

## Last will &amp; Testament

of Wm E Jones decd. Probated Sept term 1893

In the name of God.

I Wm E Jones this day make this my last will and Testament, and do hereby revoke and annul and annul and set aside all other wills and only acknowledging this to be my last will and Testament. And furthermore I regard myself to be in the proper and upright exercise of my mind and am competent to dispose of my property according to the dictates of my own mind.

First I will and bequeath to my beloved wife S.C. Jones to have and hold during her natural life, the dwelling house and all the land, commencing at the first hollow above the house running to the top of the hill at the back of the house keeping a direct line with the top of the ridge above mentioned down to the bridge at the big ditch, then down said ditch to the river then running up said river bank to the hollow at the beginning above mentioned. And she is to have as much timber as she needs to make use of for her benefit. Also I give and bequeath to her the following, my two work mules and saddle, her coat, my wagon, two milk cows and all of my home hold and kitchen furniture. She is also to have all the lumber that is in the two yards and the money that is owing me for lumber. These things above mentioned I give to her to use and dispose of as she may desire. The land excepted, and it is to be hers so long as she remains my lawful widow. And should she marry again this land is to be equally divided among my children and should either of them die their own children shall share their part. And should she never marry, at her death it is to be divided the same as above directed.

I also do will and bequeath to my children Richard, Selma, Mollie, John, Louie, Willie and Anna Jones all of my real and personal property, not including what I give to my wife, to be equally divided among my children, and should either of them die without children their part is to be equally divided among my living children. Each one of my

children is to bear a proportional part in my burial expenses. I further state that if any one of my children is dissatisfied with the conditions of this will and enters any lawsuit contrary to the this will he or she forfeits their interest in same & Signed and acknowledged this 31<sup>st</sup> day of December 1892

Witness  
J. W. Horn  
W. H. Clark

W. E. Jones

The foregoing will was proven in open Court by the oath of J. W. Horn one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and W. H. Clark the other subscribing witness being dead. His hand writing was proven by the sworn testimony of J. W. Clark, and therefore the same was adjudged & declared by the Court to be the last will and Testament of Wm E Jones decd. and ordered to be recorded in the book of wills Sept 4, 1893.

N. D. Bachman, Clerk

## Last will &amp; Testament

of Isaac L. Depew decd. Probated November term 1893

I Isaac Depew 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 money that I may die possessed of, or may first come into the hands of my Executors. Secondly, I give and bequeath to my wife Sarah Depew, all my land to hold as long as she lives and at her death it is to go to my son John Depew, provided he stays with his mother and serves to her and he is to pay each his one hundred dollars except W. C. Depew, he is to have one hundred and fifty dollars and if John Depew don't want to pay for all the land and hold it that the other boys can go in and help pay for it and divide it between them.

Thirdly, I give and bequeath to my wife Sarah Depew all my personal property, including my household and kitchen furniture to hold as long as she lives and at her death it is to be divided equally between the boys except W. C. Depew, is to

have twenty five dollars more than the rest of the heirs and it is my will that the heirs divide the property between themselves without selling it.

Fourthly and lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint R. W. Debus my Executor and I do not require him to give bond.

In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and seal this October the 21<sup>st</sup> 1893

Attest  
W. R. Carroll  
J. E. Frivitt

Isaac <sup>his</sup> ~~mark~~ L. Debus

Proven in open court by the oaths of W. R. Carroll & J. E. Frivitt subscribing witnesses to said instrument on this the 6<sup>th</sup> day of Nov. 1893. and ordered to be recorded in the books of wills.

N. D. Bachman Clerk  
M. J. Adamsy D.C.

### Last Will & Testament

W. K. Cross

Probated Nov. Term 1893

This last will and Testament makes and acquits all others made by me heretofore.

I W. K. Cross, a minister of the M. E. Church South, of sound and disposing mind, do give my body to the dust from whence it came, and my spirit unto my kind Heavenly Father its author.

My first desire is that all my just debts be fully paid, and then I devise and bequeath unto my dearly beloved Son, C. B. Cross and Ellen Pickle and their heirs forever, one tract of land known as the Bond tract containing 50 acres more or less. Also the Mill tract said to contain 100 acres more or less. Both tracts are adjoining. Also one Circular Saw mill at the mouth of Muddy Creek, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  interest in one Grist mill, situated nearby. My desire is that my daughter Ellen wife of S. B. Pickle shall have all the improvements upon said land, such as house, out-houses, young orchard near the Spring, including the Spring, Garden, & Fruit patch, Stables, Corn crib &c &c. with lands thereto belonging to her and her heirs or assigns forever.

I further desire that the out barn upon the Farm remain as the property of the farm, to be jointly owned by my beloved Son C. B. Cross, and my beloved daughter Ellen Pickle their heirs or assigns. The setting out of the aforementioned to my beloved daughter wife of S. B. Pickle & her heirs or assigns, shall be for and in consideration of any extra cash she may have from the increasing infirmity of myself and her affectionate Mother.

I further set aside the following described lands for the payment of all just debts due from me to any parties whomsoever. To wit: One farm of 84 acres lying in the 17<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist. of Sullivan County known as the Charley Saupow farm. Also one tract of land in the 8<sup>th</sup> Civil Dist. known as the Hill land, adjoining the lands of M. W. Duane & son, Mrs. Julia Cross, and the farm upon which I now live. Said tract containing 70 acres more or less. Also one half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) interest in a tract of 5 acres on Holston river. Also one half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) interest in one Saw mill & Grist mill situated upon said tract formerly known as the Parker Collins Mill property. Also all my personal effects such as stock, tools &c &c. shall be sold at public outcry & the proceeds applied to the payment of any debts that may be due and owing by me at the time. I further desire, devise and say so as to set miles and bonuses to the aforementioned legacy to my beloved daughter Ellen wife of S. B. Pickle. The said line shall begin at a point corner to a small lot near Spring branch thence so as to include wood yard & out house to corner of garden in the rear of garden thence with same to upper corner thence with a fence to a point so as to give the spring to said Ellen wife of S. B. Pickle. Also young orchard & thence a straight line so as to include corn crib & barn lot as it now stands running with Barn lot fence so as to include all the building thence a straight line to the river & thence to the beginning. I further name as my Executors of this my last will & Testament my dear Son C. B. Cross, and Son in law S. B. Pickle.

I further devise & say that my Son C. B. Cross, shall refund into the estate the sum of one hundred & thirty (\$130<sup>00</sup>) dollars without interest.

This March 20, 1893 Acknowledged in the