

to ask for my daughter in said division so that
it may be made without the expense of a suit.
I appoint Henry D. Coppenhaver, R.M. Goodell
Executors of this my last will. In witness whereof
I have affixed my name & seal this 26th day of August
1875

G. G. Goodell. *Seal*

This paper is signed, sealed and acknowledged
by G. G. Goodell as his last will & Testament in our
presence & in the presence of each other & at his
request we witness the same. The creases & interlin-
eations were made before the signing & sealing.
Witness Aug. 26th 1875

C. A. Bitting

James H. Gilman

Virginia: At a circuit Court held for Smyth County
25th Sept. 1886. The last will and Testament of G. G.
Goodell, died, was proved in Court by the oath of James
H. Gilman one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and
C. A. Bitting the other subscribing witness thereto being
dead, the signature of the said C. A. Bitting to the said
will was proven by the said James H. Gilman to be in
the hand writing of the said C. A. Bitting, and that
the said James H. Gilman & the said C. A. Bitting sub-
scribed their names to the said will as witnesses
at the request of the Testator and in his presence &
in the presence of each other, and the said will is
ordered to be recorded.

Virginia: At a circuit Court continued and held for
Smyth County, 29th Sept 1886 on the motion of H. D.
Coppenhaver & R. M. Goodell, Executors named in the
last will & Testament of G. G. Goodell died, admitted
to record in this Court on yesterday, who made oath
thereto, and together with John Coppenhaver & John M.
Luther their security entered into and acknowledged
their bond in the penalty of \$20,000⁰⁰. Conditions
according to law. Certificate is granted them for
obtaining a probate of the said will in due form.

Just. J. H. Gilman Deputy
for W. C. Sexton, Clerk
Smyth County Court.

Virginia: Circuit Court Smyth County, to wit:

J. W. C. Sexton Clerk of the Circuit Court
in and for said County, bring a Court of record, certify
that the foregoing last will and Testament of G. G.
Goodell, died, with the certificates of proof and probate
thereto attached, are true copies from the records of
said Circuit Court.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
affixed the seal of said Circuit Court, at office in the
town of Marion, this 7th day of October 1887.

W. C. Sexton, Clerk
Smyth Circuit Court



Virginia, Smyth County, to wit:

I, J. A. Kelly, Judge of the Circuit
Court in said County, do certify that W. C. Sexton whose
signature is signed to the foregoing certificate is Clerk of
the said Court and that his certificate is due from
J. A. Kelly

State of Tennessee

Sullivan County. I, E. D. Baumgardner Register
for the County & State of Tennessee do certify that the foregoing
will & certificates thereto was received & registered on the
7th day of Nov. 1887, at 11 O. C. P. M. entered in note book
3 and recorded in P. Book, Vol 40 pages 171-172-173
-174-175 & 176. Witness my hand at office in Blountville
Tenn. this 11th day of Nov. 1887.

E. D. Baumgardner, Register

Last Will & Testament

George Seruggs, Deed.

Probated Jan. Term 1891

In the name of God Amen.
I George Seruggs of Bristol Tenn. do make this my
last will and testament as follows:-

I desire that my body may be decently buried without
unnecessary expense in a manner corresponding to my estate
and situation in life.

I will and bequeath unto my dear wife in testimony
of my affection for her, for her use and absolute use
a certain part of the lot on which I now live in

Broad St. in the City of Bristol, Sullivan County Tenn. being thirty feet off of the northern side of said lot fronting on the alley on the north side of said lot - that is fronting on the alley and running back thirty feet deep.

3^d I will and bequeath to my daughter Pearl the remainder portion of the said lot - that is, all lot including the house that is not hereby willed to my wife Hattie Scruggs. Witness my hand, which I have set to this my will written upon one sheet of paper, this the 4th day of Dec. 1890
 Witness - George ^{his} Scruggs
 A. D. Miles.

Signed, published and declared by George Scruggs as and for his last will, in the presence of us, who in his presence at his request and in the presence of one another, have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses -

Stephen Allen
 P. J. Montgomery

Proven in open Court by the oaths of Stephen Allen and P. J. Montgomery, subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will & the same was ordered to be recorded in the Book of Wills. Jan'y. 5th 1891.

Last Will & Testament

Ordered to be recorded
 July term 1891

Benjamin Birdwell Sen. Died Dec. 1891

I Benjamin Birdwell Sen. 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 be possessed of, or may first come into the hands of my executor.

Secondly. I give and bequeath to my wife Mary Birdwell and my three daughters, Elizabeth Birdwell, Jane Birdwell, and Nancy Birdwell, a good and decent support out of the plantation on which I now live, and out of the proceeds of my half of the Grist Mill, and that their support shall not be inferior to the way they

now live, during their natural life in case they never marry and if they marry they shall share their portion as hereafter named.

Thirdly. I bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Birdwell, my son Benjamin Birdwell, my daughter Jane Birdwell and my daughter Nancy Birdwell, my son Joseph Birdwell, my son Rowland Birdwell and my son Ruvel Birdwell, each equal portion of the plantation on which I now live and one half of the Grist mill in case my son Benjamin Birdwell, my son Joseph Birdwell and my son Ruvel Birdwell pay my son Rowland Birdwell a reasonable amount for the improvement he has made in the plantation.

Fourthly. my son Benjamin Birdwell, my son Joseph Birdwell and my son Rowland Birdwell and my son Ruvel Birdwell shall jointly pay to my son David Birdwell the sum of five dollars and to my Grand son George Wexler the sum of five dollars to be paid out of my estate.

Fifthly. That my son Benjamin Birdwell shall have exclusive of his portion of the plantation above named, one half of the Grist mill, the whole of the saw mill, and all the sites on the Creek as far as my land embraces, with land sufficient to render the sites convenient. This is not a bequest but a fulfillment of a contract that existed between me and my son Benjamin Birdwell, which contract he has amply fulfilled by funding materials and rebuilding said Grist mill. I further give exclusive management of the whole Grist mill that he may make such improvements and repairs as he sees proper and shall be paid for the same out of the proceeds of the mill.

Sixthly. No portion of the above named land, mills or sites shall be stricken off or conveyed to any person, except to my son Benjamin Birdwell or my son Joseph Birdwell, or my son Rowland Birdwell, or to my son Ruvel Birdwell, during the natural life of my wife Mary Birdwell, nor during the natural life of any of my three daughters in case my three daughters Elizabeth Birdwell, Jane Birdwell and Nancy Birdwell or any of them remain unmarried.

Lastly. I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Benjamin Birdwell my executor, in witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and seal this 4th day of October 1890.
 Benj. Birdwell Seal