

# Robert Wilson's last will

I Robert Wilson of the County of Lincoln & State of Tennessee being weak in body but of sound memory & mind & knowing the mortality of my body & that it is appointed for all men once to die do make this my last will & testament that is to say I recommend my soul into the hands of God who gave it & my body to the dust to be buried in a decent & Christian like manner & as to the worldly estate with which God has been pleased to bless me I bequeath & dispose of in the following manner (to wit) In the first place I allow full my just debts to be paid by my executors And to my beloved wife Mary Wilson I give & bequeath all my house hold & kitchen furniture to be at her sole disposal & also the one half of all my money & debts owing to me in the State of Virginia & Tennessee at the time of my decease & to my son Charles Wilson I give & bequeath one bay horse & one Gray Mare & gray filly reserving one barrel mares bone brown mare for the use of my wife Mary during her life and I also give & bequeath unto my son Charles & Wilson all my farming utensils & also all my Cattle hogs & sheep & the one half of all the money & debts owing to me at my decease & at the death of my wife Mary I bequeath unto my son Charles & Wilson the plantation whereon I now live to him & his heirs forever and I also give & bequeath to my daughter Jane Woodruff the one half of all my Books & the other half I leave to my son Charles Wilson And I constitute my wife Mary my executrix & my son Charles my executor of this my last will & testament hereby revoking all former wills & testaments

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1836 assigned & sealed in presence of Th. M. Blake Jno. M. Blake & Charles Thomas State of Tennessee Second session of the Court of Tipton County and Court of Tipton County 1836 I Robert W. Sanford Clerk of the Court of Pleas & quarter sessions of Tipton County do hereby certify that the undersigned paper purporting to be the last will & testament of Robert Wilson &c. &c. received on this 5 July purports to be the last will & testament of Robert Wilson &c. &c. by the oath of Hughell Blake one of the subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be so certified for registration in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal of office at office the 5th day of December 1832

R. W. Sanford  
Recorded February 5th 1833

# Charles Sulley last will & testament

In the Name of God Amen Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> 1832 I Charles Sulley of the County of Lincoln & State of Tennessee being of sound mind and thank God for his mercy that I am in tolerable health at this time, Yet viewing the uncertainty of all human calculations and knowing the certainty of death, I do constitute this instrument signed with my own hand my last will & testament revoking all others. First it is my desire if I should die in debt to any person that they be paid as soon as the nature of circumstances will permit out of my perishable property (if there is not sufficient other funds) i.e. debt due to me ready money &c. secondly - It is my desire that my seven children whom I had by my first wife, viz. James Wilderness Sulley Martha Cummings Sulley John Alexander Sulley William Hamilton Sulley Samuel Preston Sulley Elizabeth Caroline Sulley & Malinda Sulley have the tract of land now owned by me lying on Elk river on the north side of the river five miles below Fayetteville which tract of land Elijah & John McElroy deeded to me bound on the north by Gunter survey containing one hundred & seventy five acres be the same more or less and as the situation of the land will not admit of dividing into that number of settlements and to permit