

one hundred and fifty dollars, which shall be paid out of the proceeds of the farm as fast as it can be made and most advantageously applied, and that the am and the saddle that Amanda & James has already received is to be considered apart of her legacy at the ordinary price of such property at the time she received them.

Fourthly, I hereby authorize my wife or my executor either of them to sell the stock that I have in the East Tennessee and Virginia rail road if she should see fit at any time if they or either of them should think it best to do so and apply the proceeds to the payment of debts to to the use of the family as they may think best.

Fifthly I appoint James the servant to be my executor to settle up all my business to collect all my dues and to pay all my debts out of the same as fast as it can be done, and if there is not enough due me to pay all my then he may take and sell such personal property as can be most advantageously disposed of the place to pay the same if there should be more money due me than is required to pay my debts then it shall be paid to my wife for the use of the family.

Signed read and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names here in the presence of the Testator this 21st day of March 1861

Thomas J. Newton
John M. Smith

Volamond Smith

Proven C^o May 1861

State of Tennessee
Shelby County

I, John C. Rutledge Clerk of the County Court for said County do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the last will and Testament of Abraham & Smith both as appears proven of record in my office with my hand at office in Clintonville this 21st day of May 1861

John C. Rutledge Clk

Will of Adam Boy

In the name of God Amen I Adam Boy being of sound mind and memory and knowing that it is appointed for all mankind to die do make and publish this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any other time made First I order and direct that my funeral expenses and all of just debts be paid as soon as possible out of any money I may die possessed of or may come into the hands of my Executors (to wit) I order and direct that my wife Sarah Boy shall have one half of my land called my home farm including all of my buildings one half of my farm excepted and shall also my horse hold and kitchen furniture and shall have one half of my stock two hogs and all of my farming

implements one half the proceeds of my mill all the grain I may die possessed of for her use and benefit during her natural life and at her death the two horse hold and kitchen furniture shall be equally divided between my two daughters (to wit) Catherine and Elizabeth if they should not agree on the dividend the same shall be sold and the money arising from said sale shall be equally divided between my two daughters, I order and direct that my stock so bequeathed to my wife shall be sold at her death and the money arising from said sale shall be equally divided between my three children (to wit) J. H. Boy, Catherine and Elizabeth, the land so bequeathed to my wife I allow for my son J. H. Boy, (2) I order and direct that my said J. H. Boy shall have the balance of my land not disposed of and the other half of the proceeds of my will, (3) I order and direct that my daughter Catherine shall have a negro child named Rhoda Emeline at the death of my wife (4) I order and direct that my daughter Elizabeth shall have my negro woman named Eliza her and her offspring forever, (5) I order and direct that my son and daughter Harriet Boy shall have fifty dollars worth of property, I order and direct that my natural Boy James shall be free at the death of my wife and act for himself and shall have one fourth part of his father's land for his support during my wife's life and at her death all of his land to be for his own use and benefit and shall have one acre of land where his house now stands running to the Bank of the river, I order and direct that my black man Thomas shall be a slave to my wife during her life and at her death he shall be free and act for himself and shall have one acre of land above James running to the Bank of the river also one horse the horse he has now, I order and direct that my black woman Eliza shall be a slave to my wife, and at her death to be disposed of as mentioned, I order and direct that all of my black accounts and debts shall be equally divided between my wife and my son Joshua H. Boy, I order and direct that the balance of my stock not disposed of shall be sold the money equally divided between my three children (to wit) J. H. Boy, Catherine and Elizabeth, and do appoint James Boy & J. H. Boy, my Executors of this my last will and Testament.

Signed read in the presence of
John Riley
James Boy
James Smith

Proven C^o Oct 1862

Will of George Childress

I, George S. Childress of the County of Hawkins in the State of Tennessee being a full adult, but of sound and perfect mind and memory do make and publish and deliver this to be my last will and Testament, as regards my estate real and personal I desire to dispose of the same as follows,

First I desire that all my indebtedness and my personal expenses be paid as soon as practicable after my decease. Secondly I will and desire to my dearly beloved wife Sarah T. Childress my entire interest in the negroes and lands and other personal property which belonged to the heirs of James W. Childress deceased late of Sullivan County and State of Tennessee said lands are situated in Sullivan County and State of Tennessee and situated upon the waters of Sandy Creek said Negroes and lands are undivided between the heirs of James W. Childress deceased and lastly I do hereby appoint (and nominate) Andrew Scott Esq. of Sullivan Co Tenn my Executor of this my last will and Testament, In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and of fixed my seal on this 20th day of June 1881

G. S. Childress Seal

Signed sealed and acknowledged in our presence and in the presence of the Testator on 20th day of June 1881

A. B. McFarland

G. Richardson

Monday August 9th 1883.

Be it remembered that at a County Court begun and held at the Court House in Knoxville in the County of Hawkins & State of Tennessee on the 9th Monday in August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty three before William Holchifer Daniel Laughmiller & Edward Mollason Esqs. Justices commissioned and sworn to hold said Court in said County and State.

Exhibited in open Court the last will and Testament of George S. Childress deceased which was proved by the oaths of W. B. McFarland and G. Richardson the subscribing witnesses who being duly sworn according to law deposed and say that they heard the Testator acknowledge the same to be his last will and Testament and they believed him to be of sound and disposing mind and memory at the time of acknowledging the same. It is therefore ordered that said will be read and filed.

State of Tennessee I James M. Pace Clerk of the County Court of Hawkins County said County do certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the last will and Testament of George

S. Childress does now on file in my office together with a transcript from the records of my Court in relation to the probate of the same.

Given under my hand and official seal at Office in Knoxville the 6th day of October 1883.

James M. Pace Clerk

By J. H. Vance St. Clerk

Will of Daniel Miller

I Daniel Miller being in feeble health and knowing the uncertainty of life but being of sound mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all wills or parts of wills by me at any time heretofore made.

First that my Executor pay my funeral expenses and all my just debts out of any money that I may die possessed of or otherwise first come into his hands.

Secondly I will to my beloved wife Mary Miller the farm on which I now live (adjoining Jacob Blackalmond and others) during her natural life to have the entire control of and benefit of said farm during that time. I also will to my wife my negroes Alfred Lucinda and Maria Hopkins during her life but should either of said negroes become unruly and unmanageable my Executor is hereby empowered to sell them as offending and the money arising from said sale is to be put at interest if it can during my wife's life term. I further will my wife all of my house hold and kitchen furniture of every kind and description during her life one Bacon mare named Bessie one Brown filly named Pat. four head of cattle her share all of my sheep and a sufficient quantity of farming and stock tools to set apart to her by her of my neighbors all of the balance of my stock of every description is to be sold by my executor and it is further my will that my executor hold in his hands all of the money or money is that I may die possessed of or may arise from my first sale until a suit I have pending in the Court in Washington County Virginia against John Gray for raising and educating his daughter Margaret is disposed of and he is to pay all costs or damages if any that may be adjudged against me or my estate on the final of said suit out of said money. My Executor is authorized to dispossess said suit if the said John Gray will pay the costs of the same and if the said John Gray pays the cost of said suit my Executor is authorized to deliver to his daughter Margaret a new ladies saddle I have in hands after the said mentioned before is disposed of. My Executor is to put at interest one thousand dollars during my wife's life term and if she should during her life term come to want she is to apply to the County Court and if in their judgment they are to give her or order for such amount as will keep her comfortable in my Executor out of said thousand dollars or interest of the same. I will that my wife have all of my farming utensils of all kinds all of my harness and that my Executor sell my four horse wagon and furnish my wife with one two horse wagon out of the money arising from the sale. Also my wife is to have grain of all kinds sufficient to support her said family stock as for her share of the balance of any like sold.

It is my will that my wife Mary Miller is at liberty to sell to whoever she please two beds bedding and stable stock or any property willed to her directly by me also the one thousand dollars or any part of it that is required by the will to be kept by my Executor at interest as a ready money fund for her benefit to use as she pleases except the children or their heirs of John Gray and Joseph A. Miller to be to be forever barred from receiving any part of said property directly or indirectly.