

Slaves and houses to finish the cultivation and gathering in of the crop they shall be obtained on the farm until that service is performed.

Eighth - At the death of my wife Phoebe the Trustee shall permit my daughter Mary Stute to select one of the slaves over which she shall exercise control during her natural life and at the death of Mary Stute the Trustee herein & after named and constituted shall proceed to take possession of said slave with her natural increase and exercise control over and manage and dispose of her with her natural increase as herein and after directed with the other slaves -

Ninth - At the death of my ~~former~~ wife Phoebe Dimmicks the Trustee herein & after named and appointed shall take possession of all the slaves with their natural increase not otherwise disposed of above and proceed as near the first day of January in each year so long as he is required to act as Trustee by this my last will to permit said slave separately except Mothers with small children for the term of twelve months requiring bond with good security with an express understanding that the said slaves are to be well clothed & fed and treated with humanity and not removed out of the County of Lincoln & State of Tennessee -

Tenth - The money arising from the hire of slaves shall be appropriated and disposed of in the following way and manner to wit the Trustee shall first obtain a sufficient amount to pay himself for his trouble and labor as Trustee and then pay over the balance to my daughter Mary Stute yearly during her natural life and after the death of my daughter Mary Stute he the said Trustee shall pay over the balance as above to my grand daughter (the being the daughter of Mary Stute) Maryant Robertson during her natural life.

Eleventh - At the death of my grand daughter Maryant Robertson the being the daughter of Mary Stute the Trustee herein & after named and constituted shall deliver or cause to be delivered to the issue of said Maryant Robertson or their legal representatives all the slaves above named with their natural increase to have and to hold.

Twelfth - If Maryant Robertson should die without issue leaving no living issue at her death then and in that case the Trustee shall cause to be liberated from slavery all of the above named slaves with their natural increase.

Thirteenth - I hereby nominate and appoint my wife Phoebe Dimmicks my executrix to act as such without giving any security.

Fourteenth - I hereby nominate and appoint William Dimmicks

Trustee to carry into effect that part of this my last will relating to a Trustee - In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and seal this 9th day of September 1847 -

William Dimmicks

Signed sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in presence of the Notary this 9th day of September 1847 - J. P. Shepard

Proven and admitted to record at County Court October Term 1852 George Birmingham Clerk

I William McCallum of Lincoln County in the State of Tennessee do make, ordain publish and declare the following to be my last will and Testament that I do say

Item 1st I direct that so soon after my death as practicable that my executors or executors pay all my last debts & funeral expenses out of any money that may be on hand at my deceased or that may first come into the hands of said Executors

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah McCallum during her natural life, the tract of land on which I now live, containing One hundred & four acres bounded as described in a deed from William McCallum to me dated June 11th 1852 & which was conveyed to him by James G. Wood, I also give to my said wife the following slaves in like manner, my Julia Corbin, Henry, Charles, & Michael, and in the event I sell Michael before my death & buy another in his place, I give such other negro or slave as I may buy to fill his place, in like manner to my wife, I also in like manner give and bequeath to my wife all my stock of every description what ever, One third of the crops on the place belong to my son William McCallum. I also in like manner give to my wife all my household and kitchen furniture of every description what ever and also the crop & provisions on hand at my death.

Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my grand son William Wright only son of James B. Wright and Susan his wife who is my eldest child & daughter, a negro girl named Morgost now in the possession of said son B. & Susan Wright said James B. & Susan are to retain

possession of said Slave Margaret & to have the use and benefit of her & her labor during the natural life of said John.

Item 4th I give and bequeath to my son Thomas S. One Negro Slave named Anderson

Item 5th I give and bequeath to my son John G. One Negro girl Slave named Mary

Item 6th I give & bequeath to my son James C. One Negro boy Slave named David

Item 7th I give & bequeath to my son William A. fifty four acres of land on which he now lives & was conveyed to him hitherto by James Wiley Esq. but the consideration money thereof was paid by me. and One Negro boy Slave named Anthony

Item 8th I direct that at the death of my wife my Executors hereafter named proceed to sell to the highest bidder on the usual credit, all the property or so much thereof as may remain, herein before Willed to my said Wife during her natural life, which property I hereby direct to be sold as above

9th I direct that my Executors, out of the proceeds of the sale of the property last above mentioned pay to my grand children Robert Constantine, & Matilda Jane Slaves the only children of my deceased daughter Charlotte, who intermarried with Henry Slavis both of whom are dead, the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars each hereby bequeathed to them,

10th After my Executors shall have paid the last above mentioned sums to my grand children as above I Will & bequeath the residue of the proceeds of the sale of the property above directed to be sold, to my children Susan Wright Thomas S. John G. & James C. McClure to be equally divided amongst them

I hereby nominate and appoint my sons Thomas S. & William A. McClure Executors to this my last Will and Testament being the only one ever made by me

In Testimony whereof I hereunto set my name and affixed my seal this 11th day of June A.D. 1852

William McClure (Seal)

Signed sealed published & declared in our presence by the testator & we have subscribed our names hitherto as Witnesses at his request & in his presence this 11th June 1852

P. M. V. Gorty
A. S. Gorty

Read and ordered to be recorded
At the October Term 1852 of the County Court of Lincoln County Tennessee
George Cunningham Clerk

Last Will & Testament of John M. Ewing

I John M. Ewing of Lincoln County, State of Tennessee do make and publish this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all others heretofore made by me

First, I direct that my funeral expenses, and my last debts be paid out of any money that may come into the hands of my Executors or Executors

Secondly, I direct that my wife Mary E. S. Ewing and my children Mary E. Ewing William S. Ewing George S. Ewing remain on my farm during my said Wife's widowhood, and my Slaves nine in number viz Rosette, Henry, Theodore, Edmund, John Ann Mahala, Harriet & Candace remain also on my above named farm, and their labor, so long as they make a sufficient support and pay all just debts. But if said Slaves should fail to make a sufficient support, and pay debts as above stated, I then direct my Executors to sell a sufficient portion of my property, Land and Slaves, or any other property, to pay all my debts.

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my son William S. the sum of two hundred & fifty dollars more to my other children above named.

Fourthly If my wife Mary E. S. Ewing should become dissatisfied and marry again, why then, I direct that my Land and Slaves and all my property be sold; the land to be sold on quarterly years payment, and the Slaves and other property