

equally divided between my before mentioned children. To be added by my Executors here after mentioned. I hereby appoint William S. Cox Executor of this my last will and Testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made in Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 11th day of May 1855, signed sealed and published and delivered by said Samuel Whitman to be his last will and Testament in the presence of us, who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the Testator.

Peter W. Jones.
James S. Jones.
Joseph Satture.

Samuel Whitman
witness

Will of David Vance.

David Vance on the 23rd day of May 1855, called me to his bed side at his own residence and said his will was that Solomon Vance and Samuel should have his land and each one to stay where they now live, to divide what personal property there was among them, all equally. The boys who got the land, to pay the balance of them (his children) something their part of the land, so they could make it off the land. Solomon to have the clock, David to have my rifle gun. Solomon to take his part of the farming and mechanical tools, and the balance belonging to me, to be to him and Samuel, Solomon to have the head and what belong to it Elizabeth to have my bureau, and Maria the cupboard, if there is any difference in the value, Maria to pay Elizabeth the difference.

Test
William S. Stevens.
Elizabeth Mulard.

Will of Nathaniel Hicks

State of Tennessee Sullivan County— I Nathaniel Hicks of said County and State being of sound mind to dispose, although my bodily infirmities are increasing, and according to the common course of things, cannot live long, and knowing that God whose providences and dispensations I firmly believe has appointed my end, I now make this my last will and Testament 1st I ordain that all my just debts shall be paid out of my monies and notes that I may have on hand at my decease, and that my burial expenses be paid out of this fund. I bequeath to my daughters, Hissah Elizabeth, and Mary jointly, thirty acres of land, commencing on a stone on the corner of the fence on the south side of the branch, thence North across the branch to a stone on the upper or north side of the ashared to a felled red oak, thence in some direction to a smalling tree, thence with the old split fence, dividing the timbered land about equal in value so that lands be left to each one

of land, to keep them up, said line shall then run in a southerly direction to a stone on the south side of the branch or on an apple tree so that the said thirty acres be laid off, as near square as will permit the said thirty acres shall include all the buildings, to wit, Barn House Kitchen and out houses also the spring. The remaining twenty acres of land, I will shall be equally divided between my sons Isaac Abraham John James Jacob Nathaniel and George, and my daughter Rebecca. I stand as by may agree or they may sell it, if more to their interest. Nathaniel Hicks has had a share of ten acres laid off to him heretofore. I will and bequeath to my daughter, Hissah Elizabeth a Mary, my Boy mare and all my stock on the farm except one colt which shall be sold and the proceeds added to the funds notes & effects heretofore set aside for the payment of my debts. I will and bequeath to them all my farming utensils of every description and all the house hold effects that I may be possessed of, should there be left a remainder of said fund first set apart for the payment of my debts, it shall be equally divided between my daughters Rebecca and Mary. I will that all the wheat growing on the land owned by my daughter Rebecca shall belong to and be disposed of by her at her own pleasure. I, N. H. Hicks & W. Hicks, I declare my Brethren, I in testimony whereof I have signed at this my last will and Testament on the tenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty six.

In the presence of

R. S. Finkle

G. W. Hicks

R. W. Hicks

Given Jan 2 1857.

Nathaniel Hicks (Sd)

Will of Noah Hull.

State of Tennessee Sullivan County— I know all men that I Noah Hull being infirm in body, yet of sound and disposing mind make this my last will and Testament, believing that in the dispensation of an all wise God I cannot long survive the rigor of disease. — 1st whereas my father the late Samuel Hull deceased, in his last will and Testament, ordained that I should during the natural life of my parents support them, govern the proceeds of the old home farm, and my father having deceased some time since, and my mother being yet alive, I hereby will that provision be made for her maintenance so that she be out of the proceeds of the said home tract of land, so I consider it my duty to render her as comfortable as may be in my power, so that every obliging of my Father will be complied with, and my duty to an aged parent discharged. 2nd I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Lucinda all my property both personal & real, that I may be possessed of after the maintenance of my mother, and my just debts are paid, during her natural life or as long as she may remain my widow with the request that she manage the farm and to the best advantage for the support of the family and the education of the children. 3rd I should my widow may agree I will that she shall then receive a child's part of my estate.