

Ephraim Dickey, Will

Know all men by these presents that I Ephraim Dickey of the County of Lincoln and State of Tennessee Calling to mind that it is appointed for all men once to die, and feeling my bodily power failing although mind clear and unimpaired and sound I constitute this my last will and testament.

And I do commit my soul to Almighty God who gave it and my body to the dust to be buried at the discretion of my friends

Ist I will that my funeral expenses be punctually paid out of my estate and also all my other just debts

2^d I will that my beloved wife Elizabeth Dickey have my plantation on which I now live her natural life time to be managed and conducted at her will and pleasure I also will and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth my Chestnut wood mare her life time, also my house hold and kitchen furniture, also my present crop of grain, the household and kitchen furniture to be disposed of at her death as she may think proper

3rd I will that my daughter Mary have my soul horse to have and dispose of as she may think proper provided my debts can be paid without selling him for that purpose

4th I will that the remainder of my ~~estate~~ stock consisting of my cattle and hogs be sold to pay my debts also all my other property, consisting of my farming tools, blacksmith tools &c.

This I constitute and ordain my last will and testament signed in the presence of. This the 16th day of September in the Year of our Lord 1840

State

Ephraim Dickey

Alexander Edmiston
Samuel Bell

Proven at the November Court 1840

James M. Deane's Will

In the name of God amen I James M. Deane being in my right mind and proper senses, I wish my body to be decently buried and Ist I wish for all of my just debts to be paid and 2^d I give and bequeath unto my dear and beloved wife Ann Deane the sum of three hundred dollars - provided there is that money collected after paying my debts, also my gold watch, 1 Bureau and small candle stand, I also bequeath and give to my brother Alvin M. Deane a certain lot of books that is now in the upper drawer of my bureau, And I wish my father Henry Deane to take my stock of horses and dispose of them at private sale and account to the executor for the same - And should there be more than three hundred dollars left after paying all just debts, I will and bequeath the same to my brother Henry M. Deane, and I wish the same to go for his education And I wish Thomas Deane of Bedford County and B. H. Berry of this Lincoln County to be my Executors Sept 20th 1840 Witness Wm G. Rountree James M. Deane

Jas. A. Berry

Proven at October Court 1840 but entered reme pro time at December Court 1840

Minty Alexander's Last Will

I Minty Alexander do make and publish this as my last and testament hereby revoking and making void all others made by me at any time made. first I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any moneys that I may die possessed of or may first come into the hands of my Executors, secondly I give and bequeath to my son James A. Alexander my servant boy Simon and thirdly I give and bequeath to my daughter Nelly Susan Alexander my servant girl Mary, and fourthly I give and bequeath to Temple Taylor my servant girl Harriette and lastly I do appoint and hereby nominate Temple Taylor my executor In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and seal this the 3^d day of September 1840

Minty Alexander
James

Signed, sealed and published in our presence and we have
subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator this the
3rd day of September 1840
The Willamms
John F. Keller
mark
Proven at December Term 1840

Fielding M. Daniel's Will
State of Tennessee Lincoln County
This is my will & testament I Fielding
M. Daniel do make and publish this as my last and
testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by
me at any time made.
First 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 may first come into the hands
of my Executors
Secondly I direct that all my children that I have not given
off property to, that is those of them that have not left me or
come of age to have an equal portion with those of my children
which have left me or come of age, that is to say one horse
bridle & saddle of as nearly an equal value as can be with
those which I have ^{to some} the other children, also one bed and furniture
one cow and calf two head of sheep with other little things
which they can recollect all of which is to be as nearly of an
equal value as possible. Moreover that Ervin my 3rd son
to have another bed and furniture or its value about \$18 or
\$20. Also one other horse or its equivalent \$70 or \$75. And
that Agnes my second daughter to have her mother's bed and
other clothing together with the cupboard and one certain
set of cups & saucers which was her mother's request
Thirdly my will is that after the above donations and divi-
sions are made that all of the rest and residue of my property
and effects both personal and real estate to be equally divided
among all such and every one of my children by consent if
possible if not as directed by law there are my ^{children} Elizabeth,
John, Ambrose, Ervin, Agnes, Fielding, Charles, Williams and

Coleman mine in number. Ambrose my second son being dead.
I wish John my first son to be appointed the guardian of
his Ambrose's two children John and Robert and that he the
said John to receive the portion of Ambrose and keep it for
the sole benefit of his Ambrose's two heirs John and Robert and
to be given to them when and as they come of age And ex-
pressly that it Ambrose's legacy or part of my estate shall
not go directly or indirectly into the hands of Robert
Ambrose's wife and their mother
And lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint Thomas
Wattlefield my son in law and John my first son my executor
In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand
and seal or cause it to be by mark. This 23rd day of July 1839
Fielding M. Daniel
mark
Signed, sealed and published in our presence and we
have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator
this 23rd day of July 1839
Hugh Shaw
John H. King
Proven at the January Term 1841 of the County Court
and Recorded January 7th 1841. J. D. Jones Clerk

Alexander Ashby's Will
In the name of God Amen. I Alexander Ashby of the
State of Tennessee and County of Lincoln being at this time of
sound mind and disposing memory do make and ordain this
to be my last will and testament revoking all others and
as touching the property and effects that it has pleased God
to bless ^{me} with I leave and bequeath in the following
manner (viz)
I leave in the possession of my wife Lavina Ashby all
my property of every description during her natural life or
widowhood except as hereinafter mentioned.
1st I have given my son John L. Ashby a saddle and when he
arrives at lawful age he is to receive a horse and that gun
now in my possession
3rd I give unto my daughter Rachel E. Ashby a feather bed