

of my said daughter and should any of her
children at the time of her death be dead leaving
a child or children then living such child or children
shall take such share or part of such slaves as
the deceased parent of such child or children would
have taken if then living

By said will I bequeath to my daughter
Mary Jane Rochester and to the heirs of her body a
negro girl named Dyna and her increase I hereby
bequeath negro Dyna and her increase to my
daughter Mary Jane Rochester to be held by her
during her natural life to her sole and separate
use and as her separate property for her comfort
support & convenience free from the debt contracts
and deposition of her husband and at the death
of my said daughter Mary Jane I direct that said
Dyna and her increase be equally divided
amongst the children of my said daughter and
should any of her children at the time of her death
be dead leaving a child or children then living
such child or children shall take such part or
share of such slaves as the deceased parent of such
child or children would have taken if then living

I desire that this Codicil be attached to &
constitute a part of my last will and testament

June 19th 1857

Felix G Gibson

Witness
Albert G Gibson
Robert B Gibson

In the name of God Amen I John Guthrie of the
State of Tennessee and County of Lincoln being mindful
of my mortality do this ninth day of June in the year
of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and forty
Eight make and publish this my last will and testament
in the manner following

- 1 I desire to be decently and privately buried in the
grave yard at Stephen M Dances without any funeral
pomp and with as little expense as may be
- 2 Also I give and bequeath unto Nancy Guthrie the
wife of my son James C Guthrie the sum of one
dollar in full of all claims against my estate
- 3 Also I give and bequeath unto Hugh R Hodges the
husband of my daughter Sarah the sum of
one dollar in full of all claims against my estate
- 4 Also I give and bequeath unto Thomas Baxter
the husband of my daughter Susan M the sum
of one dollar in full of all claims against my estate
- 5 Also I give and bequeath my daughter Lucinda
A Guthrie my bedstead bed and furniture mark
thus \blacksquare my small bedstead and furniture mark
thus \blacksquare one half dozen cups and saucers one half
dozen of table plates one butter plate one half dozen
of cup plates one looking glass marked thus \blacksquare
One rocking chair marked thus \blacksquare
- 6 It is my will that my daughter Mary C Colman
pay out of her dividend of my estate to my
executors eighty dollars for mare and saddle Also
that my daughter Sophia Walker pay out of her
dividend of my estate seventy dollars to my exec-
utors for her mare and saddle which two sums
make the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars
- 7 It is my will that said one hundred and
fifty dollars refunded by Mary & Sophia be
divided equally between Rebekah H Guthrie Simpson
& Guthrie and Lucinda A Guthrie fifty dollars
each
- 8 My will is that my land and the rest and
residue of my personal estate whatsoever of what
nature kind or quality whatsoever the same
may be and not herein before disposed of

shall be sold on a credit at the discussion of
James P. Baxter whom I do hereby nominate and
appoint Executor to this my last will and Testament
and when the money is collected my debts and
funeral expenses paid out of the same to be
equally divided between Reuben & Catharine
Falesy Williams Elizabeth C. Baxter Simpson
& Catharine Mary H. Coleman Sophia Walker
and Lucinda A. Catharine Chan & Chan alike
I do also hereby disannul and revoke all former
wills made by me ~~in witness whereof I~~
have hereunto set my hand and seal the day
and date above written

Signed sealed published & John Catharine *(seal)*

declared by the last testator

as and for his last will and

Testament in our presence at

his request in his presence and in the
presence of each other have subscribed
our names as witnesses thereto

AB. The words when & paid was underlined
before assigned

J. M. Dance

J. H. H. Dance

The Last will and Testament of Benjamin M. Williams

I. Benjamin Williams of the County
of Lincoln in the State of Kansas being in a
feeble state of Bodily health but of sound
and disposing mind and memory do
make ordain and publish this my last
will and Testament hereby revoking and
annulling all others heretofore made and
published

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter
Emeline H. Coleman who now lives
^{said} in Lincoln County my negro man
Roderrick about 60 years of age
and all other property of which

I may die possessed absolutely for her own use
if fit and to dispose of at her pleasure
In witness whereof I have set my hand
and affix my seal this 28th day of October
1887 Benj. M. Williams *(seal)*

Signed sealed and acknowledged by said Benjamin
M. Williams as his last will
and Testament in our presence
one who at his request
now here subscribe our
names as witnesses in the
presence of said Williams
and of each other

John Franklin *(seal)*
Robert Smith *(seal)*

Admitte to Record December Term 1887

I. Elias Scott of the County of Lincoln and State of Kansas
do make and publish this as my last Will and Testament hereby
revoking and making void all other Wills by me at any
time made first I direct that my funeral expenses and
all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible
out of any money that I may ^{be} possessed of, or may
first come into the hands of my executors
Secondly, I had my beloved wife Margaret Scott during
her natural life or widowhood the plantation I now reside
on, also all my stock of horses, cattle, hogs, and sheep
and forming ~~including~~ also four negroes named Ben
Peggy Lewis & Morgan, also all my household and
Kitchen furniture and all the Crop and provision
I may be on hand at my death

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my son John Scott
the plantation I now live on at the death or end of
widowhood of my wife Margaret Scott also one negro
boy named Alfred, also one horse one bid & furniture

Fourthly, I give and bequeath to my daughter Angelina
Arlette Brants one negro girl named Caroline in
cluding the mare, saddle bed and furniture that I have
hitherto given her