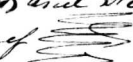


121  
Amongst the heirs & legates except the Negroes given  
to her which are to be at her own disposal  
I hereby revoke and annul all former wills  
I hereby nominate and appoint Jacob Gillespie  
Thos H. Bledsoe my Executors of this my last will  
& testament I write of all which I shew  
set my hand and seal this thirtieth day of January  
Eighteen hundred and thirty two  
Signed in Presence of  William Oldfield  
James M. Bell  
James M. Bell, Proven in open Court by James  
M. Bell & James M. Bell the 2 day of  
December 1855 Eli C. Hodge Clerk

The last will and Testament of Miles Rufus Sherrell Deceased  
State of Tennessee April the 14<sup>th</sup> 1855  
Lincoln County I Miles Rufus Sherrell do make this  
my last will and Testament being of sound mind and  
disposing memory I wish all my funeral expenses paid first  
then my last debts paid I desire my land and all other  
property sold except my Negroes viz James Allen Caleb Mary  
Margaret Hannah Amanda Louisa Cynthia Jane Harriet Thomas  
Anderson Mariah Caroline Ellen I furthermore wish my Slaves  
to be hired out privately until my Eldest Daughter Alice  
Anne Read Sherrell becomes of age or Marries at which time  
I direct my Executors to have three commissioners appointed  
to value and set apart one third of my Estate to her and  
her children I also wish for Uty William Sherrell to have his  
part laid off at twenty one years of age as he above I also  
wish for Mary Frances Sherrell to have the Remainder at twenty  
one years of age or when she marries to her and her children  
I furthermore wish if either of my above named children  
should die before receiving there Estate it shall fall back  
to the Estate as above mentioned be equally divided  
between the survivors as before directed I furthermore

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Appoint Joseph Lawson Sherrell and Wmby R. Bruce my  
Executors I here put my hand and seal  
Witness Miles Rufus Sherrell Seal  
John Maddox  
David S. Patterson  
Proven in open Court February Term 1856 Eli C. Hodge Clerk

The Last Will and Testament of William McElroy Deceased  
I William McElroy being of sound & disposing mind & memory  
do make and publish this my last Will and Testament hereby  
revoking all other and former Wills  
Item 1<sup>st</sup> it is my will that all my last debts and funeral expenses  
be paid out of the first money that come into the hands of my Executors  
herein after named  
Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I give to my son Sanford McElroy Negro by Sam whom  
he now has in his possession  
Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I give to my son Sherrod McElroy my Negro man Patrick  
I have hitherto given to him by Deed the one Hundred acres of land  
on which he now resides which with the negro herein given will make  
him an equal distribution of all my property  
Item 4<sup>th</sup> I give to my son Nicajah S. McElroy my negro boy Isaac  
whom he now has in his possession and I desire to him about nine  
acres of land being the same on which he now resides and the same which  
I purchased from Seander and Siney Buchanan said tract originally  
containing one hundred acres ten acres of which I have received and  
now have enclosed and in my possession it is my design to give him  
four hundred dollars more before my death to aid him to purchase  
more land in the event I do not give him said sum of \$400 before  
decease it is my will that he have \$400 out of my estate  
Item 5<sup>th</sup> I give to my son Rufus C. McElroy my Negro boy Duncan a  
ninety four acres and one hundred and twenty four poles of land as  
bounded as follows Beginning at a sugar tree it being the North East  
corner of Sherrod McElroys land running with his line South 35° 45'  
to a stake his corner thence South 77° East with his line 54 poles  
to an ash his corner thence South 57° East to an ash his corner  
thence North 2° West 66 poles to a hickory thence North 50° East 18 poles to  
a stake in the centre of the branch thence North 2° West with a ditch  
and fence 70 poles to a stake thence North 36° West 25 poles to a  
stake at the fence thence North 8° West 29 poles to a white oak in