

and ordered to be recorded  
Copy Test O. H. Foster Clerk

I Armstead Moore do make this my last Will and Testament, to wit:

I desire that my funeral expenses be paid out of my property; and all the balance of my personal property consisting of notes for rent and all accounts coming to me for rents, and all notes whatsoever that I may own at my death and all other personal property, my bee hives &c. with the exception of one note on Shed Johnson my son Willie is to have one half when collected.)

all the balance of my personal property I wish to be equally divided between my children by my last wife L. V. Moore to wit: Mary Betty Edward Harry Virginia Paul and Robert A. and my other child or children that I may have by my wife L. V. Moore said property is to remain in the hands of said L. V. Moore in trust for said children and said L. V. Moore free from all debts whatsoever

I further will that all of my lands that that I own in Shelby County about 170 acre remain in trust in the hands of my son John L. Moore free from all debts whatsoever, I desire my son John L. to sell said land reserving in his hands two hundred dollars as a trust fund for the education of my youngest children; my son James Armstead brother of John L. & Willie having died at about 12 years of age my wish is that my part of said land Willie's part remain in the hands of his brother John L. for his sole use and benefit of said Willie D. Moore, I further will that my lands in Trousdale County being a part of

old Linslow tract of land be held in trust by John L. Moore, for the use of my daughter Tabitha & my son Willie D. Moore free from debts and contracts whatsoever of either of them. I further desire that my son John L. make an equal division of said lands between Tabitha & Willie D. Moore

I further will that my daughter Tabitha & my son Willie D. Moore each of them are to have a bed a piece

3<sup>d</sup> Nov 1882

Armstead Moore

Witness

W. L. Stewart

J. A. Payne.

State of Tennessee

Chamber County Court Dec Term 1884.

The last Will and Testament of Armstead Moore deceased was this day presented in open Court for probate and was duly proved by the oath of J. A. Payne one of the subscribing witnesses thereto; also appeared in open Court Mrs L. V. Moore and Wm D. Moore who being duly sworn depose that they are personally acquainted with the handwriting of said Armstead Moore deceased and that the signature to the Will is the handwriting of said Armstead Moore and also the entire will is his handwriting all and every part including the signature, which is received and ordered to be recorded.

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O. H. Foster Clerk

I, M. S. Elkin, do make and publish this as my will.

1<sup>st</sup> I direct that all my just debts be paid if I should ever pass.

2<sup>nd</sup> I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Mattie C. Elkin, all my estate real and personal for and during her natural life or widowhood.

3<sup>rd</sup> Upon the death of my wife or her marriage I give all my property real and personal mentioned in clause two to my three children, Lucy, Mary, & Milton P. Elkin, to be divided between them equally.

4 Should I not do so while I live, then I desire my Executrix to give my daughter Willie Ann Elkin, a diamond ring or gold watch as she prefers. If Mr W. C. Green does not make her (Willie) a legatee & devisee, or either under & in his will, then I give Willie an equal share in my estate with Lucy, Mary, & Milton P. Elkin, upon the death or marriage of my wife Mattie.

I appoint my wife Executrix of this my will, and excuse her from giving bond or making inventory. This August 23<sup>rd</sup> 1884

attest

W. S. Manday  
Thos H. King

State of Tennessee

Sumner County Court January Term 1885

The last Will and Testament, of M. S. Elkin, deceased, was this day produced in open court for probate & was duly proved by the oaths of W. S. Manday and Thos H. King, subscribing witnesses thereto, which as secured by the Court & ordered to be recorded. Mrs Mattie C. Elkin, the Executrix named in the Will appeared in open court, and accepted the execution of the same, and was duly

qualified no bond being required in the will.

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C. H. Foster clerk

I, C. H. Parker of the County of Sumner and State of Tennessee being in feeble health but of sound mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and Testament.

First. I direct that all my debts and funeral expenses be paid out of any money on hand at the time of my death, or may just come to the hands of my Executrix hereinafter to be mentioned. I wish these liabilities to be discharged out of my personal estate, if sufficient for that purpose; if not, then out of the proceeds of such of real estate as my Executrix shall deem best for that purpose.

Second. I give and devise to my wife Martha M. Parker all the balance or remainder of my estate both real and personal of every description whatever, during her natural life, with remainder over to my children and grand children, viz: M. H. Parker, Joel P. Parker, R. M. Parker, Lucinda E. Sawyer, Mrs M. Parker, and Elizabeth C. Parker being my living children, and to the following Grand Children, viz: Mattie J. Gray and John Green children of my deceased daughter Mary E. Green, Mattie J. Lewis the only child of my deceased daughter Susan C. Charles Winn, Patten Winn, Ballie Winn and Virginia Winn, children of my deceased daughter Lucinda S. Winn, the said Grand Children representing their parent, and taking such share as their parent would take if living. In the division of said remainder at the death of my wife, I wish for my children

And Grand Children to account for all advances made them or their parent by me according to the account I have made of the same.

Third, I hereby appoint my wife Martha M. Parker my Executor, not requiring of her either bond or security, for and on account of her managing and taking care of my estate. This 10<sup>th</sup> day of October 1883.

R. C. Parker.

Signed in the presence of us  
and in the presence of each by  
the testator and at his request  
we have witnessed the same,  
and subscribed our names as  
such in his presence. This  
10<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1883,

J. F. White.

W. S. Munday.

State of Tennessee  
Sumner County Court, February Term 1885  
The last will and Testament of R. C. Parker died  
was this day presented in open Court for  
Proof, and was duly proven by the oath  
of J. F. White and W. S. Munday subscribing  
witnesses thereto, which is received by the  
Court, and ordered to be recorded. Martha  
M. Parker the Executor appointed in the will  
was duly qualified; no bond and security  
being required of her, by the terms of said  
Will. It is ordered that the Clerk of this Court  
will issue to her letters of Executorship  
A Copy Test

C. H. Foster Clerk

The last Will and Testament of Mrs Fannie Summers.  
I, Mrs Fannie Summers, do make  
and publish this as my last will and Testament  
hereby revoking all wills by me heretofore made.  
It is my will that all my just debts  
be paid.

First

Second

I will and bequeath unto my Nephew-  
John Montgomery and his wife now home place  
on the Dobbin's Pike, known as the Kaptane-  
Summers place, during their natural lives  
and to their children his being and to be hereafter  
born, if any, for their use and benefit at the death  
of their parents forever - This land is to be for the  
benefit of the children of John Montgomery  
begotten upon the body of his present wife and  
I give the life estate to him and his wife  
thence only for the purpose of enabling the  
property to be cheaply managed until the death  
of the parents and it is my will and desire and  
I also direct that John Montgomery and wife  
shall not have the power to dispose of their  
life estate in this land by deed or otherwise  
and the same is to be free from the debts,  
contracts and liabilities of John Montgomery.  
I hereby nominate and appoint W. S. Montgomery  
my executor to this my last will and Testament.

Signed & published in  
my presence & in the presence  
of each other at the request  
of the testator  
This Jan'y 27 1885

W. S. Montgomery  
H. W. Schell

State of Tennessee  
Sumner County Court March Term 1885  
The last Will

and testament, of Mrs. Lavinia Summers deceased, was this day presented in open Court for probate, & was duly proven by the oaths of W. C. Sprouy, and H. W. Scheff, subscribing witnesses thereto, which is received by the Court and ordered to be recorded. Whereupon W. A. Montgomery, the Executor, named in the Will, appeared in open Court and accepted the same, and together with his co-executors, James Somers, and W. C. Sprouy, entered into and acknowledged their bond to the State of Tennessee, in the penal sum of Five Hundred Dollars, conditioned as the law requires, and said W. A. Montgomery, as Executor aforesaid, was duly qualified. And the Clerk of this Court will issue to said W. A. Montgomery, Letters of Executorship.

Copy Not  
C. H. Foster, clerk

I, James M. Hunter, being of sound mind and perfect memory think proper to make this my last will & Testament in manner & form as follows: In the first place I will that all my just debts together with my funeral expense, be paid out of any monies that I may die possessed of or that may come into the hands of my executor.

Item 2<sup>d</sup>, I will that my wife, Elisabeth W. Hunter, remain in possession of my real estate during her natural life. I have heretofore given to my two sons each one, land worth two thousand and twenty five dollars, I will that my two daughters each one have the sum of two thousand & twenty five dollars in order that they may be made equal with their brothers: then I will that all my children have equal shares in the balance of my property both real and personal.

This Decr 12<sup>th</sup> 1883. J. M. Hunter.

State of Tennessee  
Sumner County Court March Term 1883.

The last Will and testament of J. M. Hunter, deceased, was this day presented in open Court for probate and was duly proven by the oaths of W. C. Sprouy, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto which is approved by the Court and ordered to be recorded.

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C. H. Foster, clerk

I, John A. Littleton of the County of Sumner and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory at this time, but being in an impaired condition of health, do hereby make and publish this as my last Will and Testament leaving no other one in existence.

First-

It is my will and desire, and I here in so direct that my wife Polly shall have all my house hold and kitchen furniture for and during the term of her natural life together with two choice work mules and two cows and calves to be of her own selection from among the stock left on hand at my death or in case I should leave no mules then to select two horses in their room and stead, and three she is to have to use, manage and control or dispose of as she may see proper.

I further give and devise to my wife for and during her natural life the whole of my home place together with the dwelling house out house and all the land in said place the same being in Civil Dist. No 1. Sumner County with a portion in Trousdale County, and bounded on the North by Henry Watkins & Dickerson heirs East by lands of H. J. Watkins, South by the Old Poole house tract, and Gibson, and on

the West by John Jones, and the widow Wiseman, containing something near four hundred acres, but be the same more or less. She is to have this entire place so long as she may live.

Second. At the death of my wife, it is my will and desire that my lands, aforesaid shall belong to my three children equally, share and share alike, and it is my will and desire that so long as my son William shall live, he being afflicted, and unable to manage his own affairs and as in as much as my daughter Jane Littleton is now unmarried that so long as my said daughter remains single that all my lands shall remain undivided but kept together and to be used, occupied, managed and controlled by my son James Littleton free of any charge or consideration of which it is my will and desire and I so direct that my son James shall take care of and support my two other children Jane & William, and in the event of her marriage then I will & direct that one third in value of my lands aforesaid be set apart to my daughter Jane off of the East end of my place to include the old Wm dwelling house situated in Housdale County and this to her, but in case she should die without issue then living, my will and desire is that her interest in my entire estate shall go to & belong to my children surviving or to their heirs.

Third. In the event of the marriage of my said daughter it is my will & desire and I so direct that after settling apart to my daughter her one third in the lands that my son James Littleton shall have his one third & William one third together and manage & use & control Williams interest free of any charge to his own use & benefit & to continue taking care of Williams my son as long as he lives in the same manner as directed in 2 clause of this will.

Fourth

At the death of my son William, if my sons child John A Littleton is living it is my will & desire that Williams interest in the real estate shall go to & belong to my said Grand Child John A Littleton but if he should not survive my son William then the interest of Williams in the lands shall go to my son James Littleton and the interest of Williams in my other property outside of the lands is to go to my son James at Williams death, if he is living or to his children if he be dead.

Fifth

The gray mare now on my place which is called James Mare my will & desire is to belong to Jane together with one mule to be selected by her, and a cow to be selected by herself.

Sixth

The white Colored Mare claimed by William I give to him.

Seventh

All the balance of my estate I give to my three children James, William & Jane to be equally divided between them and I desire & request James to take charge of Williams share thereof & manage the same as his Trustee for the best interest of William so long as he may live, and at his death to go as here in before directed to him. He can invest the same in such manner as he thinks best for William while he lives.

Eighth

I direct that at my death that my executor pay to R. & L. Head twenty five dollars for writing and probating this my last will and Testament, as required by law and any advice he may wish in carrying out the provisions of this will.

Ninth

I nominate and appoint my son James Littleton as my executor to this my last will & Testament, and give him power and authority to sell of all my stock on hand

at my death either publicly or privately so as not to make a sacrifice of the same by any forced sale, and he is to have sufficient time within which to carry out this desire of mine.

And In as much as my son James Littleton holds a note against me, and I hold an account or accounts against him for different things. I am willing that the same may be considered at my death as settled one paying the other, but if my son James is unwilling to this then I desire the due accounts of each of the debts to be taken the difference ascertained & accounted for by the one falling in debt to the other without interest on either side.

Eleventh I desire that all the rights and interest of my children in & under this Will shall be settled without trouble or litigation among them. I have endeavored to make an equally division among them of all my estate taking into consideration what I asked at the hands of my hands of my son James Littleton. I give him free use of all the land until the events herein specified, so that he may be compensated for taking care of my children.  
Dated & Signed by me this the 13<sup>th</sup> December 1876.

J. A. Littleton.

We have witnessed & signed this writing as witnesses in the presence of & at the request of J. A. Littleton, the same having been read over to him in our presence & hearing & he acknowledged the same to be his last Will & Testament.  
This Dec 13, 1876.

Jas M Head Jr  
J G Barr

I, Jno A. Littleton, do hereby make this Change and addition in the above Will. I desire to give to my son Jas Littleton all my farming utensils

on hand at my death and to him and my daughter the household and Kitchen furniture and I want them to divide the same themselves which is to take place at my death.  
Dated & Signed June 4 1877.

J. A. Littleton.

We have witnessed & signed this writing as witnesses in the presence of at the request of J. A. Littleton the same having been read over to him, and in our presence the acknowledged the same to be a Codicil to the foregoing Will.  
June 4 1877.

Jas M Head Attest  
J G Barr.

State of Tennessee

Sumner County Court March Term 1885.

The last Will and Testament of J. A. Littleton dec'd was this day produced in open Court for probate, and was duly proven by the oath of Jas M. Head Jr one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. Also at the same time was presented a Codicil to said Will which was duly proven by the oath of Jas M. Head Jr one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. And Camille M. Head and S. L. Mulligan who being first duly sworn depose and say, that they are well acquainted with the hand writing of J. G. Barr one of the subscribing witnesses to the said last Will and Codicil, who is now dead, and that the signature of the said J. G. Barr as shown them as a subscribing witness to the said last Will and Codicil they verily believe to be the signature of said J. G. Barr dec'd and that the same is in his own hand writing, which being approved by the

Court, said Will and Codicil are ordered to be recorded, then upon came into open Court the said James Littleton the executor named in the said Will and accepted the execution of the same. Then upon came into open Court the said James Littleton together with his sureties A. J. Swaney and Chas R Head and entered into and acknowledged their Bond to the State of Tennessee in the penal sum of Five hundred Dollars conditioned as the law requires. And the said James Littleton as executor aforesaid was duly qualified, and letters of Executorship are ordered to be issued to him.  
Copy Ret O. H. Foster clerk

Gallatin March 9<sup>th</sup> 1881.

as I feel well and my mind all right. I feel like making my Will to keep from dividing what I possess and having it sold for a division in so many parts. I give to Lewis M. Tomkins at my death every thing I possess both real and personal. I raised that boy and I love him like my own child. I gave him all mentioned except my residence and the Shanks lot, that is now used as Dr. M. R. Tomkins Stables those two places I leave to my wife Alice Tomkins & Dr. M. R. Tomkins during their lives and at their death to Lewis M. Tomkins. I and prefer Dr. M. R. Tomkins for Administrator in the event of his not acting as Administrator then for Reuben S. Payne Senior of Knoxville I don't wish either to give security.

Mary A. Lewis (Seal)

Witness

Mrs D. M. Robb (Seal)

Mrs Jennie Cloushan (Seal)

Codicil since making the above will I desire to make following Change by giving William R. Tomkins Jr. two of the L & N First Mortgage Bonds of one thousand dollars each. Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> 1885.  
Witness M. A. Lewis.

Alice M. Hyatt  
Reuben S. Payne.

State of Tennessee

Sumner County Court April Term 1885.

The last Will and Testament of Mary A. Lewis died was this day produced in open Court for Probate and was duly proved by the oath of Mrs D. M. Robb <sup>and Jennie Cloushan</sup> two of the subscribing witnesses thereto. Also at the same time was presented a Codicil to said Will which was duly proven by the oath of Alice M. Hyatt one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. which said Will and Codicil are approved by the Court, and ordered to be recorded.  
Copy Ret O. H. Foster clerk

The undersigned, being old & infirm think proper to make this my last will being of sound mind and disposing memory hereby revoking & making void all will by me at any time made, in the 1<sup>st</sup> place I will that all my just debts be paid out of any monies that I may die seized of or that may come into the hands of my executor to my wife Mary, the one half of my land to be divided as follows, beginning on the pike at the corner between me & T. W. Woodson thence down the pike to the gate, then up the branch to or near where the branch or drain enter the main branch, thence up said drain to the corner of the lot on the right hand side of said drain from there to run to and leave the one half of my home tract which is the land I am disposing of on the south. In making the division I will that the buildings are not to be valued I will to Jas. W. Durham or loan the one half my land willed to my wife at or after her death giving to him the said Jas. W. Durham no right to sell or alienate the same & not be subject to the payment of any debt that he may contract & in the event that he will issue I will the same to R. A. Durham or his children or their heirs heirs, the land bequeathed to Jas. W. Durham to my daughter Candice I will that portion of my home tract south of the tract bequeathed to Jas. W. Durham to R. A. Durham give and bequest the tract of land he is now living on purchased by me from John Patterson containing about one hundred & 75 acres giving him no right to dispose of the same during his life & being of the opinion that the land willed to M. Candice is worth more than the land willed to R. A. Durham having advanced Candice four hundred dollars. I will that Candice pay to R. A. Durham four hundred dollars otherwise the land bequeathed to my daughter to be bound for same finally to my grand daughters Minnie & Bertha Durham, the sum of thirteen hundred

dollars & will that the same remain in the hands of a guardian giving or allowing them nothing but the interest until Bertha is twenty five years old & if either or both of them die without issue then the above bequest to be divided equally between my legal heirs. If there is not enough means to pay the above bequest to my grand children I will that Jas. W. Durham pay any amount that I may die indebted to the guardian of my grand children I will that if there is not enough to pay the whole bequest that the have what there is & no more, if there is a balance left let it be equally divided between my heirs counting Minnie & Bertha one I further appoint R. A. Durham executor to this my last will & Testament this 15 Sept 1884.

R. B. Durham

State of Tennessee

Sumner County Court March Term 1886.

A paper writing dated Sept 15<sup>th</sup> 1884 signed R. B. Durham purporting to be the last will & Testament of R. B. Durham was this day produced in open Court for probate. Whereupon M. B. Perdue M. S. Moon day, J. H. McKinnon Robt Collier and R. A. Durham having been first duly sworn deposed and said that they were acquainted with the hand writing of said R. B. Durham and that his hand writing was generally known among his acquaintances and that they verily believe that said paper writing dated and signed as aforesaid, and every part thereof is in the hand writing of said R. B. Durham. And said R. A. Durham further deposed and said that said paper writing was found among the valuable papers of his father, the said

R.B. Durham after his decease.  
 Whereupon it was ordered by the Court that said  
 paper writing be recorded as the last will and  
 Testament of said R.B. Durham dec'd.  
 And it appearing by the terms of said will  
 that R.A. Durham is nominated as the Execu-  
 tor of said will and the said R.A. Durham  
 appeared in open Court and renounced the  
 execution of the same. It is therefore ordered  
 by the Court that M.B. Perdue be appointed  
 Administrator with the will annexed.  
 Whereupon said M.B. Perdue together with  
 his sureties M. E. Head and Louis A. Green  
 appeared in open Court & entered into &  
 acknowledged their bond to the State of  
 Tennessee in the penal sum of Three  
 thousand dollars conditioned as the  
 law requires. and said M.B. Perdue as  
 Administrator of said will was duly qualified  
 and the Clerk will issue his letters of Administration.  
 Copy Test. O.H. Foster Clerk

I, John L. Saffarans 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.  
 I give and bequeath  
 my entire estate both real and personal  
 (however acquired) to my wife Louisa E. Saffarans.  
 I do hereby nominate and appoint my wife  
 Louisa E. Saffarans, my Executrix. And that  
 she shall not be required to give bond  
 and security as Executrix.  
 This the 1st day of August 1871 J. L. Saffarans

signed sealed and published in our presence,  
 and we have subscribed our names hereto in  
 the presence of the testator.  
 This the 1st day of August 1871

Benj F. Waller  
 Josephine Ferguson  
 State of Tennessee  
 Sumner County Court April Term 1885

The last  
 will and testament of J. L. Saffarans deceased  
 was this day presented in open Court for probate  
 and was duly proved by the oath of Benj F. Waller,  
 one of the subscribing witnesses thereto which is  
 required by the Court and ordered to be recorded.  
 Thereupon Louisa E. Saffarans the Executrix  
 named in the will appeared in open Court  
 and accepted the same, bond and security  
 not being required by the terms of said will.  
 The said Louisa E. Saffarans, as Executrix  
 aforesaid was duly qualified. And the Clerk  
 of this Court will issue to said Louisa E.  
 Saffarans, Letters of Executrixship.  
 Copy Test. O.H. Foster, Clerk

I Joseph Wallace do make and publish  
 this as my last will and testament.  
 I give to my son Jo Martin Wallace that part  
 of the land in Sumner County, which I  
 bought from Samuel Wallace's estate  
 known in Nimmo's Survey and plat as  
 lots No 3 and 4. Lot No 3. Contains 69  $\frac{2}{3}$   
 acres and lot No 4, contains 72  $\frac{1}{2}$  acres. said  
 two lots are bound on the North by the  
 tract I gave J. R. Wallace on the West  
 by the land I gave Mary J. Wallace

East by my home place and B. Moody and on the South by Joseph Laws. I also give Jo Waller Wallace a tract of timbered land, bounded as follows. Beginning on a Black Oak, W<sup>m</sup> Pash and W<sup>m</sup> Caffs. Corner, thence West to Gallatin and Brackintown road thence N 114 poles to a mud hole on what is known as the Old Kentucky line, thence S 89° W with blazed line to where it intersects Pash and Caffs. line, thence East to white Oak Pash & Caffs. Corner, thence South with line to the Beginning. I also give to Jo Waller Wallace 142 acres on the South West Corner of my prairie land in Hill County Texas, and 42 acres of my timbered land in said County bounded on the West by J. E. Wallace and on the East by J. R. Wallace.

Item 2<sup>nd</sup>. I give to my son George Wallace 142 acres on the N. E. Corner of my prairie land in Hill County Texas, bounded on the South by the land I gave Mary J. Wallace and on the West by Lydia Love's part. I also give George Wallace 42 acres off of S. W. Corner of my timbered land in said Hill County Texas.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup>. I give my son James Edgar Wallace 122 acres off of the N. E. Corner of my home place to be laid off as follows. Beginning at a 3 poles N. E. of a Corner rock between me and Miles Elliott, thence East to line between Empson Wallace, purchaser and Sam Stewart being known as the same line, thence North for 30 poles to a stake, I give James Edgar Wallace a tract of timbered land in Sumner County containing 25 or 30 acres, bounded as follows. Beginning at a mud hole on what is known as the old Kentucky line, thence S. with Caffs.

and Brackintown road to Baskersville. line corner to J. W. Wallace, thence E to the top of the ridge, thence with new marked line to the Kentucky line, thence N 95° to the Beginning. I also give to my son James Edgar Wallace 142 acres of my prairie land in Hill County Texas, said 142 acres is on the N. W. Corner of my said land. I also give James Edgar Wallace 42 acres on the N. W. Corner of my timbered land in said Hill County Texas.

Item 4<sup>th</sup>. I give to my daughter Mrs Lydia Love to her sole and separate use 46 acres of land in Sumner County it being the tract of land which was conveyed to me by Empson Wallace, but my wife has a life estate in said 46 acres of land, and Lydia Love is not to come into possession of said 46 acres of land until the death of my wife. I also give to my daughter Lydia Love a tract of land of 24 or 25 acres in Sumner County bounded on the East by W<sup>m</sup> Campbell and W<sup>m</sup> Love, on the N by J. Love, on the N by Susan Jones, on the West by John Rutledge. I also give to my daughter Lydia Love a tract of ridge or timbered land in Sumner County containing 30 or 40 acres, bounded as follows. Beginning at a Black Locust & Poplar, thence S 40 poles to a stake, thence E 80 poles to an Elm, thence N 50 poles to a stake with pointers, thence N 140 poles to a stake with pointers, thence S 20 poles to a stake, thence E 40 poles to Beginning. I also give Lydia Love two tracts of land in Hill County Texas to wit: 142 acres on the N. E. Corner of

my prairie land and 42 acres on the N.E. corner of my timbered land, all of the land given to Lydia Gore is given to her sole and separate use.

Item 5<sup>th</sup> I give to Jo Walter Wallace five hundred dollars.

Item 6<sup>th</sup> I give to James Edgar Wallace five hundred dollars.

Item 7<sup>th</sup> I give to my beloved wife Elizabeth Wallace all of the remainder of my home place, after my devise of 122 to James Edgar Wallace and the 46 acres given as above to Lydia Gore. I also give to my wife Elizabeth all of my personal estate of every kind, after the payment of the two legacies of \$500, each to Jo Walter and James Edgar Wallace.

Item 8<sup>th</sup> I have made deeds to my son J. B. Wallace and my daughter Mary J. Wallace, of the lands which I intended to give them, and I have given to them respectively the lands described in their respective deeds.

Item 9. I appoint my wife Elizabeth Wallace executrix of this my will, and direct that she shall not be required to give bond and security as said executrix.

This the 31<sup>st</sup> March 1885.

Witness,

B. F. Allen

Thos M. Woodson.

Jo Wallace

State of Tennessee  
Sumner County Court April Term 1885.

The last Will and testament of Joseph Wallace died was this day presented in open Court for probate, and was duly proven by the oaths of B. F. Allen and Thos M. Woodson, being witnesses thereto, which was received by

Court and ordered to be recorded. Whereupon Elizabeth Wallace the executrix named in the Will appeared in open Court and accepted the same, bond and security not being required of her by the terms of the said Will. The said Elizabeth Wallace as executrix aforesaid was duly qualified, and the Clerk of this Court will issue to said Elizabeth Wallace letters of executrixship acq<sup>y</sup> Dist.

C. H. Foster Clerk

I, Mary A. Muisiger of Sumner County Tennessee do make and publish this paper as my last Will and testament. My just debts and funeral expenses are to be first paid out of my estate and the residue thereof I dispose of as follows, to wit: The farm now occupied by my son Joseph Muisiger about one mile from Gallatin I give to my son Joseph's child or children that he may have, the same to be controlled by my son Jo and used as a home if he desires it, as long as he lives. He may sell said place if he thinks proper and reinvest in real estate wherever he may think best, but still in the name of his child or children as the case may be. After his death should his child or children die without children his wife can still use the property as a home as long as she lives unmarried the property at his death or marriage to revert to the other heirs of my estate namely my children. In making this Will I have

no reference to property my children may get from their wives or husbands. I wish two thousand dollars to be invested for my sons William's Child or children and managed and disposed of in the same way that my son Joseph's legacy is to be. My daughters Belle and Lucy and my son Wirt as they marry or become of age are to have the same amount each namely two thousand dollars to be invested in real estate in the name of their children for their use and benefit of themselves and children and to be disposed of used in the same way, as that of my sons Joseph and William. I wish my husband to manage my property and see that each of my children gets two thousand dollars as above directed and my husband is to have full use and control of the balance of my property, and keep the unmarried children with him. I would advise him to sell the present home and get one more suitable and less expensive. Should he sell, the surplus of money after purchasing a suitable home to be invested in real estate for the support of my husband and family remaining with him. Should my husband marry which I have no objection to, if it would add to his happiness, he is then to give up all interest in my estate. I wish my husband to use my house hold furniture including paintings, as long as he may live or remain unmarried, he having the privilege of distributing any of it to my children at any time he may think proper. Should my husband die or marry my property is to remain undivided, and used as a home for all the unmarried children until my daughter marries or becomes of age. It is then to be divided in the following manner; namely: Lucy and Wirt are to have one thousand dollars each in addition to the two thousand above mentioned my daughter Belle is to have five hundred

dollars only as she has received some benefit in living with me. But if she should be left a widow before the final distribution she is to receive the same that Lucy and Wirt do. After the special legacy to Wirt Lucy and Belle the residue is to be equally divided between my five children. Joseph, William, Belle, Wirt and Lucy  
May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1888.

Mary A. Missiger

State of Tennessee  
Sumner County Court May Term 1888  
A paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Mary A. Missiger deceased, was this day presented in open Court for probate, the same being a Holographic Will and was duly proven to be in the hand writing of the testatrix with her genuine signature signed thereto by the oath of Joseph Missiger Jr. William Missiger Joseph Missiger Jr. and M. A. Missiger, the said witnesses stating under oath that the entire paper writing is in the hand writing of the testatrix, and the hand writing is generally known by the acquaintances of the deceased, and that the same was found among her valuable papers, where it had been deposited by the deceased for safe keeping, which was received by the Court and ordered to be recorded,  
Attest  
C. H. Foster clerk

I George Keage of Sumner County State of Tennessee being of sound mind and disposing memory do ordain and establish this as my last will and testament to wit: I do hereby will to my wife Nancy the land that I and my wife Nancy bought of Miss Sallie Burk containing ten acres more or less to hold and dispose of as she thinks best. And there after all of my just debts are paid I desire and will to my wife Nancy the House I now live in and about seven acres of land attached to said House and also my personal property whatever kind it maybe. It is my wish and desire that my wife take care and provide for my son William during her natural life. Whereunto I have set my hand and seal.

this 13<sup>th</sup> April 1885

George Keage

Attest

Chas Poston

J W Arion

I do hereby appoint Chas Poston as my Executor of my will 13 April 1885 without giving bond as required by law.

Attest

J. W Arion

State of Tennessee

Sumner County Court August Term 1885

The last Will and Testament of George Keage was this day presented in open Court for probate, and was duly proved by the oaths of Chas Poston and J. W Arion subscribing witnesses which was received by the Court and ordered to be recorded. Thereupon Chas Poston the Executor named in the will appeared in open Court and accepted the same Bond and security not being required of him by the terms of said will. The said Chas Poston as Executor aforesaid duly qualified and the Clerk of this Court will issue to said Chas Poston letters testamentary.

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A. H. Foster Clerk

Hendersonville, Tenn. Jan 2. 1885.  
To whom it may concern. I the undersigned, being in mind, declare it my will that when it should please the Almighty to take me to himself, I leave to my daughter, Alberta P. Weisiger, all my real estate, bank accounts, notes &c to her hold and in all way dispose of as suits her will. These names and property to the money's lands and all mentioned in the memorandum.

Memoirandum

Between two and three thousand dollars in Moses Bros. bank in Montgomery, Ala.  
Three notes of \$500<sup>00</sup> each against Eugene Mahoney & wife.  
One lot no. 30 Jefferson St Montgomery Ala.  
Fifty acres of land in Sumner Co. Tenn.  
Laid in Texas, situated in Cook Co Texas.  
A library of fifteen bound volumes.  
A gold watch and chain.  
A gold chain.  
Two clocks.  
Microscope

Edward S. Byrum

Witness

A. P. Weisiger

Joe Weisiger Jr

State of Tennessee  
Sumner County Court August Term 1885  
The last Will and Testament of Edward S. Byrum, deceased, was this day presented in open Court for probate, and was duly proved by the oaths of A. P. Weisiger, and Joe Weisiger, Jr. subscribing witnesses thereto which is received by the Court and ordered to be recorded. There being no Executor named in the Will. It is ordered by the Court that W. Weisiger be appointed Administrator with the Will annexed of

of Edward S. Bynum, deceased, thereupon carry into  
 effect court said John Weisiger, together with his son  
 Chas B. Head, Jos Weisiger, Jr. & Jos Weisiger, Sr.  
 and extend right and acknowledged their bond to  
 the State of Tennessee, in the full sum of ten thousand  
 dollars conditioned as the law requires, and said  
 Wm Weisiger, as administrator aforesaid was duly  
 qualified, and the clerk is ordered to issue his  
 Letters of Administration.  
 Copy set

W. H. Foster. Clerk

### Spring Springs

Summer County Wednesday July 21<sup>st</sup>

I, A. W. Turner being of sane mind and  
 considering the uncertainty of life & the certainty  
 of death do make this my last will and Testament.

Item 1<sup>st</sup> There are two thousand dollars of the home place deeded  
 the five younger children which I wish to stand.

2<sup>nd</sup> Item That all my just debts be paid. It is also my will & wish that  
 my personal real & mixed property remain just as it  
 is during my wife's lifetime, and after death an equal  
 division of all the property, except one piece of land which  
 lies in Wilson County, known as the Humphreys tract, that  
 I will to my only son W. G. Turner. I nominate and  
 appoint my son W. G. Turner sole executor of my Will.  
 Attest: A. W. Derry Alfred M. Turner

A. L. Plummer.

State of Tennessee

Summer County Court September Term 1885.

The last will and Testament of Alfred M. Turner  
 was this day presented in open Court for probate, and was  
 proven by the oath of A. W. Derry one of the subscribing witnesses  
 there to which is approved by the Court and ordered to be recorded.

Copy set.

W. H. Foster Clerk

I Mary L. Martin of the County of Sumner  
 and State of Tennessee being of sound and dispo-  
 -sing memory desire to make and publish this  
 writing as my last will and testament, hereby  
 revoking and making void all other testament-  
 -ary writing by me at any time made.

First. I hereby direct that all my just debts be  
 paid out of any money that may be on hand  
 when I die.

Second. I desire my son Lex Martin to have  
 all my house hold and kitchen furniture  
 of every kind and description. By this I  
 mean to include any and every thing in the  
 way of necessary house furniture or for con-  
 -venience or ornamentation which I may  
 leave. I leave what he is to take of these  
 things to his own exclusive selection, to  
 take all or only a part as he may choose.

Third. It is my will and desire that just so soon  
 after my death as is practicable that my  
 Executors herein after named, will sell all  
 my property of every kind and description  
 and convert the same into money, and the  
 money to be by them equally divided as  
 herein after directed. The real estate here  
 being the farm whereon I now live.

Containing about 252 1/2 acres, and all  
 other real estate of mine where ever  
 situated, they may sell either publicly  
 or privately, and upon such terms as  
 they may deem best for those interested  
 and they will make deeds to the purchasers  
 and are fully empowered to do so by this  
 Will, all my personally they may sell  
 publicly or privately on such terms as  
 they best.

I desire the money arising from all

of Edward J. Pynn deceased, therefore carry into open court said Wm Weisiger, together with his sureties Chas B. Head, Jos Weisiger, Jr. & Jos Weisiger, Sr. and entered into and acknowledged their bond to the State of Tennessee, in the penal sum of ten thousand dollars conditioned as the law requires, and said Wm Weisiger, as administrator aforesaid was duly qualified, and the clerk is ordered to issue here Letters of Administration.  
Copy set

W. H. Foster. Clerk

Three Springs  
Sumner County Wednesday June 11th

J. A. M. Sumner being of sane mind and considering the uncertainty of life & the certainty of death do make this my last will and Testament.

Item 1<sup>st</sup> There are two thousand dollars of the home place deeded to the five younger children which I wish to stand.

2<sup>nd</sup> Item That all my just debts be paid. It is also my will & wish that my personal real & mixed property remain just as it is during my wife's lifetime, and after death an equal division of all the property, except one piece of land which lies in Wilson County, known as the Thompson tract, that I give to my only son W. G. Sumner. I nominate and appoint my son W. G. Sumner sole executor of my will.

Attest, A. W. Deary  
A. L. Plummer.

Alfred M. Sumner

State of Tennessee

Sumner County Court September Term 1885.

The last will and Testament of Alfred M. Sumner deceased was this day presented in open Court for Probate, and was proved by the oath of A. W. Deary one of the subscribing witnesses to which is approved by the Court & ordered to be recorded.

Copy set.

W. H. Foster Clerk

I Mary L. Martin of the County of Sumner and State of Tennessee being of sound and disposing memory desire to make and publish this writing as my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and making void all other testamentary writing by me at any time made.  
First, I hereby direct that all my just debts be paid out of any money that may be on hand when I die.

Second, I desire my son Lea Martin to have all my house hold and kitchen furniture of every kind and description. By this I mean to include any and every thing in the way of necessary house furniture, or for convenience or ornamentation which I may leave. I leave what he is to take of these things to his own exclusive selection, to take all or only a part as he may choose.

Third, It is my will and desire that just as soon after my death as is practicable that my Executors herein after named, will sell all my property of every kind and description and convert the same into money, and the money to be by them equally divided as herein after directed. The real estate here being the farm whereon I now live.

Containing about 254 acres, and all other real estate of mine where ever situated, they may sell either publicly or privately, and upon such terms as they may deem best for those interested and they will make deeds to the purchasers and are fully empowered to do so by this Will, all my personally they may sell publicly or privately on such terms as they best.

I desire the money arising from all

Sources to be equally divided between my son Lea Martin, the three children of my deceased daughter Sallie Dismukes and my daughter Bettie Fowlkes wife of H.P. Fowlkes of Franklin Tenn. as to Bettie Fowlkes I desire her part held by her husband in trust, for the use and benefit of his wife during her life, with remainder to her children living at her death, during her life unless in case of real necessity, I desire her trustee to let her have only the income on the principal for use as she may desire, saving the principal for her children, at her death her husband continuing the trust for them, children at no time shall the same be liable for the trustee's debts. In case of any of her children die before or after their mother, those surviving will take the part of such as may die. But my Executors in paying over to the above named trustee for Bettie Fowlkes will charge her with (\$1400.00) fourteen hundred dollars, which I let her have recently and before getting anything she accounts for this as an advancement.

Fifth As to the children of my deceased daughter Sallie Dismukes, there being three of them, I make these specific directions I desire the money going to them to be by my Executors held from & after the time such sums may be collected until the Chancery Court at Gallatin shall meet in regular session thereafter where I desire them then to turn the same over to the clerk and Master under the

directions of the Chancellor, who will require him to give such bonds as he may deem proper for the children's protection, and all such sums to be by the clerk & Master loaned or invested under the special directions of the Chancellor if loaned with notes renewed yearly or oftener if the Chancellor thinks best, if invested the investiture always held for these children exclusive ly. I do not desire even the interest paid over to them until they attain their majority each but to be loaned or reinvested for them, unless they become in real need of the same, in which case the interest may be used by the Chancellor or by the C & M, under his directions for their necessary support. I desire the interest always promptly collected & reinvested as directed. I desire all this done always under the Chancellor's specific directions. If any of these children should die leaving any surviving, the latter to take the share of the one dying. This will provides for my entire estate to be divided into three equal shares, one for Lea, one for Bettie Fowlkes her life with remainder to her children, & one for Sallie Dismukes children, charging no share with anything except Bettie Fowlkes share with the \$1400.00 already advanced her.

I desire Lea Martin & H.P. Fowlkes to be my Executors to carry out this will, & they are not to be required to give any bond or security for any purpose

as I have implicit confidence in  
their integrity. Dated ~~this~~ June 4, 1884  
Mary L. Martin.

This will was written in the presence  
of Mrs Mary L. Martin; in our presence  
& dictated by her and in her presence  
& at her request we witnessed the same  
as her last Will and Testament.

June 4 1884,  
Charles R. Head  
R. K. Killispi.

State of Tennessee

Sumner County November Term 1885

The last will and testament of  
Mary L. Martin died, was this day  
presented in open Court for probate  
and was duly proven by the oaths of  
Charles R. Head and R. K. Killispi, sub-  
scribing witnesses thereto, which is  
received by the Court and ordered to  
be recorded. Lea Martin & H. P. Fowler  
the Executors named in the will, appeared  
in open Court and accepted the  
execution of the same. No bond or  
security being required by the terms  
of said Will, they were duly qualified.  
The Clerk is ordered to issue them letters  
testamentary. H. P. Fowler the Trustee  
therein named appeared in open Court  
and accepted the same and was duly  
qualified no bond or security being  
required under the will.

A Copy Test,

O. H. Foster Clerk

I have a note on Luke Purnshon Sr. and  
Luke Purnshon Jr. dated the 19 of April in  
1878 which is secured by mortgage if should  
die before the fifth day of January in 1885.  
then this note goes to Luke Purnshon as a  
gift and shall be considered as such.  
this the 15 day of February in 1884.

Witness

Josiah Suttle  
Albert King.

George Crockett.

State of Tennessee

Sumner County Court November Term 1885.

The last Will and Testament of  
George Crockett deceased was this day  
presented in open Court for Probate  
and was duly proven by the oaths of  
Josiah Suttle and Albert King subscr-  
bing witnesses thereto, which was received  
by the Court, and ordered to be recorded.  
A Copy Test, O. H. Foster Clerk

Knowing the certainty of death, and the  
uncertainty of Life, and being desirous  
to provide for those who are near and dear  
to me on earth, I do constitute this my  
last Will and Testament, revoking all  
others heretofore made.

1<sup>st</sup> It is will that after my death that my  
burial expenses, and that all my debts  
that I may owe be paid out of the first  
money belonging to my estate.

2<sup>nd</sup> I will that after my death that my wife  
Sarah Joyner have the full use and occupa-  
tion, and all profit that may arise

from my landed estate to rent out or cultivate as she may think best, without charge or rent being required of her for her support & benefit during her natural life and at her death to revert to my estate again.

3<sup>rd</sup> I also will that my wife Sarah Joyner have the full use and benefit of all my personal property, that I may die possessed of, of every description for her use and benefit. I further will that at my death that all my personal property be valued by two disinterested men and at her death for her estate to return or pay back to my estate the amount of the valuation of the personal property. But she is to have the full use of it during her natural life without charge or interest.

4<sup>th</sup> I will that after my wife's death and all the property that I die possessed of revert back to my estate both real and personal that it all be sold, and the money arising from the sale of the property be equally divided between my four children to wit; Emily Jackson her children, Amanda Pierce and her children, William H. Joyner and Thomas H. Joyner.

5<sup>th</sup> I will and appoint Thos H. Joyner and George W. Terry exors to the my last will to carry out its provisions this 6<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1870.

Witnesses

James T. Talley,

Geo S. Watton,

State of Tennessee

Sumner County Court November Term 1870

The last will and testament of Hugh Joyner deceased, was this day produced in open Court for Probate

and was duly proven by the oaths of James T. Talley and Geo S. Watton subscribing witnesses thereto, which was received by the Court, and ordered to be recorded.

Thereupon Geo W. Terry and Thos H. Joyner the Executors named in the will appeared in open Court together with W. H. Joyner and W. B. Carter their securities and entered into and acknowledged their Bond to the State of Tennessee in the penal sum of Five thousand dollars conditioned as the law requires. And the said Geo W. Terry & Thos H. Joyner as Executors aforesaid was duly qualified. And the Clerk of this Court will issue to them letters Testamen tary.

Copy Test.

C. H. Foster Clerk

I Amanda P. Bate being of sound mind, disposing mind, and memory, do make and publish the following as my last will and testament revoking all former wills heretofore by me made.

1. I direct that all my just debts be paid by my Executor as soon as he can realize the funds for that purpose.

2. I bequeath to my sister Malvina D. Terry two hundred dollars provided she is living at the time of my death otherwise not.

3. I give and bequeath to each of the following grand children James P. Dyce, William B. Dyce, Julia Dyce, James Bell Dyce children of my daughter Elizabeth P. Dyce wife of E. P. Dyce, and Magie Bate, and Susie Bate, children of my son W. H. B.

Bate, one hundred dollars.

Item 4 I give and bequeath to my former servant Mark, and Ellick, twenty five dollars each in gold, as a recognition of their faithful services to me during the war.

Item 5. I direct that the remainder of my estate both real and personal, be divided into four equal parts, one fourth of which I devise to my son Wm B. Bate out of which I direct that he pay over to the trustee of my son James H. Bate hereinafter to be named, one thousand dollars, less five hundred dollars and the interest thereon, which the Wm B. Bate advanced to the said James H. Bate some years since; The consideration for the direction is that many years since the said Wm B. Bate received an interest in some Texas land, by gift from my father Wm Weatherhead in which the said James H. Bate has no interest. I also give and devise one fourth of the remainder of my said estate equally to my grand children Dyre Bate and Lizzie Bate children of my son Humphrey Bate, out of this I direct that my executor to the trustee of my daughter Elizabeth Bate Dyre wife of E. P. Dyre (hereinafter to be named) one thousand dollars, my reason for doing this is that I have hitherto advanced and paid several thousand dollars to my deceased son Humphrey Bate, their father, and for the further reason that my said son, Humphrey also received an interest in said Texas land from my father Wm Weatherhead. I also give and devise to my daughter Elizabeth Bate Dyre wife of E. P. Dyre one fourth of the said remainder of my estate in addition to the one thousand dollars heretofore

mentioned as given to her out of the one fourth given to the children of my son Humphrey, all of which is for her sole and separate use, free from the debts of her present or any future husband; with power to dispose of the same by deed, will or otherwise as she may think proper. The remaining one fourth of said remaining estate, I give and devise to my son Wm B. Bate in trust for the use and benefit of my son Jas H. Bate, this trust is intended to embrace likewise the balance of the one thousand dollars given the said James H. Bate as charged upon the interest of the said Wm B. Bate. The said Wm B. Bate as Trustee will manage and control this said interest as he may deem best for the interest of the said James H. Bate, with power to dispose of it for his benefit.

Item 6. I direct that the portion of my estate heretofore given my grand daughter Lizzie Bate daughter of my son Humphrey Bate shall be for her sole and separate use and benefit; with power to dispose of the same by will deed or otherwise.

Item 7. I direct that no security be required of my son Wm B. Bate as Trustee.

Item 8. I do not wish or desire that any of my children or grand children be charged with any advancements heretofore by me made to any of them.

Item 9. I empower and direct my executor to dispose of any or all of my estate, both real and personal, in such manner and at such times, as will best enable him to execute this will, with power to execute deed or deeds to purchase or purchase

of said estate.

Item 10. I prefer my homestead where I now live to be retained by some one of my children, if they can agree as to the price to be paid for the same, to the other devisees. But should said Homestead be sold out of the family, I desire that the grave yard in the corner of the garden and a sufficient quantity of ground be reserved and that the title not to go out of the family.

Item 11. I nominate and appoint Wm. S. Munday my Executor to this my last will and testament. This day of May 8<sup>th</sup> 1876.

Amanda F. Bate.

Signed and published in our presence and we, at the request of the testatrix and in the presence of her and each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses.

This 8<sup>th</sup> day of May 1876.

H. H. Bate

W. R. Rogan

State of Tennessee

Sumner County Court November Term 1884

Upon application and it being made to appear by the oath of H. H. Bate and W. R. Rogan subscribing witnesses thereto, that the last will and testament of Mrs. Amanda F. Bate was presented in this Court, for probate, several years since, and was duly proven in open Court by their oath in common form and ordered to be recorded. And it further appearing to the Court that owing to some inadvertent oversight or omission said proof and all of the Court was not admitted to record. It is therefore ordered by the Court that

the same be entered upon the minutes and copied upon said will which is now before the Court, and admitted to record, now for then, in addition to this said last will and testament of the said Amanda F. Bate was this day produced in open Court, and duly proved by the oaths of H. H. Bate and W. R. Rogan subscribing witnesses thereto said will is ordered to be recorded.

Copy Test.

J. H. Foster Clerk

Norfolkville May 19<sup>th</sup> 1884

Know all men by these presents that I John Byram a citizen of Sumner County State of Tennessee being of sound mind and knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death do make this my last will and testament, to wit: For the love and affection I bear my wife Delany W. Byram I bequeath to her at my death of my property both personal and real to hold and to have during her natural life or in case she should marry she is to have only one third of said property, and at the death of my wife the said Delany W. Byram I bequeath to my son O. C. Byram and his heirs all of the personal and real estate after paying to each of my other children five dollars a piece to wit: George S. Byram the heirs of Susan Elizabeth Byram Sarah Byram Mary O. Byram John H. Byram Thomas D. Byram

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Sophia W. Byram, now in case that  
my wife Delaney W. Byram should pass  
and get one third of all of my property  
hold for her natural life. I desire my  
son O. C. Byram to have and hold him  
and his heirs forever, the remaining two  
thirds of my property both personal and  
real, and at the death of my wife the said  
Delaney W. Byram, I bequeath to my son  
O. C. Byram and his heirs the one third of  
my property bequeathed in this will to  
my wife Delaney W. Byram after deducting  
what has already been mentioned the  
additional sum of five dollars each  
for my two sons Melvin V. Byram and  
William W. Byram, and further I do  
will and request my son O. C. Byram  
at my death to become my executor  
in witness I have given my signature  
to this my last will and testament in  
the presence of the subscribed witnesses.

Test  
J. H. Rutherford  
A. G. Rutherford Jr.

John Byram.

State of Tennessee  
Sumner County Court November Term 1862  
The last will and testament of John  
Byram deceased, was this day presented  
in open Court for Probate, and was duly  
proven by the oaths of J. H. Rutherford  
and A. G. Rutherford Jr. subscribing  
witnesses thereto. Whereupon O. C. Byram  
the executor named in the will appeared  
and in open Court together with J. H.  
Sanders and T. C. Mulligan his friends  
and entered into and acknowledged the

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Bond to the State of Tennessee in the  
penal sum of two hundred dollars  
Conditioned as the law requires. And  
said O. C. Byram as Executor of the  
said was duly qualified. And the  
Clerk of this Court will issue to him  
letters testamentary  
Copy Test.  
O. H. Foster Clerk

In the name of God, Amen. I Sally Belote  
being of sound and disposing mind and  
memory, do make and publish this as my  
last Will and Testament, hereby revoking  
and making void any and all wills by  
me heretofore at any time made.

It is my will and desire  
that after my death, my house and lot,  
the same that was willed to me by my  
husband Robert Belote, situated in the  
State of Tennessee County of Sumner  
District No. near the corporation of Gallatin  
being the lot my husband bought of  
Samuel Hicker and known as part of  
Lot No. 1 and bounded on the East by the  
town creek, on the South by Mack Robb,  
on the West by the land dividing my  
said lot from the lot formerly owned  
by John Farley, and on the North by the  
lot of Richard Stalker. Be the property of  
my sister Priscilla Winchester, and I hereby  
give and bequeath the said house and lot to her  
the said, Priscilla Winchester for and during  
her natural life and after her death to be  
the property of her daughter Susan Winchester.  
Witness my hand this the 27<sup>th</sup> day of  
December, 1862.

We the undersigned witnesses were requested by the testatrix, Sally Belote to witness her execution and signature to the within and foregoing will, and we did so on the day it bears date, signing our names in her presence and sign and in the sign and presence of one another.

J. A. Townsend  
B. F. Allen  
A. R. Wynne.

March 24th 1884.

Having been requested by Sally Belote to witness this her last will and testament after having read it to her she appeared to be in perfect sound mind and said that was her mark to the above will made on the

24th day of December 1883.

Witness, Wm. Dodd.

State of Tennessee

Summer County Court February Term 1886

The last Will and Testament of Sally Belote deceased was this day produced in open Court for probate and was duly proven by the oaths of J. A. Townsend, and B. F. Allen, subscribing witnesses thereto, which is received by the Court and ordered to be recorded  
Cofy, Test

Wm. Dodd - clerk

March 11th 1882.

Being weak of body but sound of mind and desirous of doing right, I do this day make this my last Will & Request, that after my death my Wife Mary Jackson is to have all my Real Estate that is not conveyed to others during her life time, and at her death to be equally divided between my lawful heirs except my son William Jackson, who to the best of my knowledge & belief is in my debt in the sum of Sixty Eight (\$68) Dollars for which is not paid over to A. W. Jackson and Mother before her death then to be taken out of his interest in said land. And I bequeath to my wife Mary Jackson all of my Personal Effects whatever except One Fine Colt which I give to Alice Thompson my Granddaughter for services rendered the family.

After my death my wife Mary Jackson as long as she lives is to have full control of the place and all personal whatever except what is mentioned above and to collect any thing coming to me and is to pay Burial Expenses.

But if I should want to change the above at any time before my death I have the right to do so. Given under my hand this day & date above  
Jesse Jackson

Witnesses

Wm. L. Lenoir  
Harry Lovell.

State of Tennessee

Summer County Court February Term 1886.

The last Will and Testament of Jesse Jackson deceased, was this day presented in open Court for probate and was duly proven by the oaths of W. L. Lenoir and Harry Lovell, subscribing witnesses

thereto which is received by the court and ordered  
to be recorded  
Copy Test  
O. H. Foster. clerk

State of Tennessee Sumner County.  
October 2/21/1875

I Mary Jackson  
of the State of Tennessee aforesaid, (being weak  
of body but sound of mind), do this day  
make this my last Will and devise first  
that all my just Debts be paid and all that  
I have left after my death. I give and  
bequeath to Thomas Thompson all my household  
and kitchen furniture with all the stock on  
the place and all of my personal whatever.  
said. Thos Thompson has already taken care  
of me two (2) years and is to take care of me as  
long as I live and at my death to have all  
that remains. He is to have full control of the  
place and all the stock as long as I live and  
at my death all the personal after my just  
debts are paid to be his, though I claim the  
right to change at any time, this before my  
death should he not do so he hereafter has done.  
Given under my hand this day & date above  
written.

Test  
W. G. Lanier  
Jno R. Lanier

State of Tennessee  
Sumner County Court February Term 1876  
The last  
Will and Testament of Mary Jackson, deceased  
was this day presented in open court for

probate and was duly proven by the oaths of  
W. G. Lanier and Jno R. Lanier, subscribing witnesses  
thereto, which is received by the court and ordered  
to be recorded  
Copy Test  
O. H. Foster. clerk

I know all men by these presents, that I James Donnell,  
being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make  
and publish this my last Will and Testament, hereby  
revoking and making void all other wills by me at  
any time made,  
First I direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses  
be paid out of any monies that may come into the hands  
of my executors as soon after my death as possible.  
I give and bequeath to my four sons, James, William,  
Wesley, and Jo, my tract of land on which I now live  
to be equally divided between them to them and their  
heirs forever.  
Second After the payment of my debts and funeral expenses  
as provided in the first clause of this will, I give and  
bequeath my said four sons all my personal property  
of every kind and description whatever to be divided  
equally between them.  
Fourth I hereby appoint my sons James and William, my Executors,  
to carry out the provisions of this will.  
In Testimony I have hereunto set my hand and  
seal on this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 1879.  
James <sup>his</sup> Donnell

and acknowledged  
in our presence, and witnessed  
in the presence of testator and  
others, at his request  
Jas W. Blackmore  
H. C. Duffey

State of Tennessee

Sumner County Court February Term 1886

The last will and Testament of James Donnell, deceased was this day presented in open Court for probate and was duly proven by the oath of Jas. W. Blackmore.

Subscribing witness thereto which is received by the Court and ordered to be recorded. James Donnell, one of the Executors named in the will appeared in open Court together with his co-executors - Ves Donnell, and W. B. Swanney, and entered into and acknowledged their bond to the State of Tennessee in the penal sum of one thousand dollars conditioned as the law requires, and said James Donnell as Executor aforesaid was duly qualified.

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W. B. Swanney, Clerk.

Know all men by these presents that I Rachel L. Gibson of the County of Sumner and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all other wills heretofore made, or purporting to be made by me.

1<sup>st</sup> I will that my body be decently buried, and keeping with my station in life, and that all my just debts be paid, to the out of the proceeds of the sale of the property enumerated in the sixth clause of this my will.

2<sup>nd</sup> I give and bequeath to my oldest son William A. Gibson one bed and bedstead and bed clothing and two chairs.

3<sup>rd</sup> I give and bequeath to Elisha C. Gibson

my second son, one electric press, one bed, bedstead and clothing and two chairs.

4<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my youngest son Walter V. Gibson the bedstead in the south room up stairs, the bed now on the low bedstead in my room, with covering, one large mirror, two chairs, and one bay window named Nellie.

5<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath to my daughter, Zenada Eudora Gibson, the sewing, John's trunk, the bed, bedstead and covering in the parlor, one large mirror, one waiter, all my clothing &c., one old trunk, one crag mare named Sprightly, all the kitchen and table furniture and appurtenances and all other house hold articles not already disposed of in this will.

6<sup>th</sup> I will that the following property be sold by my executor at such time and at either public or private sale as he may deem best for the interest of my heirs, to wit: one cow, one steer, one heifer, two calves, the flock of sheep and lambs, the hogs, one mule, two filly colts, also all agricultural tools, implements, machinery, gears, all the corn, hay, meat, lard, syrup and provisions and growing crops, of any kind not heretofore disposed of, and the executor is directed to pay out of this money my funeral expenses and my just debts, and divide the proceeds between the four children first named in this will.

7<sup>th</sup> I hereby give and bequeath to my brother William H. Rice the possession of the portion of my daughter Jemima E. and Walter V. Gibson until they are of lawful age, and desire that he have exclusive control over, and the care of them just as though he was their father.

8<sup>th</sup> I hereby give and bequeath to my son, James W. Gibson one acre.

9<sup>th</sup> I hereby appoint and confirm Isaac H. Shannon to be executor of this my last will and testament, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of March A.D. 1886  
Signed in presence of  
W. D. Rice Rachel E. Gibson  
O. D. Willis

State of Tennessee  
Sumner County Court April Term 1886.

The last will and testament of Rachel E. Gibson, deceased, was this day presented in open Court for probate and was duly proved by the oaths of W. D. Rice and O. D. Willis, subscribing witnesses thereto which is required by the Court and ordered to be recorded, and J. H. Shannon, the executor named in the will, appeared in open Court together with his sureties, W. D. Rice and J. H. Clam and entered into and acknowledged their bond to the State of Tennessee in the penal sum of one hundred dollars conditioned as the law requires and said J. H. Shannon

as executor aforesaid was duly qualified.  
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W. D. Foster, Clerk

In the name of God, Amen.  
I Levi Gant, of Sumner County, State of Tennessee, being this day of sound mind, do make and ordain this my last will and testament.

1<sup>st</sup> I desire that my just debts and burial expenses be paid, at my death out of any money I may have on hand, or collected from those owing me.

2<sup>nd</sup> I desire, after all debts have been paid, that all money on hand, or due me, be equally divided between my children, Jane Perry, Margaret Smithson, and Carr Hunt, and the heirs of my deceased daughters, Arteter Hunter and Lavina Perry, (sic) I desire that the heirs of my deceased daughters shall have the amount that would have been due their mothers. I also, direct, that, should any of my surviving children die, that their heirs, if any, shall receive the amount that would have been due their parents. I desire, and direct, that where any of the legatees of my estate have had advancements of any character, the same is to be accounted for, so that in all of my whole estate, each heir, on the representation of my heirs, shall share equally of my whole estate.

3<sup>rd</sup> I direct that James H. Reddick be executor of this my last will and testament. Signed sealed this day  
In presence of  
J. T. Reddick  
L. P. Reddick  
March 1<sup>st</sup> 1886  
Levi Gant

State of Tennessee  
Sumner County

A paper <sup>writing</sup> purporting to be the last will and testament of Levi Chat was this day produced in open Court and proved by the oath of S. T. Reddick, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and by the oaths of S. T. & J. H. Reddick as to the handwriting, the other subscribing witnesses thereto, and the same was ordered to be recorded. This 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 1886  
Esby Post

Edw Foster clk.

Last will and testament of Thomas Jefferson Austin, Minersmith, whereas, I Thomas Jefferson Austin, being of sound mind, do this day make the following last will and testament: I hereby give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Jane Catherine Austin, all my property, both real and personal to have and to hold the same during her life. It is my desire that she have the exclusive control and government of my property for the use and benefit of herself and children. Furthermore I desire that at the death of my wife, all my estate, both real and personal shall go to my children. Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> 1886.

Thomas Jefferson <sup>for</sup> Austin

Witness  
W. D. Cokran  
J. F. Apppling  
M. Gortlee  
R. T. Searcy

State of Tennessee

Sumner County June August Term 1886.

The last will and testament of Thomas Jefferson Austin was this day presented in open Court for probate and was duly proven by the oaths of J. F. Apppling, W. Gortlee and R. T. Searcy, which is received by the Court and ordered to be recorded.  
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O. H. Foster Clerk

In the name of God Amen I James F. Latimer of the County of Sumner and State of Tennessee & Dist. No. 15 being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life do therefore make ordain publish and declare this to be my last will and Testament that is to say first after all my lawful debts are paid and discharged the residue of my Estate real & personal I give bequeath and dispose of as follows to wit To Albert D. Latimer I give Fifty Acres of land commencing at my North East corner & running South with Daniel Latimer's line to my South East corner thence west with said line so as to include Forty Acres Running thence North to my North boundary line thence East to the beginning thence beginning at North west corner of said forty Acres and running west with A. H. Brinkley's line so as to include the mansion House and out buildings where said Albert D. Latimer now lives thence South & thence East so as to make ten Acres

most of the forty in all Fifty Acres 2<sup>nd</sup>  
to my three grand Daughters that is to say  
Eliza Blair 1<sup>st</sup> Ella Perry 2<sup>nd</sup> Margaret Patton  
3<sup>rd</sup> to them I give the Remainder of my  
Real estate that is to say the farm on  
which I now live & also my interest in  
my Father's Land known as the Esq.  
Latimer tract of Land in the 15<sup>th</sup> District of  
Sumner County Tennessee the said Eliza Blair  
Ella Perry & Margaret Patton to share and share  
alike I also Bequeath to my Daughter Mary  
Jane Escue the sum of Tenn Dollars also  
to each of her youngest children the sum  
of 5<sup>th</sup> Dollars Namely - Victoria Escue Five  
Dollars & Susan Escue Five Dollars I also  
give & Bequeath to my three grand Daughters  
namely Eliza Blair Ella Perry & Margaret  
Patton all my personal property that I may  
have at my death to be equally divided  
between the three share & share alike  
I likewise make constitute and appoint  
Alexander Parham Esq. Richard Jones  
William Webb Esq. to be Executors of the  
my last will and Testament here by  
revoking all former wills by me made  
in writings where of I have heretofore  
subscribed my name and affixed my  
seal this 8<sup>th</sup> day of Feb in the year  
of our Lord one thousand eight hun-  
dred & eighty six.

James F. Latimer (Seal)

The above written instrument was subscribed  
by the said James F. Latimer in our presence  
and acknowledged by him to each of us  
and he at the same time published  
& declared the above instrument as  
subscribed to be his last will &

Testament and we at the testators  
request & in his presence have  
signed our names as witnesses hereto  
and written opposite our names our  
respective places of residence  
William Webb Sumner County Tenn  
A. Parham Sumner County Tenn  
Richard Jones Sumner County Tenn

State of Tenn  
Sumner County Court August Term 1886.

The last  
will and testament of James F. Latimer  
deceased, was this day produced in open  
Court for probate and was duly proven  
by the oaths of William Webb A. Parham  
and Richard Jones subscribing witnesses  
thereto which is received by the Court  
and ordered to be recorded.

A. Parham one of the Executors  
named in the will together with his  
securities Daniel Latimer, Richard Jones  
and William Webb appeared in open  
Court and entered into and acknowledged  
their bond to the State of Tennessee in  
the penal sum of Three Thousand  
Dollars conditioned as the law directs  
and said A. Parham as executor of said  
will was duly qualified.

Richard Jones, and William Webb the other  
two Executors named in the will at the same  
time appeared in open Court and renounced  
the execution of said will.  
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Chas. Foster Clerk