

in the distribution of my property among my other children: that is unless the notes I owed on him are paid by him either to me during my life time or to my executor after my death. My son Elmer S. Boyd is now indebted to me in the sum of \$2,000 secured by promissory note, and deed of trust, and if he shall pay to me during my life time, or to my executor, after my death, said sum of \$2,000, with the interest due thereon, then he is to share equally with my other children; if he does not, then the said sum of \$2,000 with accrued interest is to be deducted from, or out of his share of my estate.

15<sup>th</sup> I think I have made my desires as to my property, and its disposition, sufficiently clear, that my children and all others, can easily understand and comprehend them. And I hereby nominate and appoint my son Rufus H. Boyd as my executor, but he shall not be required to give bond. This the 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 1909  
S. W. Boyd.

The foregoing will was signed by the testator in our presence, and we attested the same in his presence and at his request. This November 13<sup>th</sup> 1909.

P. H. White.

W. W. Casey.

The foregoing written instrument was given in open Court by the oath of P. H. White & W. W. Casey the subscribing witnesses to said written instrument, on this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of April 1911, and thereupon said written instrument was adjudged, declared and decreed by the Court to be the last Will and Testament of S. W. Boyd, deceased and ordered to be recorded in the Book of Wills.

Teste P. J. Styles Clerk.

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Last Will and Testament

Dated May 1911

J. L. Burson Sec. In the name of God Amen:

I, J. L. Burson, of the City of Bristol, Virginia, do make this my last Will and Testament, as follows:

1. First: I desire that my body be decently buried in the South East Corner of my square in the Cemetery at Jonesboro, Tennessee, that being the place selected by me, January 18<sup>th</sup> 1856, for my grave. I also desire that a suitable monument be erected at my said grave, by my executor without needless expense, but in a manner corresponding to my estate & situation in life.

2. Second: I direct that all my just debts be paid as soon after my decease as conveniently may be, & to that end charge my whole estate, real & personal with the same.

3<sup>rd</sup>. Third: I give & bequeath unto my wife Namie J. Burson, as & for her own forever all of my money, notes, bonds, accounts, choses in action, claims, debts, horses, cattle, buggies, carriages, household & kitchen furniture, & all of my other personal property & effects of all & every kind whatsoever & wherever situated due just however to the charge that all of my just debts & liabilities funeral & monument expenses shall be paid out of the same.

I do also give & bequeath unto my said wife in fee simple the following parcel of land situate in the West end of said City of Bristol, Va; Four acres of land bounded by Williams, Thomas, Main & Anne Streets as shown in my plat of my west end lands made by T. D. Halthall. I do also give & bequeath unto my said wife for & during her natural life & at her death to the children of her body who may survive her, the following other real estate, Viz: A certain parcel of land situate in said City fronting two hundred & sixty feet more or less on Morris & running back with Cherry Street on the north & the line of the lot now occupied by J. E. Devers, on the south to Rebecca Street, including the buildings & improvements thereon. Also a lot & brick store house thereon, situate in said City, East of & adjoining the Camp Store house, fronting twenty four feet on Draine Street & running back same width across Beaver Creek to Hunter's Alley & lately occupied by Henry Kinsler. Also a lot & brick store house thereon situate in said City fronting about twenty four feet on Morris Street & running back same width sixty nine feet more or less to the Rohr line, lately occupied by J. H. Mott, said house is numbered 18.

Also lots 19 & 20 & houses thereon, situate in said City, fronting on Main Street & known as the ware house lot & the Church lot, the two aggregating one acre more or less.

Also lot & house & improvements thereon, situated in said City of Sullivan County, Tennessee fronting Main Street Six feet more or less on Main Street & running back same width to an alley & adjoining the lot of H. V. Hawk & others occupied by A. Tate.  
Also third lot situated in the City of Seffner County of Hillsborough & State of Florida, with fine improvements thereon being the property purchased by one of T. P. Lightfoot. This devise is in full satisfaction of all Claims demands & rights of any & all kinds whatsoever of my wife against my estate.

4. Fourth, I give & bequeath unto my daughter, Sallie K. DeBarb, one house & lot whereon she now lives, situated in the City of Bristol Va, on Virginia Hill, fronting sixty six feet on Moore Street & running back one hundred & sixty five feet & adjoining the John Cowens lot.

Also lots 7 & 8 in said City situated on Spruce Street & the houses thereon, in one of which the late Thomas Edwards lived & in the other one Ada Dorr lately lived.

Also two houses & lots in Hobson's Addition to Bristol Va, adjoining R. B. Smith on the East & West & fronting fifty two feet on Taylor Street & running back to Beaver Creek.

Also two houses & lots situated in said City on the West side of Edmund Street at the Corner with Rebecca Street, each of said lots are fifty feet front & about one hundred & twenty feet deep.

Also about five & one half acres of land situated in Bristol, Sullivan County, Tennessee lying between the streets known & named in my addition to Bristol, Tenn, excepting therefrom & thereout two lots heretofore sold by me to Anderson & Co.

Also one house & one acre lot situated in Blount County, Tennessee on which Deaf Jones now lives, this devise is in full satisfaction of any & all demands & rights of my said daughter against my estate.

5. Fifth, I give & bequeath unto my son John E. Burson the farm on which he formerly lived situated on the Rocky Creek road, in the County of Washington & State of Virginia, said to contain four hundred & thirty six acres more or less & known as the Bradley or Gibbons farm, which I purchased at judicial sale some years ago, for which I have since paid & authorized my said son to receive the conveyance therefor from the Commissioners.

Also four & one half acres of land situated in Bristol, Sullivan County, Tenn, fronting Main Street & adjoining the widow Collins on the west & Locust Street on the East.

Also the right title & claim conferred on me by deed of H. H. Haynes to eight hundred & fifty acres of land situated

in said County of Sullivan & State of Tenn. on the South side of Nolichucky River & known as the Patton land.

This devise is in full satisfaction of any & all demands & rights of my said son against my estate.

6. Sixth, I give & bequeath unto my son E. A. Burson five acres of land situated in the City of Bristol Va, fronting on Main Street & the lands of H. T. DeLong & adjoining Williams Street on the west & Baker's Creek on the North & East, & on which land there are three houses. Also nine acres of land North of the last above described lying between Williams & Burson Streets & Baker's Creek, excepting therefrom & thereout three acres heretofore sold by me to T. Doriot.

Also my said son E. A. Burson is to have one store house & lot situated in the town of Seffner County of Hillsborough & State of Florida fronting fifty feet on Front Street & running back one hundred & fifty feet purchased by one of T. P. Lightfoot till his daughter Mary Sue Burson arrives at the age of twelve years at which she the said Mary Sue is to have said store house & lot in fee simple forever. This is in full of any & all demands & rights of my said son against my estate.

7. Seventh, I give & bequeath unto my daughter Susan Virginia Burson Owen, in fee simple forever six acres of land situated in the City of Bristol, Va, lying between Thomas & Baker Streets & fronting on Main Street & running North to Anna Street. And I give & bequeath unto my said daughter Susan Virginia for & during her life & at her death to the heirs of her body the following other real estate viz: A lot or parcel of land fronting twenty seven & one half feet on Main & running back same width to Shelby Street, including a three story brick store house thereon now occupied by J. H. Rice, said property being situated in Bristol, Sullivan County, Tenn.

Also house & lot No 141 Johnston Land purchased at the Corner of Moore & Spruce Streets where S. E. Owen lately lived. fronting fifty six feet on Moore Street & running back one hundred & sixty five feet more or less to E. B. McManis & Co. Also two lots & improvements thereon in Johnston purchased Nos. 117 & 118 adjoining John E. Burson on the East, Occident Street on the South & Rebecca Street on the West.

Also one house & lot purchased by one of J. R. Merchant & wife & known as lot No 12 John's Addition, the second & third above mentioned properties are situated in the City of Bristol, Va, and the last above mentioned property is situated in Bristol Sullivan County, Tenn. This is in full of all demands & rights of my said daughter against my estate.

8. Eighth, I give & bequeath unto my son Dick B. Burson, one three story brick store house & lot fronting twenty seven & one half feet on Main & running back to Shelby

Street now occupied by Mitchell & Powers & Co

Also give one half acres of land fronting on Main Street, running back South to an old road formerly Englishes line, embracing all the land lying between Walnut & Chestnut Streets, the two West above properties are situate in Bristol, Sullivan County, Tenn.

Also two acres of land with four line houses on the same, situate in the City of Bristol, Va. & bounded by King, Rebecca, Edmund & Annarie Streets.

Also one undivided half of forty acres of land situate in the Town of Seffner, Hillsborough County & State of Florida, purchased by one of J. L. Cole & which has been platted into lots as an addition to said town, this is in full of all demands & rights of my said son against my estate.

9. Ninth, I give & bequeath unto my son Samuel L. Pearson one lot or parcel of land situate in the City of Bristol, Va. on the corner of Main & Moore Streets, fronting sixty feet but more or less on Main & running back with Moore Street one hundred & fifty feet more or less to the one story brick store building.

Also one brick store house & lot situate in said City fronting twenty feet on Moore Street & running back to the Rock line, once occupied by W. B. Galt.

Also six acres of land more or less situate in said City & bounded by Main, Betsy Baker, Walnut & Fair & Francis Streets.

Also a farm of about one hundred & thirty acres of land situate in the County of Washington & State of Va. five miles from the City of Bristol, purchased by one of B. V. Hitchfield & adjoining the lands of Horsham & others.

Also three acres of land more or less situate in said City of Bristol, Va. conveyed to me by H. Little & others adjoining said Little, B. Sharp & others excepting therefrom & thereout lot sold to E. Hilton.

Also one undivided half of forty acres of land situate in the Town of Seffner, Hillsborough County & State of Florida, purchased by one of J. L. Cole & which has been platted into lots as an addition to said town, this is in full of all demands & rights of my said son against my estate.

10. Tenth, I give & bequeath unto my said daughter & maid Elizabeth for & during her life & at her death to the children of her body should she have any & if not to her full brothers & sisters the following real estate, viz: one lot & brick store house thereon, fronting twenty five feet on Main Street & running back across Behns & the Kingston Alley formerly occupied by the late Dr. Wm. Hallen situate

in the City of Bristol, Va.

Also eight houses & lots situate in said City & bounded by King Street on the west, Rebecca Street on the east, Edmund Street on the south, three of said houses front on King & given on Edmund Street.

Also one lot & brick store house thereon situate in said City on the corner of Moore Street & Wilson's Alley fronting twenty five feet more or less on Moore Street & running back to the Rock line.

Also one house & lot situate in said City fronting sixty six feet more or less on Moore Street & running back to Rebecca Street & now occupied by J. S. Owen.

11. Eleventh, I give & bequeath unto my daughter Amy L. Pearson in fee simple for & during her life & at her death to the heirs of her body should she have any & if not to her full brothers & sisters the following real estate, viz: one lot & brick store house thereon situate in said City fronting twenty four feet on Moore Street & running back to the Rock line, formerly occupied by C. C. Minor south of & adjoining the store building on the corner of said Moore Street & Wilson's Alley.

Also lots 211 & part of 212 & house & improvements thereon, situate in said City, aggregating about ninety feet front on Moore Street & running back to Rebecca Street & adjoining J. S. McKelvey & 13 fronting

Also one lot & three story brick store house thereon, situate in Bristol Sullivan County Tenn, fronting twenty seven & one half feet on Main Street & running back to Shelby Street lately occupied by Hedrick & Smith.

Also three lots situate in said town on Shelby Street adjoining W. P. Rolles & conveyed to me by John B. Keller.

Also one house & lot situate in said town at the corner of Main & Eleventh Streets fronting eighty four feet on Main & running back to an alley & now occupied by J. F. Chance.

Provided, it is my will & I direct that my aforesaid estate be not divided or assigned to the devisees till twelve months after my decease, that my said executor shall control & manage my said estate for said twelve months & the proceeds arising therefrom shall personal effects of my estate to be subject to & disposed of pursuant to Section 3 of this my will.

13. Thirteenth, I have made this my last will & testament with a great deal of care & as I believe have done justice to all it is furthermore my will & I direct that should any one or

ones of the devise herein, be dissatisfied & resort to law to defeat or break this my will I desire to leave as a part of my will my disapprobation of such a course. In making this my will I have carefully considered the advances, the expenses of every call of my advisers & have look at all the surroundings & to better all have done what I think just.

14. Fourteenth, I do appoint my wife Maria J. Burson Guardian of my Minor Children, to manage to manage & take care of their respective estates till their respective majorities & I desire that no security be required of her as such Guardian.

15. Fifteenth, I appoint my said wife Maria J. Burson executrix of this my will & desire that no security be required of her as such executrix.

16. Sixteenth, I hereby revoke all previous Wills & Codicils heretofore made by me.

Witness my hand & seal this 28th day of July, 1894.

J. L. Burson, (Seal)

Signed & published by J. L. Burson as & for his last Will in the presence of us who in his presence & in the presence of each other have hereto subscribed our names as witnesses at his request.

J. F. Wood

J. F. Hicks

J. H. Wood

Whereas, J. L. Burson, have made my within last Will in writing bearing date on the 28th day of July, 1894, witnessed by my friends J. F. Wood, Dr. J. F. Hicks, & J. H. Wood, & Whereas, I desire certain changes therein.

Now I do hereby make this Codicil to my said will to be taken as part thereof as follows that the demands & bequests in my said will to my wife Maria J. Burson, to Susan Virginia Burson Orben, to Mand Elizabeth Burson, to Amy L. Burson, shall be in fee simple forever instead of for life & my said will in so far as in conflict with this Codicil is revoked, but in all other respects stands in force & effect as & for my last will.

In witness whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand & seal this 9th of September, 1894.

J. L. Burson, (Seal)

Signed, published & declared by J. L. Burson, as & for a Codicil to his last Will in the presence of us who in his presence & at his request, & in the presence of one

another, have hereunto signed our names as witnesses thereto.

J. F. Wood.

H. H. James

J. H. Wood.

At a Court Continued & held for the City of Bristol, Va., the 11th day of September, 1894.

Present, Hon. Mr. F. Rhea, Judge.

A writing purporting to be the last Will & Testament of J. L. Burson, deceased, was this day produced in court and proved by the oath of J. F. Hicks, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and the due attestation of the said will & by J. H. Wood, the other subscribing witness thereto, was also proved by the oath of the said J. F. Hicks, and the same is ordered to be recorded as and for the last will & Testament of J. L. Burson, deceased. The Codicil attached to the last Will & Testament of J. L. Burson, deceased, and proved by the oath of H. H. James, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and the due attestation of the Codicil to said last Will & Testament by J. H. Wood the other subscribing witness thereto and was also proved by the oath of the said H. H. James, and the same is ordered to be recorded as and for the last Will & Testament and Codicil attached of J. L. Burson, deceased.

Thereupon, came Maria J. Burson the executrix named in the last will and Testament of J. L. Burson deceased, and accepted the trust, and on her Motion has leave to qualify, entered into and acknowledged abroad in the penalty of \$20,000.00 dollars conditioned according to law, but without giving security in accordance with the desire of the Testator as set forth in said last Will & Testament. Certificate is granted her for obtaining letters of administration on the decedent's estate with this said Will annexed in due form.

In test:

Isaac Sharrett, Clerk.

Will Book No. 1, page 55, et seq.

Virginia, City of Bristol, Co. Mt.

I, Geo. H. Goss, Clerk of the Corporation Court for the City aforesaid in the State of Virginia, the same being a Court of record, having a seal, do certify that the foregoing is a full, true and perfect copy of the Will, Codicil and order of Court probating same, of J. L. Burson, deceased as the same appears of record in my office.