

117 The Municipature of William A Robinson a
Citizen of Lincoln County in the State of Tennessee
I William A Robinson being of sound mind
and disposing memory to make and publish the following
as my last will & testament

It is my will and desire that all my property
of every kind be sold and after my funeral expenses
and just debts are paid that the balance be
equally divided between my wife Sophronia &
my child Stephen Gayfette Robinson

We the undersigned Stephen M Ammons
& Henry Robinson do state that we were present
when the above named William A Robinson made
his municipal will that it was made in his last
sickness at his own dwelling house that he was of
sound and disposing mind and memory that he
directed his property to be disposed of in the manner
now above stated and called upon us to take
notice that he had always conducted us in his
important matters This 1st day of October 1855
S M Ammons 33
Henry Robinson 33 Present at the execution
1855-
Eli L Hays Clerk

118 The Last will and testament of Benj S Sharp
I Benjamin S Sharp do make and publish this as my
last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills
by me at any time made

Item the 1st It is my will that all of my just debts and
funeral expenses be paid after my death as soon as
possible out of any money that I may have on hand
and if the money I have on hand at my death shall
not shall not be sufficient to pay my debts then I
want my executor herein after named to see my stock
crop & two negroes to pay my said debts

Item 2nd I will & bequeath to my sister Nancy Grace
Grace John W Grace Thomas Grace William
Grace Tranquella Grace & Betsey Grace
all of my negroes these negroes are to be valued
and each of my said sister's children is to
have the one fourth in value of them. It is
my request that my friends Reuben A McDonald
James Bright & C. G. Stone or any two of them shall
value my said negroes and divide them equally
between my said sister's seven children. In making
such division my friends as above named may charge
the allotment to any one or some of said children
with such sum or sums as shall be necessary to make
the division of said negroes equal & equitable between
my said sister Nancy's seven children

Item 3rd It is my will that my executor if there should
be any balance remaining after paying my debts
out of the proceeds of the sale of the stock and crop
or the notes on hand at my death shall lend such
balance out at interest for the purpose hereinafter
named.

Item the 4th It is my will that my Executor sell the tract
of land containing about ninety Acres more or less
to me by my mother on a credit of one & two
years at public Auction to the highest bidder
upon the premises after giving thirty days notice
by putting up written advertisements in some of the
papers & two or more public places in Lincoln
County Tennessee

my execution will retain a lien on said land to secure
to take bonds with sufficient security for the payment
of the purchase money for said land

Item 3rd It is my will that my execution out of the proceeds
of the sale of said land shall retain enough together
with the balance if any remaining of the sale of the
stock & crop after paying my debts as aforesaid to make
my niece Alice Shemill equal to what I have given
to my said sister Nancy & seven Children that is
her share is to be equal to the one seventh of the value
of said negroes willed to said children as aforesaid

Item 4th If there should be any remaining balance of
the purchase money for the tract of land directed
to be sold as aforesaid before mentioned then it is my
will that said balance of the purchase money be equally
divided between my said sister Nancy's seven
Children & said Alice Shemill

Item 5th I will and bequeath to my sister Grace the
tract of land on which I now live containing
about one hundred ^{and fifty} acres for and during her natural
life and at her death it is my will that said
tract of land be sold by my executor, reserving the
family burying ground about one half of an acre
upon a credit of one two and three years at public
auction to the highest bidder upon the premises
after giving thirty days notice of the time & place
of sale by putting up written
advertisements one on the premises one on the Court
house door in Fayetteville Tennessee and at four
or more public places in ^{said} Lincoln County

My Executor will take bond & good security for
the purchase money for said land and also retain
a lien on the same untill that money is paid
The proceeds of this tract of land I will to be
equally divided between my sister Nancy's
seven Children and my niece Alice Shemill

Item 6th It is my will that my execution lend out
the money hereby bequeathed to my niece
Alice Shemill from year to year taking
bond & good security untill my said
niece arrive to the age of twenty one years

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or marries when either of these events shall take place then my
said execution will pay said money with the interest thereon
to my said niece Alice Shemill but if my said niece should
die before either of these contingencies happen as above named
then it is my will that said money & interest thereon be equally
divided between my said sister Nancy's seven Children
herein before named

Item 7th I will to my sister Nancy all of my household & kitchen
furniture farming utensils & also my Buggy & one set of
blacksmiths tools

Item 8th In the event that I shall become entitled to any
portion of the three hundred Dollars willed by my
father to my niece Alice Shemill then it is my will
that the same be equally divided between my sister
Nancy's seven children. Lastly I do hereby nominate
and appoint John M Smith my Executor

In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand
and seal this 5th Sept 1855 - Benjamin F Sharps (Sd)

Legally sealed and published in our
presence and we have subscribed our names
hereto in the presence of the testator this the day
of Sept 1855 - William Davis
Jest E. Hall Messers

Witness in open Court this 5 day of Nov^r 1855 -

Edw. L. Stedice Clerk