

Last Will and Testament of Sallie W. Bureau, Decd.

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State of Tennessee

Hawkins County. In the name of God amen.

I Sallie W. Bureau formerly Sallie W. Tillenwaters of the State and County aforesaid knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death and being of sound disposing mind and memory do make & declare this my last will and testament hereby revoking and declaring void any other or former wills by me made.

1st Believing and trusting in one living and merciful God I commit my soul to Him who gave it and my body to be buried in a decent Christian like manner in my own grave yard by the side of one of my husband Hon E. E. Tillenwaters and on the plain side of the monument erected there I request the date of my death and a suitable epitaph to be inscribed for me thereon 3 As soon as convenient after my death I desire and request first that the funeral expenses be paid and all my just debts be paid in full out of my money that may be found to be on hand at my death or be taken out of the proceeds of my personal property and so paid in full.

4th After my just debts are all provided for I give and bequeath to Hon Robert L Taylor present Governor of the State of Tennessee and his successors in office forever the grave yard in which my husband Hon E. E. Tillenwaters is buried containing nine square poles of ground to hold in trust for my heirs without sale or power of sale or alienation forever and said Trustee is required to assume any funeral or technical responsibilities or liabilities in said trust but is graciously requested to accept it for the sole purpose of evidencing respect for the dead and I hereby request and make it the special duty of Myself Tillenwaters to sacredly care for and keep the grave yard neatly inclosed and to carefully clean out and have the same properly dressed at least twice each year perpetually.

5th I give and bequeath to my beloved sister Eliza Russell widow of Geo Russell decd all of my wearing apparel of whatsoever description including shawls cloaks &c &c also my two largest trunks and one set of table spoons and one set of tea-spoons pure silver

6th I give and bequeath to my niece Martha Looney my cherry bureau and my knitting machine

7th I give and bequeath to the trustees of the M.E. church

at Caney Creek for the building of a parsonage or preachers house two hundred and 200 dollars to be paid by my executors out of any money or proceeds from the sale of my personal property within twelve months after my death provided that the Caney Creek class or Rogersville circuit shall subscribe and actually pay over for the same purpose the sum of three hundred dollars and build a good parsonage and suitably furnish the same for comfortable occupation and should the Caney Creek class and the Rogersville circuit fail or refuse to so subscribe and pay over the said sum of three hundred dollars for the purpose above aforesaid to within the period of twelve months after my death then and in that event I withdraw the bequest thus conditionally made to the Caney Creek class and give the same to the trustees of the M.E. church at Rogersville absolutely.

8th I give and bequeath to the M.E. church South at Rogersville my sisterly Christian love and affection and to be used for and on sacramental purposes I give to her and others common my 2 gold lined goblets my heavy glass parlor pitcher and glass plate inscribed Faith Hope and Charity

9th I give and bequeath to my beloved niece Sallie R. Paylor my gold watch and chain and silver bangle also my silver coffee urn, cake stand, pickle crator and butter dish all silver and to her husband Paylor I give as a keepsake my gold spectacles

10th I give and bequeath to the seven children of my beloved brother Joel T. Tillenwaters late of the County of Monroe and State of Kentucky to wit Sallie S. Mary Elizabeth Martha W. Elijah P. Joel G. B. James N. and Edward E. Tillenwaters these are the names I intend that the children of my only brother Joel T. shall share and share alike in this bequest that is to say I give and bequeath to his seven children to be equally divided among them in cash out of what I have in hands as soon after my death as can be done convenient I want it handed over to them

11th I give and bequeath to John B. Charles my W.C. Looney farm on which he now lives joining the lands of James Looney James S. Brox and others in the 7th Civil District of Hawkins County Court containing about 190 acres more or less and valued at three thousand dollars. In consideration of this bequest last made and in the event of my death during the minority of the said James H. Mrs. Tillenwaters I ask and require the said John B. Charles to assume or accept the lawful guardianship of the said

James Mysses and addition to discharging the general or ordinary duties and trust of guardian it is my will and special request that out of the profits or other moneys I will James Mysses Tillenwaters belonging to the estate or property the said James Mysses receive the full benefit of a first class collegiate education such as would be befitting his station in life or prepare him for the adoption of some suitable profession I will him money to clothe him while he is at school or till he is twenty one years of age I wish you to tend to it clothe him neat let him know how his interest is.

12th I will and bequeath to Elizabeth daughter of Edward E. Tillenwaters decd my side saddle and my organette -
 13th I will and bequeath to James Mysses Tillenwaters son of Edward E. Tillenwaters decd and whom I have adopted as a member of my family I will all of my Cahey Valley farms or lands so every kind to James Mysses Tillenwaters joining the lands of George Tillenwaters Hinch Tillman and others situated in the 17th Civil District of Hawkins Co containing four hundred acres more or less and valued at four thousand one hundred dollars I give him the Stubley lands and all other Cahey Valley lands I own and also to the aforesaid James Mysses Tillenwaters I give and bequeath my entire interest in and to what is known as the Alum Well property of which I own in my own right five sixths interest I also give and bequeath to the said James Mysses Tillenwaters my Dr Fault entire lot in Rogersville valued at 25 Hundred dollars I will him James Mysses Tillenwaters I will all my personal property all and singular of whatever description including stock money on hand notes accts or other evidences of debts whatever to be found on hands after paying or satisfying the bequests heretofore made or hereinafter to be made in this my last will and testament I will James Mysses Tillenwaters all of my house hold furniture of every kind after satisfying the bequests heretofore made or hereinafter to be made in this I will him all of my books and everything not allotted to others

13th And lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my chosen and bestest faithful friend John B. Charles of the County of Hawkins my Executor to execute the provisions of this my last will and testament in testimony of which I have solemnly written with my own hand written my own name and affixed my seal this the 11 day of January 1887.

Attest
James August
A. Kinkead

Interlined before signed
Sallie W. Burnam (Seal)

The Last Will and Testament of Minerva L. Plevins

I Minerva L. Plevins, of Hawkins County, Tennessee, hereby am revoking and making any other will by me heretofore made do make and publish my last will and testament as follows:

1. I will and direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid by my executor out of any moneys that may be on hand at my death, or out of the proceeds of such goods and chattels as my executor may elect to dispose of or sell at public or private sale.
2. I will and bequeath to my daughter Mary Moore Hudnall, wife of Warren Hudnall, all the residue of my personal property of whatever kind and description.
3. I will bequeath and devise to my daughter Mary Moore Hudnall that portion of my lands known as the Home Place, upon which I live, being the share formerly assigned to William M. Cocke in the partition of the lands of Sterling Cocke, dec. containing 104 acres more or less; and described in the Commissioners' report of the partition of said lands, as beginning at a post oak near the Clinch road running thence along said road South 88° East 83 poles to a stake in said road, corner to Lot No. 4, there with the line of said Lot No. 4 319 poles to a Chestnut and sour wood, on the line of the original survey, then with said line North 83 West 105 poles to a sour wood and Beech on the North side of a large ridge and corner to Lot No. 2, then with a line of said Lot and South 32° 6 poles to a stake, then South 63° East 7 poles to a stake, then South 89° East 18 poles to the beginning.

I also will and devise to the said Mary Moore Hudnall another parcel of land adjoining said Home Place containing 79 1/4 acres more or less, being the share assigned to my husband John Plevins as Lot No. 1, in the partition of the tract formerly owned by Richard Cocke in the case of John Plevins & Mary L. Plevins et al in the Chancery Court at Rogersville, Tennessee and which in the record of said partition is described as beginning at a stake on Bassett line, then with Plevins' line North 323 poles to a Beech and sour wood on the North side of a large ridge, ridge on the original, then with the same North 82° West 41 poles to a small Chestnut, corner to Lot No. 2, then with same South 326 poles to a stake on Bassett line, then with same South 87 East 39 poles to the beginning.