

- 4th I give and bequeath to my son Wright P. Collins my negro boy Althustoney aged 7 or 8 years
- 5th I give and bequeath to my son Samuel D. Collins my negro boy Lloyd about 5 or 6 years of age
- 6th I give and bequeath to my daughter Missouri Ann Collins my negro girl Lame aged 8 or 9 years
- 7th I give and bequeath to my son Alexander P. Collins my negro boy Daniel aged about two years also to the same my silver watch
- 8th I give and bequeath to my Grand son Robert T. Collins the proceeds or value when sold a certain bay filly (known as his) my Executors to collect the same & hand over to Wright P. Collins and that he place the same on interest yearly until he the said Robert T. becomes of lawful age and then to be given to him with interest
- 9th All the balance of my property not previously disposed of I direct to be sold at my death and the proceeds thereof to be gathered with all moneys on hand or due me by note or otherwise I give and bequeath to be equally divided between my five children, namely Nancy, Wright P., Samuel D., Missouri Ann, and Alexander P. Collins except Wright P. Collins having heretofore given to him a horse worth fifty dollars which he is to be charged with or in other words the four other children are to have fifty dollars more than he the said Wright P. Collins
- 10th I give to my three sons during the life time of my wife the use of all the balance of my land in equal portions of the same
- 11th At the death of my wife Catharine I direct the sale of all my lands or a division of the same if practicable to be made equal between my five children which is hereby given to them absolutely I also direct the sale of all the remaining property now set apart for the use of my wife including the slave, linen, money and all together with her wearing apparel to be sold and the proceeds thereof to be equally divided between my five children above named. If either of the above

named negroes should die which has been given to either of my children and the said woman duly should become the mother of another child or children upon that contingency the said child or children by death shall be supplied with one of the said black children

Lastly I hereby revoke all former wills and request that this my last will and testament be faithfully executed according to the true intent and meaning thereof I do hereby name and appoint my friends Thomas McFay and Dr. H. McKinney Executors to this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & sealed this 8th day of July 1842

Wm Collins (signed)

This within will was executed by William Collins in our presence & in presence of each of us on the 8th July 1842

A. F. Robbins

Jacob R. Wright

Henry Turney

The foregoing will of William Collins proven at the August term 1842 of the Lincoln County Court by the oaths of A. F. Robbins and Henry Turney and ordered by the Court to be recorded

Recorded August 9th 1842.

G. W. Jones Clerk

Mark Whitaker's Last Will

State of Tennessee Lincoln County October 2nd 1842

I Mark Whitaker Senior calling to mind that all men have once to die, and feeling the infirmity of old age, but feel thankful to God, for that strength of mind which enables me, make this my last Will and testament as follows

1st I will my soul to God who gave it and thank my only be decently buried.

2d I will that all of my estate both real and personal be equally divided among all my children (as the law directs) namely Rebecca Ward, Nancy Mannum, John Whitaker,

Mary Lucas, Sarah Basinger, Martha Bigham, Benjamin S. Whitaker, Lisdah Pruitt, Mark Whitaker Jr. and Perdina Weston and their heirs—except the following special provisions which circumstances seem to require to be made, as my beloved wife Catharine is far advanced in years and feeble. I will that she have the use of our negro woman of her own choosing, and as much house hold furniture as she may need, also the use of five hundred dollars, all to be managed for her comfort by the assistance of my Executors.

3rd I give and appoint and do ordain Benjamin S. Whitaker Special agent and attorney in fact for Martha Bigham and her heirs to receive and hold for their special benefit all of my estate agreeable to this will, to which she may be entitled, to deal out as in his judgment her necessities may require.

4th I furthermore will ordain and appoint Mark Whitaker this Special agent and attorney in fact for Lisdah Pruitt (as above) to receive, hold and deal out that part of my estate which may fall to Lisdah Pruitt and her heirs.

5th I consider my children near equal in my former gifts to them except Sarah Basinger who has received one hundred and fifty six dollars which is to be accounted for then with the other heirs bearing interest from the time received.

My son Mark will also account for two hundred dollars which is due me for land.

In order to carry the above into effect I hereby ordain and appoint my two sons Benjamin S. Whitaker and Mark Whitaker my Executors.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal in presence of

John S. Whitaker

William Moore

Joseph Whitaker

Mark S. Whitaker ^{his} _(mark)

Proven at October Term 1842 of the Lincoln County Court
Recorded October 15th 1842

Wiley M. Newman's Last Will

I Wiley M. Newman do make and publish this as my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made. I direct I direct that my funeral expenses and all and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I may be possessed of or may first come to the hands of my Executor.

Secondly I give and bequeath to my son Wiley M. Newman the negro pinto photo, and the large chest and three white shirts.

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my son Wiley M. Newman the full power and authority to take into his possession all the balance of my estate and stay on the place where I now live with my family for at least six years and keep the estate so near as practicable all together and at any time after that period the Estate may be equally divided between my son Wiley M. Newman, my son Moses M. Newman, my son Martin M. Newman and my wife Mary M. Newman. Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Wiley M. Newman my Executor.

In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and seal this 24th day of August 1842.

W. M. Newman ^(initials)

Signed, sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names here to in the presence of the Testator this 24th August 1842.

Eli Couch

Old Holloway

Proven at the October Term of the Lincoln County Court 1842
Registered October 15th 1842