

Last will & Testament Probated July Term 1889

Lucian H. Johnson Decd.

I Lucian H. Johnson

being of sound mind and memory, do this 9th day of February 1888, do make this my last will and Testament. Viz. I bequeath to my father L. P. Johnson my entire interest in two paid up policies in the two following Life Insurance organizations viz. One Life Insurance policy in the R.R. Conductors Life Insurance Association for whatever amount may be due from it at my death, also one policy in the R.R. Passenger and Freight Conductors Mutual Aid and Benefit Association for twenty five hundred dollars. I nominate and appoint my father L. P. Johnson as the Executor of this my last will, and direct that when he shall have collected the two above mentioned paid up policies in the said Insurance Companies that he shall get of the proceeds thereof, pay Dr. Wm. Butler the full amount of his debt against me for medical services rendered to myself and wife during our last illness. The remainder I will and bequeath in full to my father L. P. Johnson to have and possess, as a slight testimonial of my love and affection for him, and appreciation of his unwearied paternal regard and affectionate care of me.

I further ask that the Court confirm his appointment as my Executor, without requiring him to give security. Witness my signature this 9th day of

February 1888, at Bristol Sullivan County, Tennessee

In presence of
A. B. Carr
F. W. Johnson

L. H. Johnson

Prere before John J. Cox, Chairman &c. by
A. B. Carr & F. W. Johnson subscribing witnesses
to same on the 8th day of July 1889. And ordered
to be recorded in the book of wills.

W. D. Buchanan clk.

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John Roller Decd.

In the name of God Amen.

I John Roller of Sullivan County, and State of Tennessee, knowing all others do aforesaid as my last will and Testament in manner and form as follows that is to say after all my just debts and funeral expenses is paid I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Catharine Roller my entire efforts to keep and to hold during her natural life should she out live me. Excepting I give to my son Adam H. Roller my bay horse that is 4 years old next spring it is my will and desire that all my children that is under age shall be made equal to those that is of age and left home it is my will and desire that my efforts that may be on hand at the death of my wife shall be equally divided between all my children. I also appoint J. C. Yorkley my Executor of this my last will and Testament. Witness my hand and seal this 12th day of February 1889. Signed sealed and delivered by the testator for his last will and Testament in presence of us

F. M. Bowry

J. R. Rodgers

Prere in open Court by the oaths of
F. M. Bowry & J. R. Rodgers, subscribing witnesses to said
instrument on this the 4th day of March, 1889
W. D. Buchanan clerk

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Probated March Term, 1889
Melina R. Shipley Decd.

I Melina R. Shipley of the County of Sullivan and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory and knowing the uncertainty of life, and being desirous of so disposing and arranging my business and the disposition of my property that my children after I am gone will have no strife or litigation either amongst themselves or with others, do make and publish this as my last will and Testament for the purposes herein contained, to wit: I have four children, Amanda C. William L. Thomas J. and James S. Shipley and a step grandson Samuel J. Zimmerman whom I have raised from childhood and whom I desire shall share equally with my four children above named in

what property I have or may have at my death
 2^d I desire that my daughter Amanda shall have a certain gray mare that I now own, and she is also to have the cooking stove now in use by the family. I desire that my son William L. shall have a certain row cow I own and that James my son and my step grandson Samuel J. Zimmerman shall have a turner I have, and that Thomas shall have a bedstead and falling leaf table, and the balance of my household and kitchen furniture not specified above I want divided equally amongst my five children and step grandson Samuel J. Zimmerman.

I desire what cattle I have or may have, three head, a horse, a light bay as I would call him, a wagon, and all my agricultural tools, to be sold either at public outcry, or by my children privately, and the proceeds applied to the payment of my debts, or my children and grandsons may keep these things and property, upon paying the debts above referred to: such as they may see proper, and if a sale of the personal property above specified is made. I desire my son William L. Shipley to attend to it and apply the proceeds as above designated.

3^d My daughter Amanda & son Thomas F. and myself execute a deed of trust to E. H. Bashman about the year for the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars. This money being borrowed to meet the expenses in our last, including including my other two children of a division of the land left by my husband, between two sets of children my own others by a former wife. On the above debt to the said Bashman, my son William L. Shipley has paid the sum of about seventy dollars and I have paid about eighty dollars, which latter sum I desired should be credited to or considered paid by Amanda and my step son Samuel J. Zimmerman the latter being a minor.

I desire and hereby appoint my son William L. Shipley as executor to settle all my business, and collect such debts as may be due me: and in doing this I desire that my doctors bill and burial expenses be paid and after that such other debts as may be due from me.

Item 4th: As to the provision fruits &c. I have now in hand I desire Amanda, William L., Saml J. Zimmerman and my son James, if he comes home to have it to live on. Thomas F. being married and having enough of his own

without assistance from the other children in this particular. I do most earnestly hope that my children will all get along smoothly and peaceably, and have no trouble or difficulty amongst themselves in reference to anything herein contained. Witness my hand on this the 16th day of November A.D. 1888.

Signed in the presence of  Melvina C. ^{her} _{mark} Shipley,
 N. D. Owens
 Robert R. Hayes
 M. A. Delaney

Given in open Court by the oaths of Robert R. Hayes & M. A. Delaney subscribing witnesses to the foregoing instrument, on the 4th day of March 1889, and ordered to be recorded in the book of wills.

N. D. Bashman Clerk

State of Tennessee, Will of Conrad Weaver Dec'd
 Sullivan County  Probated March Term 1889.

Be it known to all men that I Conrad Weaver of said County and state aforesaid, knowing that it is appointed and decreed that all must die, and being admonished by infirmities and age that I cannot survive a great length of time, and being a firm believer in the Christian Religion, believing it to be my duty to arrange my business transactions preparatory to that change, and dispose justly and equitably my effects to my children, and being yet of sound and disposing mind, I now make, ordain and publish this my last will, testament and conveyance hereby making and setting aside all heretofore made.

To my sons John M. Weaver, Jacob J. and David J. Weaver. I will, deem, set over and transfer and convey in fee simple forever all my right title, interest and claim that I have in and to a certain tract or parcel of land in said County and State Civil Dist. no. 9, adjoining the lands of the heirs of David Webb Dec'd, Sally Smalling & Wm. Jones & others - being the same tract upon which I now live - and bounded as follows, Beginning at a small Black oak and a chestnut in David Webb's line. Thence South Twenty five E. 203. P. to a Spanish oak then with Smalling's line S. 60. W. 130 P. to a Black oak, Thence North 45° West. 222 P. to a Dogwood and then small Chestnut Oaks on the top of a ridge. Thence North 68° East 98 Poles to a double white oak. Thence a direct line to the Beginning.