

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

my grand daughter Martha Rivers shall be the only
representative of my daughter Nancy's share and should
either of the above named grand children die with
out any bodily heirs then their portion of my estate
shall fall back to my estate and be divided as
heretofore provided for the balance of my property
Be it further provided that the share to which
my daughter Mary Appleton would be entitled if living
shall not be represented by any person I testimony
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my
seal in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred
and Fifty two and on the 27th day of January

Signed sealed & delivered
in the presence of
This 27th day of January
1852

Wm Edmiston
Solon Buchanan

Samuel Buchanan

Susanah Dobbins Will

I Susanah Dobbins do make and publish this my last
will and Testament hereby revoking and making void
all other wills by me at any time made
First) I direct that all my just debts be paid as soon
after my death as possible out of any moneys that I
may be possessed of or may first come into the hands
of my Executors

(2nd) I give and bequeath to the heirs of my deceased
Daughter Doshe Hall consort of Samuel Hall Five Negro
and their increase if any and slaves for life (to wit) my
Negro Girl Eliza now about fifteen year old my
Boy Sam now about twenty two year old my Negro Boy
Alfred about eleven years of age my Negro Boy March
now about thirteen years old also my Negro Boy Robert
now about eight years old

(3rd) I give and bequeath to the heirs of my deceased
son John Dobbins my Negro Boy Shelburn now about
sixteen years old and a slave for life to be equally
divided between the heirs of the said John Dobbins

(4th) I give and bequeath to the heirs of my deceased
daughter Elizabeth Pinson consort of Joel Pinson
my Negro Girl Emeline to be equally divided between
the heirs of her body

(5th) I give and bequeath to Sally Edmiston former
consort of John Dobbins Five dollars

(6th) And lastly I give and bequeath to the heirs of John
Dobbins Doshe Hall and Elizabeth Pinson the balance
of my property not otherwise disposed of such as moneys
notes of hand house hold and Kitchen Furniture
stock of Hogs cattle horses or any other property
that I may be possessed of at my death to be equally
divided between the heirs of John Dobbins Doshe Hall
and Elizabeth Pinson I do hereby nominate and appoint
P. W. Hooper and Samuel Hall my Executors in witness
whereof I do to this my last will and Testament set
my hand and seal this 4th day of September in the year
of our Lord 1849 signed sealed and published in our pre-
sence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the pre-
sence of the Testator This 4th day of September 1849
Test John Caldwell
Susanah Dobbins