

State of Tennessee Tipton County Court
July Term 1843.

Ordered by the Court
that W. M. Mumford Clerk of this Court be authorized to examine
the in the "Will Book" lately procured, all the Wills her-
etofore recorded in this County for which he is to receive the
sum of 25 cents each.

A true copy from Minute Book page

Witness:

W. M. Mumford Clerk

Addison Paxton's Will! No. 1

In the name of God Amen. I Addison Paxton of Tipton County State of Tennessee being sick of
body but of sound mind and memory do ordain nominate and
appoint this my Last Will and Testament.
I have first I will and bequeath all my property to my wife
Malinda for the purpose of raising my children both real
and personal after the payment of my just debts so long
as she remains my widow and should she hereafter
marry it is my will and desire that all my property
both real and personal be equally divided between my
afo^d wife and children (viz), between my daughter Jane
Paxton and the child she is now pregnant with. And I do by
these presents nominate constitute and appoint my afo^d wife
Malinda Paxton my sole executrix of this my Last Will and
Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal this 9th day of August 1824.

Signed Sealed & delivered in presence of us

John Miller
James Hodges
Thos Huff

his
Addison Paxton Seal
mark

State of Tennessee

Tipton County September Term 1824.

The within Will & Testament of Addison
Paxton was produced in open court and sworn by the oaths
of John Miller, James Hodges & Thomas Huff.

In testimony whereof I Andrew Gager clerk of said County
Court have affixed my private seal there being no seal of office.



Andrew Gager Clerk

John P. Caldwell's Will! No. 2

I John P. Caldwell of the County
of Tipton and State of Tennessee being now of sound mind
and judgment, but knowing that all men are born to die

do make and deliver this my last Will and Testament.
1st I recommend my soul to Almighty God, he gave it and
has a right to take it again.

2^d As to the property I have been blessed with or have acquired
in this world, it is my wish should be disposed of in the following
manner (to wit).

3^d I wish a negro woman by the name of Hannah and
such part of my stock and household furniture sold as will
be sufficient to pay all my just debts.

4th I next will and bequeath unto my beloved wife Delphi
Caldwell the following property to wit One negro man by the
name of Ben and a child with which Ben is now pregnant
should it live - also one bed & furniture - and two cows & calves
and one horse of which I now now possess: And it is further
my wish that my wife should possess and enjoy the balance
of my negroes until my children become of age by the following
names - to wit, James, Peter, and Washington. And should my wife
feel disposed to remove on the lease where she now lives, it
is my wish she should do so, and enjoy all the proceeds thereof
and support my children - if not let the lease be sold and the
proceeds thereof be divided equally between her and my children.

5th The balance of my property including the above named negroes
James, Peter and Washington I wish equally divided between my
children, to wit, William Henry Caldwell - and one each to each my
wife Delphi Caldwell is now pregnant.

6th Should there be any property including my stock and household
furniture remaining after the sales before directed for the payment
of my debts I wish the same to be sold by my executor and
proceeds arising therefrom equally divided between my wife and children.

7th and lastly, I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my friend
Marquis Calmes sole executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this 26th day of December 1826. In testimony hereof signed & sealed
with the words in the 11th line "By the name of Hannah," and in the
12th line "my wish that"

Signed & sealed in presence of us,

John H. Hensley
Geo. L. Stone

John P. Caldwell
mark

State of Tennessee Tipton County Court.

Garrison Term 1825.

There came the last
Will and Testament of John P. Caldwell, and produced in open Court
and the executor thereof proved by the oath of John H. Hensley
one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and was ordered to be
recorded.

Testes.

Andrew Green Clerk of
said Court.

Archibald Walker's Will &c.

The last Will and Testament of Archibald Walker of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee.

In the name of God - Amen. I do hereby bequeath my prop-
erty and effects at my decease in the manner following, and
appoint my sons David S. Walker and Peter A. Walker my
executors to perform this my last will and Testament according to
its true intent and meaning and consistently with the laws
of the State.

First it is my will, that my beloved wife Lucy S. Wal-
ker have and possess the free entire and uninterrupted use of
all the property I possess (during the time she remains single) ex-
cept what is hereinafter specified and appropriated.

And I do hereby leave to my daughter Sally Ann Brackett
during her natural life the Mulatto girl she has in pos-
sion named Nancy to her use, and at her death to the heirs
of her body and to them only in their own right forever and
disse that the said negro girl shall be and remain in the ser-
vice of my said daughter but subject to the call of my said
executors and in that case her services to be appropriated for
the only benefit of my said daughter.

To my other and youngest daughter Martha Anne Elizabeth
Walker it is my will and desire that she have a part of my
estate equal to the above named girl bequeathed to my other daugh-
ter first mentioned at such time as she shall either marry
or arrive at the age of twenty one years, and my said executors
are requested to make such appropriation from my said estate,
and in case my said youngest daughter should receive for her por-
tion a negro that it be on the same conditions as the
above mentioned as regards my daughter Sally.

To my sons David S. Walker, Peter A. Walker, James
William Walker, George Washington, and Thomas Jefferson Walker
I give and bequeath to each as they arrive at the age of
twenty one years to have and hold in their own right a
portion equal to that above specified to my daughters and
my said sons above named as my executors are requested
and authorized to set apart said portions to each as they become
entitled to receive the same.

And as it regards the rest and residue of my estate
after the before mentioned portions are set apart and after the
education of all my younger children it is my will and desire
that my wife Lucy S. Walker if single shall have and receive
so much of the estate as shall be sufficient to comfortably
support her and that such proportion as she may spare shall
be equally distributed by my said executors among all my
unmentioned children with the same conditions as to the portion

my two daughters receive of said residue as are also mentioned
concerning their portions and I further desire that in the partition
of the residue of my estate my son Thomas Jefferson in account
of his natural infirmity shall be entitled to receive one fourth
of one child's share more than my other children. After
the death of my said wife no case she should not marry ag-
ain the portion retained by her for a subsistence to be equally
divided in the same manner as the other parts of my estate.

Witnes my hand and seal this 1st day of July 1826.
Witness to execution of
L. M. Smith and L. Walker
A. B. Carr John Bruce junr
A. B. Manchester James L. Vaughan

Archibald Walker

State of Tennessee } September Term 1827
Septon County Court

Then was the within Will of Archibald
Walker deceased produced in open court and the execution thereof
duly proved by the oath of John Bruce and David L. M. Smith two of
the subscribing witnesses thereto and was therefore ordered to be
proved for registration. In testimony whereof I Andrew Greer Clerk
of said Court have hereunto set my hand and private seal
this 1st day of September 1827.

Andrew Greer Clerk by
W. M. Simpson D. C.

Benjamin Smith's Will! N. 4.

I Benjamin Smith (Jr) citizen of Septon
County State of Tennessee do declare this my last Will and
testament wishing all otherwise

First all my debts are to be punctually paid.
Then to my dearly beloved Father Benj. Smith (Jr) I bequeath my
whole estate real and personal for him to keep and hold
and dispose of as he thinks fit.

Lastly, I constitute and appoint my Father Benj. Smith (Jr)
Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourth day
of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hun-
dred and twenty eight, before witnesses and delivered by the
said Benjamin Smith (Jr) as his last Will and Testament in
the presence of us who in his presence, and in the presence of
each other have hereunto subscribed our names.

Test. Michael Holschouer Junr
John C. Cox Junr
Robert B. McQuinn

Benjamin Smith

State of Tennessee } September Term 1828.
Septon County Court

Then was the within last Will and Testa-
ment of Benjamin Smith Junr produced in open court and the
execution thereof duly proved by the oath of Michael Holschouer
and John C. Cox two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and was
ordered to be proved for registration.

Test. Andrew Greer Clerk by
W. M. Simpson D. C.

James Meers' Will! N. 5.

In the name of God Amen
I James Meers being in a low state of health, such as
leaving that all men have to die do make this my
last Will and Testament.

First of all I recommend my soul to God who
gave it, and my body to the earth whence it came.

As for the worldly goods & effects which God has
placed to listen on me I dispose of in the following man-
ner.

Item 1st I give unto John L. Williams, three negroes
Buck, Sam, & Richmond.

Item 2nd I give unto Joseph John Williams three
nags, Mitty and Frank.

Item 3rd The balance of my whole estate to be
divided between John L. Williams and Joseph John Williams
the sons of John L. Williams and Sally his wife.

Lastly, I make constitute and appoint my trusty friend
John Humphreys, and John C. Little my executors to this my last
will and testament.

I sign here and deliver in presence of
Test. Mrs. Sarah and
Jno. L. Little

State of Tennessee Septon County Court
March Term 1829.

Then was the within
Will of James Meers proved in open Court by the oath of
Williams and Little one of the subscribing witnesses thereto
and was ordered to be recorded.

Andrew Greer Clerk by
W. M. Simpson D. C.

Stephen Childers' Will! N. 6.

In the name of God Amen
I Stephen Childers of Williamson County and State of Ten-
nessee being of sound mind and memory (Blessed be God)
this 28th day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand

eight hundred & twenty one make and publish this my last Will and Testament, in manner following that is to say: first I give and recommend my soul to God that gave it, my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent manner at the discretion of my executors hereinafter to be named.

And as touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me with in this life, I first give and bequeath to my beloved wife Nancy six negro women as follows: namely little good Peter Jane Hagar & Charity to have and to hold them & their increase during her natural life for the purpose of raising & to defray the raising of the small children and at her death to be equally divided amongst all my children now living and their increase: I have heretofore given some of my children property as follows: first I gave my daughter Elizabeth Hulse two negro women worth one thousand Dollars and other property worth two hundred & fifty Dollars. my daughter Susan Hulse has had property to the amount of two hundred & fifty dollars. My son Stephen & Childers has had property & money to the amount of eight hundred dollars. I have given my son William & Childers one negro woman named Lanny and other property amounting in all to some hundred and fifty dollars. I have given my daughter Pety Bentons property worth one hundred and twenty five dollars.

And my will and desire is that all my real and personal estate in Wapahumuck County & also all the personal property at Wapahumuck be sold at twelve months credit and if my wife do not choose to go to Wapahumuck to live that my executors procure a tract of land to the amount of fifty acres for her during her life, there to be divided also that she have as many cows & hogs as my executors may think necessary for the raising of the children in the same way, and after all my just debts are paid, the remaining then left shall be equally divided: that is those that have received or also states shall have that much deducted from there so as to make there share equal except my daughter Pety & Childers which is a couple; I leave her eight hundred dollars more than any other child. And as touching that part of my estate which may fall to my daughter Susan Hulse that my executors take charge of it and let her have it as she may stand in need so that her husband Thomas Hulse shall not have any use of it: but should he die or they be divorced there and in that case for them to gather up her part.

I have some debts due me in no judgment against the Carvers, one against William Murry and one in the State

my country: also a quantity of goods on hand which will be sold at twelve months credit: Should my executors conceive it more advantageous for the land to be sold at one year and three years credit they will do so, and that they reserve as much money as will educate the younger children equal with the elder ones.

And lastly I nominate and appoint my son William & Childers Myr James McLean and Mr David Cummings my executors to this my last Will & Testament touching all things.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this day and year above written.

Stephen Childers and others in presence of

W. H. Cropper William Easton

Abner Murry H. Petoory

State of Tennessee before me

March Term 1877

J. Childers

There was the return last will and Testament of Stephen Childers do produced in open court, and by the deposition of Henry Petoory and William Easton sworn to the satisfaction of the court and was ordered to be recorded.

Test: Andrew Greer Clerk My Will signed

Martha Hells Will! No 7.

I Martha Hell of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee, being now of sound mind and full use of body and memory that all persons are bound to me, do make and constitute this my last Will and Testament.

First I recommend my soul to Almighty God: that if I am to have a right to take it away.

As to the worldly goods I have, I wish them disposed of in the following manner: (to wit)

First I have purchased & do now have three hundred and twenty seven acres of land (the tract on which I now live) and to secure the payment of the same my son Augustus Hill has given his individual note with my slave Rufus H. Carline security for the sum of one thousand dollars payable in three annual instalments, the first to be made the 25th December 1880 to make which payment it is my wish, that my son Augustus Hill shall have all the negroes, stock, utensils &c that is now in my possession, for the term of four years, to commence on the first day of January next together with the present growing

prop. and a horse also upon the land itself until that debt is paid. At the expiration of the above term of four years and the payment of the debt above named. It is my wish that all my lands, negroes & other property to be equally divided among my children - except in the following considered. I want my son James J. Will to have Charney & her son Nelson, as part of his dividend of the negroes. My son-in-law John Howe and Rufus W. Eastland have already received a portion of property which must be valued in three equal shares. (viz) John Howe named three negroes, Clay, Clayton, & Mary. And Rufus W. Eastland has received three negroes Maria, Anthony and Bessie. In addition to the payment of the three thousand dollar debt as before specified I wish my son Augustus to take charge of and educate my minor children.

To execute this my last Will & Testament I hereby appoint my son Augustus Will my sole Executor - hereby releasing all other Wills made previous to this:-

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and seal the 18th August 1830

Wm. Speake

My Will (Seal)

Signature

State of Tennessee, Sevier County

September 1830

There was the entire purpose to be the last Will and Testament of Martha Will deceased produced in open Court and the Executive thereof duly sworn by the oath of said Sevier and James Peace the undersigned witnesses there and was thereupon ordered to be recorded and on motion of Augustus Will the Executor herein named who took the oath required by law and together with Rufus W. Eastland, Daniel S. Dunham, James Peace and Jacob Sevier his associates and as the law directs in the sum of thirty thousand dollars. It was ordered that letters testatorship be granted here

Test W. W. Sanford Clerk

William Speake's Will No. 8.

August the 6 day 1830 State of Tennessee, Sevier County. William Speake is in very low state of health and not expected to stay here any time but shortly to go the way of all others. The amount of money which Jacob Elderly owes to William Speake is one hundred and four dollars & give and bequeath it to Polly Callahan and thirty yards of spun truck and a great bag with some cotton in it to the same.

The amount of money which Jacob Elderly owes to William Speake is one hundred and four dollars and bequeath it to Polly Callahan and thirty yards of spun truck and a great bag with some cotton in it to the same.

The amount which Thomas & James owes to William Speake is twelve dollars & give to Polly Callahan the amount of a note which Jacob Elderly owes to William Speake is thirteen dollars which I give to Jacob Elderly.

The amount of a note which Thomas & James owes to William Speake is fifty two dollars and 80 cents which is to be divided among the two debtors. I direct with me now is a piece full of clothes some barrels and some lace and bed clothes I give to Polly Callahan to divide with them as she thinks proper & two planks one one and all the things that is left at hotel Nashville to be divided between Polly Callahan and Mary Polly Callahan. This hundred dollars is to be collected by Richard Bunt for William Speake and given to William Speake son William James.

William Speake

and William Moore

State of Tennessee

and Jacob S. Miller

Sevier County

September 1830

There was the last Will and Testament of William Speake produced in open Court and the Executive thereof duly sworn by the oath of William Moore and Jacob S. Miller the undersigned witnesses there and it was ordered to be recorded and there appearing to be no executor named in said Will, we whereof Daniel Callahan ordered that he have letters of administration in said estate with the will annexed whereupon he came forward and took the oath prescribed by law and entered into bond with Thomas Nelson his security in the sum of one thousand dollars conditioned as the law directs.

Test W. W. Sanford Clerk

George Watson's Will No. 9.

The last Will and Testament of George Watson, of Sevier County and State of Tennessee. I George Watson considering the uncertainty of mortal life and being of sound mind and memory (blessed be thought God for the same) I will that all my just debts, as shall be by me owing at my death, together with my funeral expenses, and all charges touching the paying of a covering this my last shall be

the first, out of my personal estate and effects be fully paid and satisfied; and after payment thereof, and subject thereto, then my will is, that all the residue of my goods, stocks, chattels, merchandise and household furniture shall be indifferently appraised, and after such appraisement made, that the same shall be divided into three equal parts; one equal third part thereof I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Elizabeth Watson: one other equal third part thereof, I give and bequeath unto and among my children to be equally partaken and divided among them share and share alike, and to be paid and delivered unto my said children at their several respective ages of twenty one years and to my said daughter when she is of twenty one years and to my said daughter when she is of twenty one years and to my said daughter when she is of twenty one years; from my meaning is that in case any of my children shall depart this life before such time as the part or portion of him or her or theirs, so dying shall become payable, then and in each case, the part or portion of him, her or theirs so dying, shall go and be equally divided among the survivors or survivor of them, share and share alike; if none then alive, and to be paid to such survivors or survivor at the time of payment; I also will that all that part of personal property coming or falling to any said children, shall be sold and the money put out on interest till any children arrive to the age above stated.

I will that my wife shall have the negro girl Catty for the benefit of her and my children so long as she remains my widow and then the said negro girl is to remain among my children in any way so as to be of satisfaction among themselves; And I make and ordain my beloved wife Elizabeth Watson and Joseph Watson executors of my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 2^d September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty

Witness Henry Murray and
Solist Ward just George Watson

State of Virginia Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
Epsilon County December Term 1830

There came this the last Will of George Watson and produced in open Court and the execution thereof duly proved by the oaths of Henry Murray & Solist Ward the subscribing witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded.

R. M. Sanjour Clerk
By F. J. Sanjour Deputy

William A. Miller's Will: 1830

I, William A. Miller of Epsilon County State of Tennessee, do make constitute and ordain this my last Will and Testament in manner & form as follows:

Thus the 1st. It is my will and desire that all of my just debts be paid, from the debts due me, or from the sale of my property which I shall hereafter direct to be sold.

Thus the 2nd. I give my daughter Virginia one bed & furniture & the half of my best clothing her mother's trunk and its contents.

Thus the 3rd. I give my two sons William & Thomas my best bed & furniture, and the remaining half of my best clothing and my rifle barrel.

Thus the 4th. I give my son Wm. Davis, my large family Bible and one trunk.

Thus the 5th. I give my son Thomas, my large Testament, Bibles, Newspapers & one trunk.

Thus the 6th. It is my wish that my executors hereafter named sell my tract of land lying in Epsilon County, on such credits as may to them seem best for the interest of my Estate.

Thus the 7th. It is my will and desire that the balance of Estate, except my negroes and my Epsilon Property, be sold on such a credit as my executors may deem best for the interest of my Estate.

Thus the 8th. It is my will and desire that the balance of my Estate, both real and personal be kept together, for the support and education of my three children, and when either of them arrives to the age of twenty one years, or marries, then and in that case, it is my desire that the whole of my Estate be equally divided among them; This shall a division take place before they are all educated, it is understood that one child is not to be advanced at the expense of another, such a part of my Estate is to be allowed to them who are not educated as to make their Education equal. This property I give to them and their heirs forever.

Thus the 9th. My executors hereafter named have the full power, to convey by deed my Epsilon Property to John H. Moore, or his assigns, then his land for the purchase of the same & in case a failure on the part of Moore to purchase the said land, they are hereby authorized to sell the same on such credits as may be best for the interest of my Estate.

Lastly. I appoint John Mathews and Edmund Becken, my executors to this my last Will & Testament, do testify my hand & seal this 20th day February 1832.

Witness W. H. B. B. B.
Witness James B. B. B.

Wm. A. Miller

State of Tennessee & Giles County Court
June Term 1832.

Then was the within last Will & Testament of William A. Miller produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proved by the oaths of William H. Biggs and James P. Locke the subscribing witnesses thereto, and was thereupon ordered to be certified and recorded.

Test. R. W. Sanford Clerk

State of Tennessee & Giles County Court

Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions December Term 1836.

Then was the within last Will & Testament of William A. Miller deceased produced in open court which had been proved at the term term of said 1832, and John Mathews one of the executors herein named qualified as such and took upon himself the execution thereof and having sworn with oaths and oaths appointed by the court. Thereupon Edmund B. B. Smith the other executor named herein came into court and upon himself the execution thereof, and entered into bond in the sum of one thousand dollars with Robert B. Blackman, James A. Smith and Frederick B. Smith his securities conditioned as the law directs and took the oath required by law.

Test. R. W. Sanford Clerk of said Court.

William R. Durham's Will: P. 11.

In the name of God Amen.
I, William R. Durham of the County of Giles and State of Tennessee being in declining circumstances of health tho' of perfect sound mind and memory do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament and is my desire that it may be proved by all or such, as At to the real estate property for which I have been seized I dispose of it as follows (to wit) My tract of land I now have in & allow to belong to my wife Ann, also her beds and furniture. The balance of my property, money and moneys worth to be appropriated to the payment of my debts and if there should be any surplus, the same to be equally divided among my brothers Abner Durham & James R. Durham. And I also constitute and appoint my friends John Wilson and Thomas Durham my executors to this my last Will & Testament which I hereunto set my hand and seal this 25th day of April 1832.

Witness Edward Blackman just.

Wm. R. Durham

State of Tennessee

Giles County Court June Term 1832.

Then was the within Will of William R. Durham deceased produced in open court and the

execution thereof duly proved by the oaths of Edward Blackman and Dudley Blackman the subscribing witnesses thereto, and was thereupon ordered to be certified & recorded.

Test. R. W. Sanford Clerk

Robert H. Chapman's Will: P. 12.

I, Robert H. Chapman of the town of Greenville County of Augusta State of Virginia do hereby make my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say

1st I desire that my house and lot in the town of Greenville and nine & three quarters of acre of land adjoining with all the appurtenances thereto belonging be sold as soon as convenient and be disposed of for the comfort and benefit of my family according to the directions of my beloved wife.

2nd I desire that all my children should be nourished for and clothed in my family and educated according to opportunity living at home till they arrive at the age of fourteen & that an account should be opened against them and they charged for all money expended for them but not for board if they reside in my family that there are equal portion of property may by all be finally obtained.

3rd I desire that all my sons if their own needs and capacities are in accordance may obtain a liberal collegiate education & that the money thus expended after the age of fourteen be charged against them and if the amount should at the time of their decease exceed their equal portion the excess should there be refunded without interest.

4th I desire that my daughters may obtain an excellent private education in all such useful branches of learning & that the money thus expended after the age of fourteen be charged against them as in the case of my sons.

5th After the payment of all my debts I give unto my beloved wife one third of my estate both real and personal for and during the term of her natural life and after her decease I give the same to my children to be equally divided among them.

6th I desire that the managing two thirds of my estate both real and personal should be kept and disposed of for the benefit and education of my children till the youngest shall arrive at the age of twenty one that the charges against them should be settled and an equal division of my property be made among them. The management of this business is entrusted to my executors herein appointed.

Lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife Harriett Chapman executrix, and say that was William Chapman executor of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 18th of Nov. in the year of our Lord 1825

Signed, sealed, published & declared as the last will and Testament of Robert H. Chapman

James M. Chap

W. H. Chap

Harriett Chapman

A.B. He now lay in the fourth line of the 2nd article, and the same lay in the third line of the 6th article were indelible before the signing of this instrument

1st As a codicil to my last will I further declare that it is my desire that the thirty acres of land I purchased of John Logan adjoining the town of Greenville Augusta Co. Va. should also be sold and the profits applied to the benefit of my family.

2nd It is also my will that my daughter Ann M. Chap should belong to my beloved wife during her life and then to be considered as belonging to my children.

Witness present In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 18th of May 1825

Robert H. Chapman

I hereby declare the above will & codicil to be my last will & Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 18th of Nov. 1825.

Witness present Ann M. Chap

Harriett Chapman

State of Tennessee Jefferson County.

County Court September Term 1833. The last will and Testament of Robert H. Chapman was this day produced in open court and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that none of the subscribers within or without the limits of this county, or state, therefore came forward before & Robert G. Green who first being duly sworn depose and say that they have seen the said Robert H. Chapman write and subscribe his name, and that they believe the said will and Testament together with the codicils and signatures to be the proper hand writing and signature of the said Robert H. Chapman deceased, and were therefore willing to be sworn and recorded.

Attest R. M. Shuford Clerk
By his deputy Geo. H. Evans

I Robert H. Chapman of the County of Jefferson in the State of Tennessee being taken ill in my return from

the north to my family and having since having made recovery a considerable property which is evidenced by an agreement entered into with a certain Person of England, and release of the Chancery Court held at the City of New York, in the State of New York, residing upon and in pursuance of that agreement, and being desirous of making disposition thereof do make this as a codicil to my last will and Testament, now in the possession of my beloved wife.

I hereby devise to each of my children out of the fund hereinafter mentioned, in addition to the provision made for them by my said will, the sum of one thousand dollars except my daughter Elizabeth to whom I devise out of that fund the sum of two thousand dollars, in addition to the devise to her by my said will.

The nature of that fund I hereby direct my executor to invest in some secure stock or to loan out on robust upon security and pay the interest arising therefrom to my beloved wife for and during her natural life and should she survive the proceeds arising be used there sufficient for the support of my said wife I wish and desire her to apply the surplus to such charitable or religious purposes as she may think proper; and after the death of my said wife I direct that the fund hereby hereby devised as aforesaid and any interest thereon that she may not have disposed of be equally divided between my children.

I also give and devise to my said wife the negro man purchased by me since the making of my aforesaid will, her heirs and children to be held by her in absolute right.

I hereby appoint my son Robert H. Chapman executor of my said will and this codicil in addition to the Executor and Administrator named in my said will.

In witness whereof I haveunto set my hand and seal at the house of Thomas A. Fiddell in the County of Frederick and State of Virginia this 18th day of June 1833.

Signed, sealed and delivered by the Testator as a codicil to his last will and Testament in his presence, who in his presence and the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses, the Testator having made his mark being too weak to write his name.

Thomas Allen Fiddell

M. H. Hill

Virginia. At a Court held for Loudoun County the 1st day of November 1833. This Instrument of writing purporting to be a codicil to the last will and Testament of Robert H. Chapman deceased was produced to the court and Thomas Allen Fiddell and William H. Hill the subscribing witnesses thereto, being sworn, depose and say, that the said Testator departed this life at the residence of the said Thomas

Codicil to R. H. Chapman's Will 1825

was Allen Fiddell, on the 18th day of June last; that he was then away ill four days before; that some hours previous to his death the said constitution of writing were written by the said Thomas Allen Fiddell, at the request of the Testator; that he was in his proper senses at the time of signing and acknowledging the said will, as far as they knew or believe, and as justice shall to attest the same, as witnesses, which they did in the presence of the Testator and of each other; that the Testator attempted to sign his name but being too weak to do so made his mark and therefore, as aforesaid, it is ordered that the said instrument of writing be recorded, and when recorded, that the original, together with a copy of this order, be forwarded by the Clerk of this Court, to the Court of Exchequer in the State of Tennessee.



In Testimony whereof I Thomas Allen Fiddell, Clerk of the Court of the County aforesaid, have set my hand and seal of office the 4th day of November 1853, and in the 5th year of the Commonwealth.

T. A. Fiddell

Veritas Vincit Coram Deo.

I John Smith, presiding Justice of the Court of the County aforesaid, do hereby certify that the above attestation of Thomas Allen Fiddell, Clerk of the Court of the County aforesaid, is in due form of law given under my hand and seal the 4th day of November 1853.

John Smith

John Smith, Clerk of the Court of the County aforesaid, do hereby certify that the above attestation of Thomas Allen Fiddell, Clerk of the Court of the County aforesaid, is in due form of law given under my hand and seal the 4th day of November 1853.

This day appeared Robert H. Chapman in open Court, producing a record to the last Will and Testament of Robert H. Chapman deceased, which having been duly proved, he was appointed executor to said Robert's last Will and Testament. Whereupon it was ordered by the Court that letters testamentary to the said Robert H. Chapman be exhibited to the letters granted to William S. Chapman & Hannah Chapman at the last Term of this Court upon his entering in bond similar to that entered into by the aforesaid executor and executor. Attest my hand at office in Davidson the second day of December 1853 and the 5th year of American Independence.

T. W. Sanford, Clerk by his Deputy G. H. Hays

Robert H. Ross's Will: &c.

I Robert H. Ross do hereby make this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all others heretofore made by me and particularly one made by me in the year eighteen hundred and twenty six and which is now a lawfully among my papers in this county & is at John F. McManis.

I give to my following children and as others all my estate

here

real and personal in fee simple (except with the conditions as it regards my son Robert H. Ross herein mentioned below) to wit my daughter Fannie H. Ross, Mary H. Ross, Henry Ross, Samuel Ross & Robert H. Ross, and to the latter on the condition that he act as the guardian of his above mentioned sisters and brothers. And I do hereby appoint him my sole executor to this Will & Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the fifteenth day of June eighteen hundred and thirty.

David Duran

State of Tennessee, Exeter County Court.

September Term 1853.

There was produced in open Court the (written) last Will and Testament of Robert H. Ross deceased and was proved by the oath of David Duran, that the same was lodged in his hands for safe keeping, and there being no subscribing witnesses to said Will except said David Duran, the said David Duran together with Robert H. Ross and John Hays made oath that they were acquainted with the hand writing of the testator, and that they really believe that the said Will and every part thereof is in the hand writing of the said Robert H. Ross. And thereupon came into Court Robert H. Ross who read over said Will and executed thereof, and took the oath prescribed by law, and entered into bond with David Duran and Robert Hays his securities conditioned as the law directs.

Robert H. Ross

T. W. Sanford Clerk of said Court

Margaret Lewis's Will: &c.

In the name of God Amen, I Margaret Lewis of Exeter County and State of Tennessee being now and make no body but, possessing sound and disposing mind, memory, and understanding, I am hereby in the name of Heaven, it is appointed once for all to die, and calling into consideration the uncertainty of life have thought proper to dispose of the worldly goods it was pleased God to bless me with in the following manner viz:

- 1st For the good will and affection I bear towards Robert Montgomery, I give unto him one young barrel, and a young brown horse.
- 2nd I give and bequeath unto my grand daughter Nancy Lewis Roddy one negro girl named Mary.
- 3rd I give and bequeath unto my grand daughter Fannie Tabitha Roddy one negro girl named Rebecca.
- 4th I give and bequeath unto my grandsons Robert Alexander Roddy, one negro boy named William.
- 5th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Margaret Wood Roddy the following negroes named by Betty, Thelma,

Sam, Selvy, and Martha; at my departure the above negroes
 whose negroes to my daughter Margaret are to be valued by three
 witnesses, these negroes agreeable to the three selling prices of Negroes.
 1st I give and bequeath unto my daughter Hannah, Grand Son
 1st, the one half of the value of said negroes by Betty, Sam
 1st, Henry Selvy and Martha, one third of said value to be
 paid two years after my decease, one third on the third year and
 one third on the fourth year, with interest from the valuation
 of said negroes.

2nd I also will and bequeath that my bedding furniture
 and kitchen furniture be equally divided between my two daughters
 Margaret and Hannah, together with my wearing apparel.
 And lastly; I nominate and appoint my son-in-law James H. Bledsoe
 sole executor of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking
 and disavowing any will or wills heretofore made by me; and de-
 claring this to be my last will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
 this tenth day of August eighteen hundred and thirty three.

Signed, sealed & acknowledged by the within named
 Margaret Lewis to be her last Will and Testament
 in the presence of us who at her request have
 subscribed our names as witnesses hereunto in
 her presence.

Margaret Lewis
 her
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James Lewis joint
 John Roddy
 Richard A. Stanley joint

State of Tennessee, Epton County Court.

September Term 1833.

There was produced in open
 court the within last will and Testament of Margaret Lewis late a
 citizen of Epton County, and the execution thereof was duly
 proven by the oath of James Lewis and Richard A. Stanley two of
 the subscribing witnesses thereto and was thereupon ordered to be
 read and recorded. And thereupon also came James Roddy
 sole executor named in said will into open court and took
 the oath prescribed by law and entered into bond with William
 Black and Robert Payne his securities in the sum of five thousand
 and no more conditioned as the law directs.

Test.

W. M. Sanford Clerk of said Court

Copy Thomas Blount's Will 111. 1833.

I Thomas Blount of the County
 of Wayne and State of North Carolina being in a perfect state of
 health and of sound mind and memory do hereby bequeath and to guard
 against the evil consequences that might result to my beloved wife
 from my sickness or unexpected death, in case I should die before

my return from Washington, which I am about to go into to
 make and execute this my last Will and Testament in manner and
 form following.

1st I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Judy S. Blount
 all my lands in the County of Washington, all the negroes that she possess
 at the time she survives and including those since acquired by me from
 the estate of her deceased Mother Rebecca S. Blount with their increase;
 all my plate and household and kitchen furniture of every kind whatsoever;
 my books only excepted; my coach and the pair of bay horses that I
 lately purchased at the City of Washington, and my dwelling house with
 the lots No 56, 57, 58 & 59 in the town of Warrenton, to her and her heirs
 and assigns forever.

2nd I leave my beloved wife Judy S. Blount during her natural
 life my plantation called Wolf Creek containing five hundred and eighty
 five acres, with the stock and personal effects thereunto belonging &
 lot 111 in the town of Warrenton with its improvements; and I also
 leave to her during her widowhood all the part of my negroes but as
 soon as she survives or dies in case she dies before she marries the
 property of these negroes shall pass from her & be divided by my exec-
 utor herein after named among each of the children of my Brother John
 Blount as shall be then living equally share and share alike. And
 after his death my executor are to sell the land as they are hereby
 authorized to do, altogether or in parcels as they shall think best and
 divide among the children aforesaid equally share and share alike
 the net proceeds of the sales.

3rd I give and bequeath to my nephew John Gary Blount, son
 of John Gary Blount my tract of land containing two hundred & twenty
 six acres lying adjoining the Town of Warrenton as the north eastern
 boundary thereof also eight hundred and fifty acres of land in the
 State of Tennessee lying on Duck River at or near the mouth thereof
 being the same that was conveyed to me by Deed from my Brother
 William Blount to him & his heirs and assigns forever.

4th I give and bequeath to my nephew Thomas Henry Blount
 son of John Gary Blount my tract of land lying in the East Tennessee
 Pitt County containing by estimation one hundred and forty acres to him
 and his heirs and assigns forever.

5th I give and bequeath to the three sons of my Brother John
 S. Blount in the manner or manner of - at the time of my death my
 share of Wolf Creek near Occochee Creek to be divided among them equal-
 ly share and share alike to them & their heirs and assigns forever.

6th I give and bequeath to my two nieces Anna Blount Cook and
 Mary Blount Miller each a tract of land in the State of Tennessee over
 Tenney one hundred and forty acres to be set apart to them by my exec-
 utor herein after named, out of my share of the lands owned by John Gary
 and Thomas Blount to them & their heirs & assigns forever.

7th I give and bequeath to the three sons and two daughters of my

deceased brother William Blount all the rest of my share of the lands in Tennessee owned by John & Thomas Blount to be divided among them in the survivors of them at the time of my death equally share and share alike; but it is to be understood that out of these lands before a division of them is made such as is here directed is to be reserved by my executor in such manner as they shall think best a sum of money equal to all my just debts, which they shall appropriate to the payment thereof.

Item: The rest of my property I request and direct my executor to sell, and the money arising from the sale thereof together with such sum of money as may hereafter come, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Judy B. Blount.

And lastly, I nominate, constitute and appoint my Brothers John Guy Blount and Willie Blount and my nephews Thomas H. Blount and William B. Blount executors of this my last Will and Testament.

Signed with my hand and sealed with my seal this 23rd day of May 1808.

The Blount

No my heirs writing will be known by every body acquainted with me & I have no fear or suspicion that any of my relations will be disposed to dispute it or to contest the validity of this Will for the want of a subscribing witness to it, I have determined to have no other up to it.

The Blount

Edgecombe County

May Court 1812. The within last Will and Testament of Thomas Blount deceased was exhibited into court for probate and was proved in the following manner, to wit, James S. Drury, Moss Menden and Robert Stewart appeared in open court and upon their oaths did say that they are well acquainted with the hand writing of the deceased and that they believe the signature, as well as the whole of the writing contained in the said Will to be the hand writing of Thomas Blount the said decd. And Thomas H. Blount one of the executors named in the said Will was at the same qualified that declared that the same is authentic & the will according to

Teste

Edgecombe County

Edmund Wall C. C.

May Court 1816. The will of the late General Thomas Blount which was exhibited in this court for probate at the May Term 1812 was again produced for probate, and it having been proved heretofore the said will was altogether in the hand writing of the said Thomas Blount, and it appearing now to the satisfaction of the court by evidence that Thomas will now prove among the authentic papers of said Thomas Blount it is ordered that the will be recorded.

Teste

Edmund Wall C. C.

State of North Carolina
Edgecombe County. I Michael Henson Clerk of the Court do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true copy of the last Will and Testament of Thomas Blount father and deceased in this office known under my hand and seal of office at Salisbury, this 26th day of March 1829.

Mich. Henson C. C.

State of North Carolina
Edgecombe County

I Richard Harrison Justice of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of said County do certify that Michael Henson who signs the above is Clerk of the said court, that his above attestation is in due form and that full faith and credit may and ought to be given thereto. Given under my hand & seal this 26th day of March 1829.

State of North Carolina
Edgecombe County

R. Harrison Clerk

I Michael Henson Clerk of the Court of said County do hereby certify that Richard Harrison whose name appears subscribed to the above certificate is the Presiding Justice of said court & is duly sworn, qualified and qualified.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Salisbury this 26th day of March 1829.

Mich. Henson C. C.

State of North Carolina

We all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting!

It is hereby certified and made known that Michael Henson whose signature appears subscribed to the above certificate was at the time of signing the same and now is Clerk of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for Edgecombe County as such he is an officer duly qualified and empowered to give and certify, which has been done in the usual and proper manner, full faith and credit may and ought to be given to all his official acts. In testimony whereof I John Green Governor do hereby command the Great Seal of the State to be hereunto affixed, and signed the same at our City of Raleigh on the 25th day of March in the year of our said said Thomas eight hundred and twenty nine, and of the Independence of the United States the fifty three.

By the Governor

Jno. Green

John B. Mose, Private Secretary.

State of Virginia
Stafford County Court

The foregoing paper containing purporting to be the official copy given from the State of North Carolina (Edgecombe County) of Thomas Blount's last Will and Testament was produced in open Court regularly certified for registration, and it is therefore ordered by the Court to be recorded.

R. Harrison Clerk C. C.

State of Tennessee } County Court April Session 1833.
 Henderson County } There the entire testament of
 writing purporting to be the last Will of Thomas Stewart of Hen-
 derson County North Carolina was produced in open court and the
 same appearing to be duly and lawfully attested as official
 copies are required to be coming from other states. It is ordered
 by the court that the same be admitted to record.

Test.

Thos. J. Henderson Clerk

John Eckford's Will. N. 16.

I John Eckford being of sound and
 perfect mind and memory do make and publish this my last
 will and testament in presence and joint witness that I do
 give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth Eckford all my real
 and personal property of what kind and nature soever, I give and bequeath
 to my said wife Elizabeth, she and her heirs and assigns sole executor of this
 my last will and testament, so long as she remains a widow.

And I do hereby order and declare that my last will is, that if
 my said wife Elizabeth should marry that all my real & personal
 estate shall be divided between said Elizabeth my wife, and her four
 children to wit James M. Eckford Martha D. Eckford, James H. Eck-
 ford, and John J. Eckford, and I do further desire that said Elizabeth
 shall give to any of the said named children any of the property
 where she may fit. So I testify thereof I have hereunto set my hand
 and affixed my seal this first day of May in the year of our
 Lord 1833.

Signed sealed, published and declared by the
 above John Eckford to be his last will and tes-
 tament in the presence of us, who hereunto
 subscribe our names as witnesses in the presence
 of the Judge.

John Eckford

Jacob P. Davis Just

William Goodwin Just

State of Tennessee } September Term 1833.

Jefferson County Court } There was produced in open
 court the (writing last will and testament of John Eckford deceased late
 a resident of the County of Jefferson, and the executors thereof duly pro-
 and by the order of Jacob P. Davis and William Goodwin the sub-
 scribing witnesses thereto and it was thereupon ordered to be testified
 and received. Whereupon Elizabeth Eckford who is named in
 said Will as the sole executrix turned into court and entered into bond
 with Joseph White and Margaret Calmes her securities in the sum of
 two thousand dollars, and took the oath prescribed by law. It was
 thereupon ordered that letters testamentary issue.

Test.

W. C. Sampson Clerk of said Court

William Temple's Will. N. 18.

In the name of God, Amen.
 I William Temple of Jefferson County Tennessee being minded of my
 mortality, do this 28th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand
 eight hundred and thirty three make and publish this my
 last Will and Testament in manner following, vizt.

1. It is my will and desire that all my just debts payable
 since I came to the State of Tennessee be paid.

2. I give and bequeath all my negro and other property that
 come into my hands wife Lucy J. Temple during her natural life
 or indentures for the support of herself and education and support
 of the children.

3. Should my wife Lucy again marry upon the happiness
 of such marriage I give and bequeath unto her a child's part
 of all my property Negroes and whatever else may belong to my estate
 to her and her heirs forever.

4. But should my wife Lucy not marry again but die
 single my widow, after her death I give and bequeath all of my
 negroes and other property of whatever kind unto my children
 to be equally divided amongst them share and share alike to them
 their heirs and assigns forever.

5. As it is probable that there will be coming to me something
 from the French claims under the late treaty with France, should
 this money can be received, and my wife Lucy being my widow
 should die, it is my will and desire that my Executors hereinafter
 named should purchase for her a small but comfortable farm
 upon which she may be able to support herself and children.

6. It is my will and desire that my executors do manage the
 negroes as to make them the most productive and not to put any
 land for culture unless they should conceive it most advantageous so
 to do, and my other property so to manage as to produce the great-
 est income, and the proceeds of the whole negroes and other property
 they are to pay over to my beloved wife who will apply and dispose
 of it by and with the advice and consent of any other Executors for
 the best advantage of the family.

7. It is my will and desire that my beloved wife Lucy keep
 up the house we now have until the end of the present term for
 which I have rented, and should she be inclined hereafter to en-
 ter into it, it will be at her own option.

And I do hereby constitute and appoint my said wife Lucy
 my son William M. Temple, and my trusty friend John P. White-
 wright of Lexington my Executors and Executors of this my last
 will and Testament, and that they be not required to give security
 for the execution of the trusts herein created.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this
 day and year first above written.

Wm. Temple

here

signed, sealed, published and declared by the said testator as and for his last will and testament, we are present, who at his request, in his presence, and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto, and signed with the word 'Verum' before signing

Thomas Mearns
Robt. L. Green

State of Tennessee
At a Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
Tipton County
December Term 1833.

The last Will and Testament of William Sample deceased was this day produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proved by the oath of Thomas Mearns and Robert L. Green witnesses thereto, Tipton County being Tipton, Tennessee and Esquire Mearns and John Potholomae witnesses thereto, and came into open court, and took the oath as provided by law, and entered into bond without security as required by said will and testament in the sum of dollars to be satisfied in and to the said court, whereupon it was ordered to be entered and recorded.

Notary W. W. Sanford clerk of Tipton County court at office the 2nd day of December A.D. 1833. and in the 5th year of Annand's Independence.
W. W. Sanford Clerk by his deputy
C. Camp Evans

Joseph J. Moton's Will: No 14.

I Joseph J. Moton of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee do make this my last will and testament this 2nd day of August 1834.

I give my dear father any three heirs of mine to any what and three hundred dollars.

It is my further will and desire that my property be then equally divided between my wife and daughter.

Signed, sealed & published as the former said

Mary Moton
Benj. H. Moton
James J. Moton

for J. Moton

State of Tennessee
Tipton County Court
September Term 1834.

There was the last Will and Testament of Joseph J. Moton deceased produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proved by the oath of Mary Moton and James J. Moton two of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and there being no executor mentioned in said Will Messrs Smith came into court and took upon himself the administration of said estate with the will annexed, and entered into bond with James J. Moton and William H. Moton his security the 4th.

Teste

Robert W. Sanford Clerk

Oliver F. Pope's Will: No 20.

In the name of God, Amen,

I, Oliver F. Pope of the State of Tennessee Tipton County being in good health and perfect mind and memory do make & publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following (that is to say)

First. I will and bequeath (after my just debts are liquidated) that the whole of my property of every description be equally divided between my beloved wife Eliza Jane Pope and all my children both posthumous as well as living.

Secondly. It is my wish and desire that my executor or executors be invested with full and ample power (if they may think proper) to sell any part or all of my real estate and any part or number of my slaves, either for cash or on such credit as will be most to the interest of my heirs; and that so much of the proceeds thereof be appropriated to the purchase of a comfortable place of residence for my beloved wife and children when she may wish to settle.

It is also my request that my beloved wife have the power to receive such of my slaves as she may wish for the support and accommodation of herself and my children while she remains in a state of celibacy. Should there be any surplus moneys arising from the sale of property or otherwise now and then what may be necessary for the support of my family and the education of my children I wish it to be in bank stock or some solvent bank or put to interest until my eldest child becomes of age a married man.

I furthermore nominate and appoint Francis L. Smith my brother-in-law and my beloved wife Eliza Jane Pope my sole executor and administrator to this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made. I witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 21st day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three.

Signed, sealed, and declared by the above named Oliver F. Pope 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.

O. F. Pope

L. Shoulson
Wm. Bonds
C. P. Stewart

State of Tennessee
Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Tipton County
September Term 1834.

There was the within last will and testament of Oliver F. Pope deceased produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proved by the oath of Governor P. Stewart one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. It was therefore ordered by the court to be so certified, and filed for further probate.

Teste

W. W. Sanford Clerk

State of Tennessee Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
Septon County December Term 1836

There was the within last will and Testament of Charles Pope deceased produced in open court and the execution thereof was duly proved by the oath of William Bonds one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and it having been for at a former Term of this court lawfully proved by S. P. Stewart another subscribing witness, it was thereupon ordered by the court to be entered & recorded. Therefore James S. Smith Executor and Eliza J. Pope executrix thence named came into court and returned into bond in the sum of forty thousand Dollars with Daniel A. Dinkins their securities, and took the oath required by law. It was ordered by the court that letters Testamentary issue to William my hand at office this 2^d day of December 1836.

R. W. Sanford Clerk
of said Court

Benjamin F. Parkinsons Will: 1st 21.

I Benjamin F. Parkinsons of Septon County do make this my last will and Testament in presence and before as follows:

1st I do my will and desire that all of my just debts be speedily paid, from the proceeds of my real & estate other property as soon as I can be best expended.

2nd It is my will and desire that my Executrix hereafter named, have full power to dispose of my interest in my father's Estate at her own discretion, at private sale, also my Negro man Archer if he should ever be necessary.

3rd I do my will and desire that my property be kept together for the use & support of my wife Elizabeth and my children, Mary B. Maria L. and Lucy J. during her widowhood, and when she shall have sold such part of it, as she may think proper, except the slaves, namely Phillis, James, & Mary & their increase and to set a part in bond for them a home if she wishes one, or other property for their common benefit.

4th Should my wife Mary & their heirs the one third of my estate to her during her life time & after her death to be equally divided among my three children above named, to have & their heirs.

5th Should my wife not marry she will then receive my children married, or chooses to leave her, after they arrive of age she will then give them such part of my estate as she may spare, so as not to give one more than another.

6th If my wife marries, it is my will and desire that the two thirds of my estate be kept together for the support of my said children, until they choose to marry or arrive of age then the same to be equally divided between them, and at the death of my wife the one third leave her in case of her

marriage to be divided equally among my said three children.

I do hereby appoint my wife Elizabeth executrix to this my last Will and Testament, As witness my hand and seal the 21st day of October 1836.

Witness Edmund Bonds

Wm. H. Ligon

J. M. Jeffers

Benj. F. Parkinsons

State of Tennessee Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
Septon County December Term 1836.

There was the within last will and Testament of Benjamin F. Parkinsons lawfully presented to court, and the execution thereof proved by Edmund Bonds and William H. Ligon, the subscribing witnesses thereto. Thereupon came into court Elizabeth Parkinsons the executrix thence named, who took the oath required by law, and returned into bond with Edmund Bonds and William H. Ligon her securities in the sum of twenty four hundred dollars conditioned as the law directs. It was thereupon ordered that letters Testamentary issue to her.

That R. W. Sanford Clerk of said Court

James Roddy's Will: 1st 22.

In the name of God Amen:

I James Roddy of the county of Septon and State of Tennessee, being sick and for a considerable length of time, but of sound mind and disposing memory, and calling to mind the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, do think fit to make this my last Will and Testament. So that my soul I recommend to Almighty God who gave it to me nothing doubting, but at the final resurrection of the dead I shall receive it again from the mighty power who gave it to me and my body I request shall be decently buried, and as touching such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give and bequeath in manner and form following (viz.)

1st My will and desire is that all my just debts be paid and if there should be a necessity to sell any part of my estate for that purpose, my executors hereafter named are hereby authorized and empowered to sell my land wherever I now live for that purpose and to convey such title to it as I myself could do, were I to sell it. The money arising from the sale to be applied to the payment of my just debts, and should there be a surplus left after the payment of my just debts, that surplus I wish to be equally divided between my beloved wife & my four children.

2nd I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Peggy Roddy my negro woman Betty and my negro boy Stephen to her, her heirs & assigns forever.

3rd I do my son James M. Roddy I give and bequeath my negro boy

And my negro girl Munka to live his home and oblige forever.
6th To my daughter Nancy Lewis I give and bequeath my negro girl Libby to live & live home and oblige forever.

5th To my daughter Fanny Pickett I give and bequeath my negro girl Minnie to live & live home and oblige forever.

6th To my son Robert Alexander I give and bequeath my negro girl Thersy to live & live home and oblige forever.

7th My negro boy Sam it is my wish shall be sold by my executor & the money arising from the sale to be applied to the payment of my debts if needed, if not to be equally divided between my beloved wife & my four children.

8th I do hereby appoint my wife Peggy Heady and friends James & John Nathaniel Hunt executors to this my last Will and Testament.
11th I ratify my hand & seal this 29th day of July 1855.
Signed sealed & acknowledged in presence of

W. J. Bradford Junr James Roddy

State of Tennessee Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
Eiptaw County September Term 1855

There was the within last will and Testament of James Roddy deceased, produced in open court, and the execution thereof duly proved by the oath of W. J. Bradford a subscribing witness thereto. It was thereupon ordered to be so certified and recorded. Whereupon Margaret Roddy executrix named in said Will, came into court, and took upon herself the duties and execution thereof; Thereupon she came into court with W. J. Bradford and James Seals her securities in the sum of seven thousand dollars conditioned as the law directs, and took the oath required by law. It was thereupon ordered that she have letters testamentary granted her.

W. J. Bradford Clerk of said Court

State of Tennessee Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions December Term 1855
Eiptaw County

The within last will and Testament of James Roddy deceased having been produced in open court at the last term, and the execution thereof duly proved by the oath of W. J. Bradford a subscribing witness thereto, was this day again produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proved by the oath of William M. Hawkins the other subscribing witness thereto, and was thereupon ordered to be so certified.

Given at Nashville Clerk of said Court

William Campbell's Will 1855

I William Campbell of sound and perfect mind and memory, do make and publish this my last will and Testament, in presence and face following.

First, I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife all my real and

personal estate during her natural life with full power to give a good and sufficient title to my land in this country and by the assistance of my lawyers execute to purchase another piece of land with effects of said land as appraised in the state of Kentucky Christiana Society and where said title here (or as near as can be obtained convenient) my personal effects to be testamentary to the only use and behoof of my loving wife and children during her natural life as aforesaid, and after her death to be equally divided between my children. As much of my estate as should remain after giving my children James W. Campbell, John A. Campbell, Emma W. Campbell, Thomas W. Campbell and William Campbell after giving them a board, education each.

Second, I do make and constitute my worthy friends and brothers in law brothers Allen my executor of this my last will and Testament hereby making all former wills made by me.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this twentieth day of September in the year of our Lord and then saved eight hundred and thirty five.

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of

W. A. Harris

W. Campbell

James Wilson Junr

James Williams Junr

J. M. Marsh Junr

State of Tennessee Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
Eiptaw County December Term 1855

There was the within last will and Testament of William Campbell deceased, now produced in open court, and the execution thereof duly proved by the oath of James Wilson James Williams and Sordale M. Marsh the subscribing witnesses thereto. It was thereupon ordered by the court to be so certified and recorded. Thereupon brother Allen the executor named herein took upon himself the execution thereof, and came into court with James W. Campbell and James Williams his securities in the sum of seven thousand dollars conditioned as the law directs, and took the oath required by law and it was thereupon ordered that letters testamentary issue to him.

W. J. Bradford Clerk of said Court

Alexander Smith's Will 1854

Alexander Smith of the county of Eiptaw & state of Tennessee, do make and publish this my last will and Testament hereby making and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore made; And first, I direct that my body be decently interred at Andrew Garboughs grave yard in said county in summer suitable to my condition in life; and as to such worldly estate as hath pleased God to intrust me with, I do dispose of the same as follows.

First, I direct that all my debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon

after my decease no practicable part of any moneys that I may the one have or may first come to hand of my executor from any part of my estate will or personal.

Second. I direct for the good will and affection that I have for my brother Elias Smith I give leave my part or interest that I have now and in will in Indiana estate however no become Smith's will. also my estate however as the before said & I direct that all the rest of my property both real and personal go to my wife and child so long as she survives my widow last of who survives then the property to go to my child alone & Edward Smith executor of this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I the said testator have to this my will written on one sheet of paper set my hand and seal this 7 day of November 1835.

Signed said and published in the presence of us who have subscribed in the presence of the testator and each other

Alfred Pelt said
George Buffum said
Moses Smith said

Alexander Smith

State of Tennessee Court of Pleas and Justice Jefferson County December Term 1835

There was the within paper purporting to be the last will and Testament of Alexander Smith deceased was produced in open court, and the execution thereof was duly proved by the oath of Alfred Pelt George Buffum and Moses Smith all of the subscribing witnesses thereto, who state that they believe that he was at the time of executing the same of sound disposing mind and memory it was therefore ordered to be so certified & recorded. Thereupon Edward Smith the executor named in said will came forward and took upon himself the execution thereof, and entered into bond in the sum of Two thousand dollars with James Smith & Joseph Miller his securities conditioned as the law directs and took the oath required by law.

So all of which Prudence C. Smith widow & sister of the deceased objects and demands her objections in the words and figures following to wit

State of Tennessee Court of Pleas and Justice Jefferson County December Term 1835

Prudence C. Smith widow and sister of the late Alexander Smith deceased came this day into court in proper person and makes known to the court that her said husband has recently deposited this his last will and Testament in she is informed wherein he has made certain promises for her, which she thinks very inadequate, trifling and unsatisfactory, that the same is not satisfactory to her, and she therefore now signifies her dissent thereto and prays that she may be provided for by the law in such case made and provided and that said will be set aside and annulled null and void as far as the promises for her is made.

Test R. M. Simpson Clerk of said Court.

Margaret Wall's Will. 1835.

In the name of God, Amen.

I Margaret Wall of the county of Jefferson and State of Tennessee make this my last will and Testament revoking all others made heretofore.

In the first place after payment of all my just debts I give and bequeath the negro man Dick to my two daughters Elizabeth & Susan Wall upon these conditions however that Lewis a his husband or their heirs shall pay to my daughter Sophia one hundred dollars.

Then I give and bequeath the girl Nancy to my daughter Mary she or her husband or his heirs paying to Sophia one hundred dollars.

Then I give and bequeath the negro woman Esther to my son Samuel with Sophia manumitted single but in the event of her marriage, to her own her heirs.

Then I give to Elizabeth and Sophia each one her & furniture all the remainder of my estate whether real personal or real and personal I give and bequeath to my son Samuel P. Wall charged with the payment of my debts and funeral expenses. And I appoint my son Samuel P. Wall and my Josephus The P. Wall executors of this my last will and Testament.

Test James Bullard said
Wm. M. Wall said
State of Tennessee Court of Pleas and Justice Jefferson County January Term 1836

There was the last will and Testament of Margaret Wall died was produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proved by the oath of James Bullard and William M. Wall the subscribing witnesses thereto. It was therefore ordered by the court to be certified and recorded. Thereupon William M. Wall the executor named in said will took upon himself the execution thereof and entered into bond with his wife.

his securities in the sum of dollars conditioned as the law directs, and took the oath required by law, and it was thereupon ordered that letters Testamentary issue to

Francis H. Smith clerk County Court

Robert Young's Will. 1836.

In the name of God, Amen.

This my last will and Testament. I Robert Young now feel no body but mind no more so bequeath my soul to the God who gave it, and my body to the grave. 2^d It is my wish to be charitable however.

3^d That all my just debts should be promptly and speedily paid in the nature of the case will warrant.

4th The balance of my estate after paying my just debts both real and personal I bequeath to my beloved wife Francis Young during her natural life to have and hold any balance children are, and at her death if there should be any of my estate left to be equally divided between my children James

Franklin Young, Mary Jane Young, Henrietta Hutchinson Young, Rebecca
Malbone Young, Williams Montrose Young, Sarah Bryan Young, Martha Ann
Young, and Robert Bayfield Young. And I appoint Thomas Robinson
my executor to my will whom I wish to settle up my business.
May 26th 1836

J. H. Campbell Just
Charles Sullivan
John H. Thomas Just

Robert Young

State of Tennessee, County Court May Term 1836.

Before me, Just of the County Court, John H. Thomas Just, and Francis P. Smith Clerk of the County Court, who have appeared in open court before me and produced to me the original of the will of Robert Young, deceased, which purports to be the last will and testament of Robert Young, deceased, and after having duly read the same, and say that they are acquainted with the testator and believe that he was of sound disposing mind at the time of his signing the same, and that they saw him sign and seal and deliver the same.

Witness my hand at office this 6th June 1836.

Francis P. Smith Clerk

George W. Jenkins Will: 1836

I, George W. Jenkins of the County of Jefferson of the State of Tennessee, do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and annulling all former wills by me at any time heretofore made. And first I direct that all my debts before as well as after my decease be paid out of my assets that I may be free of, or may first come into the hands of my executors from any part of my estate real or personal.

Secondly I give and bequeath all my worldly goods and chattels after my death to be equally divided between the four children of my late wife, namely (to wit) Charles W. West, Mary W. West, Benjamin W. West, and Samuel W. West, as they shall severally come to the full age of 21 years. Provided that if any one or more of the above children shall die before he or she shall come at the age of 21 years, it is my wish that their share shall be equally divided amongst the survivors.

I do hereby make known and appoint my executor friends and brother William Cowan executor of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I, George W. Jenkins the said testator have to this my last will and testament written in our short of paper set my hand and seal this the first day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six.

Signed, sealed and published in the presence of us

Benjamin S. Rose Just

Wm. S. Brown Just

Arthur S. Watson Just

State of Tennessee, County Court June Term 1836

Jefferson County

The within paper purporting to be

the last will and testament of George W. Jenkins was produced in open court and the execution thereof proved by the oath of Benjamin S. Rose, Wm. S. Brown and Arthur S. Watson all of the subscribing witnesses thereto, who state that they believe at the time of executing the same no his sound disposing mind and memory. It was therefore agreed to be evidence and received. Thereupon William Cowan the executor thereof was sworn and took upon himself the execution thereof and returned into court in the name of four thousand dollars with Arthur S. Watson and William S. Brown his executors, and delivered in the law clerk's, and took the oath required by law. Witness my hand at office this 6th June 1836.

Francis P. Smith Clerk of and Court

Margaret Wilson's Will 1836

In the name of God Amen.

I, Margaret Wilson being of sound mind, and disposing mind, but of feeble health, and sensible of the uncertainty of life, do make, and ordain, this, my last Will and Testament.

First, I will, and devise, to my eldest daughter Mrs. Peggy Anderson 50 acres of land of the tract I now live on to be more off and bounded as follows- beginning at the north end corner of the Jefferson tract of 300 acres- then running south so far as to include the improvements they now live on thence east far enough to include the 50 acres by running north to Sarah P. Wall's line- thence west north since line to the beginning- to be hers, her heirs, and assigns forever.

2nd I will and devise to my son James Wilson all the balance of that tract of 300 acres which I now live on after the survey of the 50 acres previously devised. is sure off as directed. Also all my household and kitchen furniture and also my library to be his, his heirs and assigns forever, in consideration of which he the said James Wilson is to pay the sum of four hundred dollars as hereinafter directed; namely two hundred dollars to my youngest daughter Eliza Wilson to be hers, and under her exclusive control the two hundred dollars to Adolphus W. Alexander eldest son of my daughter Mary to be his forever.

Lastly, I appoint my eldest son Hugh Wilson sole executor of this, the foregoing, my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have at my home and affixed my seal this sixth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six.

The said "consideration" interlined before signing

Attest

John Alexander Just

John P. Steel Just

Margaret Wilson (Seal)

State of Tennessee Tipton County.

Personally appeared before me Ezra H. Smith Clerk of the County Court, for said county Clara Alexander and John P. Reed the undersigned witnesses to the foregoing will after being first sworn depose and say that they were acquainted with Margaret Wilson the testator and acknowledge the same to be her last will and testament, and that she was of sound and disposing mind.

Gave under my hand at office in Georgetown 1st day of August 1836.

Ezra H. Smith Clerk

William B. Brooks' Will: 1836

In the name of God Amen.

I William B. Brooks of the county of Tipton and State of Tennessee on this the 5th day of February and thousand eight hundred and thirty six, being in perfect mind and memory and knowing the uncertainty of life I do hereby constitute this my last will and testament (to wit)

Item 1st It is my desire that all my just debts be paid and also my financial expenses.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath unto Thomas P. Brooks a negro boy Phil which he now has in possession.

Item 3rd I give and bequeath unto my son James, a negro boy named Mustee which he also has in possession.

Item 4th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Emma two negro girls Abby and Jane with all their increase and a horse of one hundred dollars value.

Item 5th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Selvy two negro girls Estlin and Henry with all their increase and a horse of one hundred dollars value.

Item 6th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Helen a white and two negro girls Anna and Eliza with their increase and a horse of one hundred dollars value & also a saddle and bridle.

Item 7th I give and bequeath unto my son William B. Brooks fifty acres of land adjoining the part to be land to him of one hundred and ten (reversing the entire length thereof) in purchase from Jesse Breese as agent for Little of North Carolina.

Item 8th I give and bequeath unto my son James Brooks, the residue of one tract of land (undivided) say three hundred and twelve & half acres, that he may take care of any three unincumbered daughter two to wit Emma, Selvy, and Helen, till they marry.

Item 9th It is my desire that after the foregoing legacies, that the residue of my estate be equally divided between my children following to wit: William B. Brooks, Thomas P. Brooks, Sarah Bennett, Polly, Emeline, James, John, James Brooks, James Brooks, William Brooks, and Edna Brooks.

It is my desire that my two grand children William B. Brooks

and John S. Brooks children of my son John Brooks married, and also my daughter Nancy Bennett, and Emeline Wilson that they be left out of the division of my estate as I have given my son already a fair portion of my property and I have given the two last named daughters Nancy & Emeline also their portions.

Lastly, I constitute and appoint my two sons (to wit) Robert Brooks, and William B. Brooks, my sole Executors of this my last will and testament hereby reaching all other wills heretofore made.

In witness whereof I William B. Brooks hath hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 5th day of February in the year of our Lord 1836.

Signed & sealed in presence of us

Henry M. Sule Clerk

Robert Paine Clerk

Wm B. Brooks

State of Tennessee

Tipton County. Personally appeared before me Esau H. Smith Clerk of the County Court Henry M. Sule and Robert Paine the undersigned to the foregoing will, and after being first sworn depose and say that they were personally acquainted with William B. Brooks the testator and that they saw him sign and seal and acknowledge the same, and that he was of sound and disposing mind, and that it was on the day it purports to be dated. Gave under my hand at office in Georgetown this 1st day of August 1836.

Ezra H. Smith Clerk

Alexander S. J. Alston's Will: 1834

In the name of God Amen.

I Alexander S. J. Alston do this day make my last will and testament being in sound mind and memory. In the first place I direct an equal distribution of all my property both real and personal and of every kind between my affectionate wife and child and. I leave my wife and my brother James J. Alston Executors to my estate, and my brother James J. Alston Successors to my children. This the second day of November 1834.

Witness The Wright Smith

Ruffin Smythe Clerk

A S J Alston

Given by the oath of J. H. Hall Esq. 1834

State of Tennessee Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions

Tipton County. There was the within last will and testament of Alexander S. J. Alston deceased produced in open court and the executive thing was duly proved by the oath of Ruffin Smythe one of the undersigned witnesses thereto, and it was thereupon ordered to be certified for further record. Witness my hand at office this the 2nd day of December 1834.

W. M. Smythe Clerk of said Court

State of Tennessee County Court October Term 1836.

Testes County } There was the the within last will and Testament of Alexander J. Hittie deceased produced in open court and the execution thereof was duly proved by the oath of Dr. Joseph B. Hall the Physicians who attended him in his last illness and who after being first sworn depose and said that he saw him sign and publish the same and that he was of sound and disposing mind at the time of the same.

Witness my hand at office in Georgetown this 3^d day of October 1836.

Frederick R. Smith Clerk

Martha Swain's Will No. 31

In the name of God Amen I, Martha Swain, of the county of Tipton and state of Tennessee, being of sound mind perfect memory and discreet do make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner and form following:-

First, my will is, that my General expenses and debts (should there be any) be discharged by my executor as soon as convenient out of my Estate herein. For the use and kind attention of my son John Swain to me I give and bequeath to him, my negro boy named Sander.

Third, I give and bequeath my large Bells to my grandson Elmore Franklin Thomas.

Fourth, I give and bequeath all my money appurtenant to my daughter Martha Thomas.

Fifth, I will that the remaining part of my estate be valued and the one half belong to my son John Swain; and the other half be equally divided between the children of my daughter Martha Thomas as they shall arrive at lawful age; and that said valuation be performed by three disinterested persons.

Sixth, I appoint and ordain my son John Swain sole executor of this my last will and Testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this twenty sixth day of July one thousand eight hundred and thirty one.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the above named Martha Swain, to be her last will and Testament in the presence of us, who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the testator.

Test. Wm. S. Swain

John Swain

Wm. R. McNeill

State of Tennessee County Court October Term 1836.

Testes County } There was the last will and Testament of Martha Swain deceased produced in open court

and the execution thereof proved by the oaths of William Swain and William R. McNeill two of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and it was thereupon ordered to be recorded.

Witness my hand at office in Georgetown this 3^d day of October 1836.

Frederick R. Smith Clerk

Neah Smith's Will No. 32

Know all men by these presents that I Neah Smith of the county of Tipton and state of Tennessee having it in full view to die being weak and infirm no body but of a sound mind and memory do make this my last Will and Testament. I do hereby give bequeath & convey as hereafter follows in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty one this 4th of August. One do hereby make and constitute my beloved Father in law James McNeill my whole and sole executor.

But I do hereby give bequeath and convey all my property to my beloved wife Eliza consisting of land and negroes and the proceeds of my crops after paying off my just debts for the use of raising our three children, and schooling them in the mean time she may think best and be able to do. But as they get married or come to the age of eighteen they are to have an equal part with my wife and other children namely Martha Jane Mary James & Mary Ann Robert. It is also understood that my household and kitchen furniture together with all my stock of every description are included in the above sale.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the day and year above written.

Test. John Sharp

Robert Wright

Henry Powell

Neah Smith

State of Tennessee County Court October Term 1836.

Testes County } There was the within the last will and Testament of Neah Smith deceased produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proved by the oaths of John Sharp and Henry Powell two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and it was ordered to be recorded.

Witness my hand at office in Georgetown this 3^d day of Oct 1836.

Frederick R. Smith Clerk

Willis H. Winn's Will No. 33

State of Tennessee } Know all men by these Tipton County

parents that I Willis Henry Wills being a citizen of the State and
being a free man, being no my right name and it being my wish
and desire that from Wills my wife shall fall heir of all my
estate at my death for the love and affection I have for her.
And now acknowledged in the presence of me this
underigned this the 9th of August 1836

Philip J. Mearns, Jony

James C. Clark, Jony

David Smith

Willis H. Wills

State of Tennessee } County Court October Term 1836

Septem County } There was the last Will and Testament
of Willis H. Wills was produced in open court and the execution thereof
proved by the oaths of Philip J. Mearns and James C. Clark two of the
subscribing witnesses thereto and it was thereupon ordered to be read.
On up my hand at office in Sevier County this 3rd Octo 1836

Frederick W. Smith Clerk

James Wills - Will: 11 N: 34

In the name of God, Amen, I
James Wills being of sound mind, and disposing memory, do make
and declare this to be my last Will, and Testament.

In the first place, I bequeath any body to be buried, &c. that all my
just & lawful debts be paid.

3rd I do will and devise to my beloved wife Peggy as follows
to wit: one negro girl named Rachel to be hers & hers heirs to dis-
pose of as she may see fit. Also my team horse now in my pos-
session, named Lot, to be hers forever to dispose of as she may
see fit. Also one two horse carriage & harness, to be hers, for her use
and that of my two daughters Caroline & Elizabeth, to be disposed
of as she may at any time see fit. Also all the furniture and kitchen
furniture & one half of the farming utensils. Also two hundred dollars
or the amount of one third of the money on hand, & one third of the
cost of the notes originating from the sale of my property in Sevier
County, to be the same now or left, and my devise is that the money be
lent out in loans, in which she shall have a life estate & at her
death one half of it to my second son (John) & the other half to my
two daughters Margaret Caroline & Elizabeth to be theirs & theirs heirs
to do with as they may see fit, to the children of my son James
Also I devise that my black boy Alvin two years, before for, sent me,
his whole life & at his death he is to be disposed of as will be
hereafter directed.

4th I do devise to my son (Wm Wills) as follows viz, one
negro girl now in my possession named Rachel & her two children
Amos & Sarah with the time issue & issue to be his, his heirs forever. But to be

disposed of as they may agree & that the property to be sold & the pro-
ceeds equally divided among ^{them} if they agree not, no the children in case
my son John, should die intestate or without a wife.

5th I do devise to my second son John as follows viz, one negro
boy now in my possession named Alvin to be his his heirs and
assigns forever, to be disposed of as he may see fit, after the following
provision is complied with (to wit) that said boy is to be with him
for & wait upon my wife Peggy until her death & then & not till
there is he to go into the possession of my son (John), to whom he has
been devised. Also one boy now now in my possession named
Sam to be his forever. Also one road wagon & harness, also one half
of my farming tools, & all the tools belonging to my trade to be his to dispose
of as he may see fit. Also two hundred dollars or one third part
of the cash on hand & one third part of the cost of notes origina-
ting from the sale of my property in Sevier County, to be the same or left
to be lent out in loans to be his his heirs and assigns forever to be
disposed of as he may see fit. & further in case my son John should
die intestate or without issue one half of the property thus de-
vised or its amount, after his just debts shall be paid shall be in-
herited by his wife & the other half shall go to my two daughters
Caroline & Elizabeth above to be divided equally between them to the
entire exclusion of my son John & in case of the death of either to be
inherited by the other & in case of the death of both to be in-
herited by my son John who is otherwise excluded. And further I
do devise that for & in consideration of the use my wife is to have
of this boy thus devised to my son John that he shall have the use
of a girl called Rebecca now in my possession for the length of ten
& one years hereafter mentioned.

6th I do devise to my eldest daughter (Caroline) one negro girl
now in my possession (named Sam) with her issue to be hers, her
heirs & assigns forever to do with as she may think fit, also one
small horse called Rock to be hers forever & also one hundred dollars
or one sixth part of cash on hand & one sixth of the cost of notes
originating from the sale of property in Sevier County, to be the same now or left
which money I direct to be lent out in loans
jointly with my wife to be hers her heirs & assigns forever & if she
die intestate or without issue that all the property thus devised or the
cost of it return sold together with whatever she may inherit by the
death of my wife to be equally divided between my son John & daugh-
ter Elizabeth, to the exclusion of my son Thomas, or any other
person, in case of the death of either to be inherited by the other &
in case of the death of both to be inherited by my son John & his heirs.

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
hers her heirs & assigns forever with the following provision, that
for and in consideration of the use my son John is to have of

the boy remains to my son John; he shall have the use with out fee
 the use of the same girl Rebecca until the death of my wife or until
 my daughter Elizabeth shall marry; he is then to give pecuniary pro-
 vision of her & her issue without any compensation for his trouble
 or expense in raising &c. like a barren man never in my possession
 means but to be here to do with as she may see fit. Also we have
 said dollars or one sixth part of the cash on hand & one sixth part
 of the amt. of notes accruing from the sale of property in South
 Carolina in the same manor or less when collected; which money is
 to be laid out in land jointly with my wife & daughter binding to
 be here his heirs and assigns forever & in case of her death without
 issue in intestate that all the property then due to her with what
 she may have inherited by the death of my wife or the present time
 shall be equally divided between my son John & daughter Caroline in
 case of the death & after to be inherited by the other to the exclusion of
 my son Tho: but in case of the death of both to be inherited by her
 8th I decree that the household stuff be partitioned be equally
 divided between my wife Peggy & my son John & my two daughters
 Caroline & Elizabeth to be there forever to the exclusion of every other per-
 son.

9th In case of the death of any of the heirs & before decision
 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 decree that my sister Jane who is now with
 me have a house with my wife & daughter while she lives -

11th I do hereby appoint & nominate my two sons Tho: & John
 & his I will my executors to this my last will & testament -

In witness whereof I have set my hand & affixed my seal this 21st
 Sept. 1835 in the County of Burke near Morgantown

Signed sealed & delivered in the presence of

Alexander J. Matthews Junr

Thos. A. Wall Junr

James Will Esqr

State of Tennessee } County Court Decmber Term 1836

There was the last will and Testament
 of James Will Esq. now produced in open court and the execution thereof
 duly proven by the oaths of Alexander J. Matthews and Thomas A. Wall the
 subscribing witnesses thereto. It was thereupon ordered by the court to be ex-
 ecuted, and recorded. Whereupon John S. Will the executor thereof manifested
 upon himself the execution thereof and entered into bond with Tho: A. Wall
 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
 was thereupon ordered that letters testamentary issue to

John N. Smith Clk of
 said Court.

Daniel A. Dunham's Will. &c. &c.

Last Will & Testament of D. A. Dunham

In the name of God, I Daniel A. Dunham of Tipton County Tenn.
 do hereby of sound mind and memory and considering the mortality
 of this life do make and publish this my last Will & Testament, hereby
 making all former wills & Testaments by me made

Thus first: After the payment of all of my just debts, I give and bequeath
 to my beloved wife Rebecca Dunham all of my property both real
 and personal for use during her widowhood, and in case she dies not
 marry for and during her natural life -

Thus 2^d Upon the death of the death of my said wife Rebecca or upon the death
 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 plantations on which I and her now own a tract of land
 of about one hundred & fifty five acres adjoining the plantation on which
 I now live and also adjoining the the lands of Judge Cantor, also one
 house and lot in the town of Lawrenceville & County of Fayette and also the
 following lots situate in the town of Georgetown Tipton County Tennessee
 my 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 and four years and the proceeds arising
 from such sale (upon the credit of my wife's marriage after my death
 to be equally divided between my said wife Rebecca and all of my chil-
 dren viz Elizabeth D. Baker, Sarah H. Temple, Daniel J. Robert H. Joseph H.
 Benjamin J. Martha A. Rebecca J. John H. and Eleanor A. and such
 others as may after the due execution of these presents be born - so
 have and to hold to them their heirs executors and assigns forever except
 my daughter Sarah H. Temple who is living after provided for -
 And upon the death of the death of my said wife Rebecca then
 it is my wish & desire that all of my property be equally divided
 between all of my said children and such as 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 said daughter Sarah H. Temple having 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 born or may here-
 after during my life be by and acknowledged - shall receive no more
 out of the property so devised, than will make their proportion equal
 to the rest of my children - that is, that the property so acknowledged
 shall at the time of said distribution or division be charged to have
 her or them at the such valuation at the time of such acknowl-
 edgment, and such child or children shall receive of the property to
 be divided only so much as will be addition to such acknowledgment
 make his her or their proportion equal to the rest of my children -

Thus 3^d Upon such division or distribution as aforesaid such part or lot or

of my said property as shall be set apart and allotted to my daughter Sarah to satisfy the wife of Edward Simpson & hereby give and bequeath to my friend John Pethmonte and his assigns In Trust until death for the sole use benefit & behoof of my said daughter Sarah to satisfy her during her natural life - she my said daughter Sarah (if she ever comes to her share) to have and enjoy the present & quiet possession of all or any portion or part thereof, except such sums or sums of money, she may be entitled to live, which it is my will & desire shall be put out at interest, and the interest applied as herein after directed, and not to hold accountable for the same or any 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 her possession as aforesaid she is to have the present & uninterrupted enjoyment of the profits arising from the labor thereof - the live - the rest and the legal interest of such monies as may be allotted to her in the discharge of my property as aforesaid or a suffering thereof as will allow her and her children a decent and comfortable living. And if the same live and the proceeds of the labor of said property and the legal interest arising from such monies as may be allotted to her in a discharge of my property as aforesaid shall be more than sufficient to afford her and her children a decent and comfortable living, then and so that said such surplus or surplus money thereof to be applied & appropriated to the education of her children and the surplus if any to be added to and become a part of the principal stock. And at the death of my say said daughter Sarah, I give & bequeath the whole of the said property together with the natural increase thereof to the line of her body, to be equally divided between three shares and share alike. And for the want of such heirs, then and so that said 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.

And I do hereby consider of the bequest and devise of all of my property to my said wife Saranne during her widowhood or upon the death of her living single, during her life it is my will and desire that she keep all of my children that are commoners together and that she support them and educate them as amply as practicable in one neighborhood school.

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time of the testator hereby appears no time. In witness whereof the said Daniel A. Dunham hereunto set my hand & seal this 7th day of January A.D. 1855.

Signed under & executed & published by the testator at his last will & testament of us, who at his request & in his presence & in the presence of witnesses of which there have been subscribed in witness whereof

D. A. Dunham
John B. Scurry
John B. Scurry
John B. Scurry

State of Tennessee
Sept. 10th 1857

County Court April Term 1857
This day it being the 2nd day of April 1857 the last will and Testament of Daniel A. Dunham, late of said County was this day produced in open Court and the execution thereof proved by the oath of Cornelius B. Scurry, John B. Scurry, and Thomas M. Scurry three of the subscribing witnesses thereto whereupon it was ordered to be entered. Whereupon Charles B. Fisher one of the executors thereof was named came into Court and entered into bond, and took the oath as prescribed by law.

Witness my hand in open Court this 2nd day of April 1857.

Frederick R. Smith Clerk of said Court.

Thomas Robinsons Will!! 1854

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. Robinson of lands, sugar, bonds, notes &c of which I am possessed, and every thing else that is valuable: (knowing that it is my will & desire, that the same good should never pass another man's hand, provided he conduct himself well and faithfully towards his mistress during her natural life) And I hereby appoint my dear wife, Mary M. Robinson, and my friend Dan Wright Executor to carry into execution this my last will & Testament, and my said wife Mary M. Robinson to be my sole & lawful executor. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name & affixed my seal this August 11th 1857.

Witnesses

West Harris
Charles Sullivan

State of Tennessee
Sept. 10th 1857

County Court
This was the foregoing last Will and Testament of Thomas Robinson deceased produced in open Court and the execution thereof proved to the satisfaction of the Court by the oath of West Harris and Charles Sullivan the two subscribing witnesses thereto, and thereupon the same was ordered to be recorded.

Test.

Frederick R. Smith Clerk

Henry Brown's Will: 1837

I, Henry Brown, do hereby certify that on the seventh of January one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven, that I, Henry Brown, of Randolph Eptow County State of Tennessee being of sound mind knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, make hereunto publish this my last Will and Testament -

First. I will my soul to God who gave it, my body to his earth.

I appoint my friend Wm Vaught my sole executor to take charge of my property personal and real to sell and dispose of and pay or as directed hereafter in or 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 Hayward James (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 & and upon and upon old and Elizabeth now suckling at the breast and all the increase of them should be any of said Harriet from this time. Also the furniture in house & kitchen with the whole of my stock of horses cattle and hogs these last is the latter to enable him my grand son Hayward to support Rose my old servant during her lifetime.

2nd I will and bequeath to my daughter Mary Betts eight hundred Dollars in money to be paid by my Executor so soon as he can sell them and Prince two negroes.

3rd I will and bequeath to three of my grand children here named Henry M. Clark, Joel Jordan and Elizabeth Clark youngest child that she now has (name not known) all the balance to be equally divided, except one hundred Dollars.

I will and bequeath the above named hundred Dollars to my grand daughter Mary Williams.

All debts due me by note or otherwise with Men and Prince is to be put into cash and distributed as herebefore mentioned. I hereby releasing to the executor the payment of all my just debts and funeral expenses out of my property or success unappropriated.

4th If my grand son Hayward James should die without heirs all the property shall to him by and is to be given to his brother Robert Clark.

This my last will and testament making all other wills void and made by me having hereunto made my marks and being able to write in the presence of three witnesses the day above written.

Witness

Mr. M. Robinson
Wm. Brown
Thos. Robinson

Henry Brown

State of Tennessee County Court August Term 1837.

Septem County } This day it being the 7th day of August A.D. 1837 the last will and Testament of Henry 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 witnesses thereto. Wm Vaught the executor thereof appeared and came into open court and took upon 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 issue accordingly.

Teste Geo. P. Smith Clerk

State of Tennessee Eptow County Court

September Term 1837

West Harris one of the subscribing witnesses to the last will and Testament of Henry Brown deceased appeared in open court and after being first sworn depose and swear that he was personally acquainted with the Testator and that he believed him to be of sound and disposing mind at the time of signing the same.

Teste Geo. P. Smith Clerk

Robert Clark's Will: 1835.

In the name of God Amen I, Robert Clark of Eptow County Tennessee being of advanced age the usual habits, and trusting in the mercy of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ 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 out of me, viz. to John Clark a negro man named Simon, to James Clark a negro fellow by the name of Wm, to Joshua Clark a negro boy named Will, to Isaac Clark a negro boy named Charles, to Eliza Cook formerly Eliza Clark a negro woman named Charity & his child to them & their heirs forever.

Secondly. I do now give and bequeath at my death unto my son Robert Clark of Eptow County Tenn. a negro fellow by the name of Abraham and one hundred acres of land off of the east end of the tract on which I now live.

Thirdly. I likewise give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Watts a negro girl named Pigg and the sum of five hundred dollars out of the proceeds of the sale of my estate.

Fourthly. I likewise give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Whitson a negro boy named Isaac and the like sum of five hundred Dollars out of my estate.

Fifthly. 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 in estate and at her death to descend to and belong to my son Joshua P. Clark & his heirs forever.

firstly. It is my wish and desire that after my death that my faithful servant Demos 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.

Secondly. It is my wish and desire that my executor herein after named shall as soon as practicable discharge the five debts that I owe out of the sale of the most valuable property I own and not herein named and that will not interfere the least with the maintenance or support of my wife and the balance of my property & after the business is paid I give and bequeath unto my wife to have and benefit during her life and at her death to be with its issue and increase equally divided between all my children then alive.

Lastly. I do appoint my sons William Clark and Joshua J. Clark my sole Executors to this my last will and Testament - committing my body to the earth and my soul unto the hands of a just and merciful Ruler - this I witness I hope for a happy resurrection at the right hand of God - I sign and deliver this instrument in the presence of - (Witnesses before signing)

Saml. P. Ashe. Junr.

John B. Ashe. Junr.

State of Tennessee

Jefferson 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 proved by the oaths of Saml. P. Ashe and John B. Ashe two of the subscribing witnesses thereto; Whereas 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 oaths required by law. Witness my hand at office 2nd day of Octo. 1837.

Frederick N. Smith Clerk

Charles Wellers Will!!! 1839.

In the name of God, Amen
I Charles Weller, of the town of Berchug-Town in the County of Monroe, and Commonwealth of Kentucky, making all other, do hereby 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 hope of a happy resurrection at the last day.

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

Thirdly. I will and desire that my beloved wife Julia and Joseph all my goods and chattels, with all my real estate and monies, remaining after the payment of my debts, until such time, if it shall ever be, that she should marry and in that case, or in case of her death, I will that whatever may remain be equally distrib-

uted among my children, as they arrive at lawful age.

Fourthly. I will and desire that my beloved wife shall at her own discretion, educate my children, and bind out the male among them to such trades as she shall think proper and commendable.

Fifthly. In the latter execution of the design above mentioned, I will that in my decease, a list of all my property be made, and the same being approved by two disinterested men, that it be recorded in the Clerk's office of the County, so soon as practicable.

Finally. I do hereby appoint my beloved wife Mary J. Weller to be Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In testimony whereof I do hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this 17th day of October 1838.

Thomas Street

Subscribed this 28th of August 1837

James A. McGeary Junr

Thomas Montague

Saml. B. McGeary Junr.

State of Tennessee } County Court Oct^r Term 1837.

Jefferson County

This day the last will and Testament of Charles Weller, deceased was produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proved by the oaths of James A. McGeary and Samuel B. McGeary, two of the subscribing witnesses thereto. Whereas Mary J. Weller the Executor thereof came into court and took upon herself the execution thereof and entered into bond and took the oath as required by law.

Witness my hand this 2nd day of Octo. A.D. 1837.

Frederick N. Smith Clerk of the County Court.

George Cwells Will 1838.

In the name of God, Amen,
I George Cwell 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 recommend my soul to God who first gave me my body to be buried in a decent and Christianlike manner by my Executor.

Secondly. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth all my money in hand except fifty dollars. I also give and bequeath to my said beloved wife all of my personal estate except one bed & furniture. I give and bequeath unto my grand daughter Susan Elizabeth well the sum of fifty dollars in cash, also one bed and furniture after the death of my beloved wife all hereby will to said beloved wife to be at her disposal as long as she lives, and at the death of my wife the property, real and the estate of all improvements

to be equally divided between my six children share and share alike.
I give and bequeath to my dear beloved wife whom I hereby appoint sole executrix of this my last will and Testament hereby making all former wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the twenty fifth day of January A.D. 1837. Signed sealed published and declared by the above named George Smith 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 Justices of the Peace -

George W. Smith Just
his Great Seal
D. M. Smith Just

State of Tennessee County of Smith Sept 1st 1837.

This day the foregoing last will and Testament of George Smith deceased was produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proven by the oaths of George W. Smith and D. M. Smith the subscribing witnesses thereto, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that Elizabeth Smith the executrix therein named has departed this life intestate, and the rest of her surviving heirs right of administration to Thomas Ralph and he came into court and took upon himself said administration, with the will annexed and entered into bond & securities as required by law.

Frederick P. Smith Clerk of said court

Henry Billings Will!! A.D.

State of Tennessee County of Smith I Henry Billings of the State and County aforesaid being of sound mind and memory and knowing the uncertainty of this life feel it a duty incumbent upon me to dispose of what worldly effects the Almighty has seen fit to bestow upon me, and do dispose of them in the following manner, to wit:

1st I give and bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth one bed, Bedding and furniture belonging to the same, also two horses, her choice of what I may see proper of, also 4 cows and calves of her choice, also 4 sows and pigs 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 I give and bequeath unto her six hundred dollars to purchase land for her and during her life time.

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 David thirty dollars worth of property, also I have given to my daughter Nathany Ninety seven dollars, also to my daughter Polly one hundred

by the name of Pigeon, worth forty dollars, also I have given my daughter Elizabeth one mare by the name of Nell, worth forty dollars. It is my desire and wish that at my decease the above sums in the third specification be deducted from their shares of the estate which I may leave at my decease and the balance of my wife, so that my children shall share alike.

4th I also give and bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth during her life time all my negroes, viz, Adams, Nancy, Emily, Susan, Rebecca Judy and Martha Jane, and Harriette and increase of 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 be equally divided among my children.

I hereby appoint my beloved son William my executor to this my last will and Testament, hereby making all former wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal this first day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven. In presence of -

Signed and sealed in the presence of

Wm. A. Bowser Just

John Smith Just

Henry Billings Just

State of Tennessee County of Smith Sept 1st 1837.

This day this the last will & Testament of Henry Billings was produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proven by the oaths of William A. Bowser, and John Smith the subscribing witnesses thereto: it was therefore ordered to be recorded. Witness my hand at office in open court this Monday in Sept 1837.

Frederick P. Smith Clerk.

William A. Wilson Will!! A.D.

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 approached by honorable creditors and conveyance as best meets with my wishes and views of justice. Therefore, I William A. Wilson do hereby make my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say:

First: I deem 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 purposes, 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 money cash that shall remain after the payment of my debts to my wife Sarah C. Wilson. Also I will & bequeath to my wife Sarah C. Wilson my dear girl Susan and her three children Maria, Napoleon and Matthew; likewise my dear girl Mary and her child Sarah for and during her natural term of life; and after her decease, I give the same to my daughter Catherine Wilson, and my three sons, William B. Wilson, Alexander B. Wilson and Alfred Wilson, 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. Wilson, it is my desire that my above named children, Catherine Wilson, 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. Wilson and Joseph L. Wilson executors of this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 7th day of October 1836.

Witnesses

Charles R. Bedford

William L. Wilson

Pace Wilson

State of Tennessee

Superior County Court

November Term 1837.

This day the last Will and Testament of William L. Wilson deceased was produced in open Court and the execution thereof was duly proved by the oath of Pace 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 Dene Dought appeared 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 bonds and securities, and took the oath prescribed by law.

Frederick R. Smith Clerk.

George Smiths Will: &c.

I George Smith of Superior County Tennessee 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 entreated and

that my funeral be conducted in a discreet and corresponding with my situation in life.

And as to such realty Estate as it hath pleased God to intrust me with I dispose of as follows:

First, I will that all my Estate and all personal be intrusted in the hands or left to my Widow during her life or widowhood, but if she should marry I don't that all my property real and personal be sold in a credit of twelve months by my executors and equally divided between my wife and my children (to wit) Andrew, John, Henry, Lucy, Susan, Mary Ann, Polly, Sarah, Nancy, George W. Jifer, Alexander, Caroline, William & Margaret. But if she my said widow should live a widow during life at her death I will that my Estate be disposed of in the same way as if she should marry. I will that my son Andrew receive for his services this year out my crop where gathered one ninth part of all my crop now growing.

I hereby subscribe and affirm my friend Wm A. Bowers executor to this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this last day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight.

Signed and sealed in the presence of

Wm S. Macey

Peter S. Miller

Jacob Smith

George Smith

County Court

July Term 1838. 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 proved by Wm S. Macey and Jacob Smith two of the subscribing witnesses thereto; Whereupon Wm A. Bowers the executor therein named came into Court and took upon himself the execution thereof and entered into bonds and securities and took the oath required by law, and it was ordered to be recorded.

Frederick R. Smith Clerk.

Jachery Owens Will: &c.

This last will and Testament of Jachery Owens of the County of Lipton and State of Tennessee (Witness) that I Jachery Owens being of sound mind but infirm, no body do this day make this my last will and Testament in words as following, viz.

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Jane Owens all my land, and which I now live on, consisting of 66 acres lying in the nation of Indian Creek during her natural life, and it is my wish