

I shall my property of every kind, not before disposed of, to be equally divided between my five children William - John and Nathan Pryor, Ann H. Estlin and Mary Estlin. Except my negro slave he shall be at liberty to choose his master amongst the heirs and I do hereby appoint my three sons William, John and Nathan Pryor my Executors to this my last will and testament. The testimony I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 24th day of September 1841.

Charles McKimney John Pryor (Seal)
H. Bonner Witnesses

Proven at the January Term 1842 of the County Court
Recorded January 11th 1842.

Nancy Cunningham's Will

In the name of God Amen I Nancy Cunningham of the State of Tennessee and County of Lincoln being weak of body but of sound mind and disposing memory do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament revoking all others by me hitherto made. And as touching what estate it has pleased God to bless me with I have, give and bequeath in the following manner (to wit)

1st My will and desire is and I give and bequeath unto Rebecca Allen a young woman I have principally raised one feather bed, one boulder, one pillow, one under sheet, one blanket and a checked counterpane and two bed quilts, eight dollars in money.

2nd I give unto my son-in-law John Cunningham nine dollars which he has already received and I give unto my daughter Sally Cunningham a part of my wearing apparel and clothes.

3rd I give unto Nancy Cunningham my daughter part of my wearing clothes and part of bed clothes and five dollars in money and my saddle.

4th I give unto Cincinnati Groce my daughter-in-law part of my wearing clothes I give unto John Groce my son thirty three dollars and some cents being the amount of a note I have on him.

5 I give unto Elizabeth Howell my daughter a part of my

wearing clothes and part of my bed clothes
I give unto my grand daughter Nancy Howell daughter of James Howell my Captains and share in it.

7th My will and desire is that my bed and bed clothes that are not otherwise disposed of be divided as heretofore mentioned equally between John Groce, Elizabeth Howell and Rebecca Shelby without a sale.

8th My will and desire is that all the balance of my property be sold as a credit of twelve months and the money there arising together with the money owing me, after paying my just debts and expenses be equally divided between my son John Groce, Rebecca Shelby and Elizabeth Howell my daughters.

9th My will and desire is that my son-in-law Thavis Shelby and my son John Groce by my Executors to this my last will and Testament believing they will see it properly executed, December the 13th 1841.
Nancy Cunningham Seal

Signed, sealed and pronounced to be the last will and testament of Nancy Cunningham who at her request and in presence of each other have witnessed the same Abner Stead

Alfred Bready

Proven at the January Term 1842 of the Lincoln County Court
Recorded Jan'y 11th 1842

I Sharon Wells of the County of Lincoln and State of Tennessee do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore made.

First I direct that my body be decently interred in a manner suitable to my former course of life. As to such worldly estate as it has pleased God to entrust me with I dispose of the same as follows.

Firstly I direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I may die possessed of or which may first come into the hands of my Executors from any portion of estate real or personal.

Secondly I give and bequeath to my dear beloved wife Mary

Wells her inalienable possession of my dwelling house and a comfortable and sufficient ^{support} of my home plantation with the house hold and kitchen furniture and my negro man and woman Joshua and Venus during her natural life or widowhood. But should my wife at any time intermarry with any other man, ^{it is} that she have one half of my household and kitchen furniture with my first choice of horses and first choice of cows and calves and a like portion of my sheep and hogs.

Thirdly I gave and bequeath to my grand son Alexander Dobbin my plantation wherein I now live including a small part of the tract of land that I purchased of William B. Wright lying in the fork of the main Swan Creek and the west fork of Swan Creek bounded with said creeks to a cut off and the main Swan Creek to line of my home plantation and Allen Sen St. Dobbin to keep his grand mother Mary Wells in inalienable possession of the portion allotted her.

Fourthly I gave and bequeath to my grand daughter Narcissa McKimney and to heirs of her body the tract or pieces of land of lying in the Fayetteville road below the ford on Swan Creek being the tract of land I purchased of James Wright agent for S. R. R.

Fifthly I gave and bequeath to my grand daughter Josephine Wood and to the heirs of her body the plantation that I purchased of William B. Wright including the part taken from said tract and attached to the home plantation. My tract of ridge land lying on the Chennel ridge North of Choc Sachy to be equally divided between A. S. St. Dobbin and Josephine Wood and the heirs of her body. My wish and desire is that the before allotted tracts of land shall be valued by Thos. Wright, Jacob Wright, Dorris Wilson and Davis Smith the said tracts of land to be made equal by the claimants paying to each other the difference in valuation.

Sixthly As I have heretofore given to Narcissa McKimney a negro girl I do now allot to the balance of my grand children a negro girl as follows to Allen Sen St. Dobbin, Velma and child and to Josephine Wood and to the heirs of her body Ketter to Adeline Dobbin and to heirs of her body Alice and to Caledonia Dobbin and to the heirs of her body Rachael.

Seventhly I gave and bequeath to Adeline Dobbin and Caledonia Dobbin and to the heirs of their body an equal portion of my negroes to make three parts equal in value to the parts given in hand to Narcissa McKimney, Alex. S. St. Dobbin and Josephine Wood.

Eighthly I gave and bequeath to my daughter Sally Dobbin my negro girl Ann during her natural life or widowhood.

Ninthly The remaining portion of my negroes if any after the portions already given to be equally divided between Alexander Sen St. Dobbin, Narcissa McKimney, Josephine Wood, Adeline Dobbin and Caledonia Dobbin and to their heirs and the heirs of their body.

Tenthly As I wish no portion of my perishable to be sold no farther than is actually necessary upon the account of the heirs not of age I give and bequeath the whole of my stock including Horses, Cows, Hogs and sheep to be equally divided between Allen Sen St. Dobbin, Narcissa McKimney, Josephine Wood, Adeline and Caledonia Dobbin and to their heirs and the heirs of their body.

Eleventhly I do give and bequeath in addition to what I have given to Alexander S. St. Dobbin the whole of my farming tools including my waggon also all my mill tools.

And as Isaac St. Aaron has now set in to succeed for me the present year I wish him to be continued agreeable to our custom.

Lastly I do hereby make and appoint my grand son Alexander S. St. Dobbin and my two grand sons in law Ira McKimney and John Wood my executors to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I Aaron Wells the said Testator have to this my will written on one sheet of paper set my and affixed my seal this the 24th day of January one thousand eight hundred and forty two.

Aaron Wells

Signed, sealed and published in the presence of us who have subscribed in presence of the Testator and of each other.

Present by Davis Smith & Dorris Wilson & Davis Smith
April Term of the Lincoln County Court
1842

Recorded April 12. 1842

G. W. Jones Clerk

Williams B. Wright
Dorris Wilson
Amos Murley
Isaiah St. Aaron