

many within nine months after my decease all my lands in Carroll County and our old spotted Leopard mare and her two youngest fillies our sorrel horse and our mare and her colt (Set of Suggs) during her natural life and at her death to descend unto her three children the heirs of our marriage. All my other Estate of whatever name and description in which the same does exist except bear, I direct to be sold by my Executor and the proceeds thereof to constitute a fund for the payment of all my just debts and legal liabilities. And if the same shall not be all exhausted in that way the same to be equally divided between my wife and two children. The be- and bedding is already known by distinctions such are known as my present wife I give to her and her children and such as are now known in the family as belonging to my first two children I give to them and must not be sold under any considerations. I nominate and appoint Sullivan C. Suggs to be Executor to this my last will and Testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 11 day of October 1834.

William Wofford, Willm. Hingo,
C. W. Reese, et. C. Pinson,

Salomon Reese

recorded 6 Dec 1834.

William A. Davis

Last
Will and Testament

William A. Davis of the County of Lincoln and State of Tennessee do hereby make my last will & Testament in manner and form following that is:
1st I desire that all my perishable property not otherwise disposed of to be immediately sold after my decease and out of the monies arising therefrom all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid should the perishable part of my estate prove insufficient for the above purpose then I desire that my executors hereafter named may sell some part of my real estate and out of the proceeds of the monies arising therefrom pay and satisfy such of my just debts as remain unpaid out of the sales of the perishable part of my estate. 2^d after the payment of my just debts and funeral expenses, I give to my wife Polly Davis all my possession of lands for the purpose of supporting the family and educating my children until my youngest child shall become twenty one years old provided my wife remains a widow, but if she marries she no

longer shall be entitled to any part of my landed estate. And further it is my desire that my wife Polly shall have possession of all that part of my premises except that part bought of William Jones during her widowhood or until my son Newton C. Davis arrives at the age of twenty one years then my said son Newton C. to have two thirds of the above named premises and my wife Polly the other one third part during her natural life or widowhood and at her death or marriage her 5 part to descend to my said son Newton C. Davis. The balance of my lands namely the tract bought of William Jones I give and bequeath unto my two sons namely Coanallader C. Davis and Rufus Columbus Davis to take possession of the same at the age of twenty one years, without bond or surety. Coanallader C. Davis to have that part of the tract, where said Jones owed him to be divided between my son by persons disinterested as soon as he shall arrive at 21 years. I also give to my wife Polly Davis a certain negro woman named Mary during her natural life or widowhood and at her death or marriage the said negro or the value thereof to be equally divided amongst my girl children to be enjoyed by them and their heirs forever.

3^d I give to my daughter Adeline Davis a negro girl named Susan to be enjoyed by her and her heirs forever.
4th I give unto my Daughter Eliza Ann Davis a negro girl named Harriet to be enjoyed by her and her heirs forever. 5th I give unto Daughter Narcissa P. Davis a negro boy named Joe to be enjoyed by her and her heirs forever.
6th I give unto my daughter Theodora B. Davis a negro boy named Lewis to be enjoyed by her and her heirs forever. 7th I give unto my Daughter Margaret Elizabeth Francis Davis a negro boy named Henry to be enjoyed by her and her heirs forever. 8th I give unto my Daughter Arcia Josephine Davis a negro girl child named Ann to be enjoyed by her & her heirs forever.
9th I require that my two negro men namely Prince, and Sam remain in the family to labor for the support of my children that continue in the family or are minors until my youngest son Rufus C. Davis is twenty one years of age, then I wish the same negro men to belong to my above named three sons, that is I wish my son Newton C. Davis to have Sam, and pay over an amount in money so that my said son shall have them or the value thereof equally amongst them. And further as my said negro man Prince is of turbulent unruly disposition should he

poor to remain unmanageable in my family) I request that he be hired
 out annually and the monies arising from the hire to go the above named
 three sons when the youngest shall be twenty one years old that is, that the
 two negroes or value thereof shall be theirs in the manner above suggested
 10. I give unto my wife Polly Davis a certain bay mare named Mary
 to be enjoyed by her and her heirs forever. 11. I give unto my Daughter
 Adeline Davis a certain sorrel filly two years old last spring to be
 enjoyed by her and her heirs forever. 12. I give to my Daughter Eliza
 Ann Davis a certain bay filly two years old past to be enjoyed by her
 and her heirs for ever each of the above mares to be valued at seventy
 five dollars. 13. I give unto my son Newton C. Davis a certain old
 sorrel mare for which he shall allow sixty dollars and the young
 colt of said mare I give unto my daughter Narcissa P. Davis for
 which she shall be charged thirty dollars, my naggon and large
 Oxen I leave with my family for their support and benefit so long
 as they may remain. 14. I request my Executors hereinafter
 named to sell all my perishable property that they may think
 not necessary for the immediate benefit of my family and the
 monies arising therefrom to be equally divided among my
 children considering the value of three horses as part of said monies
 In reference to a certain negro woman named Mary given to my
 her mistress should then be any shall descend to my children
 and be equally divided among them. And lastly I do hereby
 constitute and appoint my friends Pleasant B. Bearden & the W. Hays
 executors of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all
 other or former wills or testaments by me heretofore made. In witness
 whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 17th day of September
 in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty four.
 Signed sealed published and declared to be the last will & testament of the above
 named William A. Davis in presence of
 us who at his request and in his presence
 have hereunto subscribed our names as
 witnesses to the same.

Obadiash Pinson
 John P. Davis

Recorded 6th day of December 1834.

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 John Marr
 Last

In the name of God Amen I John Marr of the
 County of Lincoln and State of Tennessee being
 now on a bed of sickness but being sound in mind have thought it proper
 and necessary to arrange my worldly affairs, and dispose of the property
 wherewith God has blessed me in this world, as seems to me right & proper
 therefore I have adopted this as my last will & testament. 1. I bequeath my
 body to the grave, with suitable interment, and my soul to God who gave it.
 2. I will that all my property, both real and personal be sold, except
 such as hereafter reserved, on the following terms, viz, my tract of Land on
 Cow Creek the same whereon I now live containing two hundred and
 sixty Acre or thereabouts, must be sold to the highest bidder on Credit, two
 and three years credit, the purchaser securing the payments fully, the personal
 property in like manner to be sold on twelve months Credit to the highest bidder
 the above times to be completed from the court at which this will shall be proved
 After my decease and allowing ten days after court as a notification of sale
 3. All notes, bonds, and accounts, that may be due or owing to me at the time
 of my decease, and such as may fall due thereafter, are to be collected as soon
 as the law will permit. Then sum, viz, the amount of the sale of my property, as
 above and the debt due me as above to, after with the ready money I may
 be possessed of is to form a capital, which is to be laid out in the following
 manner, viz, my debts are first to be paid, after which three thousand dollars
 are to be laid out in purchasing young negroes slaves, between the ages of
 fifteen and twenty years the balance whatever it may be is to be laid out
 in purchasing a tract of Land at such place as my executrix may
 designate, said negroes and Land to be placed under her sole direction
 and controul until my youngest Child shall arrive at full age.
 It is nevertheless to be understood, that the profits arising from the
 culture of said tract of Land which may be so purchased and the
 labour of said slaves are to be appropriated to the support of the
 family and education of my children or so much as may be neces-
 sary for that purpose and if there shall remain a surplus, it may
 be loaned out or applied in any other way that my executrix may
 think proper to use it, yet so as not to waste the same. 4. To reserve
 the following property from being sold, viz, my negro boy Linn.
 two head of horses, two cows and calves, two feather beds, with their fur-