

equally divided between my before mentioned children to be sold by my Executor hereinafter 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 July 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 hereto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the Deceased.

Wit. In Jones,
James S. Jones,
Joseph Patterson.

Samuel Whitman
made

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 David 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 clove, David to have my rifle gun, Solomon to take his part of the farming and mechanical tools, and the balance to be longed to me, to be to him and David, Solomon to have the bed and what belongs 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 Mullard.

Will of Nathaniel Hoits

State of Tennessee Sullivan County— I Nathaniel Hoits 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 providence and dispensations I firmly believe has appointed my end, I now move 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 funds— I bequeath to my daughters Nisiah, Elizabeth, and Mary jointly, thirty acres of lands commencing on a stake on the corner of the fence on the south side of the Branch, thence North across the Branch to a stake on the upper or north side of the orchard to a field red oak, thence in same direction to a smalling tree, thence with the old White line, dividing the bounded land about equal in value as that timber be left to each one

of lands to keep them up, said line shall then run in a southern direction to a stake on the south side of the Branch or on an apple tree so that the said thirty acres be laid off, so near square as will permit the said thirty acres shall include all the buildings, to wit, Barn, House, outhouse and out house also the spring. The remaining thirty acres of land, I will shall be equally divided between my sons Isaac, Abraham, John, James, Jacob, Nathaniel and George, and my daughter Rebecca S. Hancy, as they may agree or they may sell it if none to their interest. Children W. Hoits has had a share of ten acres laid off to him herebefore. I will and bequeath to my daughter Nisiah, Elizabeth and Mary, my Bay mare and all my stock on the farm except one calf which shall be sold and the proceeds added to the funds and I effect herebefore 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 Hancy— 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. N. W. Hoits & W. Hoits, I ordain my Executors. 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 sixty six.

In the presence of
N. S. Hoits
G. W. Hoits
R. W. Hoits

Nathaniel Hoits
made
Proven Jan 3 1867.

Will of Noah Hull.

State of Tennessee Sullivan County— Now 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 Sanderick Hull deceased, in his last will and Testament, ordained that I should during the natural life of my parents support them, so near 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 as herebefore out of the proceeds of the said home tract of lands, so I consider it my duty to render her as comfortable as may be in my power, so that every obligation 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 Should my widow may quit I will that she shall then receive a child's part of my estate.