

- 7th I do devise to my youngest daughter Elizabeth as follows viz one negro girl named Rebecca now in my possession & her issue to be here her heirs & assigns forever with the following provisions viz for and in consideration of the sum my wife Peggy here have of the boy devised to my son John he shall have the use without further lien of the said girl Rebecca until the death of my wife or until my daughter Elizabeth should marry he is then to give peaceable possession of her & her issue without any compensation for his trouble or expence in raising &c. Also a brood mare now in my possession name Bet to be here to do with as she may see fit also one hundred dollars or one sixth part of the cash on hand & one sixth part of the cash of notes accruing from the sale of property in Breckell County be the same more or less when collected which money is to be laid out in land for my wife & daughter Carolina to be here her heirs and assigns forever & in case of her death without issue I direct that all the property thus devised to her with whatever she may have inherited by the death of wife or the said when sold shall be equally divided between my son John & daughter Carolina & in the case of the death of either to be inherited by the other to the exclusion of my son &c. but in case of the death of both to be inherited by him.
- 8th I devise that the household stuff bed furniture be equally divided between my wife Peggy & my son John & my two daughters Carolina & Elizabeth to be theirs forever to the exclusion of every other person.
- 9th In case of the death of any of the heirs & before division can be made the property must be sold my desire is that some of the heirs buy the negroes that they be not separated.
- 10th I further devise that my sister Jane who is now with me have a home with my wife & daughters while she lives.
- 11th I do hereby appoint and nominate my two sons Tho^s H. Hill & Geo. S. Hill my executors of this my last Will & Testament. In witness whereof I have set my hand & affixed my seal this 21st Sept- 1835 in the County of Bush near Morgantown.

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of
Alexander S. Matthews, junr
Thos. S. Hall, junr & James Hill (Seal)
State of Tennessee,
Expton County, & County Court December Term 1835.
Then was the last Will and Testament of James Hill Jr. was produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proven by the oath of Alexander S. Matthews Thomas S. Hill the subscribers witnesses thereto it was therefor ordered by the court to be certified and recorded whereupon John S. Hill the executor therein named took up on himself the execution thereof and entered into bond with Thos. S. Hall and Henry Morrison his securities in the sum of eight thousand dollars conditioned as the law directs and took the oath required by law and it was thereupon ordered that letters Testamentary issue &c.

Frederick R. Smith, Clerk of said Court

Daniel A. Dunham's
Will

Read Will and Testimony of D. A. Dunham. In the name of God Amen, I Daniel A. Dunham of Expton County Tennessee being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this life do make and publish this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other former Wills & Testaments by me made.

After the payment of my just debts I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Lurania Dunham all of my industry both real and personal for and during her widowhood and in case she does not marry for and during her natural life.

Upon the event of the death of my said wife Lurania or upon the event of her marriage after my death then and in that case it is my wish will & desire that all of my property both real and personal except my negroes be sold and that the plantation on which I now live and a tract of land of about one hundred & fifty five acres adjoining the plantation on which I now live and also adjoining the lands of Judge Brexton also one house and lot in the town of Germantown & County of Fayette and also the following &c.

Situated in the town of Torrington Tipton County Tennessee viz lots no one one hundred six sixty six sixty seven sixty eight and eighty three as designated in the plan of said town shall be sold upon a credit of one two three & four years and the proceeds arising from such sale (upon the event of my said wife's marriage after my death) to be equally divided between my said wife Lorania and all of my said children viz Elizabeth W. Fisher Sarah H. Temple Daniel H. Robert H. Joseph H. Lorania A. Martha A. Rebecca J. John H. and Eleanor A. and such others may after the due execution of the presents to be born to have and to hold to them their heirs & assigns forever except my daughter Sarah H. Temple who is herein after provided for And upon the event of the death of my said wife Lorania then it is my wish & desire that all of my property be equally divided between all of my said children and such others may after the due execution of these presents be born share and share alike to have and to hold the same to them & their heirs & assigns forever except my daughter Sarah H. Temple herein after provided for and upon such allotment or division between my said wife and all of my children or between all of my children it is my wish and desire that those of my children who have been or may hereafter during my life be by me advanced shall receive no more out of my estate the property so devised than will make their proportion equal to the rest of my children that is, that the property so advanced shall at the time of said distribution or division be charged to him her or them at the cash valuation at the time of such advancement and such children or children shall receive of the property to be divided only so much as will in addition to such advancement make him her or their property equal to the rest of my children.

Item 3rd Upon such division or distribution as aforesaid such part or lot of my said property as shall be set apart and allotted to my daughter Sarah H. Temple the wife of Edward M. Temple I hereby give and bequeath to my friend John Tullithwaite and his executor in trust nevertheless for the sole use benefit & behoof of my said daughter Sarah H. Temple

for and during her natural life & to my said daughter Sarah if the said Trustee consent thereto to have and enjoy the peaceable & quiet possession of all or any portion or part thereof except such sum or sums of money as may be allotted to her which it is my will and desire shall be put out at interest and the interest applied as herein after directed and not to be held accountable for the rents or hire of such portion or part as she may take into her possession as aforesaid and such of the said property as she may not take into possession as aforesaid she is to have the peaceable & uninterrupted management of the profits arising from the labour thereof to her the rent and the legal interest of such monies as may be allotted to her in the division of my property as aforesaid or a sufficiency thereof as will afford her and her children a decent and comfortable living and if the rents hire and the proceeds of the labour of said property and the legal interest arising from such monies as may be allotted to her in a division of my property as aforesaid shall be more than sufficient to afford her and her children a decent and comfortable living then and in that case such surplus or a sufficiency thereof to be applied and appropriated to the education of the children and the surplus if any to be added to and become a part of the original stock and at the death of my said daughter Sarah H. I give and bequeath the whole of the said property together with the natural increase thereof to the heirs of her body to be equally divided between them share and share alike and for the want of such heirs then and in that case I give and bequeath all of the said property together with the natural increase thereof to my own children & heirs to be divided amongst them equally share & share alike.

Item 4th In consideration of the bequest and devise of all of my property to my said wife Lorania during her widowhood or upon the event of her living single during her life it is my will and desire that she keep all of my children that are unmarried together and that she support them and educate them as amply as practicable in our neighborhood school.

Item 5th Should it become necessary to sell any of my property to pay my debts it is my will and desire that my executors shall sell the house and lot in Doverville and the house and lots in Torrington viz lots one one hundred and six sixty six sixty seven

sixty eight + eighty three and the one hundred + fifty
 acres of land adjoining my plantation and
 Judge Overtons lands either at private sale or pub-
 lic auction as they may deem fit and also the sur-
 plus stock or so much thereof as shall be sufficient
 for the purposes aforesaid.

Wm. G. H.

Lastly I hereby appoint my wife Lurania Dunham
 executrix and my son Daniel Dunham and my son
 in law Charles E. Fisher executors of this my last
 Will and Testament directing that they shall not
 be held and required to give security for the due
 execution of the trusts hereby reposed on them.

In witness whereof I the said Daniel A. Dunham have
 hereunto set my hand & seal this 7th. Seventh day of
 January A.D. 1835.

Signed sealed & executed by the Testator of
 his last Will in presence of us who at his request & in his presence & in the presence
 of each other have hereunto subscribed
 our names as witnesses thereto

R. A. S. Gammill D. Sercy just
 John Bryant just Thos. M. Elaff just

State of Tennessee
 Tipton County County Court April Term 1837
 This day it being the 3rd day of April 1837 the last
 Will and Testament of Daniel A. Dunham late of
 said County was this day produced in open court
 and the execution thereof proven by the oaths Gammill
 D. Sercy John Bryant and Thomas M. Elaff three
 of the subscribing witnesses thereto whereupon it was
 ordered to be certified whereupon Charles E. Fisher one
 of the executors therein named came into court and enter-
 ed into bond and took the oath as prescribed by law.
 Witness my hand in open court this 3rd day of April 1837

Frederic R. Smith Clerk of said Court
 Thomas Robinsons Will

Be it known to all whom it
 may concern that I Thomas Robinson do hereby
 will and bequeath my whole Estate to my dear wife
 Mary M. consisting of lands negroes Bonds Notes
 &c. of which I am possessed and every thing else

that is valuable (and be it known that it is my will
 & desire that the said John should never own another man
 to provided he conducts himself well and faithfully towards
 his mistress during her natural life) And I hereby
 appoint my dear wife Executrix and my friend Vaught
 Executor to carry into execution this my last will &
 Testament my body I bequeath to the earth and my soul to
 God from whom it came. In testimony whereof I have
 hereunto subscribed my name & affixed my seal
 this August 11th. 1837.

Witness

West Harris just
 Charles Sullivan just

Thos. Robinson (Seal)

State of Tennessee
 Tipton County September Term 1837

This was the last Will
 and Testament of Thomas Robinson deceased produced
 in open court and the execution thereof proven in due form
 by the oaths of West Harris and Charles Sullivan
 the two subscribing witnesses thereto and therefore the
 same was ordered to be recorded

Just

Frederic R. Smith Clerk

Honor Brownos Will

Be it known and remembered that
 this day the seventh of January one thousand eight hundred
 and thirty seven that I Honor Brown of Randolph
 Tipton County State of Tennessee being of sound mind
 knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death
 make known and publish this my last Will and Testament
 I will my soul to God who gave it my body to his mother
 earth. I appoint my friend Dav. Vaught my sole exe-
 cutor to take charge of my property personal and real
 to sell and dispose of and pay over as directed hereafter
 or in case of his death inability or refusal to accept
 I then wish my friend Thomas Robinson to be executor
 and to execute this my last Will.

1st

I will and bequeath unto my grand son Haywood
 Joiner (who has been very kind and attentive to me in
 my old age) a negro woman named Harriet and her
 two children both daughters Caroline 2 and upsona
 years old and Elizabeth now suckling at the breast

and all the increase of them should be any of said
 Harriet from this time. Also Rose the mother of
 Harriet an old and infirm woman a slave also all
 the furniture in house and kitchen with the whole of my
 stock of horses cattle oxen and hogs these last is the
 better to enable him my grandson Haywood to support
 Rose my old servant during her lifetime.

2nd I will and bequeath to my daughter Mary Bolton Eight
 hundred dollars in money to be paid by my Executor
 as soon as he can sell Moses and Prince two Negroes

3rd I will and bequeath to three of my grand children here
 named Hester M. Laid, Jacob Jordan and Elizabeth Garib
 youngest child that she now has (name not known)
 the increase of them equally divided except one
 hundred dollars.

4th I will and bequeath the above named hundred
 dollars to my dear grand daughter Mary Williams
 all debts due me by note or otherwise with Moses
 and Prince as to the first into cash and distributed
 as herein before mentioned nevertheless reserving to the
 executor the payment of all my just debts and
 funeral expenses out of my property or money
 unappropriated.

5th If my grand son Haywood Joiner should die
 without heirs all the property willed to him by me is
 to be given to his brother Robert Joiner.

This my last Will and Testament making all
 other wills void made by me having hereunto made
 my mark not being able to write in the presence of three
 witnesses the day above written.

Witness

W. M. Robinson

West Harrie Just

Thos. Robinson

Thos. Robinson

State of Tennessee
 Tipton County

County Court August Term 1837

A.D. 1837 This day it being the 7th day of August
 the last Will and Testament of Hester Brown
 deceased was produced in open court and the
 execution thereof proven in open court by the oath
 of William Robinson one of the subscribing witness
 es thereunto whereupon Dan Vaught the executor
 herein named came into open court and took up

himself the execution thereof and entered into bond
 and security and took the oath as required by law
 and it was ordered by the court that letters Testamentary
 be given according by

Test Fred R. Smith Clerk

State of Tennessee

Tipton County

September Term 1837

West Harrie one of the subscribing witnesses to the
 last Will and Testament of Hester Brown deceased
 appeared in open court and after being first sworn
 deposed and said that he was personally acquainted
 with the Testator and that he believed her to be of
 sound mind and disposing mind at the time of sign-
 ing the same

Test Fred R. Smith Clerk

Robert Clark

Will

In the name of God Amen
 I Robert Clark of Tipton County Tennessee being of
 advanced age the in usual health and breeding in the
 mercy of a wise and gracious God do make and declare
 this my last Will & Testament as follows

First. I have heretofore given and now confirm unto my children
 such property as they have rec^d of me as to W. Clark
 a negro man Isaac to James Clark a negro fellow
 by the name of Oliver to Joshua Clark a negro boy
 named Will to Isaac Clark a negro boy named Charles
 to Eliza Brown formerly Eliza Clark a negro woman
 named Charity & her child to them and their heirs forever

Secondly I do now give and bequeath at my death unto my
 son Robert Clark of Rowan County N.C. a negro fellow
 by the name of Abraham and one hundred acres of
 land off of the last end of the tract in which I
 now live.

Thirdly I likewise give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth
 Whitlow a negro boy named Jacob and the like sum
 of Five hundred dollars out of my estate
 Fourthly I give a negro girl named Pegg and the sum of
 Five hundred Dollars out of the proceeds of the sale
 of my estate.

Fifthly

I likewise give and bequeath unto my daughter

Never, Whither a negro boy named Jack and the like sum of Two hundred Dollars out of my estate.

Firstly I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah the balance say about two hundred acres of the tract of land on which I now live during her natural life on earth and at her death to descend to and belong to my son Joshua J. Clark & his heirs forever.

Secondly It is my wish and desire that after my death that my faithful servant Ovenson be liberated according to the laws of the State of Tennessee and I do enjoin it on my executors to see that it is done as soon as practicable.

Thirdly It is my wish and desire that my executors hereinafter named shall as soon as practicable discharge the just debts that I owe out of the sale of the most suitable property I own and not herein named and will not interfere the least with the convenience or wants of my wife and the balance of my property & after the legacies are paid I give and bequeath unto my wife to her use and benefit during her life and at her death to be with its natural increase equally divided between all of my children then alive.

Lastly I do appoint my sons William Clark and John J. Clark my sole executors to this my last Will and Testament committing my body to the earth and my soul to the bosom of a just and merciful Redeemer thro' whom I hope for a just and merciful Resurrection at the right hand of God. I sign seal and deliver this instrument in the presence of (Interlined before signing)

Saml Ash junr

John B Ash junr

Robert Clark Seal

State of Tennessee

Eipton County & County Court October Term 1837
This day the within last Will and Testament of Robert Clark deceased was produced in open Court and the execution thereof duly proven by the oaths of Saml A. Ash and John B. Ash. Two of the subscribing witnesses thereto Whereupon William Clark and Joshua J. Clark came into Court and took upon themselves the execution thereof and entered into bond and securities and took the oath required by law Witness my hand at
His 2nd day of Octo- 1837 Fred R. Smith. Clerk.

Charles Weller

Will

In the name of God Amen,
I Charles Weller of the town of Bowling Green in the County of Warren and Commonwealth of Kentucky making all other do ordain and appoint this my last Will and Testament (viz)

First I give my soul into the hands of God and my body to the earth in hopes of a happy resurrection at the last day.

Secondly I will and ordain that all my just debts be paid so soon as practicable.

Thirdly I will and desire that my beloved wife hold and possess all my goods and chattles with all my real estate and monies remaining after the payment of my just debts until such time if it should ever be that she should marry and in that case or in case of her decease I will that whatever remain be equally divided among my children as they arrive at lawful age.

Fourthly I will and desire that my second wife should at her own discretion educate my children and bind out the males among themselves such Trades as she shall think proper and commendable for the better execution of the design above mentioned. I will that on my decease all list of all my property to be made and the same being approved by two disinterested men that it be rendered in the Clerk's office of the County so soon as practicable. Finally I do hereby appoint my beloved wife Mary S. Weller to be executrix of this my last Will and Testament. In testimony whereof I do hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 17th day of October 1835-

Thomas Stonell

Acknowledged this 28th of August 1837

James A. M^r Leary junr

Thomas Montague

Saml D. M^r Leary junr

State of Tennessee

Eipton County & County Court This day the last Will and Testament Charles Weller deceased was produced in open Court and the execution thereof duly proven by the

oaths James H. M^r Leary and Samuel D. M^r Leary
two of the subscribing witnesses thereto whereupon Mary
D. Miller the executrix therein named came into court
and took upon herself the execution thereof and entered
into bond and took the oath as required by laws
Witness my hand this 2nd day of Oct. A.D. 1837.

Conner Ewells Will.
Fred R. Smith Clerk of the County Court

In the name of God Amen
I Bonner Ewell being of sound and perfect mind
and memory do make and publish this my
last Will and Testament in manner and form
following:
First I nominate my soul to God who first gave it
and my body to be buried in a decent manner
and Christian like manner by my executors.
Secondly I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth
all my money on hand except fifty dollars I also
give and bequeath to my said beloved wife all
my personal estate except one bed and furniture I
also and bequeath unto my grand daughter Susan
Elizabeth Ewell the sum of fifty dollars in cash
also one bed and furniture after the death of my
said wife all hereby debts to said beloved wife
to be at her disposal as long as she lives and at
the death of my wife the property sold and the estate
of the descriptions to be equally divided between my six
children share and share alike I give and bequeath
to my said beloved wife whom I hereby appoint sole
executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby
revoking all former Wills by me made. In witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my
seal this the twenty fifth of January A.D. 1837
Signed sealed published and delivered by the above
named Bonner Ewell to be his last Will and Testament
in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed
our names as witnesses in the
presence of the Testator
Isaac W. Owen Junr. E. Bonner his Ewell
D. M. Smith Junr. mark

State of Tennessee County Court Oct. Term 1837
Tipton County. This day the foregoing last Will and
Testament of Bonner Ewell deceased
was produced in open court and the execution thereof
duly proven by the oaths of Isaac W. Owen and D. M.
Smith the subscribing witnesses thereto and it ap-
pearing to the satisfaction of the Court that Elizabeth
Ewell the executrix therein named has departed this life
intestate and in view of her waiving then right of ad-
ministration to Thomas Ralph Sen. he came into court
and took upon himself said administration with the Will
annexed and entered into bond & securities as required
by law.
Fred R. Smith Clerk of said Court.

Henry Billings Will.

State of Tennessee Know all men by these pres-
ent Tipton County. I Henry Billings of the State
and County aforesaid being of sound mind and
memory and knowing the uncertainty of life and
it is my duty incumbent upon me to dispose of my worldly
effects which I thought has seen fit to beflow upon me
and do dispose of them in the following manner
to wit:
1st I give and bequeath unto my Elizabeth or her
widow and furniture belonging to the same also
two cows her choice of which I may be possessor of
also 4 cows and calves of her choice also 4 hogs
and pig and also what household furniture she
may stand in need of.
2nd If I should be possessed of a homestead I give and
bequeath to my wife Elizabeth the same during
her lifetime if not ~~not~~ I give and bequeath unto her
six hundred dollars to purchase land for her use
during her lifetime.
3rd I have already given to my son Michael Four hundred
and Sixty Seven dollars worth of property also I
have given to my son William Seventy dollars
worth of property also I have given to my son
Noah Ninety dollars worth of property also I have
given to my daughter Narcissa Ninety seven dollars

also to my daughter Polly one mare by the name of
Agnes with sixty dollars, also I have given my daugh-
ter Elizabeth one mare by the name of Nell with
forty dollars. It is my desire and wish that at
my decease the above sums in the third specification be
deducted from their share of the estate which I may
have at my decease and the decease of my wife
so that my children shall share alike.

4th I also give and bequeath unto my Elizabeth during
her life time all my negroes (viz) Adam (bandy time)
Ajma, Coleman Judy and Martha Jane and Tenney
and increase if any.

5th it is my wish and desire that after the decease of my
wife the negroes to be equally divided among my children
to share and share alike.

6th It is my wish and desire that all my stock and
property of every description which I may have at my
decease not otherwise disposed of may be sold and
equally divided among my children to share
and share alike.

I hereby appoint my beloved son William my
executor to this my last Will and Testament
fully revoking all former Wills by me made
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my
affixed my hand and seal this first day of Septem-
ber in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hun-
dred and thirty seven in presence of,
Signed and sealed in the presence of

Wm. A. Bowers Jurat Henry Billings (Seal)
John Smith Jurat

State of Tennessee County Court October Term 1838
Tipton County & this day this the last Will and Tes-
tament of Henry Billings was produced in open court
and the execution thereof duly proved by the oaths of
Wm. A. Bowers and John Smith the subscribing
witnesses thereunto it was thereupon ordered to be
recorded Witness my hand at office in open court
12th Monday in Oct 1838.

Geo. R. Smith Clerk

William L. Willson's
Will

Knowing the uncertainty of
human existence at all times and being at the
present time afflicted with bodily infirmities and
being in a sound state of mind I wish while in
this condition to make such disposition of my property
that has been accumulated by honorable exertion
and economy as best suits my wishes and views of
justice Therefore I (William L. Willson) do hereby
make my last Will and Testament in manner and
form following that is to say,

First I desire that all my ready cash be appropriated after
my decease to the payment of all my just debts. Should
the ready cash prove insufficient for the above pur-
poses then I desire my administrators to sell so much
of perishable property as will satisfy such of my just
debts as shall remain unpaid.

Secondly after the payment of all my just debts I will and
bequeath all the ready cash that shall remain after
the payment of my debts to my wife Sarah C. Willson
also I will and bequeath to my wife Sarah C. Willson
Negro girl Susan and her three children Maria Napoleon
and Martha likewise negro girl Nancy and her
child Sarah for and during her natural life and
after her decease I give the same to my daughter
Cassandra Willson and my three sons William H.
Wilson Alexander B. Willson and Alfred Willson
equally to be divided among them and to be enjoyed
by them forever.

Thirdly In consideration that I have bestowed the bulk of
my property upon my wife Sarah C. Willson it is
my desire that my above named children Cassan-
dra, William, Alexander and Alfred shall be
maintained by her at a reasonable expense until they
shall have arrived at the age of discretion.

And lastly I do hereby appoint my wife Sarah C. Willson
and Josiah L. Willson executors of this my last
Will and Testament in witness whereof I hereunto
set my hand and affix my seal this 11th day of October
1838. Witnesses

Charles R. Sniford, C. William L. Willson (Seal)
Pasa Willson Jurat

State of Tennessee November Term 1837
 Tipton County. This day the last Will and Testament of William L. Wilson deceased was produced in open court and the execution thereof was duly proven by the oath of Isaac Wilson one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that Charles R. Bedford the other subscribing witness is not a resident of this State Whereupon Dan Vaught deposed and said that he is personally acquainted with the said Charles R. Bedford and that he has seen him write and that he believes it to be his signature Whereupon Joseph L. Wilson the executor therein named came into court and took upon himself the execution thereof and entered into bond and securities and took the oath prescribed by law

Fred R. Smith Clerk.

George Smith's Will.

I, George Smith of Tipton County Tennessee Farmer do make and publish this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all others or former Wills by me made at any time heretofore. And first I direct that my body be decently interred and that my funeral be conducted in a manner corresponding with my situation in life. And as to such worldly Estate as it has pleased God to intrust me with I dispose of as follows I will that all my estate real and personal be intrusted in the hands or left to my widow during her life or widowhood but if she should marry I direct that all my property real and personal be sold on a credit of twelve months by my executors and equally divided between my wife and my children (to wit) Beulah John, Henry, Lucy, Susan, Mary, Leonard, Polly, Sarah, Nancy, George, W. Jess. Alexander, Caroline, Elizabeth & Margaret but if she my said widow should live a widow during life at her death I will they my be disposed of in the same way

as if she should marry. I will that my son Beulah receive for his services this year out of crop when gathered one ninth part of all my crop now growing I hereby constitute and appoint my friend W. A. Bowers executor to this my last Will and Testament in witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my — This twenty first day June in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight, signed sealed in the presence of

Wm. S. Mifflin, just.

Peter S. Miller

Jacob Smith, just.

George Smith (Seal)

County Court. July Term 1835

This day this the last Will and Testament of George Smith deceased late of said County was produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proven by W. S. Mifflin and Jacob Smith two of the subscribing witnesses thereto. Whereupon William A. Bowers the executor therein named came into court and took upon himself the execution thereof and entered into bond and securities and took the oath required by law and it was ordered to be recorded.

Fred. R. Smith Clerk.

Jackey Owens's Will

This last Will and Testament of Jackey Owens of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee (Witnesseth) that I Jackey Owens being of sound mind but infirm in body do this day make this my last Will and Testament in words as follows viz. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Jane Owen all my land on which I now live on consisting of 68 acres lying on the waters of Indian Creek during her natural life and it is my wish that no more land be cleared on the said place and that the fences shall be kept in good repair on the land that is now cleared and that she shall be allowed to cut all necessary timber for making the said fences and other necessary purposes that is growing on the land and at her decease the

said land to be sold and the proceeds thereof to be equally divided between my children John Hannah Jefferson and William Owens. I do give unto my wife Jane Owens my bay horse and her choir of four killing hogs and one choir breeding sow one set of plowing gear, one choir plow single tree and choir also two choirs hoes one choir axe and one chore mitch cow and calf one stack of hay, one hundred bushels of corn and all the kitchen furniture and one looking glass one choir bed and all her own bed clothing that she had when we was married likewise two checked counterpane and three quilts likewise all the salt I have on hand likewise one tub.

I likewise give and bequeath to my daughter Hannah one new bed and bed clothing Margaret Twenty dollars in money after the balance of my property is sold if there is not much after all my just debts are paid but no more of the said property.

I likewise give and bequeath to my daughter Hannah one choir hog and bed clothing and one quilt likewise likewise two worn after my wifes decease and one cow and calf and an equal share of the balance of the property when sold.

I likewise give and bequeath to my two sons Jefferson and William Ten dollars each and also an equal division of the balance of the property when sold.

It is my wish at my decease that the balance of my property shall be sold that I have not given away in this will and all my just debts paid that the balance if any be equally divided between my children John Hannah Jefferson and William Owens. I do therefore appoint Alfred Owens and John Owens Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have set my hand this 25th July 1838 in the presence of.

Witnes James Gunt
Witness Samuel Hill gunt
State of Tennessee
Giles County.

Jackey Owen

When was the last Will and Testament of Jackey Owen deceased produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proven by the oaths of Willey

Payne and Samuel Hill the subscribing witnesses thereto. It was thereupon ordered by the court to be certified and recorded. Whereupon Alfred Owens and John Owens the executors herein named took upon themselves the execution thereof and entered into bond and security in the sum of one thousand dollars conditioned as the law directs and took the oath required by law & thereupon ordered that letters testamentary issue to

Samuel Rice Senr. Will.
Fred R. Smith Atk.

- 1st It is my last wish that my wife Frances retain all my real and personal property during her life and that it to be under the control and management of my son Samuel.
2nd After the death of my wife it is my wish that my son Samuel shall have the choice of my servants Jane or Amanda as a compensation for his services and all the balance of the property to be equally divided among all my children including my son in law Henry Fisk & 3rd Here the portion going to my daughter Elizabeth & 4th Broughtwell I wish to be for the exclusive benefit of herself & her heirs. At the death of my wife it is my wish that Mr. John D. Baltham & my son Samuel should be my executors to this my last wish. Underhand before recorded
Witness C. G. Fisher gunt
J. Butler gunt
Bounty Court
October Term 1838

Then this the last Will and Testament of Samuel Rice Sr. was produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proven by C. G. Fisher and Jackson Butler whereupon it was ordered to be recorded and Saml Rice the Exr. therein named came into court and took upon himself the execution thereof and entered into bond & security and took the oath prescribed by law.

Test Fred R. Smith Atk.

Jacob Smith's
Will.

In the name of God Amen
I Jacob Smith of the County of Tipton & State of Tennessee
see being of sound memory and discretion make
and publish this my last Will and Testament
After paying all my just debts & funeral expenses
my will and desire is that my whole estate of
what kind or nature soever be disposed of in the
following manner.

In the first place the Mill lately built by me on Indian
creek and five acres of land surrounding it to be laid
off by my executors herein after mentioned I give and
devise to my five sons Leonard, George, Henry, Jacob,
& David and their heirs forever to hold equally share
and share alike.

I give and devise to my daughter Mary who inter-
married with Richard Winkles and her heirs forever
ninety acres of land being part of the 640 acre tract
on which I reside to be laid off in the South East
corner beginning at corner & running north half
the length of the East boundary of the original survey
thence West South to the beginning for complement.

I give and devise to my daughter Sarah & her heirs for-
ever ninety acres of land out of the same survey to be
laid off in like manner in the North East corner of it so
as to join the ninety acres first mentioned.

I give and devise to my son Leonard & his heirs forever
one hundred and fifty acres of land beginning at the
North West corner of Sarah's ninety acres running thence
South with her line to her South West corner thence West to
the beginning for complement.

I give and bequeath to my son Jacob and his heirs
forever one hundred and fifty acres of land beginning
at Mary Winkles South West corner running thence
North with her line to her North West thence West &
South to the beginning for complement.

I give and devise to my son George and his heirs
forever one hundred and fifty acres of land part of
a 230 acre tract heretofore purchased by me from
Michael Holshouser lying immediately West of the 640 acre
tract on which I reside to be laid off to him on the
North end of said 230 acre tract of land.

I give and devise to my son Henry & his heirs forever
the tract or parcel of land lately purchased by me of
Victor A. Matthews containing one hundred and five
acres also also thirty five acres off the South end of the
Holshouser tract above mentioned to him the said Henry &
his heirs forever. The rest & remainder of my land not
heretofore disposed of including the dwelling house and
other improvements I give to my wife Hannah to have
exclusive use and possession of during her natural life
and at her death I give and devise the same to my son
David and his heirs forever.

I give unto my wife Hannah the exclusive use and posses-
sion of the following ^{negro} slaves during her natural life to wit
Rachel, Juda, Bob, & Eliza, and at her death I give & devise
the same with their increase to all my children now living
or their heirs if any of them should die in the mean time
to hold the same equally and to be divided in the same
manner as the other slaves herein after mentioned.

I give and devise all my other negroes slaves to wit Isaac,
Jani, Tom, Bill, Lucy, Jefferson, Sam. Ned, Jim & Harriet
to all my children equally share and share alike.
My will and desire is that the division of the slaves
shall be made by two disinterested persons chosen and
selected by all my children above mentioned and that
they cast lots for choice and prefered among themselves.

I give and bequeath one hundred dollars to be paid out
on interest by my executors hereinafter mentioned on
good and sufficient security and the same to accumulate
until Margot ^{seven} comes of age, or marries and in
either event the principal and interest to be given to her.
but if she dies unmarried & under age the same to
go to my children as hereinafter mentioned, but my
will is that if she should ~~need~~ happen to need any
thing for present support and education in the judgment
of my executors they will appropriate the interest
above mentioned for that purpose.

As to the remainder of my personal property of what
nature or kind soever including the growing crop
(except one seventh part of the crop growing on what
belongs to my son Henry) my will and desire is
that my wife Hannah shall reserve for her own use
and benefit as much of the live stock of the growing
crop of the household and kitchen furniture and of

other articles as shall seem necessary or convenient
 here and that my executors let the balance on
 each term as they think proper and distribute the
 proceeds together with all the funds accruing to me
 in any way equally among all my children share
 and share alike.

And I hereby appoint my sons Leonard Gung and Henry
 Executors of this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my
 hand and affixed my seal this 29th day of July A.D.
 one thousand eight hundred & thirty eight.

Signed sealed & published in presence of

the undersigned witnesses in this place

to wit

David M. Smith just

Isaac S. Huseman just

Thomas P. Hall just

Jacob Smith Seal

State of Tennessee County Court September Term 1838.

Then was the last Will and
 Testament of Jacob Smith deceased
 produced in open court and the execution thereof duly
 proven by the oaths of David M. Smith and Thomas
 P. Hall the subscribing witnesses thereto it was
 thereupon ordered by the court to be certified and recor-
 ded. Whereupon Leonard Smith Jr and Henry Smith
 the executors herein named took upon themselves the
 execution thereof and entered into bond and security
 in the sum of five thousand dollars conditioned as the
 law directs and took the oath required by law.
 Thereupon ordered that letters testamentary issue to

Frederick R. Smith, Clerk.

Jane Hungerford Seal
 Will

In the name of God Amen
 I Jane Hungerford of the County of Henry & State
 of Tennessee do make and ordain this my last
 Will and Testament being of sound mind
 & memory first of all my wish is for my executors
 to have my body decently buried in a Christian like
 manner

Secondly my wish is for my executors to pay all of my

just debts if any.

Thirdly

I divide my estate as follows I give and bequeath to
 William Barton Vincent nephew the following negroes
 Jarnot, Stephen, Spencer, Harry, Namin & his children & to
 Matthy, John and Benjamin. Also one negro man Mel
 on, feather bed and furniture. Further my will is that
 the said negroes & bed that is above mentioned and given
 unto William Barton Vincent shall be his or his heirs
 forever. I give unto William Vincent Jenkins the following
 negroes to wit one negro woman Liza & all of her increase
 one bed and furniture one trunk and chest to him and
 his heirs forever.
 I give Harriet Barnes one negro child named Betty the daughter
 of Henry one little trunk & looking glass, to her and her
 heirs forever.

I do nominate and appoint Burtis W Jenkins and
 Philip H. Jenkins Executors of William Vincent Jenkins
 negroes that I have left him in my will to manage for
 his use in schooling of the same & the said executors
 immediately after my death take the above negroes
 in the possession for the use of said William Vincent Jenkins

I leave my wearing apparel to be equally divided
 between Sarah A. J. Jennings & Harriet Barnes.

I do nominate and appoint Burtis W Jenkins & Philip H.
 Jenkins Executors to this my last Will and Testament
 In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
 affixed my seal this 26th of January 1839.

Signed sealed & acknowledged in presence of us

Joseph R. Shelton.

J. V. Gwenter, just.

Joseph Polk just.

Jane Hungerford Seal

State of Tennessee.

Dipton County

County Court Nov Term 1838.
 Then was the last Will & Testament
 of Jane Hungerford produced & proven in open court
 by the oaths of J. V. Gwenter and Joseph Polk the
 subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be
 recorded.

F. R. Smith Clerk.

Martha Wilson's
Will.

In the name of God Amen
I Martha Wilson of Tipton Co Tennessee being weak
in body but sound in mind and judgement do
make this my last Will and Testament.

1st In the first place I will that my body be
decently interred & all my lawful debts paid

2nd In the 2nd place I will and bequeath to my beloved
daughter Martha Wilson & her bodily heirs my
negro woman named Pats one bed and furniture
including the trundle bedstead one cow named
Beauty & her calf and two Windsor chairs and that
he pay to her brother Hugh twenty five dollars and
if my beloved daughter Martha should die without
issue I will that my beloved daughter Jane have
the use of my negro woman & if she die that my
beloved daughter Mary Brown have the use of her
during her life time & then that she descend to
the surviving members of the family

3rd In the 3rd place I will and bequeath to my beloved
son Robert Wilson one half of the plantation on
which I now reside in lieu of the amount due him
from his fathers estate & of three hundred dollars
bequeathed to him by sister Mary M. Briston my
negro boy Isaac my sowl horse named Pete one
cow named Dock and her calf one bed and its fur-
niture two Windsor chairs the clock and my white
son and her five shoats and that he pay to his
brother Hugh twenty five dollars

4th In the 4th place I will and bequeath to my beloved
son John Wilson the other half of my plantation
with all my personal property not specified above
& that he pay out of the above land & personal
property the following legacies (viz) to my beloved son
William Krich & Maxwell Wilson each twenty five
dollars & to my beloved son Hugh Wilson & my
beloved daughter Mary & Sharr & Jane Beard each
one hundred dollars.

and further I appoint my beloved son John
Wilson whole & sole executor of this my last Will
and Testament made and signed & sealed
this 18th day of September in the year of our Lord

one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven in
presence of

John Simonson and
Robert Simonson

Martha ^{her} Wilson

State of Tennessee
Tipton County.

County Court November Term 1838
Then was this the last Will and
Testament of Martha Wilson deceased produced in
open court and proven by the oaths of Robt. Simonson
and William Simonson subscribing witnesses
therein and ordered to be recorded.

Frederick R. Smith, Clk.

Adam Trobough's
Will

I Adam Trobough do make
and publish this my last Will and Testament hereby
revoking and making void all other will by me made
at any time

1st I direct that my funeral expence and all my bills be
paid as soon after my death as possible

2nd I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary M. Tro-
bough all my property of every sort and description
that I may be seized or possessed of during her nat-
-ural life.

3^{rdly} I give and bequeath unto my son Daniel Trobough
the sum of one dollar

4^{thly} I give and bequeath unto my son Henry Trobough
the sum of one Dollar

5^{thly} I give and bequeath unto my son John Trobough
the sum of one dollar.

6^{thly} I give and bequeath unto the heirs of my deceased
daughter Betsey Shoemaker who was the wife of Jeri-
-mah Shoemaker the sum of one dollar.

8^{thly} I give and bequeath unto Eliza Brown who is the
husband of my daughter Polly, all my land whereon
I now live together with every other description species of
property that I may be seized or possessed of after
all the foregoing bequests are paid and further I
do hereby appoint my son-in-law Eliza Brown
my executor. In witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and affixed my seal this 18th day

of Sept. 1838 signed sealed and published in our
presence & we have subscribed our names in the
presence of the testator this 12th day of Sept 1838

Wm. D. B. Jones Just

P. W. Turnage Just

B MOORE

Adam Trobough

State of Tennessee

Tipton County Court

April Term 1837.

This last Will and Testament
of Adam Trobough was presented in open court
and proved by the oaths Wm. D. B. Jones and
P. W. Turnage Just of the subscribing witnesses
therein and ordered to be recorded and Elijah Brown
the recorder therein named came into court qualified
as such by entering into bond with security and
taking the oath prescribed by law

Test Fred R. Smith Clk.
by Pat H. Nunnally D.C.

John F. Newman's
Will

I John F. Newman being
of sound and perfect mind & memory do make and
publish this my last Will and Testament, in
manner and form following viz I give and
bequeath to my beloved wife Kelly C. Newman
all the property both real and personal of what kind
or nature soever of which I die possessed or which
may fall to me by bequest or otherwise to have to
hold and to use as her own during her single life
should any property remain which I gave her at her
death or marriage then it is my will she should
give it to which ever of my children she may
deem proper.

That my will may not be misconstrued I have
thought proper to explain it in the following
manner. it is my wish that my wife that
my wife take my place completely going on with
business paying my debts and raising crops
for the support of herself & children that she shall
not be held responsible as executor or administrator
nor should she manage or be possessed of any property
that property shall be divided among my children

as she may deem proper.

Signed sealed published & declared by the abovesaid
named John F. Newman in presence of us who
have hereto subscribed our names as witnesses
in presence of the testator.

Witness Hugh F. Rose Just.

John F. Newman

Robt. H. Rose Just.

John F. Newman

Dec 13th 1835

Tipton Co. Tennessee

It is my particular request & will that that my beloved
wife should furnish our sister J. H. Rose with an
apartment and support during her single life if
she needs it.

State of Tennessee

Tipton County.

John F. Newman

Court of Peace and Quarter Session

March Term 1836.

There was the ^{within} last Will and Testament of John F.
Newman deceased late of Tipton County was produced
in open court and the execution thereof duly proved by
Robert H. Rose one of the subscribing witnesses thereto
and it was ordered to be so certified and returned
for further probate.

State of Tennessee Just. R. W. Sanford clerk of said court
Tipton County Court

November Term 1839

The foregoing last Will and Testament of John F. Newman
deceased late of said County was again presented in
Court and proved by the oaths of Hugh F. Rose another
subscribing witness thereto and thereupon the same was
ordered to be recorded.

Test. Fred R. Smith Clk.

Last William C. Vaught's
Will.

I William C. Vaught being

of sound mind do hereby make

and declare this my last Will and Testament

I do hereby appoint and constitute my brother Dan
Vaught my sole executor to attend to and execute my
wishes herein expressed. It is my wish that after the
payment of all of my just debts that three fourths of
my estate the balance of my estate shall go to the

children of my brother Dan his son William having one half of that portion the other half to be equally divided between his two daughters Annett Esb and Mary Martin. The remaining fourth of my estate I wish to be equally divided between the present children of my brother Thomas H. Vaught.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 26th day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine.

Witness R. H. Munford, just

Thomas Montague just

John H. M. Leary

Vaught (Seal)

State of Tennessee

Jefferson County

December Term 1839.

Then was the foregoing last Will and Testament of William B. Vaught deceased produced in open court and the execution thereof was proven by the oaths of Richard H. Munford and Thomas Montague two of the subscribing witnesses thereto. Thereupon the same was ordered to be recorded, and Dan Vaught the executor therein named came into court and signed sealed and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of eight hundred and seventy seven dollars with Richard H. Munford and Thomas Montague as his securities and took the oath prescribed by law whereupon it is ordered that letters testamentary issue to

Frederic R. Smith Clerk by

Sat. H. Annally D. C.

Robert L. McBlair (Seal)
Will

In the name of God Amen
I Robert L. McBlair of Jefferson County and State of Tennessee being weak & body but in perfect sound mind and meaning calling to mind the mortality of my body and that it is appointed for all men once to die I settle my affairs in the following way and manner (viz)

I give my soul to God who gave it.
I give and bequeath my estate to my beloved brother James my wife I give to my beloved brother Samuel. I give and bequeath all my

Just

my household furniture stock of arms and hog corn and bacon to my beloved wife Martha by her assuming and paying off all my just debts and lawful debts also my desire is for my beloved wife to sell any thing she wishes to enable her to pay off the debt. Also if my beloved wife should die without lawful issue I give and bequeath my bedstead bed and clothing my son and hog or their value to my beloved sister Nancy Jarne.

Last by

I constitute make and ordain my beloved wife Martha and brother John M. McBlair my sole executors of this my last Will and Testament March 18th 1840. Signed sealed and published to be my last Will and Testament in presence of us.

James Cullum
James McBlair
Andrew Walker.

Robert L. McBlair (Seal)

State of Tennessee
Jefferson County Court

June Term 1840.

The last Will and Testament of Robert L. McBlair was this day presented in court by Martha H. McBlair and John M. McBlair the executors therein named and proven by the oaths of James Cullum Andrew Walker and James McBlair the subscribing witnesses thereto. Thereupon the same was ordered to be recorded.

Test R. H. Munford Clerk Jefferson County

Copy.

Lewis Beard (Seal)
Will

In the name of God Amen
I Lewis Beard of the town of Salisbury Rowan County & State of North Carolina do make ordain and declare this instrument which I myself am now writing being in perfect sound mind and meaning to be my last Will and Testament revoking all others I give to my wife Susanna the half lot of ground whereon I now live being the half of lot 12? and the whole of lot No 10 both in the North square of the town of Salisbury with the improvements thereon.

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I also give to my wife Susanna my Meadow tract of land joining the town lands Mary and others being about two hundred acres and eighty acres except a part of said tract I intend to give to my daughter Amithooring Fisher the foregoing lots and lands as described with the improvements thereon to be to the proper use of my wife Susanna during her natural life and after her death to be disposed of as I will hereafter direct I also give to my daughter Susanna ~~during her natural life~~ as much of my household and kitchen furniture as may be sufficient for her keeping house on as much as she may choose to have I also give to my wife Susanna, Sharper Garrison & Son the gig and harness two horses her choice one plough two pair of bees a cart two cows and calves all the last mentioned personal estate the negroes to I give to my wife Susanna and her heirs and assigns forever I also give to my wife Susanna the dividend on six shares of Stock I have in the State Bank and on eight shares I have in the Cape Fear Bank as they become due during her natural life and the principal stock to be disposed of after the death of my wife Susanna as I will hereafter direct I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Lock the wife of Moses A Lock the one fourth of lot No 1, in the north square of the town of Salisbury whereon the store stands on the corner of said lot and being that part I bot of Hugh Jenkins for which I have already given my daughter a deed of gift I also give to my said daughter Mary my lands on the Yadkin river to be laid off as follows one beginning at a black oak a corner to the land called Morahis and Martins tracts on the line of Yarbroughs old ferry tract thence with the line of the two tracts West to a post on the line of Brownes old tract thence running North with Brownes and Morahis old line to a person near what is called Naserys old field Brownes old corner thence West to another of Brownes old corner the same corner containing about two chains to a stake on McShalloughs manny line thence north with said line to a stake in the road

leading to John Longs ferry from Salisbury thence North Eastwardly course near as the road runs a straight to a black Oak a corner of John Longs ferry tract and my corner of Moses old tract on my line of the walnut ridge tract thence East along Longs and my line to a small hickory and heap of stones in the corner of a piece near some negro graves thence near a northwesterly course along a lane between Longs and my land to a large black Oak standing on the bank of the river thence a straight line to the upper extreme part of the big island thence down the North prong of the river to a stake on Yarbroughs line of the old ferry tract thence South crossing the big island and South prong of the river along Yarbroughs line to the beginning. This includes parts of several tracts and two hundred and fifty ^{three} acres called Morahis tract I bot the right of said land of Daniel Blay & wife and paid them five hundred dollars it is now in dispute and a suit in equity against Yarbroughs heirs and others should a decree be given in my favor perhaps there will be a sum of money decreed for me to pay. if so I do give the benefit of the five hundred dollars I have paid and what I have paid to attorneys to my said daughter Mary she paying all further sum or sums of money in obtaining a right I also give to my daughter Mary Lock my negroes Henry George Lock so called African Tom, Jenn, Venus, and Lem she already had already got all the foregoing estate as mentioned given to my daughter Mary I do give to her and her heirs and assigns forever

I give and bequeath to my daughter Johna Maria Fisher the wife of Charles Fisher my land to be laid off as follows one beginning at a Black Oak the same corner where the lands begins I have given in the foregoing item left to my daughter Mary running West with the same line then North then West to the same stake on the line of Henry Luster McShallohs large manny tract run with my line to the Walnut Ridge tract near John Adams corner then part with the old line and part with Adams line South crossing Yarbroughs Creek to a post Oak corner of Brownes

and Wallons old tract thence West 58 chains
a hickory North 30 chains a B.C. East 42 chains
and strike a north to a post oak East 58 chains
a hickory North 30 ch a B.C. East 30 ch and 58 links
a stake North to the beginning this includes the
whole of Browners and Martins tract and a small
piece about ten chains wide between Browners old
tract and Adams being part of the Walnut Ridge
tract. I also give to my said daughter Christianna
as a part of my meadow tract of land joining the
town lands of Salisbury Marcase & others beginning
at two B.C. sapling on the town line near the academy
being a corner of my hundred acres of land laid
off out of my tract for Leonard Croft or now belongs
to Moses & Locky running thence thirty chains to
a stake thence West to a stake on Marcase's line thence
South to a hick of stones a corner of my land and
the town land then East to the beginning.

I also give to my daughter Christianna thirteen
acres of land conveyed to me by Deft John
Dugl. son being part of the town land running along
the town chequers towards the Academy and
lots No 57 & 58. I also give to my daughter Christianna
after the death of my wife Susanna my half lot 119
and the whole of lot 120 in person I now live and all
the improvements thereon being in the north square
of the town of Salisbury. I have already given her
a Pigana fort and house. I also give to my daughter
Christianna my negroes Jim Mans his wife and
increas by law and by she already has got.

I also give to my daughter Christianna the
following named negroes in addition to what she
already has got African Jack. Pompey his wife
Nancy and youngest child African Bob. all the
foregoing estate as mentioned given to my daugh-
ter Christianna. I give to her and her heirs and assigns
forever.

I give and bequeath to my son John one
desk and breakfast my house clock my large
mahogany bedstead bed and furniture my
mahogany table but to remain in the house during
the life time of my wife Susanna.

I also give to my son John after the death of

my wife Susanna the balance of my meadow
tract of land near town after running off the
part I have given to my daughter Susan (Christ-
ianna her part to be taken off the upper end of the
tract of land. I also give to my son John four lots
No 38, 34, 41, 42 and the pasture back of the old
school house and grave yard.

I also give and bequeath to my son John four
hundred acres of land on the East side of the
Gadkin river beginning at a hickory standing on the
East bank of Gadkin river a corner to the dividing
line between Edmund Chambers land and main
lot of Benjamin D. Bowell running then East that
a North line to B. Smith land and along his line the
various courses to the river down the river to the begin-
ning including the land I got of Samuel Dusenbury
so as to make four hundred acres. I have also given
to my son John all the land I have between the
bridges and the land I gave my daughter Nancy
Mary John Long (Millions Smiths and Mary
Long except a piece at the end of the bridge towards
the house touching 10 chains reserved for the bridge
I also give to my son John in addition to the neg-
roes I have already given him my negroes
Ned, Mat, Davy.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Jack
Christianna Fisher and son John all that part of
my tract of land on the south west side of the
Gadkin river at the end of the bridge beginning at
a sloping sourwood on the bank of the river above the
bridge John Long and my corner running thence
along our line South twelve chains to a stake
thence East ten chains to a stake thence North to a
stake on the bank of the river then up the river to
the beginning together with all the interest I have
in the bridge that my said daughter Mary
and Christianna and my son John have equal
share of the land and bridge and profits and
income therefrom I give the said land and bridge
to my said daughters and son John and
their heirs forever.

I give and bequeath to my grand son William
Locke two hundred and seventy ~~acres~~ acres.

of land being the land I bought of A. Merrill as joining the land I bought of Fisher & Abiden Miller land Moses A. Locke and there it lies between Moses A. Locke two plantations.

I give and bequeath to my grandson Charles Fisher two small tracts of land conveyed to me by Jacob Fisher & wife and Jesse Abiden and wife making in the whole one hundred and eighty six acres. I also give to my grand son Charles Fisher two hundred and fifty three acres of land conveyed to me by Jacob Fisher joining the lands of Alexander's Louis place (Hudgins) and the land of Jesse Abiden, William Morris & the above described lands. Also four lots in the town of Salisbury known by Nos. 37, 38, 45 & 46 in the north square of the town of Salisbury. I also give to my said grandson Charles Fisher eight shares I have in the Bank of North Carolina after the death of my wife and my negro boy Jack that I keep about the house.

I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Susan Fisher the daughter of Charles and Susanna my negro woman Betty or Kitt now at the bridge with all the increase she has or may have. I give to my son John six shares of stock in & have in the bank of North Carolina after the death of my wife Susanna she drawing the dividends as they become due during her life.

I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my beloved friends Moses A. Locke, Charles Fisher and my son John Beard, Executors of this my last Will and Testament making all others null and void. and I do give to my said executors all the residue of my estate both real and personal not named in this my last will and testament to be disposed of in whatever manner or way they may think most advisable for the speedy payment of all the just debts which I owe and be by their presents authorize and empower my said executors to sell and make good this title to all such of the estate they may sell and should any of my estate be left after all my debts are paid the surplus to be equally divided between my said executors Moses A. Locke, Charles Fisher and my

son John Beard and my wife Susanna.

In witness whereof I the said Lewis Beard have to this my last Will and Testament set my hand and seal this 10th day of May 1820.

The foregoing was duly acknowledged.

Witness this 2nd day of September 1820.

Ella J. Young

R. A. Young Jr.

Rowan County February Session 1821.

I hereby certify that the within will was duly proven in open court by the oaths R. A. Young recorded and registered in Book page 78.

State of North Carolina
Rowan County.

I John Giles Clerk of the Rowan County Court do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the last Will and Testament of Lewis Beard deceased as recorded and registered in my office in witness whereof I have hereunto



set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court at office the 5th day of December 1834.

State of North Carolina
Rowan County.

I Ashbel Smith Chairman of Rowan County Court do hereby certify that John Giles who has given the above certificate is and was at the time of doing the same, Clerk of Rowan County Court that the certificate is in due form of law and that all due faith and credit is due his official acts as such given under my hand and seal this 8th day of December 1834.

State of North Carolina
Rowan County.

Be it remembered that herebefore (to wit) at a Court of Pleas and Quarter Session began and held for the County Rowan at the Court house in Salisbury on the third Sunday in February A.D. 1821 the following record was made (to wit) The last Will and Testament of Lewis Beard deceased was duly proven in open court by

the oath of R. H. Young and Moses A. Locks
Charles Fisher and John Beard Jr. the executors thereon
named qualified and obtained letters.

North Carolina

Rowan County

I John Giles Clerk of Rowan
County Court do hereby certify the foregoing to be
a true testament of the record as to the probate and
qualification of the executors of Lewis Beard Decd.

On witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and affixed the seal of said Court
at office the 8th day of Dec A.D. 1836.



State of North Carolina

Rowan County

John Giles

I Rachel Smith, Chairman
of Rowan County Court do hereby certify that
John Giles whose name appears to the above
certificate is and was at the time of signing
the same Clerk of Rowan County that his cer-
tificate is in due form of law and that all
his faith and credit is due his official acts
as such.

Given under my hand and seal this 8th
day of December 1836

State of Tennessee
Tipton County

Rachel Smith Clerk

A certified copy of the
Will and Testament of Lewis Beard of the
County of Rowan and State of North Carolina
was this day produced in open court and is
appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that
the same had been duly and lawfully proven
and certified on motion it is therefore ordered to
be admitted to record.

A true copy

Test R. H. Murfrees Clerk of the
County Court of Tipton County

Samuel Williams

Will

I Samuel Williams of the
State of Tennessee and County of Tipton.

In the name of God Amen
I Samuel Williams being weak in body
but of perfect mind and memory but knowing
that as appointed for all men to die
First I give my soul into the hands of Almighty God who
gave it doubting that I may recover the same at the
general resurrection and my body to be returned
to its mother dust to be buried in a Christian like
decent manner.

I do hereby make this my last Will and Testament
revoking all others heretofore made by me.

First my funeral expenses to be strictly attended to.
Second All of my just debts are to be punctually paid as soon
as can be out of my estate.

Thirdly I give and bequeath to James Huffman one horse to
the value of Fifty Dollars.

Fourthly I give and bequeath to Eliza Huffman one deer
colored cow and calf also one featherbed and furniture
one side saddle.

Fifthly I give and bequeath to my wife Ann Williams
one seventh part of the balance of my estate during her
natural life then to be equally divided between my
children.

Sixthly I give and bequeath to my six children (namely)
Spruce M. Williams Daniel F. Williams Alexander
Williams Elizabeth Williams Augustus Williams
& Benjamin Williams the remainder of my estate
to be equally divided among them.

Seventhly I appoint Edward Yearbro executor to
this my last Will and Testament revoking all
others heretofore made by me. July 10th A.D. 1840
signed sealed and acknowledged.

in the presence of us.

Test. Samuel Bates, Just.

John B. McSwain, Just

Samuel Williams

State of Tennessee

Tipton County

October Term 1840.

Ann Williams widow of Samuel
Williams this day came into open Court and

into his report from the Will of his deceased husband
State of Tennessee

Exeter County Court

August 3 1840

The foregoing last Will and Testament of Samuel Williams deceased was presented in Court and proven by the oaths of Samuel Bates and John B. Wescott the two subscribing witnesses thereto thereupon the same was ordered to be recorded. And Edward Garbrough the executor thereon moved came into Court and qualified as such by taking the oath prescribed by law and entering into bond with security conditioned according to law.

Test.

Richard H. Mumford Clerk
by Pat H. Mumford J.C.

State of Tennessee

Exeter County Court

October Term 1840

Ann Williams widow of Saml Williams this day came into Court and entered her dissent from the Will of her deceased husband in the following words and figures to wit.

She under signed widow of the late Saml Williams respectfully hereby represent to your worship that she dissents from the Will of her late husband which was proved at the August Court last & ordered to be recorded there being no provisions in said Will for my support or maintenance of my children to which I think I am entitled.

Signed ^{by} Ann Williams

Test R.H. Mumford clerk. A true copy from the minutes

Witness, R.H. Mumford Clerk.

Patience Brittenum

Will.

In the name of God Amen.
I Patience Brittenum of the County of Exeter and State of Tennessee being of perfect sound mind and memory but knowing the uncertainty of my body and that all men have at some time to die and wishing not to die intestate do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament hereby revoking all Wills by me heretofore made. In the first place I will my soul to the power which gave it and

my body to be decently buried and as touching my worldly estate I will and dispose of the same in the following manner (viz)

- Item 1st I give and bequeath to my daughter Sally M. Harwell one dollar and no more.
- Item 2nd I give and bequeath to the heirs of Gabriel Huggins-
them in behalf of his wife my daughter Jincy Huggins-
them one dollar and no more.
- Item 3rd I give and bequeath to the heirs of John Rowsey in
behalf of his wife my daughter Nancy Rowsey one
dollar and no more.
- Item 4th I give and bequeath to the heirs of Henry P. Brittenum
one dollar and no more.
- Item 5th I give and bequeath to the heirs of William W. Brittenum
one dollar and no more.
- Item 6th I give and bequeath to the heirs of Jesse W. Brittenum
one dollar and no more.
- Item 7th I give and bequeath to Thomas W. Brittenum
one dollar and no more.
- Item 8th I give and bequeath to Rubin L. Brittenum one
dollar and no more.
- Item 9th I give and bequeath to Matilday Bentley four hun-
dred dollars in current Bank notes and one lot and furniture.
- Item 10th I give and bequeath to little John Brittenum
seven negroes to viz) Sooky, Sarah, Beckey, Visey
Lusey, Ben, George, and all the balance of my
property after paying all of my just debts.
- Item I do hereby declare this to be my last Will and
Testament revoking all others by me heretofore
made. I do hereby also constitute and appoint my
son little John Brittenum the whole and sole Executor
of this my last Will and Testament.
- In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand &
seal this 14th day of January 1840.
- signed sealed and published in
presence of us the day and date aforesaid

John Miller

Test, Anderson Ralph

State of Tennessee

Exeter County

November Term 1840.

The foregoing
instrument of writing purporting to be the last
Will and Testament of Patience Brittenum

deceased was this day produced in court and
 offered for probate whereupon the same was opposed by
 Frederick Barnwell by his counsel on the ground that the
 residence of the testator was not in this County and
 who acknowledged a notice that motion for probate of
 this Will would be made this day and the Court
 having decided that this County was his proper residence
 thereupon came into open court John H. Miller and
 Andrew Ralph the two subscribing witnesses to
 the said Will who being duly sworn proved the
 execution of said Will agreeably to law; whereupon
 the same was ordered to be recorded in the last
 Will and Testament of the said Patrick Cunningham
 deceased.

Test

R. H. Munford Clerk

Septon County Court

James M. Clements
Will.

I James Madison Clements
 do make and publish this as my last Will
 and Testament. hereby revoking and making
 void all Wills by me at any time made.

I direct that my funeral expenses and all my
 just debts be paid as soon after my death as
 possible out of any moneys that I may be
 possessed of or may first come into the hands
 of my executor.

I give and bequeath to William R. Clements
 my beloved father and John Clements my beloved
 Mother all of my estate both real and personal
 to have and to hold or dispose of in any way
 William R. Clements my father may think best or
 proper to their sole use and benefit.

I do hereby nominate and appoint William R.
 Clements my executor. In witness whereof I do to
 this my last Will set my hand and seal this
 the 21st day of January A.D. 1841
 signed sealed published in our presence and we have subscribed
 our names in the presence of the Testator
 John G. James
 M. Drumming.

State of Tennessee
Septon County Court.

April term 1841.

The foregoing last Will and Testament of James
 M. Clements deceased was presented in court and
 the execution thereof proven in due form of law by
 the oath of John G. James, and Mack Drumming
 and the two subscribing witnesses thereto thereupon
 the same was ordered to be recorded and William
 R. Clements the executor therein named came into
 Court and qualified as such by entering into bond
 in the penalty of two hundred dollars with Mack
 Drumming and Micajah Phelps as his securities
 and taking the oath prescribed by law whereupon
 it is ordered that letters testamentary be issued to him.

Test. Richard H. Munford Clerk
 Patrick H. Minnally, D.C.

Clarissa H. Landendale
Will.Borington May 3rd 1841.

I do certify that I was at Mrs. C. Landendale's
 some time in the month of January last the
 next day after the division between herself and
 her children of their negroes. Whilst there Mrs. Land-
 endale spoke of the division and said that her son
 James had got the worst division of any of them
 and she then called on myself my wife and Mrs.
 Senny to witness that at her death her son James
 was to have a negro girl Sally extra, on which
 she divided at the division.

L. B. Aldridge

Borington May 3rd 1841.

I do certify that I was at
 Mrs. C. Landendale some time in the month of
 January last a few days before her death and
 heard her say that she wished her son James to
 have a certain negro girl named Sally extra
 and called up said girl in my presence and
 requested me to take notice that that was her wish
 and not to forget it the balance of her property to be
 equally divided among all the children.

Guinea Pinkston

State of Tennessee
 Tipton County Court.
 May Term 1841.

That the above instrument of writing signed by L.B. Aldridge and Turner Pinkston purporting to be the Noncapative Will of Charles H. Landers deceased was this day presented in open court and the said Aldridge and Pinkston being first duly sworn in Court deposed and sworn that the said Charles H. Landers deceased acknowledged in their presence that the property she might be possessed should be disposed of as specified in said instrument whereupon it is considered by the court that the said statements of said witnesses be established and recorded as the Noncapative Will of said Charles H. Landers deceased.

Test. R.H. Munford Clerk,
 Tipton County Court.

Frances M. Ross's
 Will.

State of Tennessee Tipton County
 Court December Term 1840.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that process had been issued to the next of kin of Miss Frances M. Ross who departed this life on the 21st of August last that her Noncapative Will would this day be offered for probate thereupon came into open Court Lucinda A. Siwall who being first sworn deposed and said that she was with Miss Frances M. Ross when last ill and at her usual residence and that she called upon her to take notice that it was her will that her two nephews Edward Woodgear Newman and Hollis Fingers Newman should have her whole estate for the purpose of educating them and it was ordered that the same be continued for further proof.

Test. R.H. Munford Clerk.

State of Tennessee
 Tipton County Court.
 May Term 1841.

That the deposition of Susan B. Fryers from the County Wash-

ington in the District of Columbia purporting to establish the Noncapative Will of Frances M. Ross deceased which was proved by one witness on the 7th day of December 1840 and continued for further proof was this day opened in open court duly authenticated it is ordered by the Court that the following the substance thereof be entered of record as establishing the Noncapative Will of the said Frances M. Ross deceased.

The deponent deposes and says that on the 20th day of August in the year 1840 Miss Frances M. Ross of Tipton County about nine miles from Randolph in said County at her usual dwelling being at that time very ill but according to deponent's knowledge of sound knowledge memory and understanding the said Francis told this deponent that she gave all her property to her nephews Edward Woodgear Newman and Hollis Fingers Newman and at the same time the said Francis desired this deponent to render said Will to writing which this deponent intended doing but was prevented in consequence of the death of the said Francis early in the morning of the 21st day of August in the year 1840 at the place aforesaid.

Test R.H. Munford Clerk.

Benjamin Smith's
 Will.

I Benjamin Smith of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee Planter do make and publish this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all Wills by me made at any time heretofore made.

And first

I direct that my body be decently interred in a manner suitable to my condition in life and as to such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to intrust me with I dispose of the same as follows

First

I direct that all my debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my decease as possible out of any money that I may be possessed of or may first come into the hands of my Executor from any portion of my estate.

Secondly

I give and bequest to my son Charles James

+ John Smith give dollar each having having heretofore given them their portion.

Thirdly I give and bequeath to - children of my daughter Sarah Wiseman all the right with ~~share~~ and interest that I have in and to Lot in town of Randolph in the State of Tennessee

Fourthly I give and bequeath to my two grand sons Albert L. & Marion Chapman one dollar each & to Sarah Chapman the sum of Twenty five dollars.

Fifthly I give & bequeath to my daughter Mary Smith all the balance of my property both real and personal to her and her heirs and assigns forever.

I do hereby make ordain and appoint my esteemed friend Henry Holshouser to execute of this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I Benjamin Smith the said Testator have to this my last Will and Testament written on one sheet of paper set my hand and seal this first day of January in the year of our Lord 1835.

signed sealed and published in the presence of us who have subscribed Benf Smith Seal in the presence of the testator & of each other.

M. Holshouser, sen.
William M. Lewis.

State of Tennessee

Clifton County Court.

June Term 1841.

A certified transcript of the proceedings of the Circuit Court of Clifton in the case of the contested Will of Benjamin Smith fully established said Will and surrendering it to this Court to be proved and rendered was presented to Court and thereupon the said last Will and Testament of said Benjamin Smith was duly proven by the oaths of Wm. M. Lewis and M. Holshouser the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be read.

Test R. H. Mumford. Clerk.

John H. Hunt's Will.

The dying request of Col. John H. Hunt made in the presence of the undersigned on the 10th day of September A.D. 1841.

1st He wishes all his just debts paid.
2nd He wishes his commission business in Randolph continued by his brother Archibald Davis Hunt and Joseph A. Green this season.

3 His property (the remainder) after paying all his just debts to be equally divided between his wife Elizabeth E. Hunt and his children.

4th The bills of sale of ~~some~~ negroes he purchased some years ago in the States of Tennessee and Mississippi in his own name and which he now holds was purchased for his father Nathaniel Hunt and belong to him.

5th The sale of my wagon and mules made to my brother-in-law Albert E. Hunt of Mississippi for thirteen hundred and fifty five dollars payable in Fort Pickens town lot is to be earned with off of it.
6th He wishes his father Nathaniel Hunt to have the management of his business and estate.

Witness

Hugh F. Ross witness to the above except the 2 request
G. W. Miller
Elizabeth Miller.
J. S. Layton.

State of Tennessee

Clifton County Court.

October Term 1841.

The within instrument of writing signed by Hugh F. Ross, G. W. Miller, Elizabeth Miller and J. S. Layton purporting to be the dying request or Noncaptator Will of Col. John H. Hunt was presented in open court and offered for probate as the Noncaptator Will of said Hunt and thereupon the said G. W. Miller and J. S. Layton being first duly sworn deposed and said that the said Hunt being of sound mind and memory during his last illness at his place of residence and on the 10th day of September 1841 made the several requests as stated herein which was

immediately consented to committed to writing, and signed by the persons above named. It was therefore ordered by the court that the paper aforesaid be fully established as the Noncapative Will of the said John H. Hunt, and that the same be recorded as such.

Test R. H. Mumford Clerk
Expton County Court.

West Wilkins
Will.

The last Will and Testament of West Wilkins Dec^d made in his last sickness on his death bed but not rendered to writing.

It is my desire in the first place that my body be decently interred and that my funeral expenses and all my just debts first be paid out of my estate.

In the 2^d place I desire that my wife Melissa have a cow and calf a bed and bedstead the cupboard and table furniture and the chairs and table of which I am now possessed and a sufficiency of bread and other provisions to support her for this year.

The balance of the property left after taking the above mentioned articles for my wife, I will and bequeath to my two children Nancy and Richard, State of Tennessee.

Expton County I, D. James Cole do hereby certify that I was present at the time and heard the intental request that after his death his property should be divided as above mentioned and that his desire was not rendered to writing at the time. March 7th 1842.

State of Tennessee
Expton County. James H. Cole

March Term, 1842.

The foregoing instrument of Writing signed James H. Cole purporting to be the Noncapative Will of West Wilkins late of this County now dec^d bearing date 7th 1842 was produced in open court and the Court being satisfied that the widow of the said dec^d was willing to have

the said Will established the same was duly proven by the oath of the said James Cole and ordered to be recorded.

Witness R. H. Mumford Clerk.

Godfrey Crum
Will.

In the name of God Amen, feeling that I am mortal and being in a low state of health at this time but in my proper mind I make this my last Will and Testament. It is my Will that my just debts first be paid. It is my Will & I do bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Crum during her natural life term for the use and benefit of herself & family all the property that I possess real and personal. It is my Will that at the death of my wife Mary Crum that all the property remains on hand at that time be equally divided between my three surviving heirs. It is my will & I appoint my friends John Townsend and David M. Green to execute this my last Will and Testament.

Signed and sealed in presence of us this the 22 day of March 1842.

Alexander Darr
Joseph Lynn
Richard S. Drake.

Godfrey Crum (Test)

State of Tennessee
Expton County Court. The above last Will and Testament of Godfrey Crum late of this County was this day produced in open court and duly proven according to law by Joseph Lynn one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and it was thereupon pronounced for further probate.

Witness my hand at office this 4th day of April 1842.

State of Tennessee
Expton County Court. R. H. Mumford, Clerk.

Tuesday April 5th 1842
The within last Will and Testament of Godfrey Crum which was on yesterday proven by

the oath of one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and continued for further probate was this day again produced in open court and the execution thereof fully proven by the oath of Richard S. Drake another of the subscribing witnesses thereto according to law and ordered to be recorded.

Witness my hand at office

R.H. Munford Clerk.

Caleb Owen's
Will.

I, Caleb Owen of Tipton County, State of Tennessee, of sound mind but of feeble health, knowing the uncertainty of human life and the necessity of publishing preparing for death, do hereby constitute and appoint this my last Will and Testament.

I desire after my decease for my body to be buried in a plain manner without pomp or parade. I desire that my grand daughter Eliza Jane Brown have out of the proceeds of my estate one hundred dollars.

I desire that the whole of my property be valued and that my negroes have the privilege of choosing which of my children they prefer for Master or Mistress. And if the child so chosen refuses to take them at valuation then such negro shall have the privilege of a second choice and in either case such child may take at valuation and in all cases when any or either of my negroes are valued for more than the portion of any child such child receiving them shall pay over the surplus to be divided between my other children. It is my desire that my negro woman Cassa and her daughter Marianna be valued together and kept together.

It is my desire that my son-in-law Henry M. Sals shall have the tract of land on which I now live and should it be valued for more than his (or his wife Nancy) portion he pay said surplus to be divided between the balance of my children.

My children unto whom I have given my property are as follows to wit: James Holbert, Isaac H. Owen, Abner G. Owen, Nancy Sals, Franklin G. Owen and Louisa H. Ligon and I do hereby appoint my two sons-in-law Henry M. Sals and Benjamin H. Ligon my executors to this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this twenty eighth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-two.

Signed and sealed in presence of

A. V. Darby,

Joshua J. Clark,

State of Tennessee,
Tipton County.

Caleb Owen (Seal)

October Term 1842.

The within last Will and Testament of Caleb Owen late of this County now dead was this day produced in open Court by Benjamin H. Ligon one of the executors therein named and duly proven by the oaths of A. V. Darby and Joshua J. Clark, the subscribing witnesses thereto according to law and ordered to be recorded and thereupon the said Benj. H. Ligon with Wm. H. Ligon and Robert Roane as his securities came into open Court and signed sealed and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of five hundred dollars conditioned according to law and was duly qualified as executor and it was ordered that letters testamentary issue to him.

Witness my hand at office this 3 day of October.

A.D. 1842.

R.H. Munford Clerk
Tipton County Court

Gardner Miller.
Will.

On the power of God Amen
I Gardner Miller being weak in body but
sound in mind and judgment do make this
my last Will and Testament, in the first place
I will that all my lawful debts be paid out of
my dues and demands

In the second place to my beloved wife Anna
Miller I will and bequeath five hundred dollars
to be taken out of my dues and demands if they
will amount to that sum if not the balance to
be made up to her out of my goods and chattles
In the third place I will to my son David my
tract of land that I am now living on with
all that appertains to it,

In the fourth place to each one of my four sons
James Miller, Robert Miller, John Miller and
Samuel Miller ten dollars each and allowing
my son David all of my personal property and
for him to pay the last named four legacies

In the last place I appoint my son Robert Miller
whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and
Testament and I wish no surety to be required
of for the execution of it. This 25th Aug- 1842.

Signed sealed in presence of

Robert Sumner

James Miller

Andrew W. Blackin

Gardner Miller

State of Tennessee

Tipton County Court

October Term 1842.

The within last Will
and Testament of Gardner Miller dec'd late of this
County was produced in open Court by Robert
Miller the executor therein named and was duly
proven according to law by the oaths of James
Miller and Andrew W. Blackin two of the sub-
scribing witnesses thereto and intend to be
recorded and thereupon the said Robert Miller
came into open Court (the said will providing
that no security should be required) and
signed sealed and acknowledged a bond

in the penalty of sixteen hundred dollars con-
ditioned according to law and was duly qual-
ified as executor and it was ordered that letters
testamentary issue to him.

Witness my hand at office this 3 day of October
A.D. 1842.

R.H. Munford, Clerk Tipton County Court

Turner Pinkston
Will

I Turner Pinkston of the County
of Tipton & State of Tennessee being of sound mind
and disposing memory do make and ordain this
my last Will and Testament hereby revoking
and annulling all former Will made by me.
In my will and desire that after the payment of all
my just debts the balance of all my property of
every description both real and personal I give unto
my loving and affectionate wife Eleanor Pinkston
during her natural life its also my will and
desire that my two sons Alexander and George
B. Pinkston shall carry on my farming operations
for their mother and all they can make to spare
after supporting satisfactorily to her their mother
and our three little grand children shall be theirs
equally.

After the death of my wife I will unto my three
sons Alexander, George B. & John Pinkston all
my land to be equally divided between them
its also my Will that after the death of my wife
the balance of my property shall be divided equally
between my ~~sons~~ six children to wit Alexander
Pinkston, George B. Pinkston, John Pinkston,
Rebecca Trantham, Elizabeth Shawkle and Lewis
Dickens.

I appoint my son George B. Pinkston Executor to
this my last Will & Testament Given 1st 1842.

Test A.M. Smith.

James H. Hamilton.

Turner Pinkston.

State of Tennessee
Dipton County.

November Term 1842.

The above last Will and Testament of Turner Pinkston late of this County was this day produced in open court by George F. Pinkston the executor therein named and was duly proven according to law by the oath of Alexander W. Smith and James H. Hammett the subscribing witnesses, thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Witness my hand at office this 14th day of November A.D. 1842.

R. H. Munford Clerk Dipton County Court.

John Bradshaw's
Will.

State of Tennessee Dipton Cty
September 27th 1842. I John Bradshaw of sound mind do make this my last Will and Testament, and revoking all others,

I wish the whole of my property to be kept together and under the management of my wife during her widowhood or lifetime or until the children arrive at age or marry then the children to draw their equal proportion.

The wife is bound to support the children as long as she has it in possession free of any charges on them.

We the undersigned testify that this is the last Will & Testament of John Bradshaw.

State of Tennessee
Dipton County Court

Robert M. Orborn
Thos P. Shelton
Bernard J. Hendrick

January Term 1843

The foregoing instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of John Bradshaw was this day presented in open court whereupon Robert M. Orborn Thomas P. Shelton and Bernard J. Hendrick whose names are subscribed thereto appeared in open court and being first duly

sworn testified and said that the said John Bradshaw being of sound and disposing mind and memory acknowledged the same in their presence to be his last Will and Testament the same having been first read to him and it was ordered to be recorded as such; and thereupon Mrs Ann Bradshaw the executrix therein named with Robert M. Orborn and Thomas P. Shelton as her securities came into open court and signed sealed and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of nine thousand dollars conditioned according to law and took the oath of executrix and it was ordered that letters testamentary issue to him.

Witness my hand at office this 22nd day of January 1843.

R. H. Munford Clerk.

Archibald M. Simonton's
Will.

State of Tennessee
Dipton County.

We John Thompson Alexander Darr do state that Archibald M. Simonton on or about the 24th day of November 1842 made or expressed his Noncaptator Will in our presence and the presence of each other in his last sickness in his own dwelling in the County of Dipton as follows viz: It was his will and desire that his negro man Harry should be sold to such person as his father Robert Simonton might select to buy him and that the proceeds of such sale should be divided between his wife Eliza Simonton and his infant daughter made out by us and signed this 24th day of November 1842.

State of Tennessee
Dipton County Court.

John Thompson
Alexander Darr

February Term 1843.

The above instrument of writing signed by John Thompson and Alexander Darr purporting to be the Noncaptator will of Archibald M. Simonton late of this County was this day presented for proplate as such; and Eliza Simonton the