

Ezekiel Norris's last will.

In the name of God amen.

I Ezekiel Norris of the County of Lincoln & State of Tennessee being of sound mind & memory do make and ordain this my last will & testament in manner following (viz)

First after my decease I require my executors to pay all my just debts out of money out of money owing or that may be on hand.

Second I give unto my son John M. Norris all that part of the tract of land whereon I now live lying west of Norris's creek and south & west of the town of Fayetteville supposed to contain one hundred & twenty acres. Also one negro boy named Daniel also my farming utensils, horse, bridle & saddle, and one cow & calf, likewise bed & furniture.

Third I give unto my son Henry Norris all that part of my land lying on the east of Norris's creek supposed to contain nearly five acres, to be placed in the hands of a suitable Guardian for his use, to be given up to him when thought capable of taking care of the same. Also bed & furniture.

Fourth I give unto my daughter Cynthia Norris forty & one half acres of land lying in the north west corner of the tract I now live on binding on the north boundary line. Also one negro girl named Sophia bed and furniture and bureau.

Fifth I give unto my daughter Minerva forty and one half acres of land lying south of the land that I have in this will given to my daughter Cynthia to be placed in the hands of my sons William & John M. Norris for her use to be kept in their possession until they may think proper to give her the management of the same.

Sixth I give unto my daughter Emily, one negro girl named Monah, also one thousand dollars

to be paid out of money owing me by my son William Norris. Bed & furniture & Escentaine.

Seventh I state all that part of my estate not disposed of in this my will to be equally divided between my children. That part falling to my daughter Minerva to be placed in the hands of my son William & J. M. Norris for her use & benefit to be rendered to her when they may think proper.

And I do hereby nominate & appoint my friends Francis Parkfield Esq. & Thomas Clarke Esq. Executors of this my last will & testament.

Given under my hand and seal this 17th day of January A.D. 1827

Ezekiel Norris
Wm. Keel
John M. Miller

Ezekiel Norris

(Recorded 14 January 1829)

James Walker's last Will.

Know all men by these presents that I James Walker of the State of Tennessee & County of Lincoln do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament in manner & form following, to wit, First I leave in the possession of my wife Nancy the whole of my

estate consisting of negroes, horses, cattle, & household furniture during her natural life a widow-hood; and at her death or second marriage, the whole of the property to be taken & sold by my Executor, and the money thence arising put to interest and my son Carter to have the interest of said money during his natural ^{life} and at his death to be divided in the following form to wit, Polly Lewis my ^{daughter} to have one sixth part. My son Andrew Walker one sixth part. My Grandson Franklin Walker one sixth part. My Grand children Allie & Franklin Butler ^{my sons & my daughter one sixth part} one sixth part. And that my ^{daughter} Milly legal heirs have one sixth part. And my will & desire is that the heirs she has by Drury M. Counally may be made equal to her heirs by James Pearson taking in what their father left them. And that my Grand son John Ford have one dollar and my Grand daughter Pussie Kirkpatrick have one dollar, these two grand children having had their share of my estate previous to this time. And lastly I constitute and appoint my son James Walker & my friend Abner Stud my Executors to see this my last will & testament executed. Nov. 28. 1828

James Walker 

Signed, sealed, published & pronounced to be the last will & testament of James Walker & in presence of us.

James Scott
William C. Scott

Recorded 16. March 1829.

Joel Bruce's last Will.

In the name of God amen

I Joel Bruce of Lincoln County Tennessee moving all other appoint this to be my last will and testament. I give my lands negroes and all my other property to my wife Sally so long as she lives. After her death I leave my lands to my two youngest sons Arnold & Joel to be equally divided between them both.

Item My negroes and all my personal property I leave to be equally divided among my three other children Mary, Litty & Sally after the death of my wife Sally.

I appoint Stephen Hightower to be executor of this my last will and testament. Witness my hand and seal this 2^d of January eighteen hundred and twenty nine.

Joel
William M. Rose

John H. Morrison

James Macgowan

Recorded 20. March 1829