

Last Will & Testament

Sarah Ann Booker, dch

Probated May term 1900

In the name of God amen.

I Sarah Ann Booker wife of James Booker and a citizen of Sullivan County Tennessee, being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made.

First. I will and bequeath unto my beloved niece Amanda Wolford wife of James Wolford all of my real estate consisting of a certain boundary of land situated on Steele Creek in the 5th Civil Dist of Sullivan County Tenn. And more particularly described by metes, monuments markers and bounds, as follows, to wit: Beginning at a planted rock in the lane South of the Blountville and Bristol road, near the East bank of Steele Creek thence North 65° E - poles to a planted rock on Geo. Harris line; thence North 46° E. 65 poles to a planted rock on Leri Moors line; thence with Bookers & Moors dividing line, North 33½ W. 60½ poles to a Stake in the center of the Bristol and Blountville road; thence with said road South 39° W. poles to a planted rock in said road; thence leaving said road in a North west course, across the meadow a line parallel with Bookers & Moors division fence - poles to a planted rock on the west bank of Steele Creek at a point near to and opposite a large sugar tree; thence with said Creek and up the same different courses to a lycamore on the bank of said Creek on Bookers and Moors line; thence leaving said Creek North 25° W. 82 poles to a planted dock; thence South 27° W. 87 poles to an old marked white oak; thence South 44½ W. poles to a woodland fence on Moors line; thence in a Southeast direction with said woodland fence, and with a fence along which is a row of Cedars; passing a short distance north of the new barn, crossing Steele Creek - poles to a stake or planted rock in the center of the Blountville & Bristol road; thence west with said road to a stake or planted rock in the center of said road opposite the mouth of the lane leading down the Creek to the old

Moor's house now owned by Geo. Harr; thence south with the center of said lane to the place of beginning, containing - acres and being the same and entire boundary of land conveyed to me by my husband by deed of May 26, 1896, and on which we now reside.

And whereas by right of inheritance I owned an undivided one ninth interest in what is known as the David Steele farm of which the above described boundary is a part and my said husband became the owner of certain other shares by right of purchase, and in doing so used a considerable sum of money belonging to me, and in order to separate our respective interests and make a fair and just division of same, I did on the 26th day of May 1896 executed to my said husband a deed for my entire undivided interest in said lands, which deed is of record in the Registers office at Blountville Tenn. in Dued Book, Vol. 60 pages 399 & 400, and at the same time my husband the said James Booker executed to me a deed for a part of the same lands, Conveyed by me to him and being the same tract and boundary of land herein devised by me to my beloved niece the said Amanda Wolford, and which last named deed is also of record in the Registers office at Blountville in Dued Book Vol. 60, pages 397 & 398, it having been my purpose at that time to accept the said boundary of land so deduced to me as in full settlement and satisfaction of my said undivided one ninth interest in the said David Steele lands and also any interest I might have by reason of the money used by my said husband in purchasing the other shares of said land, and whereas some doubt exists and is expressed as to my legal right to contract with my husband and make partition of our interests in said lands, by executing deed to my said husband, I now desire to set all such doubts at rest, being advised that I may do so by will if not by deed; therefore I do now and hereby as a part of my last will and testament ratify and confirm my said deed to my said husband made by me on the 26 day of May 1896 and the relinquishment of interests therein expressed in every respect.

Lastly I nominate and appoint James Wolford Executor of this my last will and testament without bond. In testimony whereof I have herein to subscribed my name on this the 28th day of April 1899

Sarah Ann Booker

The foregoing instrument was
signed, sealed, and published by
the Testator as her last will and
testament, in our presence, and
we bear on this the 28th day of April
1899, at the request of Testator, in
her presence and in the presence of each
other subscribed our names herto as
Witnesses.

N. D. Bachman
Levi Moore

State of Tennessee, ^{2d} The foregoing written instru-
Sullivan County, ^{3d} ment was proven in open
Court by the oaths of N. D.
Bachman and Levi Moore, subscribing wit-
nesses thereto, on this the 7 day of May 1900,
and thereupon said written instrument was
adjudged, declared and decreed by the Court
to be the last will and Testament of Sarah
Ann Boother, deceased and ordered to be
recorded in the Book of Wills.

Teste:

Jno R. Snow, Clerk

Last Will & Testament

L. E. Cox, deceased ^{of} Probated May 2nd, 1900

I L. E. Cox do hereby and
hereon make this my last will and testament hereby re-
voking and denouncing all other wills hereuntoform made
by me as being null and void to wit

1st I will and bequeath to my wife M. C. Cox all my
personal property consisting of one Bay morn and two
fillies one being three years old and one being one year
old two cows fifteen head of hogs house hold and
kitchen furniture and farming tools also as much
of the rents of the Russell farm as will make her
support with the proceeds of her own farm which rents
she is to have as long as she remains my widow but
in the event she should become the wife of another
man then she is to be dispossessed of the rents and my
son Joseph B. Cox to be invested of the rents of the
Russell farm which farm I will and bequeath to my
son Joseph B. Cox. My wife M. C. Cox is not to have

any timber cut and hauled off of the Russell farm.
In the event my wife M. C. Cox decides to move to the west and
live with my son Joseph B. Cox then the above named Russell
farm is to be sold by my wife's consent to take interest in-
stead of rent also the above named personal property is to be
sold and my son Joseph B. Cox is to have the money and pay
as much interest to my wife M. C. Cox as will be necessary
for her support with the proceeds of her own farm.
My wife M. C. Cox is to pay the tax for the year 1899 and
have the entire expense for the year 1899

2nd I will and bequeath to my son Joseph B. Cox a
certain tract or parcel of land lying in the 15th civil
District of Sullivan County known as the Russell farm
and bounded as follows on the East by A. A. Brewer
Martha Hutton and E. Higley, on the North by T. S. Hargus
and E. E. Cox, on the west by Charley Blakely and the
Dipew lands and on the South by G. N. Hutton and Zina
Magnusson, to him and to hold subject to the provisions
above made for my wife M. C. Cox.

3rd I will that my fifty acres of land known as my
interest in the Charley Cox farm lying in the 7th civil
District of Washington County and bounded as follows
on the South and East by the lands of J. P. Jones deceased,
on the North by J. D. Lady and J. H. Kitchens and on
the west by J. D. Lady and heirs of J. H. Cox deceased. Be
sold at public or private sale here all my indebtedness
settled out of the proceeds and my son Joseph B. Cox
to have the remainder except one hundred dollars
which I will and bequeath to my daughter Ella K.
Clark, wife of C. M. Clark, Ten Dollars of which is
to be paid to her now the remaining Ninety Dollars
to be deposited in the First National Bank of
Jonesboro Tennessee

4th I will and bequeath that my entire interest in
the estate of A. S. Cox deceased of Lenoir S. R. Cox of Jones
County Texas being Administrator of same be equally
divided between my son Joseph B. Cox and my daughter
Ella K. Clark wife of C. M. Clark. I also will that my
daughter Ella K. Clark's part of this money be deposited
in the First National Bank of Jonesboro and that this
Bank shall pay to my daughter Ella K. Clark Twenty
Five Dollars and all accrued interest annually

5th I will that my son Joseph B. Cox be my executor
of this will if he will return and except without
bond or security, if not I will that T. S. Hargus be
executor of this my last will and testament.