

Coke
John Cole Last Will & Testament

I John Cole being in a low state of health but being in sound mind do make this my last will and Testament 1st I bequeath my soul to God who gave it and I wish & desire that my debts be paid as soon as possible after my death out of any money that may first come into my Administrators hands & I leave to my son William the cott that he now claims as his front & give to my son Joseph the cott that he claims & to my daughter Emeline one heifer which she claimed as hers & I give to my daughter Nancy one heifer which she also calls hers I give to my beloved wife Nancy the entire use and control of my plantation to enable her to maintain herself and children & children during her natural life I also give to her all my corn bacon my horses cattle & sheep hogs and working tools house hold and kitchen furniture my intention is that she have the use & benefit of all my property except what has been here to for maintenance provided for my request is that after the death of my wife my administrators shall proceed to sell all my real estate and the appertinences thereon on such terms as the law directs & also such other property of mine as may be in her hands at her death and she shall as soon as possible divide the proceeds equally among my lawful heirs in my Testament whereof I do to this will set my hand and seal this 3 day of June 1864

Test
Josiah Norwood
Pinkney Pickett

John Cole

The following Will was proved & admitted after he rec'd at the Sep Term 1866

Henry Robertson Last Will

I Henry Robertson of Lincoln County Tennessee do make and publish this my last will and Testament. I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts 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. Second I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth during her natural life three hundred and twenty acres of land in one tract the same to be parcelled by her out of any of the land of which I may die possessed of. Residue whereon situate. Third I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth during her natural life twenty slaves being an average lot of such slaves as I may die possessed of or at the time of my death to be set apart by my executors at the death of my wife. I give and bequeath said twenty slaves and their increase together with said three hundred and twenty acres of land to my children Lucy R. Barner David & John = son Henderson & Robison son of John Barner Elizabeth Robertson and Mary Robertson to be equally divided amongst them and to be held by them respectively during their natural lives and at the death of any of them their share in said property and its increase to be equally divided amongst the children of the deceased parent and should any of my said children die leaving no issue living at the time of his or her death the share of such deceased child shall be equally divided amongst my said other children and should any of them be dead the issue of such deceased child shall take the share of such deceased child in said property should any of my ^{said} children die in the lifetime of my wife the issue of such deceased child shall take the share to which the deceased parent if living