

Benjamin W Hardin's Will

We John S Fulton, George Gant & Charles C McKinney do state the nuncupative will of Benj W Hardin was made by him on the 23^d day of September, eighteen hundred & fifty one, in our presence to which we were specially required to bear witness by the testator himself in the presence of each other, that it was made in his last sickness, in his own habitation or dwelling house or where he had been resident ten days at least

And the same is followor, It was his desire that his effects should be disposed of after his decease in the following manner

First it was his desire that all his Just debts should be paid

Secondly it was his desire that his land negro and money should be divided equally between his brothers Wiley & Moses Hardin & his sister

Made and signed by us the 3 of October 1851

John S Fulton

C C McKinney
George Gant

Samuel Buchanan's Will

I Samuel Buchanan, do hereby make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills or testament that may have been made by me heretofore

First, It is my will that my executor or administrator shall pay all my funeral expenses and debts of every description out of the first money that may come into his hands

Second, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Martha Jane a certain negro girl child named Anne Eliza, aged about two years,

Third, It is my will that my son William, with deducting three hundred dollars for money heretofore advanced to him shall receive an equal share with the remainder of my children

Fourth I bequeath to my grand daughter Vesta only child of my eldest son Greenfield, One hundred dollars as her share in full of my estate.

Fifth It is my will that my son and daughters viz Milissa T. Colman C. William, the heirs of Elizabeth representing her share, Thomas W. the heirs of Nancy Martha Lewis, representing her share, Mary John W. Martha C. & Cyrus A. shall receive an equal share of the remainder of my estate with the exceptions specified above in the second and third provisions and those hereafter named

Sixth It is my will that my wife Rachael shall have such share of my estate as the law would provide for her as though I had made no will

Seventh - It is my will that my executor or administrator shall have full power to advertise sell and make all necessary deeds and conveyances to any and all portions of my estate both personal and real which are to be distributed among my heirs without being required to make application to any Court what ever for any order for the same

Be it further understood, that my grand children Greenfield and Mary Jane shall be the only representatives of my daughter Elizabeth