to my heirs at law.

2. I will and bequeath to Miss Phoebe A. Shatwell, in  
consideration of her valuable work on my books, &c., all  
of my decimal supplements, tools, supplies, furniture and  
fixtures of every description contained in the laboratory  
and operating rooms of my office.

3. I will and bequeath to my beloved wife, Lucy A.  
Shatwell, all the balance of my personal property,  
wherever the same may be found.

4. I nominate and appoint my wife, Lucy A. Shatwell,  
as executrix of this will and testament, she to act  
without bond or settlement with the usual authority required.

This Aug 29<sup>th</sup> 1913.

Witnesses.

H. S. Slawille

Frank W. Cutchan

F. A. Shatwell

Filed and Proven Nov 7<sup>th</sup> 1913. L. R. Barker, Clerk.

### Will of J. H. Speers

Filed and Proven Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 1914.  
L. R. Barker, Clerk.

I, Joseph H. Speers do make and publish this  
my last will and testament.

I do give and devise to Christina and Mary Webster  
daughters Joseph S. Webster, and Mary B. Webster, & executors  
of myself, the tracts of land that I own lying on the  
south side of Holston river, adjoining the lands  
of App. Burren and Joseph S. Webster. Said tract of  
land is given to them as tenants in common.  
And I do hereby give and bequeath unto the said  
Christina and Mary Webster, all my personal estate,  
consisting of money in Bank, notes and cash in  
action of every kind, except the sum of Five  
hundred dollars which I hereby give and bequeath  
to my niece Ruth Webster to be paid out my personal  
estate.

I hereby appoint Albert Lyons of Rogersville,  
executor of this will.

Witness  
S. L. Chesnut  
A. D. Bown.

Jo. H. Speers

### Will of J. P. Sirmamon

March 4<sup>th</sup> 1914.

I, J. P. Sirmamon, I will all  
I had to vesty and Henry Sirmamon at my death  
Roy Brummitt, as witness  
x Mrs. Morrison, as witness  
Otie Brummitt As witness



Will of Harriet V. Lacey.

I, Harriet V. Lacey being of sound mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament to wit:

First, I will and bequeath to my son Charles L. Lacey the house and land on which I now live, comprising about 1/5 acre, to him and his heirs forever, subject to the conditions below:

Second; it is my will that my daughters, Billie H. Weatherford and Belle Lacey shall have a home here until they marry, also Billie H. Weatherford's children, or as long as they have no home elsewhere.

It is also my will that my husband Charles L. Lacey shall live on and control said place as long as he lives.

Third, I appoint my daughter, Margaret A. McEllan as executrix to this my last will and testament, and I curse her from making the said bequest required of her by law.

Signed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of February A.D. 1912.

Harriet V. Lacey

Signed and acknowledged in our presence by the testatrix to be her last will and testament, and at her request and in her presence and in the presence of each other, we have signed our names as subscribing witnesses thereto.

J. L. McEllan  
H. J. Stansell

Filed and proven May 1<sup>st</sup> 1914.

L.R. Barber, Clerk

Will of Catherine Shavers.

State of Tennessee  
Hawkins County

I, Catherine Shavers of the Lee Valley County of Hawkins State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory, do make publish and declare this to be my last will and testament to wit:

First, All my just debts and funeral expenses shall be paid fully paid.

Second, I give and bequeath Adam Snyder 1 head 1 chair.

Third, This I give and bequeath to Albert Snyder 1 head 1 chair.

Fourth, I give and bequeath to Eva Snyder 1 head 1 washstand, 1 woman's saddle, 1 spinning wheel, 1 brass Kettle, 1 rocking chair.

Fifth, I give and bequeath to sister Manerva Snyder 1 trunk, 1 table, 1 chair, 1 chest, 1 brass Kettle, 2 chairs.

Sixth, I give and bequeath to James C. Snyder Five dollars, \$5.00. And all the money that I may have if any to be divided between all of sister Manerva Snyder's family at my death.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Sept. 5, 1901.

Attest

Geo B. Davis

Season M. Davis

Catherine Shavers

Filed and proven March 1<sup>st</sup> 1914.

L.R. Barber, Clerk

### Will of W. B. Reynolds

Last will and testament of W. B. Reynolds In the name of God, amen I W. B. Reynolds of the County of Davidson and State of Tennessee,

Being of sound disposing mind and memory, do make public and declare this to be my last will and testament, I will and bequeath to my wife Lucy Vance Reynolds some stead and dower on the place and at the house that we now live in and to have it during her natural life. The tract of land on which my house stands I have divided between my two children I. J. Reynolds and my daughter Martha S. Reynolds. The amount of acres will be described later on. Second I will bequeath to my wife Lucy Vance Reynolds fifteen hundred dollars in cash \$1500. Also two horses known as Lor and Mattie also two cows known by name Bessie and Peghorn, also their increase to be kept up by Vance Reynolds and Martha S. Reynolds, who inter married I. W. Grigsby and all this place one wagon one teaming plow and other farm tools sufficient to farm with.

I will and bequeath that all just and honest debts be paid out of my personal property and if any personal property be left after all debts are paid divided equally between my son I. J. Reynolds and Daughter Martha S. Reynolds who entered marriage with I. W. Grigsby to share alive if they can divide satisfactory with themselves all right if not sell all personal property and divide the money equally, after having all the land I own surveyed and plotted by surveyor. Everheart, I find the number of acres to be three hundred and nine less the rail road right away and I have the three hundred and nine acres surveyed and divided by a division line with the home stead and dower on the above acres and I will and bequeath to my son I. J. Reynolds lot no. 1, and lot no. 2, and lot no. 3, as follows beginning with lot no. 1, on a stake with cedar pointer one and 3/4 poles south of a large white oak at the Kirkpatrick line and being corner of lot no. 2, running with line of same, N. 81 1/2 E. 98 poles and 32 ft. to a stake 100 feet from the center of a gate in a cross fence thence with the land as set forth from lot no. 2, to the spring and back with the cross fence to the center of the gate above stated then with the center of a farm road S. 56 1/2 E. 33 1/2 poles to a stake then N. 85 1/4 E. 12 poles to a stake N. 63 E. 22 poles to a stake the leave the road S. 34 1/4 E. 28 1/2 to a stake near the hollow S. 71 E. 17 1/2 poles to a stake in N. E. Bottom

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then south 24 1/2 E. 6 poles to a stake on bank of creek, S. 31 W. Crossing creek six poles to a stake south, 2 1/2 E. 15 1/2 poles to a stake 6 feet from a fence then parallel with fence S. 86 1/2 E. 36 1/2 poles to a stake 100 feet from the center of rail road then up said right of way S. 64 E. 14 1/2 poles to a stake in lane to barn then N. 85 1/4 E. 100 feet to center of railroad then S. 89 1/2 E. 100 feet to a stake then N. 64 W. 4 poles to a stake in fence near buggy house S. 80 E. 19 1/4 poles N. 84 E. 9 1/2 poles N. 71 E. 9 1/2 poles N. 61 E. 8 1/2 poles N. 73 1/2 E. 10 1/4 poles N. 69 E. 9 1/2 poles to a stake in center of a road near a large poplar tree S. 63 1/2 E. 12 poles S. 60 1/2 E. 10 poles S. 49 E. 12 1/2 poles to a pine and dogwood, then N. 77 1/4 E. 12 poles to a small white oak N. 60 E. 8 1/2 poles to a chestnut, N. 45 E. 19 1/2 poles to a stake near a sower wood in Kirkpatrick line then with said line S. 88 1/2 E. 47 1/2 poles to a stake in said line and corner to the ten acre lot belonging to lot no. 2, then S. with line of lot no. 2, 30 poles to a stake in Mattie A. Reynolds line then with the line of P. H. & Mattie A. Reynolds S. 88 1/2 W. 135 poles to dogwood Mattie A. Reynolds corner S. two W. 21 poles to a stake and pointer her corner then N. 86 W. 72 poles to a stake crossing the rail road then S. 4 W. 13 poles to a stake at a ditch S. 67 W. 16 1/2 poles then N. 54 W. crossing creek 22 poles to stake and pointer, then N. 5 W. along a ridge 28 poles to a stake then N. 89 W. 169 poles to stake in Kirkpatrick line then N. 3 1/4 E. 48 poles to a stake in his corner then N. 2 1/4 E. 22 poles to the beginning containing one hundred forty two acres more or less, and I also will and bequeath to my son, I. J. Reynolds, lot no. 2, not joining the above lot no. 1, but beginning on a stump and pointer on John Harps corner, N. 3 1/4 E. 66 poles to a stake in his line corner to P. H. Reynolds land the S. 88 1/4 E. 12 poles to a stake then South 45 East 39 poles to a stake, then S. 88 1/4 E. 8 poles to a stake at edge road, then S. 3 1/4 W. 40 poles to a stake in John Harps line, then N. 88 1/4 W. 48 poles to the beginning containing 17 acres more or less and I also will and bequeath to my son I. J. Reynolds one tenent house one acre of land located N. E. of residence in the land of lot no. 2, with the privilege of using water out of the tenent well located between the two tenent house making a total of a one hundred and sixty acres more or less.



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Fifth

I will and bequeath to my daughter Martha S. Reynolds who entered married D.W. Grigsby a certain piece of land known as home stead lot no. 2, boundary as follow beginning on a Spanish oak corner to Kirpatrick's running south  $4\frac{3}{4}$  W.  $42\frac{1}{2}$  poles to a cedar. One and three quarters poles S. of a large white oak then N.  $81\frac{1}{4}$  E. 98 poles and  $3\frac{1}{2}$  feet to a stake ten feet from center of the gate in a cross fence then N.  $17\frac{1}{2}$  W. 194 poles to a stake 20 feet from the line of C.M. Smith leaving a ten foot lane from said gate to a lane running with C.M. Smith line N.  $89$  W.  $7\frac{1}{2}$  poles to a spring the said twenty feet include two foot lanes to said spring as follows N.  $89$  W.  $7\frac{1}{2}$  poles with C.M. Smith line to his corner near spring then N.  $51$  W. crossing spring branch  $4\frac{3}{4}$  poles to a stake on bank then N.  $49$  E. twenty feet to a stake. then S.  $45\frac{1}{4}$  E. 4 poles connecting to center of twenty foot lane then S.  $89$  E. 8 poles and two feet to a stake in said cross fence then with fence S.  $17$  E. 20 poles to the center of the gate then with farm road S.  $55\frac{1}{2}$  E.  $33\frac{1}{4}$  poles to a stake in center of said road then N.  $85\frac{1}{4}$  E. 12 poles to a stake then N.  $63$  E. 22 poles to a stake then leaves the road S.  $34\frac{1}{2}$  E. 28 poles to a stake near the hollow then S.  $71\frac{1}{2}$  E. 172 poles to a stake in first bottom then south  $24\frac{1}{2}$  E. 6 poles to a stake on bank of creek then S.  $31$  W. crossing creek 6 poles to a stake S.  $7\frac{1}{2}$  E. 15 poles to a stake 6 feet from a fence then parallel with fence S.  $86\frac{1}{2}$  E.  $36\frac{3}{4}$  poles to a stake 100 feet from the of the mill road, then up said right of way S.  $6\frac{1}{2}$  E.  $14\frac{3}{4}$  to a stake in lane to barn then N.  $65\frac{1}{4}$  E. 100 feet to center of rail road crossing then S.  $89\frac{1}{2}$  E. 100 feet to a stake then N.  $6\frac{1}{4}$  W. 4 poles to a stake in fence near buggy house then S.  $80$  E.  $19\frac{1}{4}$  poles N.  $84$  E.  $9\frac{3}{4}$  poles N.  $71$  E.  $9\frac{3}{4}$  poles N.  $61$  E.  $8\frac{1}{2}$  poles N.  $73\frac{1}{4}$  E.  $15\frac{1}{4}$  poles N.  $69$  E.  $9\frac{1}{2}$  poles to a stake in center of road near a large poplar then S.  $63$  E. 12 poles S.  $60\frac{1}{4}$  E. 10 poles S.  $49$  E.  $12\frac{1}{2}$  poles to a pine and dogwood then N.  $77\frac{1}{4}$  E. 12 poles to a small white oak N.  $60$  E.  $8\frac{1}{2}$  poles to a chestnut N.  $45$  E.  $19\frac{1}{2}$  poles to a stake near a powerwood in Kirpatrick's line then with said line N.  $88\frac{1}{2}$  W.  $12\frac{1}{2}$  poles to a hickory and chestnut corner to said Kirpatrick's corner then N.  $62$  poles to two small black oaks then N.  $89$  W. 114 poles to a stump and black oak then N.  $87\frac{1}{4}$  W. 69 poles to a stake then N.  $17$  west 49 poles to a sugar tree then N.  $89$  W. 20 poles

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to a stake then S.  $50\frac{1}{4}$  poles to a stake in Smith corner then N.  $87\frac{1}{4}$  W. 58 poles to a stake near a spring branch then down the spring branch as it meanders N.  $9$  W. 18 poles then N.  $25$  E. 8 poles to a stake in said branch in Smith line then W. 100 poles to a stake and pointers in the Kirpatrick's line then S.  $30$  W. 32 poles to a stake and pointer his corner then N.  $81$  E. 38 poles to the beginning at the Spanish oak corner, containing one and thirty eight acres more or less.

Sixth

I also will and bequeath to my daughter Martha S. Reynolds who entered married D.W. Grigsby another tract of land known as the school house lot line E of D.W. Reynolds known as school house lot bounded as follows beginning on a stake and pointer in John Kirpatrick's line 59 poles East of the hickory and chestnut his corner and running with same S.  $4\frac{1}{2}$  poles to a stump at B.D. Smith corner then S.  $10$  E. 14 poles to a stake in the Dobson ford road then south  $49$  W. 20 poles to a stake in Hattie A. Reynolds line corner then S.  $88\frac{1}{4}$  W.  $4\frac{1}{4}$  poles to a stake in said line with saws wood corner then N. 30 poles to the beginning containing ten acres more or less, making total of a one hundred and forty eight acres more or less to Martha Reynolds who entered married D.W. Grigsby after the super tenant house and one acre of land around same has been accepted and retained as the property of lot no. 1, to D.W. Reynolds.

Seventh

I will and bequeath to my son and daughter D.W. Reynolds and Martha S. Reynolds who entered married with D.W. Grigsby to use all old at any time to the best advantage of the farm, I appoint D.W. Reynolds executor to wind up the personal property of my estate with out bond and divide the proceeds equally between Martha S. Grigsby and him self in testimony where of I have here here with set my hand and affixed my seal this the 22 twenty second day of May, 1914.

W.A. Reynolds (Seal)  
Signed sealed and acknowledged in our presence.  
this the 22 of May, 1914.

D.W. Reynolds  
J.S. Chestnut  
Filed and proven this June 2nd 1914.  
L.R. Bartlett, Clerk.

## Will of Lewis R Guthrie

I, Lewis R Guthrie, of Bully Gap, Hawkins County, Tennessee, do hereby make and publish this as my last will and testament:

First; I will that all my debts and funeral expenses be paid.  
Second; I bequeath to my daughter, Lyda Pearl Guthrie, the Cook stove, the Organs, Graphophone, the Jersey Cow known by the name "Frankie" and Five Hundred Dollars in Cash.

Third; I bequeath to my daughter, Nora M Farris, the Jersey Cow known by the name "Ethel," and Five Hundred Dollars in Cash.

Fourth; Whereas I have heretofore conveyed to different ones, of my children one or more lots situated in the "Addition to Bully Gap" and now not being able to call to memory just which ones have been sold to lots, and whereas I have heretofore given my son George R Guthrie, an amount equal in value to one of said lots, therefore, now that my Executors to see to my son George R Guthrie, one of the remaining unsold lots in said "Addition" two of said unsold lots in said "Addition" to each of the remaining of my children, to wit: R. N. Guthrie, Floyd A Guthrie, Samuel E Guthrie, Mary C Moore, Nora M Farris, and Lyda Pearl Guthrie, except those of said children that may already have deeds for two of said lots who are not to receive any more lots; and those who may have received one lot are to receive each one additional lot -- that they may all be equal on the lot proposition. Those who are found to be entitled to one or two lots are to have the right to select their lot or lots from among the unsold lots aforesaid -- The eldest, who is entitled lot, to have first choice, then the next eldest and so on down.  
Fifth;

I hereby direct my executors to sell all the remainder of my property both personal and real, as they may elect, either publicly or privately as a whole or in lots or parts -- either on time or for cash, and the proceeds when collected together with any money that I may leave otherwise, after all expenses and above named bequests have been deducted, to be divided equally among my above mentioned seven children, to wit: R. N. Guthrie, Floyd A Guthrie, George R Guthrie, Samuel E Guthrie, Mary C Moore, Nora M Farris, and Lyda Pearl Guthrie, however if the legatee named all prefer to divide the real estate among themselves

they may do so.

I do hereby nominate my son Floyd A Guthrie, and Rev. John Long as Executors of this my last will and testament my hand on this 19th day of July, 1913 -  
Lewis R Guthrie

Signed and acknowledged before and to me on this 19th day of July, 1913  
W. R. Wolfe  
C. H. Long

Filed and Proven July 17th 1914

L. R. Baker Clerk

## Will of Martha J Cofe

I Martha J Cofe being of sound mind and memory do hereby make and declare this to be my last will and testament to wit:

First; That all of my just and legal debts to be fully paid.

2nd That I will that my son Miller Cofe have all my land that I now own the Farm that I now live on and adjoins the land of John Gilbert Brown and others to have during his lifetime, if he should marry and have heirs of his body, then to his legal and lawful heirs, if not at his death to go, to my daughter Mollie. Provided that she and Miller Cofe atways with me and help me during my life time.

3rd; I will that my daughter have the Farm on the Pike Road adjoining the land of Colaway Cofe, Dick Jones, & others.

4th; I will that Mollie if I still own at my death, 1 mule 2 years old, 1 Filling 5 years old, the smallest one, one Mare that I bought from Allen Mustard & her Colt.

5 I will that my son Miller have the rest of the horse stock, all the Cattle all the Hogs all the Farming tools, 1 Mowing Machine, 1 Corn Sheller & 1-2 Horse wagon, and all the Harness and gearing and other things we have bought since Mollie have been married.

6 I will that all of the household and kitchen Furniture, beds & bedclothes be equally divided and that my daughter Mollie have all of my cloths.

This deed to take effect from and after my death  
This April 29-1914 Martha J Cofe  
16/14 Allet Moley W Davis



Geo B Davis  
 Elyria, Ohio  
 Filed and Proven August 26 1914  
 L R Boker Clerk

Will of Susan Etter  
 Made April 6 1900.

I Susan Etter being of sound mind & disposing memory, do make this as my last will & testament hereby revoking & making void all others by me at any time made.

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

Secondly: I give & bequeath to my sister Margaret E Etter during her natural life, all the interest I have at the time of my death in the house & lot we now live in situated in the 12th Ward District of Hamilton County Tenn & in the Village of Morristown, said interest now being one half of the same, my said sister Margaret E Etter owning the other half. After my death & after the death of said Margaret E Etter I desire that said interest shall go to George Hardwick who now resides in the State of Texas, him to dispose of the same at any & all times after our death as he sees fit & proper.

Thirdly: After my death I give & bequeath to Lou Etter who now lives in the State of Wisconsin & Joseph Etter who now lives in the State of Texas, equally all the interest I may have in to any other real estate that I may own or have any interest in, either in the State of Tenn or any where else at the time of my death.

My sister Margaret myself want & intend to erect a monument over the grave of our brother Wm Etter during our lives, in case that we fail to do so I want Lou & Joseph Etter, & George Hardwick to pay my half of the cost of same, the entire cost not to be less than one hundred dollars, making my part fifty dollars.

Lastly I do hereby nominate & appoint Margaret E Etter my executor without bond, in case it should become necessary to have one.

In witness whereof I do this my last will & testament, this April 6th 1900

Susan Etter  
 Signed & published in our presence & we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator this the 6th day of April 1900

G. M. Trilligius  
 H. F. Wright

Filed and proven August 31st 1914  
 L R. Boker clk

Will of Wm Hurst

Morristown Tenn Jan 6th 1906.

In the name of God Amen.

I Wm Hurst being of sound mind and memory do hereby make, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament.

First: I order and direct my executor, as soon after my decease as practicable to pay off all just debts against me and to collect, if any, all debts due me, at the time of my death.

Second: I give and bequeath unto my wife E Belle Hurst all that I possess, to have and to hold her natural life provided she remains my widow.

Third: If my wife remarries all my estate both personal and real "except what the law allows her" should be held in trust for my minor heirs and to be administered by my son Charles D Hurst.

Fourth: If at the decease of my wife E Belle Hurst there be minor heirs my whole estate shall be held in trust for my minor heirs and to be controlled by my son Charles D Hurst, who is to be their guardian, or provided he has deceased or otherwise cannot serve my son Robert W Hurst shall administer and be guardian, provided he is moral character and otherwise qualified for the business.

Fifth: Any of my heirs "who are of age and unmarried at the decease of my wife E Belle Hurst" remain at home shall have their support and pay for any labor they perform.

Sixth: Each heir on becoming of age shall have a horse and cow of average worth or their equivalent in money, Charles D Hurst and E Blanch Hurst "Cattle" have both had a horse and cow.



Surviving: As soon as fraternal after my youngest child, because of tender age my whole estate shall be equally divided among my lawful heirs. Eighth I hereby nominate and appoint as my executor "No bond or anything required" my wife E. Belle Hurst and my son Charles E. Hurst to at once have possession and full control of everything I now possess.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name this 9th day of Jan, 1906 A.D.

W. A. Hurst

The above and foregoing instrument was at the date thereof signed, sealed, published and declared by the said W. A. Hurst, as and for his last will and testament, in presence of us, who at his request and in his presence, and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses.

J. O. Dyer & Sons, Iowa  
J. D. Johnson, Monmouth, Ill.

Codified to the last will and testament of W. A. Hurst of date Jan. 6th 1906.

I, W. A. Hurst being of sound mind so hereby in the presence of two disinterested witnesses grant to my wife E. Belle Hurst the full control in case of my disease, of my property both real and personal giving her authority to sell or convey the same in any way or manner she may desire.

This May 18, 1911

Witnessed:

W. A. Hurst

W. A. Hurst, Monmouth, Ill. W. A. D. #2

J. O. Dyer

Filed and proven October 10th 1914

L. R. Baker, Clerk

### Will of Mary M. Miller

I Mary M. Miller do this day will and bequest to Cornelia Brooks and her heirs 2 notes I hold on Robert Brooks & Son the amount being \$216.00 Two hundred and 16 dollar and also of my household goods.

And to Milda A. Emmert and her heirs Mary Ruth Emmert one bank note of one hundred dollars that I hold and a note that I hold on J. J. Emmert of one hundred dollars and also one half of my household goods. And a note I hold on W. A. Emmert to pay for my burial expense & the rest to be settled if any to be paid by Milda A. Emmert & heirs.

This 16 day of April 1914

Mary M. Miller

Witnessed Julia Miner

J. V. Cople

Filed and proven October 16th 1914

L. R. Baker, Clerk

### Will of J. R. Croney

I J. R. Croney being of sound disposing mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament.

1st First I give and bequest my soul to the Lord my God who gave it

And I wish all my just debts and funeral expense be paid

2nd I give to my Grand son C. D. Croney the house and plot on which lives bounded by J. R. Croney and J. M. Dickerson lines

4th I give to my Son in law W. V. Flemer the sum of one dollar

5th I give to Clara Bell Rowland my Grand daughter the sum of one dollar.

6th I wish my real estate on which I live to be equally divided between my heirs as follows Sarah Isabelle Croney, Walter M. Croney, E. D. Croney, Nettie Housley, Ruth Croney, R. A. Croney and John D. Croney.

7th I acknowledge that the Miller Process in my Mill House is the property of my son C. D. Croney to dispose of as he sees fit and all the Machinery and mill house and lots wish to be sold and the proceeds to be divided

equally among my heirs mentioned in the Disposition of my real estate.

8- My Eastern Engine, Plowing pull and Sowing pull I wish sold to the highest bidder and the proceeds divided as above stated to my heirs in Real Estate Division.

9 Also a set of Belk Smith Tools to be sold and divided as above ~~stated~~.

10- My Personal property, horse Cows & household & kitchen furniture to be sold by my Executor and equally divided among my heirs as above named and I appoint Walter D. Cressy my son Executor of this my last will and testament.

I do not require any Bond of my son Dr. D. Cressy as Executor of my estate and also allow him 10% out Commission for his services as Executor (Ten percent)

11 I Direct and desire my wife to have a home where she now lives so long as she lives or resides. Also I Direct my Executor to give her all the household & kitchen furniture she may desire for her own use also to pay her the sum of three hundred dollars

This June 14<sup>th</sup> 1914

Allist

C. S. Lyons

Dr. D. Cressy

Filed and proven by Dr. D. Cressy  
C. S. 28-1914 L. R. Baker Clerk

Will Catherine Amott

State of Tennessee  
County of Hawkins

I Catherine Amott being in good health of body and of sound mind and memory and desirous to settle my worldly affairs while I have strength and capacity do make and revoking and making void all former wills by me heretofore made

First I will my Burial expenses to be paid out of my personal property

2- That all my just and next debt paid

3- I will also bequeath Nancy Sapphine Decas this one dollar each at my death

4 That for Dulena Thacher to have five dollars in cash  
5 The remainder of my property to be equally divided among my four children living with me, Robert Amott, Martha Amott, Mamie Amott, Julia Amott  
Witness whereof I have fixed my hand and seal in the presence of these witnesses  
This March the 5<sup>th</sup> 1904

Catherine Amott (seal)

Allist

C. F. Linderbock

J. B. Smith

Filed and Proven Nov 2nd 1914  
L. R. Baker Clerk

Will of Valentine Tenser

In the name of God I Valentine Tenser of The Civil Dist. No 11 County of Hawkins State of Tenn. being of a sound and disposing mind and memory coming to mind the frailty and uncertainty of human life, and being desirous of settling my worldly and disposing how the estate which I have been pleased God to bless me shall be disposed of after my decease, while I have strength and capacity to do so, do make and publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all other last wills and testaments by me heretofore made.

To my worldly estate, and all the property real, personal or mixed of which I shall die seized of which I shall die seized of which I shall die seized and possessed, or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease I devise bequeath and dispose thereof in the manner following, to wit:

I give, devise and bequeath to my wife, Rebecca Tenser, and Adam L. O. Tenser my own jointly all household furniture and such stock as I may be seized with at the time of my decease.

I also give to the aforesaid persons my house and lands and its appurtenances, situated in 11 Civil Dist of aforesaid County and State and all profit, income, and advantage, that may result therefrom, from and after my decease, to have and hold the same to them and their use forever.

In testimony whereof I the said Volentine Kesser from to this my last will and testament contained on this one sheet of paper and to which I have subscribed my name and affixed my seal - this 22 day of July in the year of Our Lord One Thousand and Eight Hundred and Ninety Four

The above instrument consisting of one sheet was now here subscribed by Volentine Kesser the testator in the presence of each of us and was at the same time declared by him to be his last will and testament, and we at his request signed our names hereto as attesting witnesses.

J. J. Webb at Chaplask in Hawkins County Tenn.  
Albert Webb

Filed and proven November 13th 1914  
L. R. Baker Clerk

### Will of R. T. Kite

I R. T. Kite of Hawkins County, Tenn. being of feeble health and of sound mind and disposing memory.

Do make and publish this my last will and testament.

First I want all my just debts paid.  
Second I want my beloved wife Susan to have all my property both real and personal of which and all kinds.  
This Nov 13-1914

R. T. Kite

In witness whereof I set my hand and seal in the presence of the witnesses at my request and in their presence this Nov 13-1914.

C. F. Linderbock S. E. Kite, H. M. Mornell  
Filed and proven Dec 1st 1914  
L. R. Baker Clerk

### Will of W. A. Lee

I W. A. Lee of Hawkins County, Tennessee do make and publish this as my last will and testament hereby revoking all former will by me or any other like made.

Item 1st: I direct that all my just debts including funeral, burial tomb stone expenses and expense of administration be paid by my executor out of the first money that comes into his hands.

Item 2nd: It my will and I direct that my wife Mary I Lee shall have a home at my residence on the farm whereon I now live and a good and sufficient support from the proceeds of my farm during her natural life and her to my land shall furnish his proportionate part of the said support.

Item 3rd: I give and bequeath to my son W. A. Lee one hundred and fifty acres of land on the west side of my farm. Beginning on sweet gum in Bingham hollow corner to N. B. Lee, with his line South 41 East (formerly 42 1/2) 355 1/2 poles to a marked Chesnut on Henry Ridge and comes to Thomas Lee's line (lot 142) with line of same North 50 1/4 East 66 1/2 poles to stake with marked point corner to Chas. Lee's line (lot 140) with line of same North 36 (nearly) 330 poles to stake on north side of Bingham ridge on Beck's line with the same South 43 West about 28 1/2 poles to the stable Chesnut oak on the knob North 47 West 16 poles to a white oak Beck's corner thence with same South 62 West 50 poles to the beginning comprising by surface measure one hundred and fifty acres (150). The same more or less this includes my daughter Mollie A. Lee and daughter Louisa H. Price undivided interest in my land that they sold and bequeathed to my son W. A. Lee.

Item 4th: I give and bequeath to my son Charley W. Lee one hundred acres (100) of land Beginning on small Black Gum on top of Bingham ridge corner to Joseph Price thence South 52 West with top of ridge 22 poles to a Hickory on same, North 48 West 17 poles to a stake and four wood Beck's corner with same South 48 West 25 poles to a stake South



39 East crossing the top of the ridge at a Chesnut oak and other pointiers 33 poles to a stake and pointier corner to lot No 1 & No 3. North 43 East 31 1/2 poles to a stake at edge of field. North 30 East 11 3/4 poles to a stake thence with No 3 and the Puck line North 36 West 30 1/2 poles to the beginning comprising approximately one hundred acres (100) more or less. This includes my daughter Sarah E. Wright undivided interest in my land that she sold and deeded to my son C. N. Lee.

I leave 58 1/2 I give and bequeath to my son Thomas G. Lee 57 1/2 acres of land on top of Money Ridge whereon he now lives. Beginning on a locust corner to Henry Lee and the Carroll heirs with corners with N 53 1/2 East 52 1/2 poles to a stake in old fence row thence with same line N 41 East 112 1/4 poles to a stake and pointier North 37 West 41 poles to a large white oak stump on the ridge. North 51 1/2 West 36 poles to a small spring South 28 poles to a large white oak where stood barn to place South 46 West 57 poles to a stake pointed to by a black gum poplar and Chesnut South 36 East 10 3/4 poles to a stake South 30 West 11 3/4 poles to a stake and pointier thence South 55 1/4 West 66 3/4 poles to a Chesnut on Henry Lee's line with same South 41 East 48 1/2 poles to the beginning containing 57 1/2 acres more or less.

I leave 60 1/2. I give and bequeath all the remainder of my money and personal estate to be equally divided and share alike between my four children as follows to wit. My son Thomas G. Lee my son B. G. Lee, my son Charles B. Lee my daughter Sarah E. Wright my daughter Madeline A. Lee and my daughter Louisa L. Price. I leave 70 I of any of my heirs that I have made bequest to in this will are not so affected and attempt to cause or give any trouble. As my will and I direct they shall be legitimated and their share shall be equally divided and share alike between the other heirs.

Last R. I hereby nominate and appoint my son W. G. Lee the sole executor of all my last will and testament and direct he carry out same.

This February 21st 1913.

Attest J. P. Walker

A. J. White, G. N. White, M. H. Mefford Feb 21 1913

Filed and proven

December 10th 1914 L. R. Baker clk

Will of Jennie R. McCarty

I Jennie R. McCarty, a citizen of Hawkins Co. Tenn. do make and constitute this to be my last will and testament hereby revoking all others by me at any time heretofore made.

I desire and so direct that my funeral expenses be paid out of any personal property or money that I have on hand at my death and after this is done, I give and devise all the rest and residue of my estate both real and personal unto my three sisters, viz, Mary R. Alice H. and Luena V. to have and share equally in case they survive me, and in the event either of them should die before me, then I give my property both real and personal to the survivors or survivor as the case may be. My real estate consists in an undivided interest in a tract of land on the old stage road about six miles west of Rogersville, on the North side of Holston River, at the mouth of Blanks Creek, adjoining the lands of R. M. Styles & others. Also an undivided interest in a house & lot where we now live in the town of Rogersville, 10th Civil District of said County adjoining the lands of or lot of Frances Hawary, in what is known as "New Town".

In testimony whereof I have signed this instrument in the presence of the attesting witnesses especially called for that purpose. February 1886.

Attest

J. P. Walker,  
Lewis Poate, Jr.

Jennie R. McCarty

Filed and proven January 29th 1915  
L. R. Baker, clerk

### Will of Jeff D. McKinney

I Jeff D. McKinney of Rogersville, Tennessee, do hereby make and publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former Wills by me at any time made.

I will bequeath, and devise to my wife Maggie A. McKinney, all the property, both real and personal, of which I may die seized and possessed.

I hereby nominate and appoint my said wife, Maggie A. McKinney, executrix of this my last will and testament and dire it that she serve as such, without bond and that she also be excused from filing any inventory or making any settlement as such executrix.

Witness my hand this May 14<sup>th</sup> 1913.

Jeff D. McKinney.

The foregoing instrument was produced by the testator Jeff D. McKinney, and acknowledged and declared by him to be his last will and testament, and we signed the same as witnesses, in his presence and at his request.

This May 14<sup>th</sup> 1913.

J. A. Thompson  
W. R. Bowen.

### Will of Elijah Fletcher

Church Hill Hawkins Co. Tennessee

Elijah Fletcher being of sound mind and memory do make and declare this to be my last will and testament.

First: All my just debts and funeral <sup>charges</sup> expenses be paid.

Second: I give devise and bequeath all the rest, residue and remainder of my estate, both real and personal to my son James Fletcher and his wife Gertrude Fletcher to have to hold to them my said son James Fletcher and Gertrude Fletcher and to their heirs and assigns forever.

Third: I nominate and appoint said son James Fletcher to be the executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 11<sup>th</sup> December 1914.

Elijah <sup>his</sup> Fletcher

Signed sealed published and declared as and for his last will and testament by the above testator, in our presence who have at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other signed our names as witnesses thereto.

Witnesses

C. C. Alley

Robert L. Carter, M.D.

Filed and proven February 4<sup>th</sup> 1915.

L. R. Baker, Clerk.

### Will of W. L. Payne

I, William L. Payne of Hawkins County, Tennessee, do make and publish this my last will and testament.

First: I will and devise to my son Isaac Barfield Payne, the house and one acre of land where he now lives, being the house and lot situated in the 22<sup>nd</sup> Civil District of Hawkins County Tenn. which was conveyed to me by Martha Harshbarger and her heirs.

Second: I will and devise to my son Elyah V. Payne five acres of land situated in said district & County and adjoining Geo. Lawson Thomas Davis and others & being the same piece of land conveyed to me by Thomas Davis & wife.

Third: I also will and devise to my said sons Isaac Barfield Payne and Elyah V. Payne my home place situated in said district & County adjoining the lands of J. H. Yarnum, Jeffrie Davis, & others containing about 49 acres, to be equally divided between them in value.

Fourth: If my wife should survive me the foregoing provisions are not to go into effect until after her death.

Fifth: I make no provisions for my other children for the reason that they are better provided for in the way of worldly goods than the two sons to whom I have given my property by this will.

Sixth: I make no disposition of my personal property for the reason that I can make such verbal gifts of that as I may hereafter desire.

This April 25<sup>th</sup> 1906.

W. L. Payne.

The foregoing will was signed by the maker, W. L. Payne, in our presence and witnessed by us at his request he acknowledging the same to be his last will & testament, & we sign the same in the presence of the maker & of each other.

This 25<sup>th</sup> day of April 1906.

S. L. Chasnett  
J. E. Shavers.

Filed and proven February 22<sup>nd</sup> 1915.  
L. R. Baker, Clerk.

## Will of M. Etter

I M. Etter, being of sound and disposing mind, but failing health do make and publish this my last will and testament, revoking all other wills of any kind that may have been made by me at any time.

1<sup>st</sup> I direct that all of my just debts be paid, as soon after my death as possible.  
2<sup>nd</sup> I will and bequeath to the trustees of the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches of Moonshung, Tennessee, the following described property, located in Moonshung Tennessee, in the 12<sup>th</sup> Civil District of Hawkins County, to be used as a burying ground in proper shape for the purpose named. Beginning at a stake about 15 feet south of the Southwest Corner of the Etterburying ground and running about 115 feet North to a stake, thence East to Howard Wright's line about 180, thence South with said Wright's line about 115 feet to a stake, thence West about 180 feet to the beginning.

3<sup>rd</sup> I will and bequeath to my daughter, Lucie Etter, all of the rest of my property, real and personal, vested and contingent, of every kind and description, where ever located, to have and to hold in fee simple forever without restraint or condition of any kind, and with full full power to dispose of as she may see fit, particularly describing a certain tract of land located in the 12<sup>th</sup> Civil District of Hawkins County.

A tract of land in the town of Moonshung with dwelling house thereon, known as the Pan Yard Place.

A tract of land lying back of the property of Miss Sue Etter in the said town of Moonshung, Tennessee, and located between the farms of Mrs Carrie Williams and Howard Wright.

I hereby nominate and appoint my son Carrell Etter as my executor of this my last will and testament without bond.

In witness hereof I affix my hand and seal this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1914,

M. Etter  
maker

Signed and published by M. Etter, as and for his last will in the presence of us, who in his presence and in the presence of each other, and at his request, have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses.

Given under our hands this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1914,

Olen R. Moore,

Walter R. Harr,

Filed and Proven March 2<sup>nd</sup> 1915, L. R. Baker, Clerk.

## Will of R. D. Hicks

I, R. D. Hicks do hereby make this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made and

1<sup>st</sup> I desire that my funeral expenses and just debts be paid out of the first moneys that come into the hands of my executor.  
2<sup>nd</sup> And I give unto my wife Amanda Hicks and my children by her to wit, Nora E. Hicks, Laura E. Hicks, Henry S. Hicks, and Mama A. Hicks, all an equal interest and share in the farm and lands on which I now live, as known as the Blewins land, purchased by me from W. L. Hudnell & Co. eight acres of woodland including Epson Well and an adjoining piece of land purchased from J. M. Dent. My wife taking an equal share in it with the children in place of Homestead and Dower.

3<sup>rd</sup> I give to my son W. S. Hicks the farm on which he now lives. Known as the Krum McBlane farm but require him to pay to my daughter, Alice Hilton five hundred dollars out of said land.

4<sup>th</sup> And I give to Nora E. and Laura E. and Henry S. and Mama A. Hicks (my children) five hundred dollars each out of some money that I now have in the First National Bank at Morris town, Tenn, and one horse each that I now have on the farm.

5<sup>th</sup> And I direct that my executor shall collect all notes and debts coming to me and out of my money and property pay my daughter, Alice Hilton seventy five hundred dollars, and all expenses, and balance together with all stock left on the farm growing crops or gathered crops, Farming tools of every description and household & kitchen furniture to go to my wife for the support of her and my minor heirs - and.

6<sup>th</sup> If I fail to dispose of the Epson Well and land excepted above my executor shall sell it at public sale to the highest bidder on twelve months time with notes and good security and execute deed to the same and divide the proceeds equally between my wife and her children as above named.

7<sup>th</sup> And I direct that if any of the legates of this will is not satisfied and give trouble in settling my estate that my executor with hold what I offer them and divide it between all the others herein named.

8<sup>th</sup> And last I hereby nominate and appoint W. S. Linsay to be my executor. This Aug. 22-1914.

Witness Signed and sealed in presence of R. D. Hicks  
Walter R. Harr. Filed and Proven March 12<sup>th</sup> 1915,  
John Kingston. L. R. Baker, Clerk.



Will of W. S. Brown  
State of Tennessee  
Hawkins County

I, William S. Brown now living in Morristown, Hawkins County, Tennessee being of sound mind and memory do make publish and declare this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills, bequests and devises by me at any time heretofore made.

First, I direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid out of my personal property as soon as convenient after death.

Second, I give and devise to the Gospel Trumpet Company of the City of Anderson, State of Indiana one half acre and lot of land in Hawkins County, Tennessee and in Civil District No. One in said Hawkins County, Tennessee and in the town or village of St. Clair in said County and a portion of State, said house and lot of land was conveyed to me the said William S. Brown on the 26th day of August 1911, by Fred V. Williams and his wife Margaret S. Williams of Hawkins County, Tennessee, and duly recorded in deed book 56 and Page 514, in the Register's office of said Hawkins County, Tennessee, and in Note Book B, Page 49, said house and lot of land described as follows: Beginning on the North East Corner Cockrham Lot in the Alley, thence N. 40° W. 300 feet, thence S 40° E. 300 feet to a stake in Alley, thence with Cockrham line N 48° E 43 feet to the beginning containing 1/4 acre more or less.

Third, I further direct that the said Gospel Trumpet Company or by its agents shall sell by private sale or public sale as said Company thinks best, the above described property within a period of not more than twelve months after my death is proven and this will is probated. And further direct after sale of said property then the said Gospel Trumpet Company shall make to the purchaser a deed for said property and the proceeds of sale after deducting the expenses incurred thereby, I direct that said Gospel Trumpet Company may use the balance of the proceeds of sale of said house and lot of land as said Company thinks best, I further will and direct that the Gospel Trumpet Company shall have all my personal property consisting of notes, due bills, money or my other personal property belonging to me at my death and shall use it as before said as the said Gospel Company may think best.

I further will and direct that the said Gospel Trumpet Company out of the proceeds of my property in addition to paying all my just debts as above said

shall erect to my grave a tombstone not to cost more than Fifty Dollars. The said Gospel Trumpet Company shall take charge of my property herein mentioned and dispose of it as the said Company may think best and use the same as think best but in all things carry out the will as herein directs and without bond.

Also household goods consisting of dresses, or a glass, one pitcher and bowl, one hoggar and chamber, three small vessels, one trunk and contents, two suit cases, one stand table, one iron bedstead two springs, one cotton mattress one cotton comfort, four sheets, four pillow slips, one pair woolen blankets, one bed spread, one druggetting, one wicker rocker, one watch and chain.

Now if I should marry and leave a widow she shall have all of my personal property and the Gospel Trumpet Company shall have the said house and lot.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this November the 28, 1911.

W. S. Brown

Morristown, Tenn.

The foregoing instrument was signed and declared by the said William S. Brown as his last will and testament in the presence of us who in his presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our hands as attesting witnesses.

J. Smith,  
J. Hodge.

Morristown, Tenn.

Morristown, Tenn.

This the 28. day of November 1911.

Filed and proven March 27th 1915,  
L. R. Foster, C. C.

# Will of Alexander Gulley

Filed & Proven Apr. 12<sup>th</sup> 1915.

L. R. Baker, Clerk

I, Alexander Gulley, of St. Clair, Harrowin County, Tennessee, do make and publish this as my last will and testament, hereby revoking any and all wills by me heretofore made.

1<sup>st</sup> I direct that my funeral expenses be paid by my executor as soon after my death as possible.

2<sup>nd</sup> I direct that all of my debts be paid by my executor as soon after my death as possible.

3<sup>rd</sup> I give and bequeath to my grand son Harley Gulley one bay horse colt, 20 months old past.

4<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Myrtle Morrisett one red heifer 20 months old past.

6<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Myrtle Morrisett Fifty dollars in money, and I direct that my executor pay this sum of money out of my estate to Myrtle Morrisett.

7<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath the remainder of my estate both real and personal to six of my children herein named my daughters Eligia Underhill, Mardisa Henley, Ligin Morrisett, Julia Cawards, and sons W. R. Gulley and Joseph Gulley, to be equally divided in money with them.

8<sup>th</sup> I direct that my executor shall collect all debts due me and sell all of my estate, both real and personal, upon such terms as in his judgment he may deem best, within a reasonable time after my death, in order that he may make distribution thereof as herein directed.

9<sup>th</sup> I nominate and appoint Newton Long to be the executor of this will, with full power and authority to sell and convey and execute deed to purchaser of real estate herein directed.

This 18 day of January, 1915.

Alexander Gulley.

The foregoing will was signed by the testator in our presence, and we attested the same in his presence and at his request.

This 18 day of January, 1915.

James R. Berry  
Nicholas Long.

# Will of Mary Ellen Wolfe

Filed & Proven Apr. 15, 1915.

L. R. Baker, Clerk

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Mary Ellen Wolfe, of Harrowin County Tennessee, Being weak in Body But of a Sound and disposing mind and memory and Being desirous of settling my worldly affairs and directing how the Estate with which it has pleased god to Bless me shall be disposed of after my decease. See I do make and publish this my last will and testament and first I commend my Mortal Being to him who gave it.

and to my worldly estate and all the Property real Personal or mixed of which I shall be seized and Possessed or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease I devise bequeath and dispose thereof in the manner following, to-wit:

1<sup>st</sup> My will is that Just Debts be paid I Give and Bequeath to my son Hugh W. Wolfe, one lot of land known now as my Home Home and Building, to a line west of the mansion. Beginning on a planted Oak on the Bank of Big Creek, thence N. 34 W. 19 1/2 poles to a stake thence N. 4 1/2 W. 28 P. to a stake with pointers at the head of a Spring, N. 46 E. 27 1/2 to a stake thence N. 30 W. 45 P. to Black oak in the Hollow thence N. 38 W. 15 P. to a Black oak on top of the Ridge, thence N. 38 W. 11 P. to Back line, including the East end of the Farm, North of Big Creek and Stanley Valley Road.

I give to my daughter Bessie S. Wolfe one lot of land on the West End of Farm, from the above Described line and with the same line Being the Remainder of all the land I have, laying on the North side of Big Creek and the Stanley Valley Road.

As I have already given all the land I have on the South side of the Stanley Valley Road By Deed to my Son Hale Wolfe; Being his part in the Estate also to my daughter Linnie Wolfe; - Now Morrell (Deceased) By Deed her part of my Estate also my Personal property.

I give to my Grand Son William W. Morrell \$200.00 Two Hundred dollars to be kept on interest if Possible untill he is of age and then intrust and principle paid to him.

I give to my grand Daughter Linnie K. Morrell \$200.00 Two Hundred Dollars to be placed at intrust if Possible untill she is of Age then to be paid to her with what intrust it may accumulate.

The above stated Two Hundred dolls to my Grand children is to Equal there share of Land with the other



Hein: Also I give to my son Gale Wolfe, which I have already paid to him myself \$4000.00 Four Hundred Dollars, which amount made him equal in the division of my real estate. I further want my son Gale Wolfe to have \$1800.00 One Thousand Eight Hundred of my Personal Estate Now All the Rest of my Estate Personal or mixed. I want Equally divided with my Daughter Bessie E. Wolfe and my son Hugh W. Wolfe. I also appoint J. H. Owen to be the Executor of this my last will and Testament.

Intestimony whereof I the said Mary Ellen Wolfe Subscribed my name and affix my seal this the 7th day of April, 1916.

Mary E. Wolfe, (Seal)

Witness to signature  
R. L. Loney, Rogersville, Tenn  
J. H. Owen,

### Will of Lillie Nelson.

Filed & Proven April 26, 1915.

L. R. Baker, Clerk

I, Lillie Nelson, of Rogersville Hawkins County Tennessee make and publish this as my last will and testament, revoking all other wills heretofore made by me

1st. It is my desire that all my just debts including my funeral expenses be paid.

2nd. I give and bequeath to my daughter Maggie my picture of Aunt Mary McKimney.

3rd. I give to my husband the family horse team together with the buggy and harness.

4th. I give to my son John the horse he claims.

5th. I will and bequeath to my grand daughter, Mary, the daughter of my daughter Mary Belle, my piano, and should she die without issue, the piano is then to go to my son Henry.

6th. It is my desire and will that the sofa and Pier-Mirror remain in the parlor as long as any member of my immediate family owns the homestead. These articles having a special claim on my affections, having belonged formerly to my grandfather, John Augustus McKimney.

7th. I give and devise to my son Henry my home and its contents, consisting of the furniture and household effects, &c., and land surrounding it as follows: Beginning on the river or stage road west of the yard fifty feet south of the point where the fence back of the garden and lot touches said road, thence in a straight line North East to a point in the field south of and fifty feet beyond or East of the brick barn, thence in a straight line North to the main stage road leading Eastward from Rogersville, thence West and South following my line to the beginning including the dwelling house, yard, outhouse, garden lots attached brick barn, stable, and land included

within the lines named.

It is my wish and desire that my son Henry make a home for his father during his natural life.

My reason for giving my son Henry the home and contents is this, that from his childhood he has unselfishly devoted his time and life to the entire family to the neglect of his education and material welfare. And in thus providing him with a home, I feel that I am in part paying a debt every member of the family owe him. And it is done without request or suggestion of any nature on his part and without his knowledge.

8th. I give and devise the residue of my property both real and personal + of whatever nature, to my children Maggie, Henry, John and my granddaughter Mary, the daughter of my deceased daughter Mary Belle, share and share alike. Provided if any of them die before my death without issue surviving them, the property shall be divided equally between my surviving children and my granddaughter Mary, and if any of my said children die, or my granddaughter Mary die before my death, leaving children or descendants of children such children or descendants shall take by representation the place of my deceased child or grand child Mary, under this will, and take such share as would have gone to my child or grand child Mary, so deceased.

9th. Should my grandchild, Mary, the daughter of my daughter Mary Belle, deceased, die without issue and after my death and before she is of age and is unmarried, then in that event the property she takes under this will is to go to her uncles and aunts on her mother's side, share and share alike, or to their issue if they be dead. Should she be of age or married, she may dispose of the same either by will, deed or gift as she may desire.

10th. I hereby appoint my son Henry and my brother, R. M. Rogan, the executor of my will, and direct that the division be made as soon after my death as the last intent of all concerned dictate, and that they will not be required to give bond.

Witness my hand this March 3, 1913.

Lillie Nelson.

Signed by Lillie Nelson as and for her last will and testament, and in our presence the undersigned who at her request and in her sight and presence have subscribed our names hereto as attesting witnesses, the day and date above written.

R. M. Rogan  
Lucian Smith.



Will of Mary Forgey

Filed &amp; Proven June 12, 1915.

L. R. Baker, Clerk.

I, Mary Forgey do hereby make and publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all other wills by me made.

It is my will that Mary Charles have, and I hereby devise and bequeath to her, all my property of every character whosoever situate, both real and personal, including the real estate conveyed me by Miss Mary McKimsey leg. deed dated June 10, 1895, and which real estate lies in the 10th civil District of Hawkins County, Tenn.

I nominate and appoint the said Mary Charles the executrix of this my last will, and direct that she be permitted to qualify as such and act without bond.

Given under my hand June 11, 1895.

Signed & acknowledged in our presence as being <sup>my</sup> last will and testament, this June 1895, to which we were called by the testator to witness.

Witnesses A. B. Rogan  
D. M. Laffitte  
W. H. Mc...

Will of Annie Laura Allison

Filed &amp; Proven June 16, 1915.

L. R. Baker, Clerk.

I, Annie Laura Allison of the City of Rogersville County of Hawkins State of Tennessee, make and publish this as my last will and testament.

I give and bequeath to my two sisters Nora and Fannie Allison, every thing I possess wherever the same may be found.

Should either die before I do it is my will that the survivor take all.

To this my last will I have subscribed my name, this day the 21st of April, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifteen. 1915.

Annie Laura Allison.

Witnesses to handwriting:  
Nora Allison  
Fannie Allison  
O. L. Wall.

Will of M. D. Darter

Filed &amp; Proven June 17, 1915.

L. R. Baker, Clerk.

I, the undersigned M. D. Darter, of Hawkins County, Tennessee, make this my last will, revoking all former wills.

I will and bequeath all my property and money as follows: that is to say, "It is my desire, and I so direct, that all my just debts be paid out of my property, and that the remainder of property or money, I hereby give and bequeath to B. M. Derrett, my mother. And the omission to give anyone else anything, is intentional. I appoint B. M. Derrett executor of this my will. In witness whereof I have signed, published and declared this instrument as my will. This 3 day of Dec. 1914.

M. D. Darter, Testator.

The foregoing will was acknowledged by the testator, M. D. Darter and signed by him in our presence and we at his request attest the same as witnesses. This the 3 day of December, 1914.

M. Derrett

R. A. Christian.

Will of Dr. Geo. E. Woods

Filed &amp; Proven June 24, 1915.

L. R. Baker, Clerk.

I, Geo. E. Woods, of Hamblen County Tennessee, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking any other by me heretofore made.

First item—I will to my wife, Vergie Woods, my farm of 102 acres, more or less located in the 1st District of Hawkins County, Tenn., bounded by the lands of John Horner, J. M. Phillips, Mrs. Dora Berry, Joe Flora, John Cockrum, M. S. Bryant, Kullley Hein and others. Also one lot located in Bulls Gap, Tenn., lying between the Southern Railway. And the property of Elsie Rader, and if necessary that same or any part of same is sold to pay any of my debts, or to carry out the specific directions of this will, I hereby give her with full power to sell and convey the same.

Second part—I bequeath to my said wife all of my personal property, including one automobile, Physicians supplies and other personal property I may be possessed of at my death.

Third part—I further will and direct that my father's will in regard to my mother's maintenance be carried out as he willed, and that her burial expenses be provided for out of my estate.

Fourth part—I direct that a double monument to rest not less than One Hundred Dollars nor more than One

hundred and Fifty Dollars to be erected to the graves of my father and mother.

Fifth part - I direct that all my outstanding debts, including my funeral expenses and a double monument such as my wife may desire erected to our graves, be paid out of my estate.

Sixth part - I nominate and appoint my said wife executrix of this my last will and testament and expressly excuse her from giving bond or filing any inventory of my estate or making any settlement in the Courts.

In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand in presence of J. D. Hale and W. H. Mullins whom I have requested to become attesting witnesses hereto.

This the 2 day of June, 1915. Dr. Geo. E. Woods.

The foregoing instrument was subscribed sealed published and declared by Geo. E. Woods as and for his last will and testament in our presence and in the presence of each of each of us and we at the same time at his request in his presence and in the presence of each other, herewith subscribe our name and residence as attesting witnesses. This June the 2/1915.

J. D. Hale  
Morristown, Tenn.  
W. H. Mullins,  
Morristown, Tenn.

### Will of A. L. Kensingers.

Filed & proven Aug 30<sup>th</sup>, 1915. L. R. Baker, Clerk.  
Surgeonsville, Tenn., Aug. 11, 1913.

The following is my will:

My land shall be divided equally among my children or their heirs. My daughter Matilda shall have all buildings, such as my dwelling, barn, and other buildings nearby, without considering their values in the division the land.

Matilda shall have one horse, my buggy, buggy harness, all cattle, hogs and poultry. All things in my dwelling and other buildings shall be Matilda's.

The rents of all crops growing on my farm at the time of my death shall be Matilda's.

Whatever debts I may have shall be paid with other things which I may possess. All other things shall be divided equally among my children.

A. L. Kensingers

Witnesses:

A. J. Edens  
Dallie Edens.

### Will of Sarah E. Dykes.

Filed & proven Aug 30, 1915. L. R. Baker, Clerk.  
State of Tennessee - County of Hawkins

I, Sarah E. Dykes, age 70 years, being of sound mind and memory and understanding, do make my will and testament in manner and form following.

(First) I give and bequeath or devise to four of my daughters, namely, Alice Tabitha Tennessee + Little One dollar each, and also my son Will \$1.00 to be paid at my death out of my Personal property.

(Second) - I give and bequeath or devise to my Daughter Debbie all of my Personal Property of all kinds wherever it may be at my death. Also notes or money or any property I might have at my death.

In witness whereof I, Sarah E. Dykes the testatrix make this my last will and testament, in presence of A. H. Simpson and E. M. Simpson who by the request of the testatrix have subscribed their names as witnesses.

This the First day of May nineteen hundred and fifteen.  
E. M. Simpson  
A. H. Simpson.

### Will of Frank McCutchan.

Filed & proven Sept 6, 1915. L. R. Baker, Clerk.

I, Frank McCutchan, at present of Rogersville, Tenn., being of sound mind and in view of the uncertainty of life, make this my last will and testament, disposing of the property I now possess, and of which I hope to die possessed.

First. I give and bequeath to my daughter Nan McCutchan the sum of Fourteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,700.00). This includes the note of \$700.00 already transferred to her.

Second - I give and bequeath to my daughter Katherine Etta McCutchan the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00). This includes a note of \$1,000 already transferred to her.

Third - I give and bequeath to my daughter Elsie Miner - now Mrs. Jas. A. Willard, the sum of Nine Hundred (\$900) Dollars.

Fourth - I give and bequeath to my son Hugh Howard McCutchan the sum of Nine Hundred (\$900.00) Dollars.

5. I give and bequeath to my son Frank McCutchan the sum of Four Hundred (\$400.00) Dollars.

6<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary - now Mrs. Arthur Graves, the sum of Four Hundred



(\$4000<sup>00</sup>) dollars. I further direct that all of my property which may remain over and above the amounts already and herein disposed of be equally divided among my six children - i.e. after all my just debts, funeral expenses &c are paid.

After much thought, and a desire to treat all with equal fairness - I deem this a wise and fair disposition of the little of this world's goods I have been able to gather for my children and I hope and pray that my children may receive this disposition of what I have and may be possessed - without murmuring or complaints.

May God's blessing ever rest upon them all and enable them to live worthy Christian lives.

So all of which I affix my name this 1st day of March, 1912.

Frank McButchan

### Will of Mrs. K. Cope

Filed and proven Nov. 6, 1916.

L. R. Baker, Clerk

I, John K. Cope, commonly known as "Kin Cope," being of sound mind and bodily health, do make and publish this as my last will and testament.

1<sup>st</sup> I do hereby revoke any and all wills heretofore published or made by myself.

2<sup>nd</sup> I will and bequeath to my wife, Lemmie L. Cope, all my estate, real and personal, wherever the same may be found to be here absolutely.

3<sup>rd</sup> I nominate her my executor, and do not require her to make any bond or to file any inventory of my personal estate, or make any settlement in the courts of the same.

Witness my hand and seal this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1911.

John K. Cope, (Seal)

Attest:  
S. F. Powell  
L. L. Osatts

### Will of J. H. Young

Filed & proven Nov. 27, 1915.

L. R. Baker, Clerk

I, J. H. Young, of Rogersville, Tenn., do hereby make and publish the following as my last will and testament, revoking any and all wills heretofore made by me at any time.

1. It is my will, and I so direct, that all my just debts be paid out of my personal property, likewise my funeral expenses.

2. The real estate of which I may die seized and possessed, I will and devise to my wife Viola Young, for life, with remainder to my three children, Ada Lee Young, Mattie Ruth Young and Mary Belle Young, in equal proportions; and should any of said children die before their mother, without issue, then the share, or shares of such child or children shall go to the survivor or survivors in equal portions.

3. All my personal property, choses in action, and any other property not included above, I will and bequeath to my <sup>child</sup> wife, and our said three children, in equal proportions.

I hereby nominate and appoint L. R. Baker, of Rogersville, Tenn., executor of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereto affixed my signature, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1907.

J. H. Young

The foregoing instrument was this day presented to us by the above named J. H. Young, declared by him to be his last will and testament, and we signed our names thereto as witnesses in his presence and at his request.

This July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1907.

Geo. L. Wolfe  
A. D. Bowen

## Will of Elijah Price.

Filed &amp; proven Dec 29, 1915.

L. R. Baker, clk

I, Elijah Price, of St. Clair, Tennessee, being of sound mind and disposing memory, and realizing the shortness of life and the certainty of death, do hereby make and publish this as my last will and testament, thereby revoking and making void any and all wills by me heretofore made.

First - It is my will and desire, that out of any and all property that I may die seized and possessed and the owner of, that all my just debts and funeral expenses be first paid; and that out of same a suitable monument be paid for, and the expense of placing same at my grave be also paid.

Second - It is my will and desire that all my children now living at the time of the execution of this instrument, to wit: Isaac L. Price, Eliza McCarty, W. J. Price, Alice Brooks, Ellen Price, Tom Long and Bee Lee, shall take and share equally on all of my property, both real and personal, in so far as the value of my estate is concerned with the exception of the value of the houses lived in by each, which shall not be taken into consideration in the valuation of their respective shares; but each of my children, as above stated or named, shall have, and I hereby devise each of them the following land and real property, to wit:

I hereby will and devise to my son, Isaac L. Price, my farm known as the Clinton Lee farm, the same lying in the 1<sup>st</sup> Civil District of Hawkins County, Tennessee, and adjoining the lands of his wife and Charley Chapman; but the same is burdened with a sufficient amount, which shall be paid by him, to equalize all of my other children, as to value, hereinabove named.

I hereby will and devise to my daughter, Eliza McCarty, for life, then to go to her living children, one third of the farm on which I now live, the same to be the western part of same, which adjoins the lands of Charley Chapman; but if same is of more value than her said interest shall amount to, then same is to be charged so as to equalize all parties.

I hereby will and devise to my son W. J. Price one half of my farm, known as the Nancy Everett farm, lying in said District, he to have the western end of same, so as to include all of the houses and buildings on same; and I give and devise to my son, the said W. J. Price, also that part of my river farm in said district, known as the "Sulky" end of same, the same being the western end of same, to a line beginning in a hollow east of the

old fish trap, known as the Sugar tree hollow, and running due South to the top of the ridge; then westwardly with the meanders of the top of the ridge to Bowman's corner on top of the River Hill; then running so as to enclose same back to the beginning corner; but if same is of more value than his interest shall amount to, then same is to be charged so as to equalize all parties.

I will and devise to my daughter Nora Long the remaining half of my said farm, mentioned in the last paragraph, known as the Nancy Everett farm, not above willed to W. J. Price, her share of same to cover what is known as the Brooks Island; and also all of the remainder of the River Farm, after cutting off that portion of same hereinabove given my son, W. J. Price; but my daughter, the said, Nora Long, is given same only for life, with remainder to her then living children, the same being burdened so as to equalize her interest in my estate with all of said children.

I also will and devise to my daughter, Alice Brooks, my farm known as the Heram Brooks Farm, the same being given her by me for life with reversion to her then living children; said farm being in said 1<sup>st</sup> District, but she is to pay a sufficient sum so as to equalize all of my children in my estate, or if in the event she is unable to pay said sum, so as to equalize my children, then a sufficient amount of said farm may be sold so as to equalize all parties.

I will and devise to my daughter, Ellen Price, the eastern end of the farm I now live on, she to have all of the buildings thereon, which are not to be valued, and her interest in said farm being one third of said farm; my daughter Ellen Price is only given a life estate in said land, and the remainder interest after her death is to then go to her living children; however her said interest is subject to be charged so as to equalize all my children.

I also will and devise to my daughter, Bee Lee, the remaining one third of my home farm, for life with remainder to her then living children, her share of said farm being the middle share, lying between the shares of Eliza McCarty and Ellen Price; subject however to be charged with a sufficient amount to equalize all parties.

Third - It is my will and desire that the Executor of my will shall be Henry C. Brooks, if he be living at my death, and I do hereby nominate and appoint him; and it is my will and wish that the executor and two other good citizens who shall be unconnected with my children and disinherited,



value and equalize all of my above devisees, so as to equalize all of my children herein named, and so as to name those who should be charged and with what amount to equalize all, and how much should be paid to any or each of them, and stating who.

Fourth- It is my further will and desire, that all of my said children share equally in my personal property; and that if either or any of said children shall bring any lawsuits so as to change this my will, that such one or ones so bringing said suit or suits shall forfeit his or their share or shares in my property, which shall be divided among those who do not bring such suit or suits. This April 30th, 1915.

Elijah <sup>mark</sup> Price

Signed and sealed by the said Elijah Price for and as his last will and testament, in our presence, and by his request; and in the presence of each other, the same being read over to him in our presence, and by his request we hereby witness same of the day and date above set out.

R.C. Coleman

Cal Armstrong  
Witness

### Will of Robert Christian

Filed & proven Jan 10, 1916.

L.R. Baker, Clerk.

I, Robert Christian, a citizen of Church Hill, Hawkins County, State of Tenn., do make and publish this as my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills made by me to be void.

(1) I direct that my funeral expenses and all debts be paid out of the first money that comes into the hands of my Executor.

(2) I want my son Robert Christian to have all my land that lies in Carter's Valley, consisting of seventy acres, be the same more or less. My son Robert Christian is to pay Pat Origger one hundred dollars in cash out of his own means.

(3) Mack Christian is to have four acres adjoining his lot and lying North to be the same width running north four enough to make four acres. And Lela Bradshaw and her bodily heirs to have balance of farm lying at Church Hill. Mack Christian is to pay Luther Christian One Hundred dollars in cash.

Lela Bradshaw to pay Orban Christian, William Christian, Lethia Christian and Ethel Christian each one hundred dollars in cash.

(4th) I give Willie Houcwright Ten dollars in cash.

I give to my grand son Leon Harkness fifty dollars in cash. To James Christian and John Christian both my grand sons Twenty-five dollars each in cash.

(5) Mack Christian is to have one third interest in the Mill and to have full control as to running mill, and him to keep up his part of repairs.

Lela Bradshaw to have other two-thirds and to keep up her part of repairs.

(6) My wife Nancy Christian is to have control of both places and mill during her natural life.

I nominate and appoint my son Robert Christian to be my executor.

Signed in our presence and in presence of testator.  
Robert <sup>his</sup> Christian

H.C. Bailes

R.L. Long

This Nov. 13, 1915.

### Will of Baldonia Brown

Filed and Proven March 3rd, 1916

L.R. Baker, clerk

I, Baldonia Brown, being of disposing mind and sound memory, do make and publish this my last will and testament, and hereby revoking any and all wills or disposition of my property heretofore at any time by me made.

First: I will that out of any personal property that I may have on hand at my death, that all of my just debts and funeral expenses be first paid.

Second: It is my will and wish that my beloved son, Taylor Brown, have all of the real property that I may die seized and possessed of, the same being about one acre of land with the buildings thereon, in the town of Rogersville, Tennessee, and the same being the place on which I now live; but the said Taylor is required to pay all of my other children the sum of one dollar each, the same being a charge against said real estate property.

Third: I will that all of my personal property, consisting of household goods, be divided equally among all of my children share and share alike.

Fourth: It is my will and desire and I hereby appoint Wm. W. Stunt, as the executor of this my last will and testament.

This September 24th 1915.

Baldonia <sup>my</sup> Brown

Executed by Baldonia Brown, as and for her last will and testament, in our presence, and at the request of the

Said testator, we hereby subscribe our names as witnesses to the execution of same in the presence of the testator at his request and in her presence and in the presence of each other, the day and year first above written.

This September 24<sup>th</sup> 1915,

H. W. H. Shepard,  
Geo. W. Stant.

### Will of Louisa Ann Ripley

Filed and Proven March 7<sup>th</sup> 1916.

J. P. Barker, Clerk.

In the name of God, I Louisa Ann Ripley, being of sound mind but feeble in body or physically, make this my last will and testament. I desire all my just debts paid out of my estate after which I desire my sister Emeline E. Loyd to have all my personal and real estate during her life.

I desire all to be given to my son Wm. M. Ripley at her death.

Witness

Joseph Underwood  
Wm. J. Evans

Louisa Ann <sup>by</sup> Ripley

### Will of Kate Mitchell

"Miss Kate Mitchell today, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 1913, wills her property at her death to Dr. Armstrong Sanitarium to some poor suffering people that are not able to keep themselves after burial expenses are paid & all other expenses & after business is straightened out to prevent trouble.

I want Miss Craile to have Dick Shawl.

I want my books divided with young people, who would like to read & feel they would be benefitted by the use of them.

I know I will soon have to leave this world. I am ready to meet the Blessed Lord. I want to be laid away by my loving sister gone on before. I don't want my people to have any of my household goods or property.

I want Mrs. McConnell to have my dresser, Candle Stand, big leather seated chair (rocking).

I want Bessie Glavin to have my Sewing Machine.

Mrs. Rosa Smith, Miss Mattie Sam Gaudy and Miss P. L. McConnell to open my house after my death & the furniture in my trunk to be divided with them & to straighten my house and clean it up nicely.

I want all my things divided satisfactory with

these three ladies (Mrs. Smith, Mrs. McConnell and Miss Mattie Gaudy) for their kindness during my sickness and health.

I want \$200.00 given to George and Francis McConnell to be put in bank on interest until they are 21 years - Also Bessie Glavin and Bessie Glavin \$200.00 put in bank until they are 21 years, after all debts are paid.

This my last message to the world & I hope it will be fulfilled as near as possible.

All is well with my soul.

Whatever is left I want something given for the Cause of Christ.

Kate N. Mitchell

### Will of George Smith

Filed and Proven April 12<sup>th</sup> 1916.

J. P. Barker, Clerk.

I, George Smith of Hawkins County Tennessee, do make and publish this my last will and testament, being in feeble health but of sound mind and disposing memory.

First, I want P. J. Heer to have all my personal property of all kinds such as notes cash on hands at my death in fact all the personal property that I may die with and possessed of.

Second, I want my real estate sold at my death and out of the proceeds of my land. I want my beloved wife Mary to have one hundred dollars.

Third, I want George Heer to have twenty five dollars, out of the proceeds of my land.

Fourth, I want Wm. Phacker and wife Ida Phacker to have twenty five dollars, out of the proceeds of the sale of my land, and the remainder of said proceeds of my farm or land I give to P. J. Heer and hereby appoint P. J. Heer as my trustee to sell said land as soon as convenient after my death and apply the payments as above directed and the said P. J. Heer is to act without bond and I want said trustee to pay all my funeral expenses.

This Nov the 6-1915

George Smith.

In Witness I have set my hand and seal in the presence of this witnesses and at my request. This Nov 6-1915,

C. F. Landers, Clerk

W. J. Arnett.



# Will of C. M. Starnes

Filed and proven March 31st 1916,  
L. P. Baker, Clerk.

In the Name of God, Amen.

I, C. M. Starnes of near Stony Point, in Stanley Valley,  
Hawkins County, Tennessee, do make and publish this  
my last will and testament as follows:

## I

1. I will and direct that my body be properly buried in a manner corresponding to my station in life.
2. I will and direct that my Executor, hereinafter named, pay all my just debts and funeral expenses.

## II

As to such personal property as I may die seized and possessed of after paying my debts, if any, funeral expenses and other charges herein created, I will and bequeath the same as follows:

1. I have heretofore given my two married daughters, Mrs. N. Kate Looney and Mrs. Mallie E. Cope one horse and one cow and calf each, I have given my son, Echel Starnes, one hundred dollars which is in lieu of a horse.

I will and devise to each of my other children, viz; Lida L., Lizzie O. J. C., Lena Bell, Emma and Freddie, one horse and one cow and calf each and I will my son Echel, one cow and calf. Some of my children, viz, Lida L., Lizzie O. J. C., Emma and Lena Bell have horse here on the place which I have in a formal way given to them and I now will said horses to them. Freddie shall receive her property when she becomes twenty one years of age.

2. I will and direct that my beloved wife shall have and receive money and property sufficient to take care of and to support her during her life in a manner corresponding to her station in life.
3. All the rest of my personal estate of whatever kind or nature, I will and devise to my children as herein named, to be divided among them equally.

## III

1. I will and bequeath all my real estate, lying and being in Stanley Valley, Hawkins County, Tennessee, adjoining the lands of Susan Rice N. W. Bean, H. H. Reller and others, to my beloved wife during her life.
2. I will and direct that my son J. C. Starnes shall have a home and shall live in my mansion house, and I also will and direct that my unmarried daughters, viz, Lida L., Lizzie O., Lena Bell, Emma and Freddie shall also have a home in my mansion house.

So long as they remain single.

3. After the death of my beloved wife, I will and bequeath my said real estate to my children as hereinafter named in the manner hereinafter set forth, as follows:

A. I will and bequeath to my son J. C. Starnes one ninth of said land in quantity, and his share shall be laid off so as to include the mansion house, yard, garden and the barn south west of the mansion house and they and the said improvements shall not be valued against him in the partition of said land.

B. I will and bequeath all the rest of my said real estate, after laying off the share of my son J. C. Starnes as set forth in clause A, to the rest of my children to wit; Mrs. N. Kate Looney, Mrs. Mallie E. Cope, Echel, Lida L., Lizzie O., Lena Bell, Emma and Freddie, to be partitioned and divided among them equally, quantity, quality, water, and rights of way to be given and considered.

C. In consideration of the advantage herein given to my son J. C. Starnes, in addition to what he has already done for me, I will and direct that he shall take care of his mother, my beloved wife during her life, and his unmarried sisters so long as they or either of them remain single and stay with him.

## IV

I will and direct that, out of the personal estate, my youngest daughter, Freddie, shall be educated to the same extent as my other daughters.

## V

I name and appoint my son J. C. Starnes, Executor of this will.

I hereby revoke all wills heretofore made by me, Given under my hand and seal this the 15th day of March 1915.

C. M. Starnes (Seal)

Signed and Witnessed  
by us in the presence, and  
at the request of C. M. Starnes,  
and in the presence of each other.  
W. S. Cox.  
H. H. Reller.

# Will of Jacob Brown

Filed and proven March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1916.  
J. P. Barker, Clerk.

State of Tennessee, Hawkins County.

I Jacob Brown being sound in mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of my frail life do therefore make and publish and declare this to be my last will and testament that Rebecca Jane Brown my wife have all of my real estate also one cow also all of my household and kitchen furniture and one mule.

In witness whereof I have subscribed my name and affixed my seal this the first of October 1914.

Witness  
W. F. Brown  
J. A. Bass.

Jacob Brown

# Will of Wm. Williams

Filed and proven April 22<sup>nd</sup> 1916.  
J. P. Barker, Clerk.

In the name of God Amen.

I William Williams of the County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life do therefore make and publish and declare this to be my last will and testament that is to say first after all my lawful debts are paid and discharged the residue of my estate Real and personal I give and bequeath and dispose of as follows to wit: I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Nancy Shanks and her heirs and Christian Shanks her husband the Hamblen land which there is about one hundred and fourteen acres. I will that Christian Shanks have a piece of land lying on the left hand of the road going down towards John Shanks Commencing at my orchard gate running down to the gate at the woods which there is about 12 or 14 acres this I will to Christian Shanks individually.

Now I will that Edward Williams and Wiley Williams have the balance of the place where I now live which there is about 150 acres. Monrow Williams his intent in this place I took to pay to wards Mack Shanks land that I bought for him so he has no claim in this place.

The balance of my mountain land if I don't sell it is to be divided between Nancy Shanks and John Williams three boys. Now since I commenced writing this will Wiley has died and I have paid Monrow Williams three hundred dollars for Wiley one half that would have been coming to him of this place I live on. So this place all of it belongs to Edward

I now will that all my stock off every kind be sold and be equal divided between Nancy Shanks and John Williams two boys Edward and Monrow. Nancy is to have one half, all my household and kitchen furniture and all my farming tools be sold and the proceeds there off divided between the two parties. Now if there is any money left after I am put away decently it is to be equal divided between Nancy Shanks and John Williams two boys they are to have one half, and Nancy the other half.

So now you all can understand it and no fuss here after.  
This the 25<sup>th</sup> day April 1883.

Witnessed By  
Riley Shanks  
John B. Allom

Wm. Williams

# Will of Martha E. Charles

Filed and proven April 22<sup>nd</sup> 1916.  
J. P. Barker, Clerk.

I Martha E. Charles of Hawkins County, Tenn. do hereby make and execute this my last will and testament to wit:

I give and devise to Robert Yonassin trust the tract of land now owned by me in Carter's Valley about 5 miles East of Rogersville, Hawkins County, containing 200 acres more or less and being the land devised to me by my father, Wm. E. Carmack except that part of land sold to C. M. Harlan since my father's death, containing 100 acres and that part thereof conveyed by me to my daughter Anna Charles Davidson, the part so conveyed her also containing 100 acres. The said Trustee shall have and hold the said land for the benefit of, and for and during the natural life of my afflicted brother, Clyde Carmack; he shall farm or cause the same to be farmed in a good husband like manner, keeping the same in grass and rotating the crops. So as to preserve the fertility of the soil, and the rents and profits thereof shall be by him applied to the support, care and comfort of my said afflicted brother during his life and his decent burial at death.

Upon the death of the said Clyde Carmack, the trust estate herein created shall cease, and after the termination of the said trust estate, and subject thereto I devise to said tract of land as follows:

1) To my two Grand children Clarence Beason and Emma Beason Davidson fifty acres thereof to be laid off between parallel lines adjoining and immediately to the West of the 100 acres I have heretofore conveyed to their mother, Anna Charles Davidson, the western line of the boundary conveyed to Mrs. Davidson to constitute one