

341 B. M. Jones has heretofore had an amount equal to what my daughter Lucinda Stephens will receive in a certain lot of corn and a parcel of whiskey and my interest in ^{the share of a} plantation. Lastly I do hereby appoint William Tully my executor. In witness whereof I do to this my will at my hand and seal this 7th day of August 1841.

James. *Protest Seal*

Signa Seal and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names in the presence of the Testator this 8th day of Sept 1841.

Julius Davis

James O. Wright ³ approved & Record at
September Term 1848

William Williams's last will.

I William Williams do make & publish this as my last will and testament, hereby revoking all other wills by me made. And being desirous that all my property should be disposed of according to my wishes.

First it is my will and desire that all my just debts & funeral expenses should be paid. Secondly, I will & bequeath to my wife Louisa Williams, should have during her lifetime or widowhood, the Smith tract of land containing twenty-five acres, and the dwelling houses lots where I now live some five or six acres. It is my will that my wife shall have one head, two cows and choice hiefers, one sow & whelps & pork hogs for one year provision for her & children, corn & the wheat after paying Ann Thomas what is owing, Coffee & salt I wish allowed for one year for my wife and children, all the household kitchen furniture I

wish to remain for the benefit of my wife & children two pair of years, two plows. And at her death I wish it all to be equally divided between my children, namely, Margaret Ann, Mary Ann, Barton, Susan Delony, Permilia London, William Edward, Thomas Stephenson, Samuel Jefferson, John Clark. It is also my wish and desire that my Executors make sale of all the balance of my property, not disposed of as soon after my death as practicable. It is my will that my executor sell all my lands not claimed in my will as soon after my death as will be convenient, on a credit of one & two years, taking bond with two approved securities and a lien retained on the land to secure the purchase money after giving twenty days notice of the time & place of sale. And after all my debts are paid I wish the remainder to be divided equally between the above named children and my wife Louisa Williams.

Lastly I do appoint William Stephens & Eli S. Hodge my Executors to this my last will, this the second day of October 1848.

Test A. M. Allred

Samuel Smith

William Williams *his*
mark

Proven by the subscribing witnesses & ordered to be recorded by Lincoln County Court at November term 1848. Recorded 22nd November 1848.

William Griffis's last will.

I William Griffis of Lincoln County in the State of Tennessee being advanced in age & of feeble & precarious health, but of sound & disposing mind, do make publish and declare my last will & testament as follows. First. It is my desire

that as soon after my death as practicable my Executors pay all my debts and funeral expenses out of the first money that shall come to their hands.

Second. I give and bequeath to my daughter Lucinda B. Becker during her life, and at her death to her children then living, and the children of such of her children as shall have died leaving children, the child or children of such deceased child representing their deceased parent my four negro slaves, Mariak, Jack, George and Andrew together with their increase.

Third. I give & bequeath to my son William A. Griffis my negro boy slave Hugh B. and one note for five hundred dollars executed to me by Reuben A. McDonald and due the twenty fifth day of December 1848 also one other note this day executed to me by said Reuben A. McDonald for seven hundred and fifty dollars due & payable on the twenty fifth day of December 1850 to each of said notes William M. Elroy is joint maker with said Reuben A. McDonald as security.

Fourth. I give and bequeath to my grand son John M. Wendell one note executed to me by Reuben A. McDonald & William M. Elroy for five hundred dollars due & payable on the twenty fifth day of December 1849.

Fifth. I give and bequeath to my grand son Alfred James Hinderson Wendell, one note executed to me by Reuben A. McDonald & William M. Elroy for five hundred dollars due & payable on the twenty fifth day of December 1849.

Sixth. I give and bequeath to my daughter in law Martha Griffis for and during her life my negro girl slave Emily now in the possession of said Martha Griffis; and at the death of said

Martha Griffis I give and bequeath the said girl Emily to my son William A. Griffis together with her increase.

Seventh. It is my will and desire that my negro woman slave Caroline at my death be emancipated and set free by my Executors.

Eighth & last. I hereby nominate and appoint Thomas R. Griffis Executor of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this 11th day of November A.D. 1846

Wm. Griffis

The above named William Griffis with whom we are personally acquainted did this day in our presence subscribe his name and affix his seal to the foregoing; and also in our presence published and declare the same to be his last will and testament and we have at his request and in presence of each other subscribed our names to the same as witness thereto the day and date above written.

Wm. Jones

R. A. McDonald

J. B. Clements

Proven & admitted to Record at November term 1848 of Lincoln County Court.

Samuel Sates last will

The last will and testament of Samuel Sates of Lincoln County & State of Tennessee.

I Samuel Sates considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of sound mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following (that is to say) First. As soon as