

should be money enough remaining after paying my
Just debts that my executor purchase a negro woman
to help to support my children until the youngest
child becomes of age, and should there not be
enough of money to purchase a negro woman then
I wish my Executor to loan the money at interest
until there be sufficient amount to purchase such
a negro girl and it is my wish that my executor
shall have the power to sell the negro if she
should not suit and purchase again until
one is purchased, that will suit and when
the youngest child shall become of age then
she and her increase shall be sold on twelve
months credit and then equally divided amongst
all of my children, that may be living at that
time or then in case

I do appoint my son John M. Manier my executor
to this my last will and testament hereby revoking
all former wills by me made in testimony whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my
seal this the 3rd day of August 1857

Rebecca Manier *(seal)*

Attest Wm. M. Turner }
W. M. Turner } Decr 7, 1857

State of Tennessee }
Marshall County } County Court December term 1857
Personally appeared here in open Court Wm. M. Turner
& M. J. Turner subscribing witness to the foregoing
will and who after being duly qualified swore
the due execution essential of said will as the law
requires

Witness my hand at
Office December 7th 1857

J. Sally Clerk

Richard Larsson's Will

I Richard Larsson 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 moneys that I may dis-
posed of or may first come into the hands of my
executor. Secondly I give and bequeath to my brother
William Fossett all my estate both real and personal
Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my two
friends J. M. Leachman & Hampton Liggitt my executors
In witness whereof I do to this my last will set my
hand and seal this 16th day of October 1857

R. Fossett *(seal)*

signed sealed and published in our presence and
we have hereunto subscribed our names as the presence
of the testator this 16th day of October 1857

Wm. S. Liggitt

Thomas Green

State of Tennessee }
Marshall County } County Court December term 1857
Personally appeared here in open Court J. S. Liggitt
& Thomas Green subscribing witness to the foregoing
will and who after being duly qualified swore the
due execution of said will as the law requires

Witness my hand at
Office December 7th 1857
J. Sally Clerk

Rebecca H. Crosswell Mancipation Will
We Joseph E. Boring and Andrew Crosswell do state
that the emancipation will of Rebecca H. Crosswell was
made by her on the 13th day of Nov 1857 in our
presence to which we were specially requested to
bear witness by the testator herself in the presence
of each other that it was made in her last sickness
in her own habitation or dwelling house and the
same is as follows, to wit, It was her will and
desire that her effects should be disposed of after her
decease in the following manner, First all my
Just debts and liabilities shall first be paid.
Second All of my property after the payment
of my debts shall go and I do hereby bequeath
the same to my beloved sister Mary Ann Crosswell
to hold and keep as her own forever my estate
consisting only of personal property.
Third I bequeath ever give to my beloved

Mary Anne Lewiswell all of my interest in my father's estate to have come to hold as her own forever, no one was appointed in said will as executor named out by us and signed this 21 day of Nov. 1857.

Joseph E. Boring

Andrew Lewiswell

Sworn Jan 4, 1858

State of Tennessee - County Court February Term 1858
 Marshall County 3 Personally appeared here in open Court Joseph E. Boring & Andrew Lewiswell the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will & when after being duly sworn proved the due execution of the same as the law directs.

Witness my hand at

Office January 4, 1858

J. Tally Clerk

Spradley Turners Emancipative Will

The emancipative Will of Spradley Turner.

We William L. McClellan and John R. McClellan do state that the emancipative will of Spradley Turner was made by him on the 1st day of January 1858 in our presence to which the said W. L. McClellan was specially requested to bear witness by the testator himself but in the presence of John R. McClellan in the presence of each other that it was made in his last sickness in his own dwelling house and the same is as follows to wit: It was his will and desire that his effects should be disposed of after his decease in the following manner. First He desired that his wife Elizabeth should have enough out of his estate to support her during her lifetime - that he could not say how much it would take 2nd He desired that his daughter Polly should have five hundred Dollars and his children fifty, and the balance of his property after paying his debts should be equally divided between his heirs James Turner, Polly Turner and Thomas B. Turner his son in law. Lastly he desired

James Turner & Thomas B. Turner to settle up his estate and to be decedentary between his heirs to sell or to dispose his property and that his daughter & his wife Elizabeth to have their undivided property in his house.

Sworn Feb 1, 1858

W. L. McClellan

J. R. McClellan

State of Tennessee 3
 Marshall County 3 County Court February Term 1858

Personally appeared here in open Court William L. McClellan & J. R. McClellan subscribing witness to the foregoing will and who after being duly qualified proved the due execution of the same as the law requires. Which will was then sworn and by the Court to be recorded. Witness my hand at

Office February 1st 1858

J. Tally Clerk

William W. Adams Will

State of Tennessee Marshall County

In the name of God Amen, I William W. Adams of the State and County of said name being weak in body but sound in mind and now ready expecting shortly to finish my journey on earth do make constitute and ordain this my last will hereby revoking all wills heretofore by me personally made. And 1st I bequeath my body to the grace and my Soul to God who gave it, in hope of a blessed immortality. And I will that all my Just debts be paid and Turner a stranger - 3rd I will that my beloved wife Mary Adams have the tract of Land on which I now live bounded as follows on the East by the same Backus land on the north by John Backus on the West by Joseph Weston tract of Land hereafter to be disposed of in this will on the south by Ross Adams & L. D. Stockton during her natural life together with all the Farming Tools household and Kitchen furniture of all kind every description whatever. 4th I further will that my beloved wife Mary Adams have in addition to the above described property the following that my Executor provides for him three head of horses not to exceed three hundred and out of the monies belonging to my Estate and also

my said wife all the Cattle hogs and sheep that may be on hand at the time of my death and I also give to my said wife Clary Adams the Mayor and Oxen I now own together with a years provisions of all and every description from the time of my death. 5th I will that my executor sell the following property to wit: all the horses that may be on hand at my death except one dark brown Colt and also that he sell fifty Bards of Corn should then be so much on hand to spare after allow a sufficient amount for a years provision as above set apart, and also that he sell about thirty Bushels of wheat. 6th I will that my beloved daughter Sarah H. Adams have a Colt saddle blanket and Bridle worth Seventy five Dollars. 7th I will that my beloved daughter Martin L. Adams have a Colt saddle Bridle & blanket worth Seventy five Dollars. 8th I will that my beloved daughter Mary E. Adams have a Colt saddle bridle & blanket worth Seventy five Dollars. 9th I will that the above Colts and saddles and blankets & Bridles be bought and given to the above named Daughters when they become of age or marry. 10th I will that at the death of my beloved wife Clary the tract of land I now live on be sold and the proceeds of said land be equally divided between all of my daughters. 11th I will that at the death of my beloved wife Clary all the personal and perishable property then on hand be sold and equally divided between all my children. 12th I will and bequeath to James D. Adams the Joseph Austin tract of land bounded on the East by the tract of land on which I now live and on the South by Robt A Adams on the West by H. B. Erwin & Daniel Logans and on the North by H. B. Erwins Newton tract of land containing by estimation Seventy five acres be the same more or less. 13th I will and bequeath to said James D. Adams one dark brown Colt two years old last spring. 14th I will that the notes on hand at the time of my death be collected by my executor and applied

to the payment of my debts and the balance if any remain to be equally divided among all my children 15th I will that L. D. Stockton be executor of this my last will and testament given under my hand and seal this 15th day of January 1858.

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W. W. Adams Subs

B. M. Stockton Day 18th 58

Ch. A. Adams Jonas Feb 1, 1858.

State of Tennessee
Marshall County } County Court February Term 1858
Personally appeared here in open Court B. M. Stockton
& Ch. A. Adams subscribing witness to the foregoing
will & who after being duly qualified proved the due
execution of the same as the law requires. Which will
was thereupon ordered by the Court to be recorded.
Witness my hand at office February 1st 1858
J. Tully, clk

William W. Lovens' Will

The last will and Testament of William W. Lovington
Lorins made this Feb 19th 1858 and is as follows
viz I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Eliza L.
Lorins the forty acres of land on which I now live
to hold the same during her natural life and at her
death to go to her children Sarah Elizabeth Lorins
If all my Just debts can be paid without selling my
part of the Bunkis place, I wish my beloved wife to have
& hold my part of said Bunkis place also, during
her natural life and then go to her child Sarah
Elizabeth Lorins. But if my Just debts cannot be
paid without I wish my part of the Bunkis place
to be sold and all my Just debts to be paid.
I wish my other little property to be sold to the
highest bidder except my mare cow & pigs & fowls and
the proceeds to go to pay my debts I will and
bequeath to my beloved wife Eliza L. Lorins my
mare, my cow and my fowls and pigs. I leave
also to my beloved wife all my Bacon, Lard, my
wheat and furthermore desire that my beloved wife

I shall have all my house hold and
kitchen furniture, all of which I desire I shall
go to Sarah Elizabeth Loring at the death
of my beloved wife.

I desire that St. J. Wilson shall go on a
furnish a mourning gear of a two horse wagon for
himself and a hearse for myself which are already
conveyed. I desire that my beloved wife
shall keep all the corn oats & fodder and
hay that I have now in hand. I desire that
all my lumber tools and ship utensils be
sold to the highest bidder. If after all my just
debts are paid there should be any surplus I
desire that the surplus shall be paid
over to my beloved wife. Which surplus if
there should be any I desire shall at the
death of my beloved wife go to her child
Sarah Elizabeth Loring. I herein appoint
William Biles Executor of this my last will
and testament signed sealed and in presence of
Joseph & Ewing

W. W. Loring (and)

John Horton } Secy
Test 1 March 1858

State of Tennessee
Marshall County } County Court March Term 1858
Personally appeared here in open Court Joseph &
Ewing & John Horton subscribing witnesses to
the foregoing will & who after being duly qualified
for and the due execution of the same as the
law requires. Which will was thereupon ordered
by the Court to be recorded.

Witness my hand at
Office March 1st 1858
J. Tally, Clerk

William Freeland's Will

I William Freeland make and publish this as my
last will and testament hereby wishing 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 possibly out
of any moneys that I may die possessed of or may
come into the hands of my Executor. Second I give
and bequeath to my beloved wife Martha Freeland all
of my property that I may die possessed of both real and
personal to use and have the benefit of during her
natural life. Third after the death of my wife Martha
Freeland all the property that I die possessed of both
personal & real shall belong to my daughter Sarah Ann
Freeland & her bodily heirs. Fourth If my
daughter Sarah Ann should be lawfully married
it is my wish that my wife Martha shall give
her such property as she best can spare without
injury to herself. Fifth If there should not be
enough money on hand when I die to pay my
debts it is my will that such property may be sold
as my wife & Executor may think best.
I hereby nominate & appoint Dr. W. C. Carr my
Executor. In witness whereof I do to this my will
set my hand & seal this 20th day of November
1857

Wm Freeland (and)

Signed sealed and published in our presence and
we have subscribed our names thereto in presence of
testator this November 20th 1857.

J. L. Ridding

Test Feb 1, 1858 } A. J. Fitzpatrick

State of Tennessee
Marshall County } County Court February Term 1858
Personally appeared here in open Court J. L. Ridding &
A. J. Fitzpatrick subscribing witnesses to the foregoing
will and who after being duly qualified for and the
due execution of the same as the law requires, which
will was thereupon ordered to be recorded.

Witness my hand at
Office February 1st 1858
J. Tally, Clerk

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John Elliott's Will

I John Elliott of The County of Marshall and State of Tennessee being sound in mind and enjoying Common Health, knowing that life is uncertain and death is sure - having serious worldly affairs that I desire to dispose of other than the manner in which the laws of the Law would do were I to die intestate, do hereby make and publish this as my last will and Testament hereby revoking and annulling void all other wills by me at any time made -

First - My will and desire is that my body be decently and in a Christian like manner interred, without any funeral display, that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid, out of any money I may be seized and possessed of, or which may first come into the hands of my executors -

Second - I give and bequeath to my wife Martha A. Elliott all the remainder or residue of my Estate of every kind and description Real personal or mixed for and during her natural life, for the benefit of herself and her servant family, giving my wife Martha the privilege of selecting of the species of property to be sold to pay my debts and funeral expenses -

Item Third, My will and desire is and I do so desire, that my Negro Slaves, Emma, Jane, Malinda, Elizabeth, and George together with their future increase shall be free at the death of my wife Martha A. or before if she the said Martha A. sees cause to release them at which time or so soon thereafter as is practicable my Executors shall take my slaves above named to a free state, and purchase for them to have & to hold own jointly, one hundred and sixty acres of land as good as can be bought at government prices, and place them in it, and leave them in a condition to live and make plenty to support -

Item Fourth, My will & desire is and I do so desire that at any death or so soon thereafter as my wife Martha A. and my executors may see fit, give to my wife the right to say, that my executors sell all or any part of my real estate and that they have full power to make title in fee simple to the purchaser or purchasers, though whenever the full purchase price is paid for the same, and in case my lands should be sold at my death then and in that case my executor shall pay over to my wife Martha A. the interest accruing thereon at end of every year, or if my beloved wife Martha A. shall prefer removing to and go to the State of Missouri then and in that case, my executor shall twice of the proceeds of my estate and purchase for her of her own choosing, for her to have the use benefit and control of during her natural life, at least eighty acres of land for her and her servant family to live on -

Item Fifth, It is my will and desire that at the death of my wife Martha A. all my estate both real and personal be sold, (except the slaves heretofore mentioned) and the proceeds of all which to be thrown together as a solid fund, out of which I make the following bequests, - First I will and bequeath to Emma, Jane & their family the following gifts to Emma the sum of Two hundred Dollars, to Jane two hundred Dollars, to Malinda two hundred Dollars, to Elizabeth two hundred Dollars & to George two hundred Dollars, making in all One Thousand Dollars. The 100 acres of land to be purchased as before named out of the amount hereby set apart to my said servants as the same is for their benefit, use and behoof after filling the above bequests my will and desire is and I do so desire that one half of all the remainder of my estate shall be as the property of my wife Martha A. and subject to any will or desire she may make, and my executors shall look to and and dispose of the same in accordance with the will or direction of the said Martha A. as set forth by her in the form of a last will and testament or any

John Elliott

John F. McCelland's will

We the undersigned Mr. D. Kelley & Milton Lazen, do state that the nuncupative will of John F. McCelland was made by him on the 16th day of January 1859 in our presence to which we were specially requested to bear witness, by the testator himself in the presence of each other, that it was made during his last sickness, in his own dwelling house, and on the same is as follows to wit: It was his will & desire that his effects should be disposed of after his decease in the following manner,

- 1st I desire that all my debts shall first be paid off.
- 2nd I give to my brother W. L. McCelland my gold watch & Chain & wish him to wear it as it suits him.
- 3rd I will & desire that my mother & wife shall be equal heirs of my estate as long as my mother lives, and that my estate shall remain undivided as it now is until my mother's death.
- 4th If the death of my mother I wish & desire my whole estate equally divided between my wife & my brother W. L. McCelland.
- 5th It is my wish & desire that my wife shall have & enjoy the one half of my estate hereafter bequeathed during her widowhood or natural life, but in the event of her marriage or death, it is my will & desire that the one half of her interest in my estate hereafter bequeathed her shall be given to my brother W. L. McCelland & the remaining portion or one fourth of my estate I leave my wife to dispose of as she may wish or desire.
- 6th I hereby appoint my brother W. L. McCelland as executor to my estate made out by us and signed this 22nd day of January 1859.

Witness
Mr. D. Kelley
Milton Lazen

State of Tennessee Marshall County
County Court February Term 1859. Personally
appeared here in open court Mr. D. Kelley and Milton
Lazen the subscribing witnesses to the within will

and who after first being duly qualified here in open court
providing the due execution of the same as the law requires. It
was therefore ordered by the court that the clerk do certify and
record the same.

Witness my hand at office this
7th day of January 1859
J. Kelly, clk

Samuel D. Reid's Will

I Samuel D. Reid do make and publish this as
my last will and testament, first I order that all
my just debts and funeral expenses be paid out of
any money I may die possessed of or that may
first come into the hands of my executor. Secondly
I give and bequeath, all my property of every
description both real and personal, to my wife Betsy
B. Reath, during her widowhood or her natural
life; and in case either of her marriage or
death, then in that event an equal division
of all the property to be made among my bodily
heirs. In testimony whereof I hereunto set my
hand and seal to this my will this 3rd day
of June A.D. 1854

Samuel D. Reid (Sen)
Signed sealed & acknowledged
in presence of
J. A. D. Still
John Reath

State of Tennessee Marshall County
County Court May Term 1859. Personally appeared
here in open court J. A. D. Still & Joseph W.
Cathy & who after being duly qualified as sworn
and said that J. A. D. Still one of the subscribing
witnesses was dead, and that John Reath was
old & infirm & unable to come into court, and
they further stated, that they were well acquainted
with the hand writing of the aforesaid witnesses, and
also with the hand writing of the testator, and from
that knowledge the signatures to said will purporting
to be theirs were all their genuine signatures. It is
therefore ordered by the court that said will be so
certified and entered of record. Witness my hand
at office May 2, 1859

J. Kelly, clk

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of writing of The said Martha A. The other half
of my Estate shall be disposed of as follows to wit,
I give and bequeath unto Emily A. D. Thirti
Dollars for her own special use. I give to my
Sisters Lydia Arther, May Gilbert, James
Elliott, the heirs or children of my brother
brother Samuel S. Elliott, the heirs or children
of my brother Cornelius A. Elliott Esq and
the children or heirs of Eli Elliott Esq share
and share alike, the heirs of each Esq brother
taking the share of their father had he been
living.

Sixth I give to Emma & Sam in addition
to the foregoing bequests all their clothing beds
and bed clothing & other articles which
they have a right & legal claim to in their
house, I also give unto George my writing
table and to Sam the side saddle that she
uses, I also give unto Manda the hen
Breadstool &c she has in the kitchen.

Seventh My will and desire is that my servants
live with and work for and carry on & obey my
wife Martha A. alone so long as she shall live
for her and their benefit, and that said servants
prove to be good and obedient servants to the
said Martha A. and that my wife Martha A.
learn or cause to be learned the children of the said
Sam to spell and read well in the Bible &
Testament and that she may see that their
moral are well taken care of.

Eighth; My will and desire is that my executors
procure to purchase the land hereafter named
in this my last will to be purchased for my
servants Emma, Sam & their family at as
early a period as they may have money enough
in their hands of my Estate to do so, whether
my wife Martha A. be living or not, and if
the said Martha A. be living at the time
of the purchase, that my executors lease out
said lands so as to bring it in a state of
cultivation & until the time specified for my
said servants to receive the same.

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A further

Lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my worthy
friends Daniel McGahy and Martin M. Oakley my
Executors to this my last will and testament, in
testimony of all which I hereunto set my hand
and seal This 24th day of October in the year of
our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty seven
John Elliott Seal

Made and published by The said
John Elliott as his last will &
Testament, and we have become
subscribing witnesses in
the presence of the testator at
his special request This 25th day
of October A.D. 1857.

R. K. Kercheval. (Sworn July 5, 1858)

J. S. Elliott

James S. Webb (Sworn July 5, 1858)

October 26th 1857

James Boyet
Leah Boyet
Josiah Boyet

State of Tennessee }
Marshall County } County Court July Term 1858
Personally appeared here in open court R. K.
Kercheval & James S. Webb subscribing witnesses
to the foregoing will and who after first being
 duly qualified proved the due execution of the
same as the law directs, which was therefore
ordered by the Court to be recorded.

Witness my hand at
Office July 5, 1858
J. Talley Ck

Sarah Harris' Will

In the name of God Amen, I Sarah Harris of Marshall County and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory, and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life, do therefore make, make, publish and declare this to be my last will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me at any time heretofore made, First I resign my soul unto the hands of Almighty God, who gave it, hoping and believing in a remission of my sins by the merits of, and imputation of Jesus Christ, and my body I commit to the earth to be buried at the discretion of my beloved children, and my worldly estate that I may see possession of I give and devise as follows,

First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any moneys that I may see possession of, or may first come into the hands of my executor.

Secondly— I give and bequeath to my son William Harris the sum of five Dollars to be paid to him

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my son Thomas Harris, his name James H. Harris five dollars

Fourthly, I give and bequeath to my two grand sons, to wit, James A. and William M. Park each five Dollars.

Fifthly I give and bequeath to my two grand children, the heirs of my daughter Elizabeth Davis late the wife of Samuel Davis manner as follows (William Washington and Sarah Caroline Davis each fifty Dollars, and it is my request and desire that Felix R. McLaughlin be appointed their ^{guardian} and, charge of the amount that I have left them.

Sixthly I desire and direct that all of my property of every kind be sold by a credit of twelve months, and the proceeds to be equally divided between my two daughters manner as follows Lydia McLaughlin & Susan McLaughlin the wife

of F. R. McLaughlin, and I also desire my that my executor collect all my notes and accounts that may be due me at the time of my death, and after paying all my legated as above named if any should be left I desire that the balance may also be equally divided between Lydia & Susan McLaughlin. I do hereby nominate and appoint Felix R. McLaughlin my executor in full power. In Witness whereof I do to this will set my hand and seal this 11th day of December A.D. 1857.

Sarah Harris ^{her} made

Signed Sealed and published in our presence, and we have subscribed our hands hereto in the presence of the testatrix.

Attest J. M. Brice

J. L. Houghton James Sept. 6 1858.

State of Tennessee
Marshall County 3 County Court September term 1858
Personally appeared here in open Court J. M. Brice & J. L. Houghton subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will and who after first being duly qualified, swore the true execution of the same as the law directs.

Witness my hands at
Office September 6th 1858

J. Tally C. C.

[W. M. Gentry's Will]

Marshall Co. Tennessee

The last will & Testament of William M. Gentry— Being in good health and believing that I shall not live long, and at this time in perfect possession of mind, I make and declare this my last will & Testament in the name of God (Amen)

Item the 1st I give my body to the earth, & commend my soul to God.
Item 2nd I will that my friends have me decently buried and my funeral expenses paid out of my estate.

I wish my debts, which are but few & small to be paid out of my Estate -

Item 4th It is my wish and desire, that my beloved wife Virginia be left in an easy condition & that she may live in as much affluence as she does heretofore. And therefore I will give a decision that my wife have the full & entire Control of my entire estate real and personal during her natural life and at her death to be equally divided among all my children, leaving her entirely free to give to her children any portion that she may think proper at any time at valuation so that strict Justice may be done among them all. And as I have given to my daughter Mary a negro girl named Wemy and a horse. It is my will that she account for them at valuation of what they worth at the time she receives them. And I hereby appoint my beloved wife Virginia and my son Samuel C. Gentry my executors, to this my last will and Testament and request the Honorable Court to suffer them to do so without the formalities of law as to security. In witness I put my hand and affix my seal This 27th day of June 1858

W. W. Gentry (Seal)

signed sealed and delivered in presence of us

Test

H. G. Baker

Theo L. Gentry

I Codicil To my will

As my father Watson Gentry gave to my son Watson I likely negroes, and as I believe he intended that gift to supersede the necessity of my giving him an equal portion with my other children, therefore I have concluded that it is not right for him to be made equal with my other children in my property And therefore I will that he Watson shall only have one half as much as his brothers & sisters out of my estate. (as Witness my hand This 3rd July 1858

W. W. Gentry (Seal)

Test

H. G. Baker

Theo L. Gentry

Ist Codicil: Provide my wife Virginia Gentry should marry after my death I will that she have the property division, Taking a child's part, and the remainder to be equally divided among my children except Watson, who is only to have a half share as written above as Witness my hand This 3rd July 1858

Test

H. G. Baker

Theo L. Gentry

Inat Oct 4, 1858

State of Tennessee

Marshall County ^{County} Court October Term 1858

Personally appeared here in open Court H. G. Baker & Theo L. Gentry subscribing witness to the foregoing will & Codicils & also after being duly qualified proved the due execution of the same as the law directs Which was ordered to be recorded.

Witness my hand and

Office October 2nd 1858

J. Vally Cld

Municipal Bill of Sam Boye

We George P. Brim & Joseph B. Boye do state that the municipal will of Sam Boye was made on the first day of June 1858 by him in his presence to which said G. P. Brim was specially required to bear witness & B. Boye being present and hearing what was said by the testator himself in the presence of each other; that it was made in his last sickness in his own dwelling house and the same is as follows, to wit: It was his will and desire that his sister Maken M. Robinson should have a negro girl called Bessie (which she had had in her possession some two or three years) for her maid & body servant for life as she had been a slave and affluant sister to him, further that he stated he had never made any transfer of said girl to her but his

intention was to do so.

Made out by us and signed this 9th day of June
1858
J. P. Borin
Joseph B. Boyo

State of Tennessee }
Marshall County } County Court December term 1858
Personally appeared before me here in open court
J. P. Borin & J. B. Boyo subscribing witnesses
to the within instrument will and who after
being first duly sworn proved the due execution
of the same as the law directs. It was therefore
ordered by the Court that the same be so certified
and recorded.

Witness my hand at
Office December 6th 1858
S. Tally, clk

Samuel Glenn will

I Samuel Glenn 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.

1st I direct that my funeral expenses and 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 to my daughter Elizabeth M. Glenn
^{half this sum as she is paid for}
one horse that she paid for, one small table,
and one sugar chest that she paid for, also
two Bristles and two Beds & furniture belonging
thereto also one Cow which she now claims.

3rd I give to my daughter Mary N. A. Glenn
one Loom two Bristles, two Beds and all
the furniture belonging thereto - one Cow she
now claims.

4th I give to my daughter Susan A. A. Glenn
one Bureau now known as my own two Beds
Leads two Beds & furniture belonging thereto
one Cow and yearling calf now called
his own.

5th I give to each of my above named daughters

five head of stock,

6th I give the plantation I now live on to my beloved
wife Ann Glenn to have the use of during her lifetime
to support her & the above named three daughters
while they may stay with her, and at her death I
will that my executors sell said plantation altogether
or divide it and sell it as they think best and
out of the proceeds of the sale of said land pay to
each of my three daughters before named viz Elizabeth
M. Glenn Mary N. A. Glenn & Susan A. A. Glenn
Fifty Dollars to each of them, Then the Residue of the
proceeds of the sale of said land after paying the
above Fifty Dollars to each of them above named three
girls I will that it be divided equally among
all my children.

7th I will that whatever other property I may have
at my death be sold for kept by my wife &
Daughters for the use of the farm as they think
best but such as they think they can spare be
sold and kept in the hands of my executors for
to pay any expenses that may be necessary to be
paid in keeping up the farm while my wife
lives and at her death said money if any be
divided equally among my children.

8th I will that and so hereby appoint Samuel A.
Glenn David N. A. and Green Holby as my executors
in witness whereof I as to this my will set my hand
& seal this 28th day of May 1857

Samuel Glenn *(Signed)*

Test Bluford Arthur,
Test John Alexander, } Sworn to on 6, 1858

State of Tennessee }
Marshall County } County Court December term 1858
Personally appeared here in open Court Bluford Arthur
& John Alexander, subscribing witnesses to the foregoing
will, and who after first being duly qualified
proved the due execution of the same as the law
directs. It was therefore ordered by the Court that the
same be so certified and recorded, Witness my hand at

Office December 6th 1858

S. Tally, clk

Joseph Fry's will

State of Tennessee Marshall County

In the name of God Amen, I Joseph Fry being of sound mind, make and publish this my last will and Testament.

1st I want my funeral expenses paid out of any moneys I may leave on hand, as soon as convenient after my death together with all of my Just debts & then bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Fry all of my real and personal estate consisting of all lands I am possessed of together with all of my slaves stock of all description house hold and kitchen furniture farming utensils with all of the Corn wheat power Oats &c all of which she is to have and to live and enjoy the use of during her natural life or widowhood. But in the event that she marries again then I wish my property equally divided as though I had made no will.

I have given to my son-in-law William W. Pickens six hundred & fifty Dollars, I have given to my son-in-law Samuel D. Pickens six hundred and fifty dollars to my son John A. Fry Two hundred & fifty dollars & to my daughter Sarah L. Fry six hundred and fifty Dollars. It is my will that my wife give to each of my children as they become of lawful age or marry such property as she can spare so as to make them equal with those above mentioned always reserving a sufficiency to raise and educate the youngest children.

I have some law suits pending in the Circuit — at Levisburg of which I wish the expenses paid, out of any moneys I may leave on hand and in the event there is not a sufficiency I wish a negro girl sold to the sale to defray that expense. It is my will that my wife Mary Fry shall keep an account of all she gives each one of my children so as at her death that all of my estate can be equally divided between my children. I constitute and appoint my wife Mary Fry my executrix & (J. M. Hudson Samuel D. Pickens L. M. Carr & Samuel L. Carr Executors Signed this day and date above written

Joseph Fry (Seal)

Test

J. Johnson
Sec. A. Brown } Dec 6, 1858

State of Tennessee

Marshall County } County Court December term 1858

Personally appeared here in open Court J. D. Johnson and Sec. A. Brown subscribing writings to the foregoing will and who after first being duly sworn proved the due execution of the same as the law requires. It was thereupon ordered by the Court that ~~it~~ be so certified and recorded.

Witness my hand at
Office Securian Co. 1858
J. Kelly, clk

Mariah Bigger Will

I Mariah Bigger do make and publish this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me made. 1st I direct that my burial and funeral expenses cover all of my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I may die possessed of. or that may come into the hands of my executor. Secondly I give and bequeath to James B. Bigger, Jane L. Adams, Mary J. Stammen, William B. Bigger, Joseph J. Bigger, Davis A. Bigger, Liza E. Stammen and Mary E. Little Five dollars each. Thirdly I give and bequeath to Robinson Bigger Charlotte my black girl, two hundred and fifty dollars in money, two hoes and shovels and half of the bed clothing. I give and bequeath to John W. Bigger Aaron and Amy all my stock of horses, cows, hogs my Wagon and harness farming utensils, all the Bacon Corn and wheat The remainder of my head & staves head clothing house hold & kitchen furniture and the remainder of my money after paying out what I have given to the other heirs. Lastly I appoint John S. Thut my executor in witness whereof I set my hand and seal this the 31st day of March 1859

Signed sealed & delivered in our presence } Mariah Bigger (Seal)
The day & date above written
D. N. Christman, E. Swanton

State of Tennessee

Marshall County } County Court June term 1859
Personally appeared herein in open court O. V.
Oliverman & C. Swanson subscribing witnesses to
the within will and who after first being duly
qualified proved the due execution of the same
as the law directs.

Witness my hand at
Office June 6th 1859
J. Tally Clerk

Sion Ricca's Will

State of Tennessee

Marshall County } I Sion Ricca do make
and publish this as my last will and
testament, hereby making void all other wills
made by me at any time and
1st It is my will that my wife Emily Malinda
Ricca be my executrix & I do hereby request
that she be so appointed by the court
granting to her the power & privilege of
taking possession & control of all my effects
and ~~belongings~~ believing as I do that she
will do the best she can to promote the interest
of my dear children after I am dead, I
leave all my estate after my death debts &
funeral expenses are paid to her to manage
as she may judge best and that too with-
out requiring of her security, and of course
if I can visit her the court may.

2nd It is my will that my wife see that
the children are educated & provided for;
and as they become of age that she give
to each what she may be able to do so as to
make each equal being the judge herself as
to the amount she may be able to give to
each, or if either of the children should
marry before they become of age then
I think that one should receive the same
as if of age, that I may not be misunderstood
I again state that it is my will that my
wife whom I have appointed as my executrix

take all my effects into her possession to manage
& dispose of but as I have heretofore done and
as I would still have the right to do were I to live,
and now that I have thus entrusted to her care
and management all of what little we have
mutually labored together for, I pray that God
who giveth wisdom to all may grant to her all
the wisdom & grace necessary to enable her to carry
out this my last will, not only to the letter
but in the true spirit & design of it, and as
above stated without giving any security for
the further than her solemn pledge, Whereunto
I have this day set my hand & seal this
22nd April 1859 S. Ricca

We the undersigned hereby certify that the above or
within was read signed & sealed in our presence
this day April 22nd 1859

John Green
J. S. Crocker
Wm. Mullins
June 6, 1859

State of Tennessee

Marshall County } County Court June term 1859
Personally appeared here in open court John Green
and J. S. Crocker subscribing witnesses to the
 foregoing will and who after first being duly
qualified proved the due execution of the same
as the law directs, It was therefore ordered by
the court, that the clerk do certify and record
the same.

Witness my hand at
Office June 6th 1859
J. Tally Clerk

Samuel Job's Will

I Samuel Job senior, of the County of Marshall, State
of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory,
but in a very low state of health, do make and
publish this as my last will and testament, hereby
revoking void all former wills by me at any time made.
First I desire that every body be decently interred,
and all my last debts and funeral expenses paid
out of any moneys I may die possessed of or which

may first come into the hands of my executor
 Secondly - Whereas heretofore to wit on 1st
 day of 1853 I divided my lands between
 my four children to wit John Lot, Saml Lot Jr,
 Saml Lot and Stephen Lot, and conveyed the
 portions respectively allotted to each by deed, in
 fee simple, all of which are recorded in the
 Register's Office of Marshall County, aforesaid, residing
 in said Pennsylvania a life estate therein for myself
 and wife Rebekah during our natural lives.
 Now therefore in addition to the life estate
 aforesaid I give to my wife Rebekah, I give
 and bequeath unto her my wife Rebekah
 as aforesaid one Bedstead and covering one
 chest known as her own chest one horse, and
 provisions of such as I may see proper of
 sufficient for one year support -

Thirdly - To my son John Lot I heretofore
 have advanced him in personal property in
 addition to the lands conveyed an amount,
 which I then thought and still think equivalent
 to what would be an equal division of my
 personal estate, I therefore in this my last will
 and testament, bequeath him nothing more.
 Than what I have heretofore given him -

Fourthly - To my son Samuel Lot Jr. I have
 heretofore advanced him in personal property
 exclusive of his land an amount, which I
 then thought and still think equivalent to what
 would be an equal division of my personal property
 I therefore in this my last will and testament
 bequeath him nothing more than what I have
 heretofore advanced him -

Fifthly - To my daughter Saml Lot I give and
 bequeath one bed bestead and covering one
 corner cupboard one man saddle bridle
 one bow, and Loom & harness for weaving
 also my stock of sheep and one chest -

Sixthly - To my son Stephen Lot I give
 and bequeath one wagon, one yoke of Oxen,
 two mares and one colt, all my farming
 utensils tools chain one Bureau one clock

one bed, bedstead and covering -

Seventhly, my will and desire is, and I do so desire,
 that all my crop of corn wheat oats and other
 articles now growing or sustaining on my farm,
 shall belong to and come to the use of my wife
 & family -

Eighthly - my will and desire is and I do
 so desire. That all the property, money shown in
 action &c of which I may see proper not having
 disposed of, be sold by my executor, and the proceeds
 thereof equally divided between my daughter Saml Lot
 and my son Stephen Lot, as with them I expect
 my wife Rebekah principally to reside, my object
 has been, and is to make an equal partition from
 first to last, between my children, and when this
 my will is carried out in practice, I conceive that
 my purpose has been effected.

Ninthly I hereby nominate and appoint my
 friend David McGahy Executor to this my last will and
 testament. Made and published, and I James Lot,
 have herunto subscribed my name and affixed my
 seal, This 20th day of July 1854.

Samuel Lot (Seal)

Created and acknowledged
 by the said Samuel Lot senior, as
 his last will and testament, and
 we have herunto subscribed our
 names in the presence of the testator
 and at his particular instance and
 request This 22nd day of July 1854.

David McGahy { sworn Sept 5, 1854.
 James C. Sanson }

State of Tennessee }
 Marshall County } County Court September term 1854.
 Personally appeared here in open court David
 McGahy & James C. Sanson subscribing witnesses
 to the foregoing will & who after being duly qualified
 proved the due execution of the same as the law
 directs.

Witness my hand at
 Office September 5, 1854
 J. Tally Clerk

Sarah Finley's Will

Know all men by these presents that I Sarah Finley, receiving myself both body and mind to my Maker who gave it, do make this my last will and testament as follows viz.

First I will that I myself be decently interred by the care of my husband and all burial expenses paid -

Secondly - That all my just debts be paid Thirdly I dispose of the remainder of my property as follows viz.

First To my son Tillman B. Finley one Bedstead and furniture -

Second To my son William S. Finley one Bedstead & furniture -

Third to John E. Finley my son one Bedstead & furniture -

Fourth To Lucinda Ann Finley my daughter one Bedstead and clothing including her portion of all my house one Flax spinning wheel and one half of all the Cuptoed ware in hands at this time -

Fifth I will that my pension money which is one hundred and eight dollars per annum shall be equally divided amongst my five children above named

Sixth I will that equal division of all my shop and all my gear be made between my son John E. Finley and daughter Lucinda Ann Finley -

Seventh I will my gray horse to my son John E. Finley - Eight one Bay (dark bay) filly colt to my son Jackson L. Finley

Ninth I will my bay mare Mary to be sold at public sale at the option of my executor and the proceeds of the same to be paid over to my daughter Lucinda Ann Finley - Tenth I will that every and all pieces of my property not named in this will shall by my executors of this my last will be sold at public auction for cash or on time as they shall see

fit

most proper and be divided equally among my five children above named Eleventh That the other half of my Cuptoed ware not named be given to my son John E. Finley Tenth That I do by this appoint David McGeary the executor of this my last will and Testament given under my hand and seal this the 21st day of January 1859.

Sarah Finley by her mark

Attest
J. A. Morris } Just Sep 5, 1859
J. B. Scherer } Just Aug 1, 1859

State of Tennessee }
Marshall County } County Court September Term 1859.
Formally appeared here in open court J. A. Morris on this day & J. B. Scherer on the 1st day of August 1859 in open court, and both being duly qualified proved the due execution of the foregoing will as the law directs.
Witness my hand at
Office September 5, 1859
J. Tally, Clerk

William Dowdy's Will

In the name of God Amen I William Dowdy of the County of Marshall and State of Tennessee being somewhat feeble in body but of sound mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last will and testament as follows

First I will and with my wife Elizabeth Dowdy during her natural life to have my land upon which I now live and at her death I desire and will the said tract of land to my three sons Robinson Dowdy, George Dowdy, and Lewis Dowdy to keep or dispose of as they may think proper provided they pay to my grand son Andrew R. Dowdy one hundred and fifty Dollars or to his guardian when they get possession of said land by virtue of this will and if either of my three sons die without heirs then his interest in said land to

do not equally to him or them who
survive and my daughter Phoebe and
if my grand son die without heirs
who is named above I wish the said I
have will him to go to my four daughters
Manda, Jane, Nancy and Sarah.
Secondly I give and bequeath to my daughter
Manda five Dollars.

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my daughter
Nancy five Dollars.

Fourthly I give and bequeath to my daughter
Jane five Dollars my sons to whom I will
my land I wish them to pay the above
fifteen Dollars when I give my daughters
Manda, Nancy & Jane so soon as they
get possession of the land.

Fifthly, all the personal property belonging
to my estate at my death I give and
bequeath to my wife Elizabeth my daughters
Sarah and Phoebe my half of said property
I wish my wife to have, the other I wish
my daughters Sarah and Phoebe to have
So this my last will and testament
I have made and my hand and affix my
seal. This December 16th 1857
at West.

William Cowley (witness)
Hiram Mardock
James Edwards { sworn Sept 5, 1859,

State of Tennessee }
Marshall County } County Court September term 1859
Personally appeared here in open court Hiram
Mardock & James Edwards subscribing witnesses
to the within will & who after being duly
qualified proved the due execution of the
same as the law requires.

Witness my hand at
Office September 5th 1859.
S. Jolly Clerk

I J. Liggitt Will
I Pleasant. I Liggitt do make & publish
this as my last will and Testament hereby
revoking and making null & void all former
wills made by me at any other time. First it
is my will and desire that all of my first-dollars
shall be paid out of monies that may be on hand
at my death or the first money that comes into
the hands of my Executor.
Second it is my desire for the love & affection that
I have for my mother Nancy B Liggitt I will &
Bequeath my negro boy named Carrol to her
for her own use & comfort during her natural
life & at her death it is my will that the same
boy Carrol shall be sold privately & the proceeds
of it all Equally divided between my Brothers & Sisters
or their heirs viz H Liggitt L B Liggitt H W Liggitt
W D Reynolds Sherry Appoint Theo B Liggitt
my Executor given under my hand & seal
this 20 day of August 1859
Signed sealed & in our
presence the day above written }
Leat Sampson Liggitt }
H W Liggitt } J. Liggitt (witness)

State of Tennessee }
Marshall County } County Court 6 Oct term 1859
in open Court } Personally appeared here
Sampson Liggitt & W Liggitt subscribing witnesses
to the foregoing will and who after being duly
qualified proved the due execution of the same
as the law requires. Witness my hand at
Office October term
1859
S. Jolly Clerk

Mr. M. D. Kelly & Mr. M. Finley do state that the municipal will of Susanna Finley was made by her on the 22 day of July 1859 in our presence, to which we were specially requested to have witness by the testator herself in the presence of each other, that it was made in her last sickness in her own habitation or dwellinghouse and the same is as follows to wit. It was her will and desire that her effects should be disposed of after her death in the following manner.

First I desire that my debts shall first be paid off. I do desire that my two older brothers J. B. Finley & Mr. J. Finley shall have the sum of Ten or Twelve Dollars each.
 2dly It is my wish and desire that the remaining portion of my estate shall be equally divided between my two younger brothers J. E. Finley & J. C. Finley.
 (Made out by us and signed this the 26th day of July 1859)

(Witness)
 M. D. Kelly
 Mr. M. Finley

1. To be of Term, 25
 Marshall County, County Court October term 1859.
 Personally appeared here in open Court M. D. Kelly & Mr. M. Finley subscribing witnesses to the within municipal will, and who after being duly qualified proved the due execution of the same as the law directs.
 Witness my hand at
 Office October 3, 1859
 J. Tally Clerk

Susannah Rickman's Will

I Susannah Rickman of the County of Marshall and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and disposing memory but in feeble health do make and publish this my last will and Testament, hereby revoking all other wills published by me, first my body to the court from whence I came and my

spirit to God who gave it.
 Secondly. That my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid as soon after my death as possible.

Thirdly. I bequeath unto John S. Rickman, Perry S. Rickman, Jeremiah N. Rickman heirs of Daniel Rickman £100 one dollar each.
 Fourthly. I will and bequeath unto Victory & Rickman, John and Lemig Rickman heirs of L. H. Rickman £50 five dollars each.
 Fifthly my daughter Mary Rickman had received £100 hundred Dollars.
 Sixth N. S. Rickman has received £100 hundred and seven Dollars 93 cts.
 Seventhly L. H. Rickman has received £100 four hundred and thirty Dollars 26 cts.
 Eighthly N. B. Rickman has received £100 one hundred and ninety two Dollars and 70 cts.
 Ninthly It is my request that the above named Legatee Mary Rickman N. S. Rickman, L. H. Rickman & N. B. Rickman who has received legacy made equal to Mary's interest that she has received, which is £100 five hundred Dollars.

Tenthly. It is my request after these named legates who has received in said estate for their claims to be made equal and the remainder of my estate if there be any to be sold and equally divided between my L. H. Rickman, N. S. Rickman, L. H. Rickman, Mary Rickman, and N. B. Rickman. It is also my request that Columbus Rickman and Elizabeth Rickman heirs of L. H. Rickman be to have one legatee interest which is one fifth of the remainder if there be any.
 It is my request that all my property should be sold by my executors, N. S. Rickman and N. B. Rickman and the above mentioned distribution made. In witness whereof my will at my hand and seal this 18th day of December in the year of our Lord 1856.
 Susannah Rickman
 J. E. Egger 3d day Oct 3, 1859.
 M. H. Soles

State of Tennessee
Marshall County
County Court October Term 1859
Peramacy appeared here in open court D.C. Egger
One of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing
will and who after being duly qualified
proved the due execution of the same as the
law directs
Witness my hand at
Office October 3rd 1859
J. Tally C.W.

John L. Smiley's Will
I John L. Smiley do make and publish this my last will
and testament hereby revoking and making void all
other wills by me at any time made—
1st I direct that my funeral expenses and all my
debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out
of any moneys that I may die possessed of or may
first come to the hands of my executors—
2nd I direct that my interest in the land on which
I now reside and the mills attached be sold
by my executors who shall make a title to the
same I desire that my interest in the land
and mills be sold by my executors at private
or public sale and on such terms as they may
think best and the proceeds paid over to my
wife Sarah L. Smiley for her use and
benefit during her lifetime or widowhood—
3rd I give and bequeath to my wife Sarah
all my perishable property consisting of
horses, cattle and hogs also my wagon, buggy
and harness and all my house hold and
kitchen furniture and any other property I may
die possessed of—
4th I desire that my executors pay over to my
wife Sarah L. all the moneys collected by them
coming to my estate for her use and benefit
during her lifetime or widowhood—
5th I desire that when my wife Sarah L. shall
die or away that my property whatever amount
there may be on hand be equally divided between
my children—
Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my

father B. H. Smiley and W. L. Smiley my executors in
witness whereof I do to this my will, set my hand and
seal this 21st day of June 1859. John L. Smiley (Seal)
Signed sealed and published
in our presence and we have
subscribed our names hereto
in the presence of the testator
James M. Taylor
Richard L. Mallard 3 June 27, 1859.

State of Tennessee Marshall County
County Court November Term 1859. Personally
appeared here in open court James M. Taylor &
Richard L. Mallard subscribing witnesses to the foregoing
will and who after being duly qualified proved the
due execution of the same as the law requires.
Which was ordered by the Court to be recorded
Witness my hand at
Office November 7, 1859
J. Tally C.W.

William Hussy's Will
I William Hussy being of sound mind and disposing memory
do make and ordain this my last will and testament in
manner and form following reciting all others by me at
any time made
1st I will that my funeral expenses be paid as soon after my
death as possible out of any moneys first come into the
hands of my executor—
2nd I give to my beloved wife Eliza M. Hussy all the
house hold and kitchen furniture, farming utensils
and all the stock of every kind, consisting of horses
cattle, hogs, and sheep that she owned when we
were married and my Executor is to leave it all
with her to dispose of as she may think proper
and also any other pieces of furniture that I may
buy and put in the house. One half of the
income of the stock (viz, horses, cattle, hogs and sheep
are also to belong to her as the other property that
I have given to her and the other half of the income
of the stock my executor is to dispose of for the benefit
of my children after giving her a beautiful supply
out of the present crop and provisions it is my

will that the balance shall be sold and equally divided and my part to be appropriated to the payment of the hyper of George, the boy I hyper of Mrs Elizabeth James.

3^d. All the money notes bonds and accounts that I have or may have at my death with the proceeds of the sale of one half of the stock and provisions above mentioned I will to be equally divided between my children.

4th. And whereas my desire is to make my children as near equal as possible out of what I may have at my death and for the benefit of my executor I herewith assign as a part of my will a list of what I have heretofore given to each of my children.

1. I have given to my son Eli \$550.00

2. I have given to daughter Lucinda Brades \$300.00

3. I have given to my daughter Elenor Grider \$389.33

4. I have given to my daughter Eliza Jane Perkins in a Buggy \$162.50

and I hold Eborazar H. Perkins' note for a considerable sum and it is my will that he have a credit on said note at the time the note was given, that I hold on David S. Michie and W. G. Brookes (which are not bearing interest) \$264.00

5. I have given to my son Robert T. \$1150.00

6. I have given to my daughter Eliza Michie \$000.00

I hold a note of \$264.00 on David S. Michie. It is my will that it be apportioned equally between the bodily heirs of my daughter Eliza Michie deceased - to wit, James W. Robert, and John Michie and then the balance of their mother's share equally divided between them.

7. I have given to my daughter Mary Ann G. Brooks one Buggy \$90.00

I hold a note of hand in wife Brooks for \$264.00. It is my will that it be divided between the bodily heirs of my

daughter Mary Ann G. Brooks deceased (viz, Laura E. Hester Jane Brooks equally and that they have the balance of their mother's share equally. The balance of my heirs viz, Sally B. Holbrook, Lealamia R. Mosley, Wm. P. H. Mosley and without heirs.

Early I do hereby nominate and appoint to execute this my last will and testament Benjamin G. Houston This 4th day of November A.D. 1859

Signed sealed and published in our presence day and date above written

This, P. Mark

John W. Larni Clerk Nov 9. 1859.

State of Tennessee
Marshall County Circuit Court November term 1859

Personally appeared here in open Court John P.

Marshall & John W. Larni subscribing witness to

the foregoing will and who after being duly

qualified proved the due execution of the

same as the law directs, which was read by the

Court to be record. Witness my hand at

Office November 9th 1859

J. Sally Clerk

Francis Cook's Will

I Francis Cook having the proper exercise of my mental faculties and advanced in years do make and publish this as my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time made.

In the first place - I desire that my body be decently interred, and that my funeral expenses, and all my debts be paid out of any moneys I may die possessed of, or which may first come into the hands of my executor.

In the second place I do hereby give my son Isaac B. Cook during his life, all my slaves that I may die seized and possessed of, and after his death, then I desire and so direct that my daughter Martha shall have the loan of said slaves together with their

increase if any, to be and enure to her solely during her lifetime, and at her death to be equally divided between her children, or her heirs of her body. It is my desire and so direct that should I survive my son Isaac, that said Slaves shall go to my daughter Martha in the way specified above and should my son Isaac survive myself and my daughter Martha, then said Slaves and increase shall descend to and be possessed by her children or heirs of her body, absolutely.

In the third place I give and bequeath unto my son Isaac aforesaid my perrel horse colt, not yet a year old.

In the fourth place I direct that the balance of my property not otherwise herein disposed of be sold by my executor and after my debts and funeral expenses specified in the first item of this will are all paid and settled, I direct that the same shall be equally divided between my children to wit, Betsey Ann L. Weston, ~~Peter~~ H. Shaw, Maria H. McKinnis, Martha Haisley, Sally Hardin, William C. Cook, and Isaac B. Cook and my Grandson William C. Cook, Sharpe and Stone & Co.

In the last place, I nominate and appoint my friend David McGahy executor to this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have set
Subscribed my name and affixed my seal the 29 day
of September 1859. Francis Cook Test

Have and published by the
said testatrix as her last will
and testament and we have
subscribed our names hereon
in her presence and at her
particular instance and request
September 29, 1859

David McGahy

James McGahy

Witness Sec. 5, 1859

State of Tennessee

Marshall County. County Court December term 1859
Personally appeared before the Honorable County Court
of said County, David McGahy & James McGahy
subscribing witness to the foregoing will and also
after being duly sworn proved the execution
of the same as the Law requires. Which was ordered by
the Court to be certified & recorded.

Witness my hand at

Office December 5th, 1859

J. Tally Clerk

F. L. Cooper's Will

I Francis L. Cooper of the
County of Marshall and State of Tennessee do make
and publish this my last will and testament hereby
revoking all other wills by me heretofore made.

Item 1st I direct the payment of my debts as soon
as my executor can do so, and in accordance with
the direction herein after given.

Item 2nd I direct my executor to place in the
possession of my beloved wife Rebecca N. Cooper any
species of property I may die possessed of (except
debts due me and my partnership effects) to be
used and enjoyed by her until our youngest
child arrives at full age or marriage for the purpose
of raising and educating of my children, but if my
wife should marry or die before our youngest child
comes of age or marriage then at the happening of either
of these events I direct my executor to divide my
entire estate equally between my three children but
if my beloved wife remains my widow until our
youngest child arrives at full age or marriage then
in that event I direct my executor to divide my
entire estate in four equal portions One part of which
he shall place in possession of my beloved wife to be
used and enjoyed by her during her natural
life or widowhood at the death or marriage of my
wife the portion thus placed in her possession is to be
equally divided between my three children, or their
representatives the other three portions in the original
division to be given to my said three children the

and share alike, to effect the division of my estate I empower my executor to divide said estate to enable him to do this equally he may sell any portion of my estate he may find necessary to accomplish the same, so as to make the portions equal in property or money, as circumstances may demand. Should either of my children die leaving no children then the share or shares of such child or children is to go to the survivors of my said children.

Item 3^d: I direct my executor at the close of the year 1861 out of the proceeds of my estate to purchase for my 1st daughter Rebecca T. Lawrence a saddle bridle and blanket to be worth Twenty five Dollars.

4th My brother George M. Cooper and myself have been engaged in farming and stock raising together for several years, and as such we jointly owned Twenty eight acres of land purchased of the Rev. Waggard also a lot of mules horses cattle sheep, and logs one yoke of Oxen and wagon, and farming utensils, provisions on hand and the present crop - all which is our joint property - I desire this partnership to continue as heretofore until the end of the year of 1861 for this purpose my said brother is to use our joint lands and effects and my negro boy Bill to rent such other lands as he may deem advisable just as we have heretofore done, I also authorize him to invest portions of the proceeds of our joint property as he may deem advisable in the purchase of mules &c. this fall and if he thinks it necessary I wish him to borrow money at our expense to purchase as many mules as he deems advisable - I make this arrangement fearing our joint debts will be far exhausted in paying our joint debts, to replenish our stock as he may wish - at the close of the year of 1861 I direct our partnership to be closed up and all of our joint liabilities to paid up to effect this object. I give my brother George M. Cooper the privilege of taking our joint land at valuation to be fixed by some

two of disinterested neighbours but if he should decline to take the same - then I direct him to sell the same and on such terms as he may deem advisable and with proceeds of any part of the same - pay off any remaining debts I may owe - The remainder of which if any together with our other partnership effects I direct him to hand over to my wife to use and enjoy by her and devise as my other estate, heretofore disposed off my wife and family is to be supported out of our joint effect, until the close of 1861.

Item 5th: I appoint my brother George M. Cooper my executor to this my last will in testimony whereof I set my hand and seal this 25th day of June 1859
Francis L. Cooper (seal)

Signed and acknowledged in our
presence on the 25th day of June 1859
Humphry N. Cowden
N.B. Grant Signed January 4, 1860

State of Tennessee
Sherrill County Court January term 1860.
Personally appeared here in open court H. N. Cowden & N.B. Grant
Subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will, and after
being duly qualified, proved the execution the same as
the law directs, which was read to be record,

Witness my hand at
Greene January 4th 1860
J. B. Kelly, Clerk

Josanna Hardison's Will

I Josanna Hardison 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 my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any moneys that I may die possessed of or may first come into the hands of my executor. Secondly I give and bequeath to my wife Mary Hardison the tract of land that I now live on with all my house hold and kitchen furniture all my farming utensils and all my stock of every description to be had

during her natural life, and then negroes
viz. two boys and one girl namely Sam
Ben and Fanny and at the death of the
said Mary Hardison the property that she may
not have consumed for her support to be
equally divided between my five daughters viz
Hannah Hardison, Mary Hardison, Mary
Hardison, Patsy Hardison, Sarah Hardison to
be their and their lawful heirs forever, my
daughter formerly Hannah Hardison but now
Hannah Atkinson I will her part of my estate
to go to her and her bodily heirs I bequeath
to my son Joshua Hardison for five
dollars to be paid him out of any moneys
that may come into the hands of my executor
I do hereby nominate and appoint Ezra Hardison
my executor in witness whereof I do to this
my will set my hand and seal this 28 July
1858

Joshua H. Hardison

Signed sealed and published in

our presence and we have

subscribed our names hereto

in the presence of the testator

this the 28 of July 1858.

William H. Scott

E. H. Scott

State of Tennessee

Marshall County, County Court March Term 1860 -

Personally appeared here in open court William H.
Scott and E. H. Scott, the subscribing witnesses
to the foregoing will and who after first being
duly qualified proved the same according to the
law as the law directs. It was therefore
ordered by the court that said will be recorded.

Witness my hand at

Rice March 5, 1860

J. T. Kelly

W. H. Brown's Will

I William H. Brown of
the County of Marshall and State of Tennessee do make
and publish this my last will and Testament hereby
revoicing and making void all former wills by me at
any time heretofore made; and first I direct that
my body be decently interred in a manner suitable
to my condition in life; and as to such worldly estate
as it has pleased God to intrust me with I dispose of
the same as follows. First, I direct that all my
debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my
decease as possible out of any moneys that I may
die possessed of or may first come into the hands of
my executor from any portion of my estate -
Secondly, I give and bequeath all my property both
real and personal to my beloved wife Lucinda E.
Brown to have and hold and manage at her
pleasure during her widowhood or so long as she remain
single - and should she at any time become
dissatisfied with living on the land or think that she
can do better for herself and my children by
selling the tract of land in that event it is my will
and desire that she sell the same in such terms
as she in her judgment and discretion thinks best
and make a perfect title thereto by executing the
deed in her own name - but this is not to be
done only upon the consideration that she invests
the proceeds arising from the sale of the land in
another tract of land. In the event that my wife
marries then it is my will and desire that
all my property both real and personal be
sold on the most advantageous terms and the
proceeds be divided equally amongst my wife
and children share and share alike - my
wife taking only a child's portion of the same.
I do hereby nominate and appoint my beloved wife
Lucinda E. Brown my executor.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and seal this the 26th of December 1857.

Signed sealed and published in our presence

the day and date above written

R. Jones, J. F. Shearin

March 7, 1860

State of Tennessee

Marshall County

County Court May term 1860

Personally appeared here in open court R. Jones, & J. F. Shearin subscribing witness to the foregoing will and who, after being duly qualified proved the same as the law directs. It was therefore ordered by the court that said will be recorded.

Witness my hand at
Office May 7, 1860

J. Tally Clerk

Henry Walker Will

July 9th day 1860. I do hereby will and bequeath all my estate to Sally Walker my wife to one tract of land containing one hundred Acres and 16 pole to go for her use with all the her rich po rtly to have and to have during her natural life or widowhood after that to be equally divided A my heirs

Henry Walker

Ruth Redford

James Walker - 3 Junat May 7, 1860 -

State of Tennessee

Marshall County

County Court May term 1860.

Personally appeared here in open court Ruth Lison (formerly Ruth Redford) & James Walker subscribing witness to the within will and who after being duly qualified proved the same execution of the same as the law directs. It was therefore ordered by the court that said will be recorded.

Witness my hand at
Office May 7, 1860

J. Tally Clerk

J. F. Barnes Will

I J. F. Barnes being of sound and disposing mind but feeble in body and knowing that it is appointed for me to die do make and publish this as my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills by me at any time made - First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as possible and to accomplish this end I direct my executors to sell a sufficient amount of my personal property either for cash or at time and at public auction or privately as they may think proper and best to satisfy my said debts. Secondly I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary C. Barnes all the balance of my property both realty personally during her natural life or widowhood for the purpose of supporting her and raising the children upon. But if she should marry then I direct my executor to sell all of my personal property that may be on hand to the highest bidder on a credit of twelve months with the exception of one horse saddle and padder 1 Bureau Table and Cupboard and Bread Stead and Clothing which I give to my wife and the proceeds of the said sale be equally divided between my wife and all my children to wit: John W. Margaret A. William H. Julia W. James T. May J. Amanda Josephine, Isaac C. Barnes and the or those that may be in abeyance or unborn. Thirdly I will that at the death of my wife Mary C. that my executor sell all of my property both personally and realty the former on a credit of twelve months and the latter on a credit one two and three years - I hereby give my executors full complete and ample power to sell convey and make as title to all my property whether personally or realty in as full and complete a manner as I could as if living and all the proceeds equally divided among all my children. I further authorize and empower my executors whether my wife be married or a living to make sale of the tract of land I bought of William S. Baughman on one two and three years credit at any time

after my death if in their opinion it would be to the interest of my heirs but on the other hand if they should think it best not to sell until after the death of my wife I give them discretionary power to act in the premises and the proceeds of the same be paid out and the interest applied for the education of my children and the principal equally divided among all my children.

Finally and last I do hereby nominate and appoint Mary C. Barnes & Isaiah Nissen my Executors. In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and seal this 22nd February 1860

J. F. Barnes (Seal)

Signed sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator all erasures and interlineations made before the signing and sealing of this will this 22nd February 1860.

Attest W. H. Ellis

J. M. Pranch } Notary Aug 6. 1860

State of Tennessee
Marshall County County Court August term 1860.
Personally appeared herein John Smith William H. Ellis and J. M. Pranch subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will and who after first being duly sworn proved the same according to the law as the law directs. (Which was ordered by the Court to be recorded.)

Witness my hand at
Office August 6th 1860
S. T. Kelly Clerk

Morgan Fitzpatrick's Will.

July 6th 1860.

In the name of God Amen, I commend my body to the clay and my soul to the God who made it. 1st I wish all my funeral expenses to be paid and all my debts to be paid and all my property, which are but few and none of any magnitude

2nd I give and bequeath to my Grand daughter

Mary M. Fitzpatrick the following slaves, viz Betty the kitchen maid 30, his wife Russell aged 28, their five children namely, Elias aged 14, Isaac aged 12, Lydia aged 10, Lavinia aged 8, and an infant - a boy called Luke aged about 28. Elizabeth Selia aged 28, and her child William aged 8, Moses aged about 45, Nancy aged 19, Abner Kendrick aged 22 and also two thousand dollars in money.

3rd I do give and bequeath to my Grand son Morgan M. Fitzpatrick the sum of \$1000.00 and the following slaves. Alfred aged 45, his wife Catherine aged 40, and their children, Matilda, aged 24, Jackson aged 76, Patience aged 10, Ephraim aged 9, Alfred aged 7, Calvin aged 5, Wright aged 3, Joshua aged 6, besides also a tract of land of between 450 and 500 acres known as the McGuire tract or Bend of Mountain Creek with all the farming utensils crop now on hand horses mules hogs and cattle that is now on the premises belonging thereto.

4th I do give and bequeath to my Grand son William M. Smith one tract of land containing about 440 acres known as the Jones' place with all the appurtenances thereto belonging and also the following slaves, Henry aged 35, John T. aged 30, his wife Lydia aged 24 and their children Susan aged 9, Harry aged 27, his wife Louisa aged 21 and their two children May aged 6 and Martha Harriet aged 4 - Benjamin aged 10 - Margaret aged 8 - Billy Bricker aged 30, and also five hundred dollars in money.

5th I do give and bequeath to my son S. M. Fitzpatrick one negro girl Emeline aged 13 one negro boy John aged 19 one negro woman Patience aged 45 and her two children Harriet aged 18 and Louisa aged 10 also one tract of land containing 950 acres - with all the appurtenances thereon including negroes, stock, farming utensils, crop on hand &c also cash notes to the amount of about Twenty Seven Thousand Dollars.

also four slaves Matilda aged 15. Bill aged 12. Anderson aged 12. Thomas aged 8. also all the interest that I own in the Wheeler Place including slaves, lands stock, growing crops, farming utensils and every thing of every description belonging to the place that I have an interest in. Also all the balance of my estate both real and personal of every name and grade after paying out of the estate all the above named sums hereunto and all of my debts and all other expenses except the above named, Hogs, cattle, farming utensils and growing crop of the land place mentioned above which I do give and bequeath to my Grandson Mr. M. Smith.

Lastly I make my son J. W. Fitzpatrick my sole executor of this my last will and testament revoking all others and also request and bind my son J. W. Fitzpatrick to take charge of the property and money bequeathed in the above will to my Grand children Mary M. and Morgan M. Fitzpatrick until said Mary M. Fitzpatrick marries or arrives at the age of Twenty one, and said Morgan M. Fitzpatrick arrives at the age of Twenty five. The slaves bequeathed to both to be divided in the land bequeathed to Morgan M. Fitzpatrick and the proceeds equally divided between both for the payment of their expenses until Mary M. Fitzpatrick marries or attains her majority when she shall receive the slaves bequeathed to her alone and the two thousand dollars in three installments.

Given under my hand and seal this 6th day of July 1860. Morgan Fitzpatrick

Attest.

James Orr

Asbury Moore

3rd Court Sept. 3, 1860

State of Tennessee

Marshall County

3rd County Court September term 1860-
Personally appeared here in open court James Orr and Asbury Moore subscribing witnesses Thomas to the foregoing will, and who after first being duly qualified proved the same in due form as the law directs. Which was ordered to be so certified and recorded. Witness my hand at
Office September 3, 1860

J. Tully Clerk

William J. Black's Will

I William J. Black do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills made by me at any time. I will that all my just debts be paid by my executors and by the first meetings that may come into their hands belonging to me. Second - I will to my beloved wife Elizabeth one tract of third of my real estate during her lifetime to include the dwelling house and I direct that my executors shall (as soon after they are qualified practicable) set it apart to her so as to make a just and equitable arrangement for her & in addition to this I give to her what ever the law allows or allows to wit her years provision & the personal property exempt from execution by the act of the General assembly of 1855 & 6 Chapter 99 passed 29th Feb 1856.

Third I will to my children all my real estate (subject to the above before said) and in the event that either of my children should die before they arrive at majority without children then their portion to go to my other child or children.

Fourth I will to my wife & children all my personal property (except that portion heretofore disposed of) (and also my) negroes to be equally divided between

them) my negroes I will to my children and I direct that they shall be paid out by my executors until my children are of age and that the same shall go to the support of my wife and children during her widowhood & in the event of her marriage before the children are of age then all the same to be applied by my executors to the support of my children.

Fifth— I appoint my uncle William Blake Guardian of my children & direct him to wrest out the childrens land & use apply the proceeds to their benefit.

Six— I direct that if there is no personal property of negroes sufficient to pay my debts that my executors shall dispose of some of my negroes either at private or public sale and such credit as they may deem for the best interest of my family and I leave it to their discretion in this as in all other things in the management of my estate having full confidence in them.

Seventh— I appoint Joseph Celute & my brother Michael Celute my executors & direct them to sell my personal property (except my negroes) unless it becomes necessary as stated in the 6 clause of this will. it is also my will that my negro woman Fanny is not to be sold but to remain with my children. If she prefer it or she shall be by the management of the executors sell her own home and be hired out. Attest my hand and affix my seal this 5th day of January 1857.

(W. J. Celute Seal)

Test. William M. Hopland (Jurat Sept. 2, 1860)

H. L. Culbertson (Jurat Sept. 8, 1860)

James M. Celute

State of Tennessee
Marshall County Court, Court Sept. 1860.
Personally appeared James M. Celute on the 3rd day of September 1860 H. L. Culbertson & on this day William M. Hopland presiding witness to the foregoing will and who after first being duly qualified proved the due execution of said will as the law directs which was ordered by the court to be so certified and recorded. Witness my hand at
Office September 8, 1860.
S. Lally Clerk

Fanny L. Green's Will

I Fanny L. Green of the County of Marshall and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and disposing memory bless be Almighty God for the same, do make and publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me heretofore made,

Item 1st I will and bequeath all of my property whether real, personal or mixed of every description and character to my husband Solomon Green, during his natural life, or so long as he remains a widower.
Item 2nd It is my will that after my death Solomon Green may sell the negro man (Virgil) if he should think it advisable, but he is to invest the proceeds in an other negro man, and who is to be held by him during his life or so long as he remains a widower provided for in the first item.

Item 3rd Upon the death or marriage of Solomon Green all of my property I will and bequeath to my son William H. Milled, and I hereby designate my worthy friend Wm. L. McClelland to sell my negro to some reliable person in the neighborhood of Knoxville so as not to separate husband and wife or mother & children; and in the event he should fail or refuse to carry out this provision of my will then some other competent person shall carry out it.

provisioned in this respect - The sale of my negroes is herein only provided for in the event of the death or marriage of my husband Coleman Green - the proceeds to go to my son William H. Milled.

Item 4 - I do hereby nominate and appoint Coleman Green my Executor to this my last will and testament, and direct that no security be required of him as such executor. Witness my hand and seal this 23^d of February 1860.
Signed, Read, and acknowledged in our presence and the presence of the testator
This 23^d day of February 1860

Test
W. D. McClure
John B. Neely

The above additional statement of the words (to wit, "the proceeds to go to my son William H. Milled") is made at my instance & request since I signed my said will & acknowledged the same before witnesses

Test February 25th 1860, Nancy L. Green (my wife)
W. D. McClure
John B. Neely

State of Tennessee }
Marshall County } Court November 1860
Personally appeared here in open court W. D. McClure & John B. Neely subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will and who after first being duly sworn proposed the same as the law directs. It is therefore ordered by the court that said will be recorded.

Witness my hand at
Office November 5th 1860.

S. Sally, etc

Daniel Blakemore's Will

I Daniel Blakemore of the County of Marshall in the State of Tennessee being in the exercise of my mental faculties, but in a low state of health, and having some property I wish to dispose of in a manner otherwise than the law would do, do make and publish this as my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time made -

First - I desire and so direct that my body be decently interred, my funeral expenses, and my just debts paid out of any moneys I may die seized or possessing, or which may first come into the hands of my executors.
Second, I give and bequeath unto my wife Ann Blakemore during her lifetime or widowhood, all my property and effects of every kind to her use and benefit, thereby enabling her the better to support maintain and educate our children - And should either of our children place themselves in a condition to require advancements of any kind during her lifetime or widowhood, I direct that my wife appoint them out of the means thus left her, in such manner and amount as she can conveniently do, subject always to the conditions hereinafter specified.

Thirdly - It is my desire and I do so hereby devise that my daughter Fanny D. S. Blakemore and my son Daniel H. Blakemore inherit equally all my property or estate after my wife's life estate therein shall have expired. Their shares aforesaid I direct and so devise shall be advanced to them as a loan, so that the same shall be reserved to them to use for their upprop support and maintenance during their natural lives and after their deaths to go to and be inherited by their heirs or issue of their bodies - but should either die leaving no issue, then survivor shall inherit the whole of my estate, And to carry out my devise and desires in this particular I direct that before any advancements shall be received made to either of my children Fanny and Daniel as aforesaid, some suitable person be appointed by any Court having jurisdiction, as Trustee or Receiver for them, through whose supervision such advancements shall be made, either by paying them to use the property or advancements to them the