

M. C. Green
Will

State of Tennessee
Holly County Tenn 3

I, M. C. Green of Said Estate, being now sick in body, but of sound mind & disposing memory do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament revoking all others to wit

I Will that all my just debts be paid off of funds arising from my personal Estate

It is my will & I hereby bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah Ann all of my Estate real and personal of every kind & description whatsoever & whereover to be by her held used & enjoyed for and during her natural life, and at her death to be equally divided between our Children then living or their descendants until this time, that if Said Sarah Ann Shall marry again after my decease in the event and when it occurs all of my Said Estate and its proceeds shall be immediately & equally divided between her and our said Children, Share & Share alike the descendants of any deceased Child to have the Share which would have been taken by such Child if living, and upon such division being made, the several devisees shall hold their Said several Shares in fee simple absolute.

It is my will & I hereby empower my executors hereafter appointed, if it shall become necessary in the Settlement of my Estate or in the payment of my debts, to sell any part of my Estate real or personal land or negroes, as they in their discretion shall think most prudent and proper, and to make good any indefensible titles therfor to the purchasers.

I hereby authorize said beloved wife Sarah Ann after Settlement of the Estate and the payment of all just debts, of the Said debts to pay first, profitably & most to the Interest of herself & Children, to sell any part of Said Estate, with this further however that the proceeds of said Sales shall be held by her whether reinvested or not, subject to all the provisions & remainder

set forth in foregoing items of this will - I hereby appoint & constitute my said beloved wife Catherine Green to be the Executrix of this my last will & Testament, and I hereby release her from the necessity of giving bond or security to any person or Court for the performance of the duties herein imposed on her and I request and require that no Court shall compel her to give any bond or security for the same.

For testimony whereof I the said M. C. Green have hereunto set my hand and Seal this the 2nd day of July A.D. 1858

Signed Sealed and published in my presence by Testator & witnessed by us in his presence at his request & in the presence of each other

A. R. Phelps
J. W. Green
H. W. D. Small

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A. Wood
Will

I Alexander Wood of Dijon County State of Tennessee being of advanced age and my health infirm, in view of the uncertainty of my human existence, do make order and publish this as my last Will & Testament as follows.

First: I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Catherine one half of all my stock, also one feather bed with bedding and the usual sufficient furniture, and covering for winter and summer such as she may choose and further the sum of One Hundred Dollars in Money to be paid to her as soon as practicable or convenient by my executor after my death and the payment of all my just debts and funeral expenses which I wish first to be paid out of any Money that may come into the hands of my executors.

Second: I give & bequeath to my daughter Nancy Ann Edwards

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ersons of Anderson Wolley and to her heirs and assigns forever My tract of land in said County of Clinton lying about one mile north of Cresson in which I have resided for many years past containing about twenty acres or more including my dwelling Hill and all other improvements on or belonging to said land to have and to hold to her and her heirs forever After the payment of my debts and the legacies to my wife and daughter as specified in the articles above there to be any remainder or surplus of money of my personal estate I wish and direct that said surplus or remainder may be divided between my four sons Thomas D. William Carroll John A. and John P. Wood as much of them as may be living at the time of such division I have no longer given trust of my children that are not known named or clear as much for them as I am able to do for their names and so therefore trusted to brother prudence for them Should not or insufficiency of my personal estate to pay my debts funeral expenses are with bequeath my wife then and in that case I wish and direct my executors to sell the land and other necessary articles and empower him as to do at public sale without any order or decree of Court or that purpose and to carry the same and insure a sufficiency of the funds of such sale for the purpose above stated and the balance of the proceeds of the land pay over to my Daughter Lizzie Ann Edwards Wolley unless she should make up any deficiency in which case the land may not be sold without my said daughter present & should be sold by her & my friend Dr. D. Bennett Executor of this my last Will & Testament In testimony whereof before witnesses my name and in the seal this 26th day of Sept'r A.D. 1838
Signed sealed and acknowledged by the testator in our presence
the day and year above written
R. H. Morgan
J. H. Woodward
E. S. Mariner

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Arthur D. Douglass clk

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My great grand daughter Mary Amanda Astor the one half of the land upon which I now reside of four hundred and forty acres (40) being the half of said tract unenclosed. The said tract to be in and belong to my said grand children and great grand child & to their children & to their issue to the survivors or survivors of them Item 8th I give and bequeath to my daughter Susan J. Frederick during her natural life and after death to her children the following items First Henry, Billy Thosse and Jane Item 9th I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth during her natural life all the personal property including slaves cattle stock farming horses and kitchen utensils & furniture & all other kinds whatever that I now own the farm now resided on and at the death of my wife said property to be equally divided between my heirs children and grandchildren as by the laws of descent it is my wish that my present crop of corn what and of any other description save that of Cotton remain to my wife & the purpose of keeping up the farm Item 10th By virtue of my Executor that he sell as soon as possible to sell my crop of cotton and to apply the proceeds to the payment of my debts or as much thereof as is due and that the balance of my debts shall be and hereafter to be paid I require my said Executor to pay some out of the proceeds of crops raised on the plantation since his Item 11th I appoint my friend Anderson Carbs my son in law Joseph A. Edwards and my beloved wife Lucretia both my Executors & Executrix to do all in all they do as I have required
Witness my hand and seal to this my will on the 20th day of Sept'r 1838
John D. Douglass

Signed sealed subscribed & published in presence and to which we hereunto bear witness the day and year above mentioned
I. West H. Campbell R. Bates
James Grier

Attest per Notary Public S. page 5
John D. Douglass Clerk

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James M. Smith

Will

I James M. Smith being in full health but of sound mind and memory do make and publish this my last Will and Testament.

It is my will that my executors herein after named shall as soon as practicable after my death proceed to pay all of my just debts.

After the payment of all of my just debts it is my wish that all of my property and effects except my Buggs and household property shall be equally divided between my beloved wife Mary Ellen Smith and my son Pleasant Burton Smith share & share alike.

It is my wish that my said wife and child shall continue to remain hold my undivided half of the above interest in what is known as the Mother Farm so long as the same may continue profitable and to their interest. But if at any time my Executor or the Guardian of my child shall deem it advisable to dispose of the same interest then and in that case he is hereby authorized and empowered to make such sale of said interest as in his judgment will be their best interest.

And I desire that my Executor shall appoint Judge S. Goffman of Fenton County as my Guardian with all the powers herein mentioned.

I also desire that at the end of two years he shall be appointed Guardian for my child Pleasant Burton that he superintend the raising and education of the same. This clause is not to be construed to mean that my beloved wife is to be deprived of the possession and custody of her lovely babe.

I further desire that in case my child Pleasant Burton should die during his minority that his interest in my estate should be equally divided between my sister Edmundia J. Walker Louisiana C. Pace & Mary C. Humphreys and descend through them to their children. In witness whereof I herein set my hand and affix my seal in presence of

W. T. Gorrell
J. W. Glass
A. B. Wagans

James M. Smith Seal

This 26 day of November 1858

Jane McFadden
Will

I Jane McFadden of Claytor County Tennessee make and publish my last Will and Testament hereby reciting and making void all other Bills by me at any time made.

First) I direct that my personal effects and all of my just debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of my money. I may die possessed of a sum first come into the hands of my executor.

Secondly) I direct and acknowledge my executor to retain in his own hands four hundred dollars for the use and benefit of Francis D. Lane to bring her Guardian and responsible for four percent on all money until it be consumed or paid out as hereafter directed.

Thirdly) when the Guardian shall have consumed in supporting S. Francis D. Lane the legacy due her from the Estate of Penny Lane the said Guardian shall be authorized to appropriate to the use and benefit of S. F. D. Lane as she may need from time to time first the Interest of \$9, four Hundred Dollars and secondly such parts of the principal as she may deem necessary for her support. Now provided Francis D. Lane should not live to consume the above named four hundred dollars it shall then be the duty of the Executor to distribute the remainder in his hands equally between himself and my lawful representatives.

Fourthly) whereas there is some probability of Nathan H. McFadden sustaining some loss by returning and selling for my benefit a certain tract of land in Davidson City, Tennessee sold by a sister of Court as the property of Landour McFadden now shows St. H. McFadden sustained loss in the above action I authorize him to retain in his own hands as my executor to not to lose on a reasonable compensation for any trouble he may be put to on of any money or notes that I may or possess not hereon disposed of.

Fifthly) I wish all the balance of my property etc on such a credit as my executor may think best and the proceeds of the whole estate not less than disposed of equally divide in accordance with the last will and Testament of Guy McFadden set down our lawful dependents etc.

Sixthly and lastly) I nominate and appoint Nathan H. McFadden as my Executor to this as my last Will and Testament this 10th day of January One thousand eight hundred and fifty four.

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J. W. Glass
A. B. Wagans

Jane McFadden Seal

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John P. Douglass att

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John Booker
Will

I John Booker of the County of Jefferson
State of Tennessee being of sound mind and do
spécify memory of it aware of the contents of my
will make this my last will & testament now being and
desiring and any will that I have heretofore made

Item First I request that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid
by my executor immediately after my death out of such monys that I may
be spared of or that may first come to his disposal

Item 2d) I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Lucretia Booker for
and during the term of her natural life the tract of land on which I now reside
containing about Two Hundred and Twenty four acres half the which being an
enclosed and at the death of wife Lucretia it is my wish that said tract of land
shall vest in & go to my daughter Anna & I then bequeath said tract to her to have
and to hold during her life after my said daughter's death I bequeath said tract
to her children to wit John Townsend Joseph Townsend and Lucretia Townsend
& George A. Townsend to be equally divided between them three

Item 3d) I give and bequeath to my Grand Children John P. Townsend Joseph
Townsend Lucretia Townsend & George A. Townsend the children of my daughter
Anna of my tract of land lying in Hattieville bottom about the quarter of a mile
from the tract I reside on & purchased by me of Mr. Loring four hundred
acres the whole of said tract containing about one thousand acres the said four
hundred acres to be laid off to my said grand children on the Northeastern
portion of said one thousand acre tract And I also give to my daughter Anna
a negro boy slave Admon to her and the heirs of her body

Item 4d) I give and bequeath to my daughter Amanda Austin during her natural
life the tract of land on which she and her husband W. D. Austin now reside and
said tract containing about one hundred and fourteen acres and after the death of my
daughter Amanda said tract to vest and belong to the heirs of her body forever

Also give and bequeath to my daughter Amanda during her life and after her
death to the heirs of her body the third of the balance of my thousand acre tract
Four Hundred acres having been previously given away to the children of my daughter
Anna Hattie - I also give to my daughter Amanda during her natural life
After death to her children a Negro slave Isaac

Item 5d) I give and bequeath to my daughter Anna C. Green to the town of
her natural life the tract of land on which she now resides containing about one
hundred and eighty acres said tract of land to vest and belong at her death to
the heirs of her body also one third of my one thousand acre tract not given
and bequeathed to the children of my daughter Anna or one third of same
as is left after such bequeath later during her natural life and at her death
to the heirs of her body

Item 6d) I give and bequeath to my grand children John D. Turner
William D. Turner and to my great grand daughter Mary Amanda
Austin the remaining portion of my one thousand acre tract the said
land to descend to the survivor or survivors in case of death of either of
my said children or great grand child or the survivor of them both

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Richard D. Tyler
Hall

In the name of God Amen I Richard
D. Tyler being of a sound mind and memory do ordain
and publish this to be my last will and testament
in the following manner namely
First my will is that all my just debts be paid
Secondly my will is that my Watch Brooch and saddle
be sold the proceeds of which will be the balance of my
estate I will to my sister in law Mary Elizabeth
Tyler for the sole benefit of educating her four children
in Mary Elizabeth's Boarding School Penn and John
Tyler I do hereby appoint my friend Fred my
Executor to be Executor of this my last will and testa-
ment signed in this the 20th day of October 1858 R. D. Tyler sealed

signed in the presence of

Junius J. Hall

Not witness'd before signed

John M. Wiley

Junius J. Hall

Not rep.

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Pribyl S. Oakes
Will

I, Pribyl S. Oakes of the State of Wisconsin
Warren County, but at this time absent from home
on a visit to Minnesota being of sound mind & disposing
memory, but for the benefit do make and ordain this
as my last will and testament and at the sometime
Invoke all former wills and testaments. The first
I am one of the lawful heirs of Elizabeth Oakes
and have according to her will an undivided interest
of one half in a certain tract of land lying in Warren
County, Wisconsin and alike interest to certain
monies intended to me by my mother
now I wish to make the following distribution
of all my interest in the above mentioned land
and monies. viz. I bequeath to my brother and
sister John & Francis Lewis two hundred dollars
& give and bequeath to my sister America M.
Oakes all of the balance of my interest in my mother's
estate whether consisting in lands or monies
I request that my old friend & kinsman Fielder
Oggers become Executor to this my last will & testament
this the 15th day of September in the year of our
Lord one thousand eight hundred & fifty eight
Dated
C. H. Gallum
C. G. Acker
G. G. Acker
Supernumerary
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Pribyl S. Oakes
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mark

James M. McCain
Will

I James M. McCain do make and publish this as my last will & testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made. First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my decease as possible out of any money that I may die possessed of or that may first come into the hands of my executor
2nd I wish all my real estate to remain entirely subject to the use and under the control of my wife Martha until such time as all or any of my children shall attain at least age 21 years and then I wish my said lands to be divided by Commissioners selected by my legatees between my said wife and children according to the law of distribution in such cases. But in case my said wife shall die before such division shall be made my executor hereafter nominated with the concurrence of my legatees shall select Commissioners and make equal division of my lands among my children according to law (B) I wish all my personal property of all kinds to remain in the possession and subject to the control of my said wife Martha to be used and disposed of in such manner as she may think best calculated to promote the interest of herself and family. And when any of my children - man or woman at least age 21 with my said wife to portion them off so she may be enabled to do having regard to the amount so advanced that all may have share & proportion in case they die in such division. But in case my said wife die before such division be made my executor shall dispose of all my personal property according to law (Last) & nominate and appoint H. B. McCain my executor and wish the court to release him from giving any security in witness whereof I do to this my will setting my hand and seal this 14th day of March 1839

James M. McCain

signed sealed and published in our presence and we have witnessed
for names here to the presence of the testator this 14th day of March 1839

Test
John Wilson
Wm. Baird

James Jamison

Will

I James Jamison of the County of New
York State of Temperance being of full years
but of sound and disposing mind & memory
and being desirous to make other & different disposition
of my property than that made by the laws of the land do
make and publish this my last Will & Testament as follows

Item 1^o I Will and desire that all my just debts be paid as soon after
my death as possible

Item 2^o I will & bequeath to my beloved wife Martha M. my
negroes Hick & Bass & all my Stock Crop provisions Money
on hand or due household & Kitchen furniture & personal estate
to her separate use and behifff forever

Item 3^o I Will and bequeath to my friend & relation Eliza H.
Loring... my negro girl Omilie to have & to hold to his son
support and benefit forever.

Item 4^o I Will & bequeath to the children of my brother Jacob
Jamison the tract of one hundred of acres of land on which
I now reside. Also my negroes John William & Leah
to be equally divided amongst them more & than alike

Item 5^o It is my will & desire that my said wife have the full and
free use and enjoyment of the property bequeathed in the 4^o
item during her natural life unless she should be judged
to vacate the homelead by removal in which event I
desire the land to go into the possession of my Brothers children
to whom it is bequeathed but the negroes John William
& Leah to remain in her possession during her life as aforesaid

Item 6^o I nominate & appoint my beloved wife Martha etc.
Executor to this my last will & testament. And it is my
desire that on publishing this will she be permitted to
qualify as such without any bond or security

In testimony of which I have set my hand and affix
my seal the 30th day of July A.D. 1859

Signed sealed & acknowledged James Jamison
in our presence
C. F. W. Smith
Josh Davis.

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Sept Term C & D 1859

James Cullum

Will

I James Cullum do make & publish this my
last will & testament hereby revoking & making
all other wills by me made. First I direct that all
my debts be paid. Secondly I give and bequeath to my
wife Elizabeth N. Cullum all of my estate whether real
or personal during her life after her death all to be sold and an
equal division to be made of the proceeds between Martha J.
Hillington of James N. Cullum and Marcus B. Cullum &
the lawful heirs of those brothers. Lastly I do nominate and
appoint my wife Elizabeth N. Cullum and C. H. B. Cullum
Executor to this my last will

This 28th day of June 1854. James Cullum

For probate See minute Book B^o Page 161.
Court term C & D 1859

Agnes Wright

Will

I Agnes Wright do make & publish this my
last will & testament as follows. Firstly revoking
all wills by me any time made

First as soon as possible after my decease all my just
debts & funeral expenses shall be paid out of any monies
that I may be possessed of or that may first come into
the hands of my Executor and that a Head Stone be
erected out of said monies to designate my grave

2^o I give and bequeath to my Grandson J. Murray son of
Thomas & Angus Five Dollars and intend that he shall
have no other property or further interest whatever in my
estate

3^o I give & bequeath to my grandson Robert C. son of my
deceased son Robert C. Wright Five Dollars & intend that he
shall have no other or further interest whatever in my estate

4^o I give \$ and bequeath to my daughter in law Mary
wife of my son Alexander C. Wright and to my daughter in
law Maria wife of my son William C. Wright all & my
wearing apparel of all kinds to be equally divided between
them

5^o I give & bequeath the balance of my Estate including all
monies & property of all kinds that I may be possessed
of to my three sons William C. Alexander J. & James
C. Wright to be equally divided than & than alike except
in the case of my son William C. who shall have one
hundred dollars over and above my other two sons Alexander

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I and James C. And Lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my sons Alexander and James C. Wright Executors of this my last will and testament & allow the Court to require no security of them
In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 15th day of August in the year of our Lord 1837
Witness J. H. McBrain.
J. H. Wright
J. H. Strain

Agreed & signed
mark

For probate see minute Book G. Page 194
July 1st in A.D. 1860.

Percy James The last will & testament of Percy James of Upton
Will County Kennebec

I Percy James Considering the uncertainty of this mortal life being of sound mind & memory do make & publish this my last will & testament in manner & form following, (that is to say) First after the payment of all of my just debts I do give & bequeath unto Mary Ann Dimmick my niece the sum of Two hundred Dollars to be paid into the hands of Guardian for the use & benefit of said Mary Ann Dimmick or to be paid into her own hands when she comes of age I also give & bequeath unto the said Mary Ann Dimmick my niece one Cow & calf also one leather feather bed and Bed clothing (Item) I give & bequeath unto Parilia Parish my step daughter one Leather bed bedstead & clothing said Leather bed bedstead & clothing to be given into the possession of said Parilia Parish when she shall come of age or marry (Item) I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah Elizabeth James all the remainder of my personal property of whatever description to be held by us and used without any restriction whatsoever (Item) I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah Elizabeth James the one hundred & five acres of land on which I now now live said land being situated lying in the Upton civil District of Upton County & State of Kennebec to be held and used during the term of her natural life provided nevertheless that if the same again

the one half of the one hundred & five acres of land shall then come into the possession of my niece Mary Ann Dimmick before mentioned the other half of said land to remain in the possession of my beloved wife Sarah Elizabeth James before mentioned and on the death of my beloved wife Sarah Elizabeth James the whole of the above described one hundred & five acres of land all then come into the possession of my niece Mary Ann Dimmick before mentioned or the heirs of her body. Item I give & bequeath unto my Brother in law Asahel B. Roberts one rifle gun or one double barrel shot gun at his option provided that at the time of my death I shall be possessed of two guns. Should I not have the two guns he is still to have one gun. I also appoint the said Asahel B. Roberts sole executor of this my last will & testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this fourth day of September in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & fifty four

Percy James

The above instrument consisting of half sheet paper was now here subscribed by Percy James the testator in the presence of each of us and was at the same time declared by him to be his last will & testament and we at his request signed our names hereto as attesting witnesses

William A. Master of Upton County
Leonard A. Williams of Upton County

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A. G. McDonald Esq. I A. G. McDonald of the County of Ulster
had Will & Testament in State of Tennessee being bound in oaken
and knowing the uncertainty of Life

think it most proper to make disposition of the property
with which an all wise Creator and benefactor has
inherited me. I do therefore hereby make this my last
will & testament and revoke all others.

First. It is my wish that all of my lands be worked & kept
together on my home place without it should become
necessary in the opinion of the Guardian hereafter to be
appointed to remove a part of the lands to the Vaughan
& New life place in order to secure a sufficiency of the
tilable land for the force.

Second. It is my wish that no public sale be made on my farm
and that nothing be sold for the payment of my
debt but the products of the farm and that all the
house hold furniture & tools ever be kept & decrassap
The benefit of my two children James & William L. McDonald
subject to the discretion of their Guardian
in using any part of the same.

Third. It is my wish that the Guardian of my Children
appropriate from the proceeds of the farm the sum of
Fifty Dollars annually to the missionary cause all of
which shall be expended for the home mission if necessary
or not the balance on foreign missions.

Fourth. Should any servant become unruly or positively dis-
honest it is my wish that such servant or servants shall be
hired out to the highest bidder annually under my son
James O. McDonald attains his majority.

Fifth. It is my wish that when my oldest son James O. McDonald
shall attain at the age of twenty one that all of my property
personal or of every kind be equally divided between my
children James O. & William L. McDonald.

Sixth. I give & bequeath to my brother James O. McDonald my buggy harness
partly & cincture and appoint my brother James O. McDonald

Executor of this my last will & Testament & also Guardian of my
children and that he shall not be required to give security
either as Executor or Guardian for any personal or real estate
to which I have an inheritance right.

In testimony whereof I herein set my hand & seal
this 19th December in the year of our Lord 1857

Test. B. G. Merit
C. J. Vanderlinne

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Henry Atkins
Will

State of Tennessee Sevier County

I Henry Atkins of said state and County do make and
beleve this to be my last Will and testament hereby revoking all others
Wills heretofore made by me in manner and form as follow:
1st I give and bequeath to each of the children of my deceased daughter Ann
Ann Gentil Ten Dollars and desire that they shall in any other part of my
estate whatever.
2nd I give and bequeath to my two sons James & Charles O. Atkins all the lands I may die seized and possessed of to be divided as follows:
Beginning at the corner of the 200 acre tract that I purchased of John
Strong it being the N East corner of said tract. Hence south with
the boundaries of the Creek up to the mouth of a branch that
runs into said Creek of the East side some few miles below a
bridge at present on said Creek. Hence up said branch to the
foot of the hill near an old wolf den. Thence along the foot of the
hill until the line intersects Henry Thomas' North boundary line
And my son James O. Atkins shall have the Western side of his lands and my
son Charles O. Atkins shall have the eastern division of said lands including
the mention herein after known & bequeathed the aforesaid lands however I bequeath to my
two sons as aforesaid and in case either or both of them should die to their children
with the following provis (2d) that my son James Atkins pay to my
grand children William & Margaret children of my deceased son William Atkins
One Thousand Dollars each and that my son C. O. Atkins pay to James
Lever Benjamin Thomas children of my deceased son B. O. Atkins One Thousand Dollars
each and a like shall be retained on all said lands to secure the payment of this amount
respectively to my four grand children as aforesaid these bequests of one Thousand Dollars
each going to four grand children as aforesaid shall commence bearing
interest from my death and my said son James & C. O. Atkins or their
legal representatives shall pay over said bequests as soon as my said grandchildren
shall attain at the age of twenty one years but in case either or both of my said sons
should wish to sell their lands they shall be authorized to do so upon condition
of their giving a bond and good security to the County Judge of Sevier County or
his successors in office for the faithful payment of said bequests
3rd All my slaves including those owned by my two sons James & C. O. Atkins
except Minerva hereafter disposed of shall be divided into four lots of equal men
and my sons James & C. O. Atkins shall each have one fourth of said slaves
to themselves and then to their children forever. The remaining two fourths
of my negroes shall remain in joint stock to be equally divided between the
children of my deceased sons William & B. O. as aforesaid as they shall attain
at the age of twenty one years respectively but in the case one of the children of my said
sons William & C. O. Atkins should die leaving no children then and in that case
the portion of such deceased shall descend to the surviving brother or sister as
the case may be and in case both the children of the said Wm. Atkins
should die children then and in that case all their interest both property
and money descended from me shall revert back and shall be equally divided

between my two sons James L & H. Attkins and their children and also either one or both of the children of my said son R. S. Atkins so then and in that case the same disposition shall be made of their effects as in the case of the children of my said son William H. Atkins.

It is my wish that my Negro woman Maria shall be valued as my life's property and be taken at her valuation by either of my said sons James L & H. Atkins and not go into the share of said deceased children.

(5th) All my house and kitchen furniture farming implements and stock of all kinds shall be sold by my executors who I now nominate I do nominate and appoint my friend Bryan Payne and my two sons James L Atkins and Charles H Atkins my executors to this my last Will and Testament.

And Lastly it is my wish and desire that my three executors above mentioned be appointed guardians for my four grand children William S. Margaret & James, Lewis & Benjamin Thomas Atkins the children of my two deceased sons W. H. & B. J. Atkins and to act as their Guardians until they attain to the age of twenty one years respectively.

In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and seal

This the 29th day of April 1857

Henry Atkins 

Signed sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names
before the presence of the testator this the
29th day of April A.D. 1857

Henry Harmon
A. Raymond
Jas. McElsterkin

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James B. Martin

Will of Mr. the Name of God Amend I James B. Martin of the County of Dighton and State of Massachusetts being of sound mind and body of age of the uncertainty of life and the certainty to death do make and declare this to be my last Will and Testament. To my beloved wife Lucy S. Martin I give the whole of my Estate both real and personal to her and to hold to all and dispose of in any way she may think proper. I do this with a full assurance that should she after my death conclude again to marry that previous to taking such a step she will make ample provision for our children either by a Deed of Gift or by some Contract securing to herself the right to dispose of her property as she may think proper. It is further my will that no administration shall be had of my property. That the whole shall remain in L. S. Martin's possession as it is now in mine. In Testimony whereof I hereunto affix my hand & seal this 19th day of Oct 1843.

J. B. Martin 

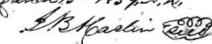
after the lapse of more than eleven years I can see no good reason to alter the above will and although I will not direct yet it is my desire that my wife and grandchildren give liberally and chearfully to objects of benevolence and charity. March 15th 1857 A.D.

Witness,

W. G. Kimbrough 

Geo Whiting 

John S. Price

J. B. Martin 

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Mr. W. Bradshaw
Will

I Am W Bradshaw of Dleton County & State of Tennessee being of sound & disposing mind & memory do make & declare this my last Will & Testament in the following words to wit - (Item 1st) I wish all my just debts paid as soon after my decease as possible (Item 2nd) I give to my son Marcon Bradshaw Two hundred dollars more than his equal portion of my estate

(Item 3^d) All the money coming to me from my father's estate in Va I wish to be equally divided between my two sons Sidney & Marcon Bradshaw

(Item 4th) All the balance of my estate I wish to be equally divided among my three children Sidney Bradshaw Marcon Bradshaw & Benninetta Rhodes and I wish it to be distinctly understood that the portion willed to my daughter Benninetta is for the sole & exclusive benefit of her & her lawful heirs & not to be subject to any debt or debt to heretofore or hereafter contracted by her husband Solomon A Rhodes

I hereby revoke all wills heretofore made by me

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix my seal this 19th day of August 1858
Signed sealed and acknowledged in presence of

Q A Laddie
D R Sharp
J G Hendrie

Ann W Bradshaw
her marks

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Wm B Tucker Hill, II

J. Wm B Tucker of Fenton County Tennessee being in sound & disposing mind & memory do make & publish & declare this to be my last Will & Testament hereby revoking & making void all former wills by me made, & for the management & distribution of Estate both real & personal, action revision, or remainder in manus & form following to witness

I give & bequeath to beloved wife Elizabeth Tucker the following negroes to wit, my woman Burrit & her children & my man John, & my horse happy horse, & my Bay mare, & my Buggy, two mule of blue, her choice, & my large waggon, three cows & calves, her choice & two thousand pounds of pork, & four dozen & pigs her choice, one hundred barrels of corn, two thousand bushels of fodder & a good stack of stalks, and fifty bushels of wheat. Also give her all my house property of every kind, & as the girls may need. To give them each a bed & furniture with a bedstead to make them equal with my children that have married off All of which I give to my wife as above, the above property during her lifetime, and at her death if it should be before the sale of my property as here after named, and if my wife should live till after my sale here after named, the negroes and property left her to be sold to the highest bidder and the money to be divided between my children here after named. Also give to my wife as above my land free of rent during her lifetime.

I will & desire that John Willis, Mary Jane Bet. Penny, the child of Mary Malver, wife, together with all my crop that has not been disposed of be sold after it has all been disposed of gathered, and the proceeds to be equally divided between my children here after named, after all my just debts have been paid by my executors, to wit Calvis Tucker, Steven Woolson, J M Tucker, Elizabeth Turnago, Adelia Tucker & Victoria Wm B Tucker, Francis Powers, Ally Goldins, Victory Tucker.

I will that J M Tucker, Adelia Tucker, and Victory Tucker have one hundred dollars more than a distributive share, to make them equal with those that have married off for property gave them

Also constitute & appoint my Sons

Gabriel Tucker & my son-in-law L S Morton
executors to this my last will & testament
In witness whereof I set my hand
& affix my seal this 16th day of July A.D. 1860
In the year before signed

Wm B Tucker

Witness
Wm Bowers

Allen Pickard

For probate see Minute Book F Page 944

Vincent P Kelly's Will!!

State of Tennessee
Dixson County I Vincent P Kelly of the County
of White & State of Arkansas being weak & failing
in body but of sound mind do make and ordain
his my last Will & Testament hereby renouncing
and all wills here before made by me.

It is my will that all my just debts be paid
by my Executor here-in after to be appointed
as soon as practicable.

It is my will that my Executor as aforesaid
pay to my beloved brother W P Kelly who resides
in Craterhead county in the State of Arkansas
the sum of fifty cents out of the Estate of which
I may die seized and possessed.

It is my will that my Executor as aforesaid
pay to each of my beloved Sisters Susie Goff
who resides in St Francis County Arkansas.

A F Boatright who resides in White County Arkansas
and Miss Eliza Kelly who resides in White County
Arkansas each the sum of fifty cents each out of the
Estate of which I may die seized & possessed.

And lastly it is my will that my Executor
after paying all of my just debts shall pay
over to my beloved wife Sarah P Kelly all the
money in his hands after defraying the expenses
of administration. It is my will that my wife
have all of my real & personal estate which may
be left and the all proceeds there from where so
estate shall be wound up. It is my will that the
tract of land which I now own lying & being
in the County of White & State of Arkansas
in Section (A) of Township (7) R. of Range (6)
containing forty five acres being the same
conveyed by Wm P Kelly to me by deed dated

1860

the 11th of October 1859. I will all tract of land to
my wife Sarah P Kelly to be disposed of by her
as she may see proper. I will it to her for her own
sole & separate use, with full power to convey or
otherwise dispose of it. It is my will that all the
right title & interest which I have in & to all
land, & all other lands after my death be vested
in her, & that she have the same powers & control
over said lands that I now have.

It is my will that my esteemed friend Wm
R. Goodly Esq. of the County of White & State
of Arkansas be appointed & is hereby requested
to act as my Executor of this my last Will &
Testament, that he take possession of all my
estate, pay off all of my just debts, & give
to my beloved wife all of my property both
real & personal. Amen.

In witness whereof I have here unto set
my hand & seal this the 28th day of June
in the year of our Lord A.D. 1860
signed sealed & acknowledged
in my presence this June 28th 1860

Test Isaac Clark
J W Townsend

For probate see Minute Book F Page 976

Arthur F. Norton's Will

State of Tennessee

Denton County I Arthur F. Norton being in a low state of health but sound in mind do make and publish this my last will and Testament.

First. I want all my just and lawful debts paid as soon after my death as circumstances will justify.

2d. I want my entire Estate consisting of Horses, land stock of every kind Household and Kitchen furniture sold to the highest bidder for cash, as soon after my death as circumstances will require. I do direct my wife to have a child's part of my Estate during her natural life, but when she marries or dies her part to be equally divided between my children ^{daughters} Charles James Taylor and Alonso. If any remains after the consideration here after mentioned in reference to my wife's part. I want her part of my Estate placed in the hands of my son W. A. Norton to act as her guardian. As I don't think her capable of managing her own affairs I want her supported out of her share as long as she lives or is my widow, at her death or marriage of my daughter if any to be divided as above described, I give to my grand daughter Mary Horne 300 Dollars which I want placed in the hands of my son W. A. Norton to act as her guardian so far as the 300 Dollars is concerned to be paid to her when she marries or becomes of age but in case of her dying without issue to be equally divided among my children. I give in addition to what I have already given my daughter Mary Coward I give her 300 dollars to be paid to her by Executor as soon as circumstances will justify after my death.

3d. The balance of the proceeds of my father's Estate I want equally divided between the balance of my children, except W. A. Norton I have given him a tract of land the value of which I want taken out of his share of my Estate.

I appoint as my Executor my two sons W. A. and Cannon S. Norton, give in writing my bond and seal this 17th May 1854.

Witnesses

W. A. Norton
Wm. S. Norton
Jos. M. Gandy

Arthur F. Norton Seal

See preface in Annex Book 3 page 304

Wm. Ross McCains' Will

I, Wm. Ross McCains do make, and publish this my last Will and Testament, here by writing and publishing and all other wills by ^{at any time} witnessed.

I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid out of my money that I may die debt free and possessed of, or may first come into the hands of my Executor.

2d. I give and bequeath to my wife Letitia my negro man Kimbrell, but this bequest is made on the condition that she pay back into my Estate at the time she is put into possession of said negro man the sum of Two Hundred and Forty Dollars, I also give and bequeath to my wife my ornate Mare, a Saddle, Blanket and Bridle, the Bed & Bedstead and all the clothing brought her with her.

3d. I give and bequeath to my daughter Lois Vashell my negro woman Mcilly, but this bequest is made on the condition that she pay back into my Estate, at the time she is put into the possession of said negro woman, the sum of One Hundred Dollars.

4th. I give and bequeath to my son Semidus Johnson my Silver Watch, conditioned that he pay into my Estate the sum of Twenty Dollars.

5th. I will and direct that all of my effects both real and personal - not included in the above bequests remain in the hands of my wife as head of the family, and to be used by her for the benefit and use of all good each member of the family living in the family, just in the same manner as I should have done were I alive, so long as they continue to live together as a family, but if at any time they shall determine to break up housekeeping as a family, then my Executor shall take charge of my effects both real and personal, (except my wife's sever interest in the land) and settle up my Estate and divide the proceeds equally according to law.

6th. I have advanced a sum of my daughter Mary Catharine Dickson, and Eliza Westphill Wilson the sum of Two Hundred Dollars, which amount is to be charged to them in the settlement of my Estate.

7th. I will and direct that my daughter Lois Vashell be considered as of mature years and in all cases in reference to my Estate

age as if she were 21 years of age.

I direct that immediately after my decease my Executor deliver up all the property named in the 2d, 3d & 4th requests of this my last will and testament, and he is hereby authorized to deliver up, give Bills of Sale for, and receive the money for all the property named in said bequests.

Last by I hereby nominate and appoint Alexander L. McLean my Executor. W R McLean Esq

signed, sealed and executed in the presence of us this

16th day of May 1868.

James C. McLean
John Baird

I Wm R McLean having heretofore made my last Will & Testament, do make and declare this as a Codicil thereto

I will that the proceeds arising from the sale of my negro woman Melly, as directed in the 3d request of my Will & Testament, and the proceeds arising from the sale of my negro boys Jack and Harry, as directed in the 5th request of my said last Will and Testament, be equally divided between all the children of my deceased wife Margaret,

I will that all my Bed & Bed clothing, except that already disposed of in the 2d request of my last Will & Testament, be equally divided between my daughters Lois Vashli and Margaret Eleanor, at a reasonable valuation and the proceeds arising from this valuation to be equally divided as directed in the 1st request of this Codicil to my last Will and Testament.

Lastly It is my desire that this Codicil be attached to and constitute a part of my will to all intents and purposes.

W R McLean Esq

Signed sealed & published in our presence, and we have subscribed our names in the presence of the Testator this 10th June 1868.

James Wright
W R Dickson

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State of Dimmick Fulton County, I Martha Jane Craig do make and publish this as my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and Making void all other Wills by me at any time made (First) I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I may die possessed of or may first come into the hands of my executor. Secondly, I give and bequeath to my Brothers James Craig and Jessie S Craig and my sister Margaret S Daffin all the Money & goods effects or property I may die possessed of after my debts are paid to the value of only one Bed & clothing for it. I leave to my Brother James Craig more than the others & my body clothes I leave to my sister Margaret S Daffin. Thirdly, my Will is to make James Craig as a Trustee to pay into the hands of my Sister Margaret S Daffin whatever part of my estate goes to her exclusively, that it shall be her now & to do with as she pleases to her husband John Daffin to have no Control of it whatsoever nor to get into his hands Fourthly, I will & bequeath to my Sister Mary Daffin & her daughter Mary S Daffin One dollar to be paid to her out of my estate Fifthly, I nominate and appoint James Craig my executor to this my last Will in witness whereof I do to this my Will set my hand and seal this 3d day of December 1868

Signed, sealed & published in our presence & we have subscribed our name in the presence of the Testator at date above

Witness
James C. McLean
John Baird

Martha Jane X Craig
Marty

In the Name of God Amen

I O fm Wilkins being weak in body but sound in mind do hereby make this my last Will and Testament (to wit) I Will bequeath to my daughter Ellen the new side saddle and also her bed and bed and furniture and I will bequeath to my daughter Mary her bed and furniture and I will bequeath to my daughter Sarah five Dollars and I hereby direct and authorize my executors to sell my tract or parcel of land I reside on and I authorize him to make full and sufficient title for the same to the person and I also direct all my personal property to be sold except the above specified bequests and the proceeds after paying spic and spans and all my lawful debts to be equally divided between and among the following named heirs (to wit) Ellen George John William Keay Rose Robert and Thomas A. Wilkins I intend my two daughters Ellen and Mary to have a full share in the last division in addition to the bequests made to them I hereby appoint Alex G Mc Cain my Executor of the above Will & Testament as witness hereunto set my hand and in presence of this 31st day of January 1861

Silas
O. Wilkins
S. B. Miller

O fm Wilkins
Mandy

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February First 1861

David Wilson
Will

I David Wilson do make and publish this as my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debt be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money I may die possessed of or may then come into the hands of my executor Second I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary all my land during her life all the stock household and kitchen furniture worth such articles as I shall name her on hands Third I give and bequeath to my three daughters Sarah, Elizabeth & Nancy and to my two Grand children Robt Mc Goughland and Wm R. Mc Goughland children of my daughter Margaret Mc Goughland over due the following in proportion viz one on J. Mc Leron for one hundred and fifty Dollars due Jan 27th 1857 on G. Mc Leron for one hundred dollars due Jan 8th 1857 on on H. C. Wilson for four hundred and seven dollars due 1st Jan 1857 with a credit of three hundred and fifteen Dollars due Jan 8th 1857 on Sam for four hundred and twenty three $\frac{1}{2}$ Dollars due 2nd Jan 1858 one on Sam for four hundred and seventy three $\frac{1}{2}$ Dollars due 1st Jan 1859 on B. J. Atkins and Henry Atkins for one hundred and ten Dollars due 2nd December 1858 one on Mr. Curtis Mc Cain for four hundred and twelve $\frac{1}{2}$ Dollars due March 2nd 1857 one on H. C. Wilson and B. J. Atkins for twenty six $\frac{1}{2}$ Dollars due Aug 1st 1858 one on H. C. Wilson for one hundred and fourteen $\frac{1}{2}$ Dollars due July 30th 1858 one on

John Mc Patrick for forty Dollars due 14th February 1857 and one on H. C. McCormack for twenty two $\frac{1}{2}$ Dollars which are to be collected by my Executor and equally divided and paid over to my daughter Sarah Elizabeth Nancy and to my two Grand children Robt. H. & Wm R. Mc Goughland. Then my Grand children are to receive one fourth of the residue of the above named note as their mothers part of my Estate (Fourth) I give and bequeath to my Son W. D. Wilson the grey horse wagon and Bost car and all my land after the death of my wife Mary and said Son William may live with my said wife Mary and if necessary may build out his or the laundry at any suitable place during the life of my wife Mary (Fifth) after the payment of all my debts out of the Crop on Share do I give and bequeath the balance which may be left and all the farming tools to my wife Mary (Sixth) I hereby nominate and appoint John Thompson my Executor I signed on the 1st January A.D. 1861

A. D. Mc Cain

J. Thompson

November 23rd 1857

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Elijah Brown State of Tennessee Rutherford County Will Elijah Brown do make and publish this as my last Will & Testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debt be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money I may die possessed of or may first come into the hands of my executor Secondly I give and bequeath to Nancy Franklin one side Board and two quilts and one rug called Leeks rug for Fourthly I give and bequeath to Lucy Caroline Marcell one bed + furniture one each Cupboard and one High Called Wash biff for Fifthly I give and bequeath to Martha Elender Brown one Bed and furniture and one called Cherry and one cupboard Sixthly I wish my land rented until my youngest child comes of age and the rent for five years appropriated to the benefit of Elijah Brown and Aminda Josephine Peach during her life Mary Elizabeth and Nancy Franklin Wills Son William Franklin Seventhly after my youngest child becomes of age I wish my land sold in time of one less than three years and the proceeds equally divided between Martha Elender Brown Elijah Jane Brown Aminda Josephine Peach and the proportion of H. C. Wilson I am to equally divide between his heirs and also my mate wife each portion equally divided between her heirs Eighthly I wish my land here will next fall and the proceeds to go to my daughter Elijah Brown Ninthly if there should be any proceeds remaining in the hands of my executor after paying all my debts which it equally divided between his heirs and tenthly half the proportion to be equally divided between his heirs Eleventhly I do hereby nominate and appoint J. B. Campbell my Executor for witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and this 19th day of January 1861 Signed sealed and published in my presence Elijah Brown Test

and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator this 14th January 1861

3 S. H. Woodard
3 J. G. Cooper

Allen Pickard's Will! State of Tennessee Marion County

I Allen Pickard of the state and County aforesaid being weak in body and in perfect mind do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all others by me made at any time.

Ist I will that every body be decently buried and thereby commit my soul in the hands of God who gave it

2d I will that my Executors sell such of my property as they may deem best to pay all my just debts, And the residue to remain in the hands of my wife during her life time, if she should continue single and at her death to be sold and equally divided among my children but if she should marry in that case I will that my Executor sell all my property and equally divide the proceeds among my children and my wife share and share alike

I will and request my friends H. W. Weston and James D. Eastley do act as my Executors to this my last Will and Testament

In witness I hereby set my hand and seal this 13 February A.D. 1861.

Allen Pickard Seal
J. H. Galtreath

Allen Pickard Seal

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Thomas Warmoth Will

I In the name of God Amen

Thomas Warmoth Jr. of Davidson County Tennessee

being of sound mind and in reasonable good health but knowing the uncertainty of human life I therefore do constitute and ordain this my last Will and Testimony as follows To witness my

First & Beauteous My mortal body to the dust from whence it originated and my immortal spirit to let goe of me & said that when my mortal spirit shall have gone hence that my body be decently but not expensively buried and that my funeral expenses be paid Out of my Moneys I may leave on hand at the time of my death if none be on hand Out of the first

that may come on to the hands of my Executors thereafter

I will that all my Just debts be paid in like manner And of the first Money that may come in to the hands of my Executors there after I will any legatees to my beloved wife and C. Warmoth all the property of every description that I may die possessed of (which shall be given to her) during her natural life or in default

I will and direct that my Executors sell to the highest bidder on the usual credit such property as my wife may not desire to keep and collect the same with all other debts which may be due my estate and apply the proceeds thereof After paying all my Just debts to the purchase of a comfortable farm or house for my wife and Wilson and dear my wife to have the control & possession of the farm or house during her natural life as a widow or otherwise if I have to purchase a farm or house myself I will sacrifice the necessity of her entering into it for my family which I will try my self to contrive

After my wife is supplied or furnished with a suitable farm or house wherever my wife and Executor may think most suited to her circumstances in life if there shall be any money or dues left I desire the same to be left in the hands of my Executor to be appropriated as in his judgment he may think best for the support of my wife & children also the education of my children

After the death or marriage of my wife I desire all my estate and the proceeds of the same both real and personal to be sold to the highest bidder on the usual credit and the proceeds of the same collected Also all dues and money on hand be added to the proceeds of the sales made by him my executor and divided equally between my lawful children

It is my Will wish and request that Nathan W. McFadden of Davidson County and State of Tennessee be and he is hereby appointed my Executor to this my last Will and Testament which or the all other by me made as witness may have and seal this the twenty third day of July eighteen hundred and fifty four and sealed by the testator in my presence on the day above written - Jas. Wm. Hamilton

Acknowledged to me by the testator on this day this 24th day of July 1856.

Jas. Wm. Hamilton
Test. J. C. Plant

A. H. Wallace March 15th 1861

To Probate see Minute Book & Page 418 by 5 Dauphin

Margaret ~~Sweeney~~ Hill

I Margaret Sweeney of Jefferson County State of Indiana being of advanced age and differing in health but of sound disposing mind & memory, and considering moreover of the uncertainty of life and in view so to dispose of my property or estate as I think right suitable and proper to make herein stand and publish this my last will and testament as follows:

Arist, I wish my executors herein after named to pay all my just debts and funeral expenses out of my money that may be on hand or that may come from the sale of my perishable property as not herein after disposed of or that may come into his hands from any other source as soon as conveniently practicable after my death.

I further wish my executors out of my money that may be or remain in his hands after the payment of my debts & funeral expenses out of the annual rent of my negro man Edmund and his wife Mary Ann so long as they live unless any for that purpose to order a sum of one thousand dollars which I wish him to hold in his hands in trust to be used only such out for the sole and separate use and benefit of my daughter Sarah Ann McEntee and her children for their support in their natural life, and at her death the said one thousand dollars, to be equally divided between her children then living or the legal offspring of any such of them as may be dead to be consumed in the same proportion that the said person would have been entitled to if living. I also give and bequeath to my said daughter Sarah Ann May Bay Main called Mary Dean to have and to hold to the said Sarah Ann her heirs & assigns —

In consideration of the kind affectionate & obliging treatment received from and peculiar regard to me by my dear son James Sladden, son the son of my daughter Margaret Sweeney I do give and bequeath to my said grandson the Negro man Edmund my wife Mary Ann their two children Emily and James Edmund and my dear little Anna together with all the future income of said slave to be given and held to him in his heirs & friends — subjects however to the following named provisions and conditions that is to say, my executors is as written after to him out actually the said negro man Edmund and his wife Mary Ann so long as they by means of their own labor the sum of one thousand dollars per year for the use and benefit of my

daughter Sarah Ann, first should it be necessary making provision out of said sum for the maintenance of the said Sarah Sladden, And my daughter Sarah Ann having to have for and during her natural life the use and to enjoy the services & services of the said girl Julia Ann, and provision also at the death of my said daughter, the said negro girl and her master as aforesaid shall go to the said James Sladden, And the said James Sladden also wish to have the sum of one hundred dollars which he claims, and the said James Sladden that the said James Sladden reasonably wishes to be sold with my other perishable property —

I do hereby appoint my friend Isaac R. Fisher executors of this my last will and testament and in case of his death or failure to act therein I wish my friend R. C. H. Mumford to act as my Executor in stead of which I do hereby set my hand and seal this 2^d day of May in the year Anno Domini and eighth hundred and forty.

Margaret Sweeney
At the request of the testator we do
hereby affix her signature and the presence
of each of the subscribers to whom as
witnesses to her last will & testament
the day and year above written
C. J. Fisher
Isaac R. Fisher
J. F. Fisher
Mark

At Probate see minute book 34
May 2^d year 1861

R. W. Sanford's Last Will

I Robert W. Sanford of the County of Jefferson & State of Indiana do make & declare & publish this to be my last will and testament hereby revoking all former testaments by me made. I wish my laborer George to have the use of the following property to wit, three hundred and fifty acres of land back off, so as to include my dwelling as the same is now. The negro woman Pleasant his son Peter, Joseph & his wife Belinda, John & their children Celeste, Harris, Juniper, Rufus, Abby Ann, from his stock of horses or mules ten head cattle, two sheep one goat, one thirty head stock hog

as much provision for my dear as they may want & some
hundred dollars in money which I may bestow my
Executor to pay it, and what household & other
property I want.

I declare my property to be equally divided among
my children. The portion that may fall to my daughter
to be held in trust by my Executor for the use and
benefit of them during their lives and then to the
King of their body, and next to be left to the wife
of their husband to my children that have married
than let them have the use of property which I wish
them to accumulate in the possession.

I hereby appoint my friend Richard H. Mungford
Executor to the My Last Will & Testament, Novr 19th 1856

Acknowledged by the testator as his
Last Will & Testament in our
presence who in his presence
have hereunto Subscribed our
Names as witnesses

Robert J. Barnard

John J. Barnard

James M. Barnard

Testamentary Papers

A list of Property bound

Mrs W. G. Green & wife
21 Horse Saddle & Bridle

\$ 90.00

" 2 Cows & calves

35.00

" Cash 125 bushels \$10

35.00

" 2 Bins & 4 Box Clothes

35.00

" Stock Hogs of Campfield

40.00

" Old Pines 46 & 6

800

" 1 Negro Slave Grace

400.00

" 1 Bay Bridle

650.50

" 10 Acre of Land @ \$15

40000.50

" 1 White Cow

15.00

" Ham & Bacon

10.00

John

\$ 53,98.50

A list of Property & Money R. B. Sanford

3 Expenses at College \$ 100.00

1 Horse Saddle & Bridle 100.00

2 Cows & Calves 200.

1 Goat Hogs 100.

31 Bins & 2 Clothes 35.00

Stock Hogs of Campfield 4000

Cotton Land (Hemp) 100.00

Old Pines 46 & 6 650.50

1 Negro Slave Grace 400.00

1 Bay Bridle 650.50

10 Acre of Land @ \$15 40000.50

1 White Cow 15.00

1 Chump Bay Sledges 1000.00

Ante on John Sheep 150.00

1 Mare Green 80.00

1 Small Goat 300.00

1 Cowman & Child 200.00

\$ 6147.00

A list of Property Richard Sanford &	
21 Horse Saddle & Bridle	100.00
" 2 Cows & Calves	20.00
" 1 Negro Slave & Child	900.00
" 1 Mare Green	800.00
10 Acres of Land @ \$15	3000.00
Cash to buy provisions &c	200.00
Bob Cat Clothing &c	35.00
Stock Hogs	20.00
10 Bins & 2 Sledges	30.00
1 Negro Slave Peter Ann	350.00
1 Pauline (Pet)	15.00
	6520.00

A list of Property to Dr. Gurnsey & Sons	
1 Horse Saddle & Bridle	100.00
2 Cows & Calves	25.00
Bedding of the 2	35.00
1 Negro Slave Sarah	600.00
1 Colossal	50.00
250 acres land @ \$15	3750.00
1800 Day & N. Cash	150.00
	6510.00

A list of Property & Money R. B. Sanford	
3 Expenses at College	100.00
185.7 Cash to buy medicine &c	125.00
Cash to buy clothes &c	100.00
Oct 26 Cash expenses to Ark	400.
21 Horse Saddle & Bridle	125.00
1808 May Cash to pay Hallworth	60.00
26 Cows & Calves	28.00
May 1859 Bob Cat Clothing &c	35.00
Sign man Nathan	30.00
Horse & Sleds in Covington	120.00
Nov 15 1859	200.00
	64765.00

R. B. Sanford

A list of Property Granddaughter Annie	
1 Horse Saddle & Bridle	125.00
2 Cows & Calves	55.00
Provisions &c	50.00
Beggs man Lewis	125.00
Horse Saddle & Bridle	1250.00
Boy Pidden	600.00
Giles Mattison	400.00
Sign man Nathan	30.00
Horse & Sleds in Covington	120.00
Lots in land	4000.00
	64900.00

R. B. Sanford

By looking over the other list of property I think the my old list
for Sarah Ann to have more land west her and Mary Ann to have
the use of all the land West of a line to run from a Stake 25 poles
east of Dr. Hall, North east corner a white Oak North to gray
North boundary line, include the tract I bought of Dr. D.
Smith & the place Sister Caroline lived on & think there is
upwards of 500 acres. Nov 19th 1856.

Land for S. A. Green

Begins at the South West corner of the 10 acre Marsh tract
at a Black Oak Hainer Oak - Odis to a White Oak
Dr. Hall North East corner of his home tract of land
thereon so far that by running west to the mouth of
the stream on the mountain road across the line to the West
boundary of the original tract and thence South with said
line to the Ridge rising as to include 370 acres.

Odis

Lands for Mary Lamb

No. James Beginning at a Corner the North East Corner of my Murphy tract Miner South Sells to a State the North West Corner of a 250 acre tract this day Conveyed to James G. & A. Lamb & her Children Miner East with the North boundary of said 250 acre tract to Mountain road thence South to Mouths of Mountain Miner to the North East corner of same North to the North boundary of the said Murphy tract to the beginning of said lot to contain about 179 acres 180 acres adjoining the one the north boundary of D. C. Smith 36 acres adjoining on the West purchased of Oliver & Dingston 77 acres adjoining the 36 acres on the South making in all about 256 acres in the same town as lots

Lands for Son Henry

The 6 acres he lives on near Lexington

Lands for Son Richard

For 4 acres of his home & parking tract
A.P. 15 - 1858

R.W. Sanford

400 Acres of Lands for James Part of I Recd
500 to be laid off to include New & new
improvements as he may make to
June 18th 1861

R.W. Sanford

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State of Tennessee
Dept. County

Whereas I have hitherto
brought of G. Hales a lot of ground and have
agreed to pay rates to said Hales for the same
for the balance of the purchase money to make
out note due 1st January 1860 on due
19th day of August 1860 and am due 19th
of August 1861 for the sum of eight hundred
and one hundred dollars & 33 cents each
one of said notes has been paid and the other
partially paid and a note made payable
in Bank for the balance of said note due
same time about 10th October next
in Memphis for further description

of said Lots or parcels is hereby made to G. Hales
letter bound to me dated the 17th day 1859 and are enclosed
in Shelby County. Now should I die before said debt
is executed to pay by said Hales I hereby authorize my
executors or Administrators from time to time of
paying the balance of the purchase money to make a
Ded to said Lot to Mary Churchill the wife of G. C.
Churchill and my daughter and further this is not
to be charged with any part of what has been paid
in the Settlement of my Estates given under my hand
and seal this 20th June 1861

J. M. Rivers Seal

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Mary Lamb Hill

3 W. H. A. Martin T. J. Whitton

I Joseph Dennis State that Mrs. Mary Lamb
a citizen of Jefferson County State of Tennessee reported
her self at her residence in the town of Randolph in said
County on the 3rd day of September 1861 on which day
we were present together at her residence and that she
said in our presence and desired our questions to
bear witness to the statement (that after her death she
desired all her property of every kind now possessed
to be equally divided amongst her children and we agreed
to this and then Whitton & the said Dennis & Whitton
State that the said Mrs. requested the said Martin to see
to the execution of her Will and the said Martin corroborated
them with the further statement that she (she now) requested
that J. B. Lamb should act in concert with them
until up our hands and seal the 7th Sept 1861

W. H. A. Martin Seal
Thomas J. Whitton Seal
J. B. Dennis Seal

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Decr 1st 1861

Jesse Byrd Will

State of Tennessee }
Lipson County }
I write this will and testament
August 5th 1861

I Jesse Byrd do make & publish this as my last will and testament. First revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made. First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I may die possessed of or may first come in the hands of my executors. Secondly I give and bequeath to my first wife children William Stanley Byrd - Robert Franklin Byrd - Mary Francis Byrd - Avery Albertine Byrd - Lavery Clementine Byrd - James Henry Byrd - and Charles Byrd one dollar each. Then to my present wife Mariana Byrd all of my property after paying all of my just debts her life time or widow-hood. Then all equally divided between my three children by second wife Mary Byrd and my bodily heirs by my present wife Mariana Byrd. Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint James J. Mullins my executor in witness of whom I do to this my will set my hand and seal.

This August 5th 1861 Jesse Byrd Seal
Signed sealed and published in our presence and
have subscribed our names here to the presence of the
testator

This Aug 5th 1861

James G. Overall
W. G. Billings

Mollon Dickson Will

In the name of God. Amen
I Mollon Dickson of the state of Tennessee Lipson County being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this fall and transitory life do therefore make ordain publish and endorse this to be my last will and testament

That is to say. First after all my lawful debts are paid and discharged the residue of my estate real and personal I give bequeath and dispose of as follows. To wife To my sister Martha Ann Strong I give bequests and chores twenty five dollars and all the rest residue and remains of my real and

personal estate I give bequeath and devise to my beloved mother Mary Dickson during her natural life and after her death to be equally divided amongst all my Brothers and Sisters who may be living at the time of her decease equally share and share alike except the said Ann Strong.

Likewise I make constable and appoint Mary Dickson to be Executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and appointed my seal the 29th day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty one

Signed sealed in the

presence of us

W. H. Simpson

R. H. F. Jones

W. C. Elmore

Mollon Dickson Seal

S. S. M^c Bright Will

State of Tennessee }
Lipson County } May the 2nd 1864.

This is my last will and testament.
First all of my just debts shall be paid. I then do will to my three sisters Margaret, Jane and Emaline two hundred dollars to each one in gold. Also my Walker tract of land, which contains fifty acres, also the Wilkins tract, which contains thirty eight acres. The above named lands I do will to my three sisters Margaret, Jane and Emaline to be theirs during their life-time, at their death the above named land shall be given each to my own child or children as the case may be. All the rest of my estate land residence money negroes and stock I do will to my beloved wife to be hers during her lifetime. At her death all of my land shall be given to my own child or children as the case may be; that is to be equal among my own children. The balance of my estate which will include negroes money and stock

shall be valued and divided aequal among Montague and James and my own child or children as the case may be. I leave S. A. Thompson and J. R. Mc Bright executors of my will.
Witnessed by
W. H. Mc Gill,
S. A. Thompson,
J. G. Robinson,

S. G. Mc Bright.

For probate see minute Book F. page 545.
July 1865 - Date 26 Oct 65

W^m Bragg - Will.

I William Bragg of the county of Tipton and State of Tennessee being sound both in body and mind do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking all others. Item first I will that all my just debts shall be paid as soon after my death as can conveniently be done. Item second. I do hereby will and bequeath to my nephew Roulett F. Bragg and his heirs every thing that I may at present or possess whether real or personal rights or credits chosen in action of every sort and kind. Item third. I do hereby appoint my said Nephew Roulett F. Bragg executor to this my last will and testament and I do not wish him to be required to give any security as my executor. Witness my hand and seal this 26th day of July 1862.

A. W. Smith,
R. G. Commissary

William F. Bragg

For probate see minute Book F. page 555.

Samuel S. Craig Will.

I Samuel S. Craig do make and publish this as my last will and testament, revoking all others made by me at any time. First it is my will that all of my just debts be paid by my Executor out of the first money that may come into his hands. Second, it is my will that my beloved wife Virginia S. Craig remain on my farm six years or during her widowhood, at the expiration of which time it is my will for my lands and every thing belonging to me to be sold on such time or terms as my Executor may think best. The farm, stock and every thing is to be managed by my son Newton H. Craig out of which out of which he is to support my beloved and children during the six years or so long as they will live at home. After the expiration of six years it is my will that my lands, stock and farming tools Household and Kitchen furniture be sold and divided equally between my beloved wife Virginia, and my five children H. C., Jas. G., S. H. and Edward Barbara Craig. All that belongs to my wife where I married is not to be sold, but to remain hers. I hereby nominate and appoint my son Newton H. Craig my Executor. Given under my hand and seal this 24th day of December 1864. Signed in presence of
W. H. Wooten
J. J. Easley.

S. S. Craig

For probate see minute Book F. page 555.

A. H. Owen - Will.

I A. H. Owen of Tipton County Tennessee being well, and intending to travel for some time do make this my last will and testament. First I will that all my just debts be paid. Second I will that my body be laid

by the side of my much loved wife Sarah Ann. Owen. Thirdly I will to my son R.H. Owen a certain tract of land adjoining Dr. Walton's J.M. Owen and R.H. Owen containing 115 acres more or less also my negro man Isaac to him and his heirs forever.

Fourth. I will to my son A.M. Owen \$800.00 in money also one negro girl named Rose also one half of the crop made on my home place the present year. Fifth. I will to my son

R.B. Owen 200 acres of land to be laid off, the east end of the tract of land belonging to me known as the Hamilton tract. also one negro woman - Jude - and her increase. Also one negro boy John. Sixth. I will my son

R.H. Owen all of that part of my land on which I now live lying south of a line to be made commencing at the N.E. corner of Charles Smith tract of land running east through my whole tract of land containing 160 acres more or less. Also one negro man called uncle Ike also one negro woman Nancy and her increase, to him and his heirs forever.

Seventh. I will my daughter Bettie H. Owen all of my land known as the Hamilton tract not willed to my son R.B. Owen also one negro girl named Sue also \$200.00 in money.

I will my daughter A.T. Owen all of that land owned by me not otherwise disposed of, supposed to be 200 acres more or less, also one negro girl named Amanda also \$200.00 in money to her and her heirs forever. I will that all my property both real and personal not herein willed

be sold or divided equally between my four youngest children; if sold the money to be equally divided between my four youngest children. I constitute my two sons R.H. & R.B. Owen my executors (if living) if not the other sons. In testimony whereof on this day and date subscribed my hand and seal.

C.G. Fisher.

A.W. Smith.

Jno. T. Douglas.

January 23rd 1864.

R.H. Owen J.S.

Susan C. Markham Will.

I Susan C. Markham do make and publish this as my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made. Item the 1st I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any moneys that I may die possessed of or may first come into the hands of my Executor. Item 2nd. I direct that my residence be sold as soon after my death, in such manner and upon such time, as my Executor may think best, and the money put out upon interest. And I do hereby invest in him full power to convey title and make deed to same as if I was acting myself in the premises. Item the 3rd. I give and bequeath to my three children George T., Mary and Elanor H. Markham my entire estate of every description. And as each becomes of age or wednes to receive their equal proportion share and share alike. Item the 4th. I desire and direct that each of my children be given a liberal education out of the income of my estate. But if that should prove insufficient to do the same I hereby empower my Executor to use enough of the principle to carry out my wish. Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my friend Thomas T. Somervell my Executor and Guardian of my children. In witness whereof I do, to this my will, set my hand and seal, this the 10th day of February 1864.

Susan C. Markham
L.S.3

Signed, sealed and published in our presence, and we have subscribed our names unto in the presence of the testator. This the day and date above written.

Witness:
Wm. A. Somervell,
J.A. Taylor

To Probate see Minute Book "F" page 565

J. M. Quincy Will.

I J. M. Quincy being sound in mind, though feeble in body, do make this my last will and testament, at the said time revoking and declaring null and void all former wills. To wit. I give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy fifty acres of my tract of land to be laid off north and south across the east end of my tract joining the lands of M. H. Cullum.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary M. Starkey ten dollars.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Martha Helms ten dollars.

I give to my son John T. Quincy all the balance of my property both real and personal and he is to pay all my just debts and to take care of his mother as long as she lives, and if Nancy's husband never gets back from the Army, he is to take care of her as best he can.

I hereby appoint my son Jno. A. Quincy as Executor of this my last will and testament signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of, this the 27th day of September 1862 test.

M. H. Cullum. } John Quincy St. S.
L. H. Woodard. }

To probate see Minute Book "B" Page 59.

Hugh Bragg
last will & testament

I Hugh Bragg of the County of Jefferson and State of Tennessee being of sound disposing mind, memory and understanding; wishing to make provision for the disposition of my Estate do for that purpose make certain and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following; hereby revoking, annulling and making void all other wills by me heretofore made.

In the first place I wish my Executors herein after named and appointed as soon as practicable after my death to pay off and discharge all my just debts, and funeral expenses out of the first money that may come into their hands or possesive belonging to my Estate.

Secondly: To my nephew John Perry of the town of Manchester State of Virginia I give and bequeath four hundred and fifty acres, part of my thousand acre tract of land known as the "Hot water tract" lying about six miles in a north west direction from the town of Williamsburg in said State of Virginia; the said four hundred and sixty acres to be laid off to my said nephew in the north end of said thousand acre tract by running a line east and west through it; to have and to hold to the said John Perry his heirs and assigns forever.

Thirdly I wish all debts due or owing to me to be collected as soon as practicable or convenient after my death and all of my property in the State of Tennessee, of my land and descriptive, both real and personal of which I may die seized and possessed to be sold by my Executors at public sale; the personal property on a credit of twelve months, and the land in two equal payments on one and two years credit; good security to be required of purchaser, and a lien to be retained on the land to secure the payment of the purchase money.

should I die in the early part of the year before
preparations are made, or a crop planted, then
I wish said sale to be made as soon thereafter
as suitable, but if the crop should be plun-
ted, then not until the close of the year,
or until it is made and secured, or prepared
for market or sale. The proceeds of all
said sale together with all other of my
money or effects of every kind and descrip-
tion whatever, not herein before disposed
of, I give and bequeath, and direct to be
equally divided by my Executors, between my
Niece and Nephews herein after named
viz. Fatsy Turner, Archibald Turner,
Judith Turner, Angelina Turner and James
Turner the children of my deceased Sister
Mary Turner, or to such of my said Nieces
and Nephews above named as may be
living at the time said division is made or
takes place: and should either of my Nieces or
Nephew die before the time of making said
division leaving at that time living legal
issue of children; in that event such
child or children to have and receive the
portion that the said deceased parent would
have been entitled to if living. I also
wish and direct that all debts due, or
owing to me, money notes or other effects,
and all land or real estate owned by
me in the State of Virginia (except the
tract of 460 acres of land having before
bequeathed to my nephew John Perry)
shall also be equally divided in the same
manner and upon the same conditions
as herein before stated between my said
Nieces and Nephews the children of my deceased
Sister Mary Turner. The bequests herein
before made to my said Nieces and Neph-
ews, and money or property given to them
to be held by them out the conditions and
subject to the following named trust and
limitation, that is to say, my said Nieces
and Nephews or their children, including
the wife of named John Perry are to ful-
fill their respective portions of the same
or less, and supply equal amounts each

in providing and furnishing to my brother William
Bragg for and during his natural life a good,
decent and comfortable support and maintenance
and to see that he is well taken care of and provided
for in his old age; and should they at any time
fail to take care of, and provide for him as afores-
aid then he or any friend for him, or my
Executors may sue for recover and take possession
of a sufficiency of the money or property herein
given to my said Nieces and Nephews, to provide
for him an ample and comfortable support...

And lastly: I do hereby nominate and appoint
my friends Thos. S. Lauderdale and Richard H.
Munford Executors of this my last will and
testament, and authorize and wish them if
necessary to employ some good and trusty
agent or attorney in the state of Virginia to
attend to selling or disposing of any land or
other property I may own, and to the closing
and settling up of my and all business
in said state of Virginia in which I may be
interested, or connected with my estate.
In witness whereof of which I do hereunto sub-
scribe my name and affix my seal this ninth
day of January in the year one thousand eight
hundred and fifty nine.

Signed sealed and acknowledged by the testator in our presence
on the day and year above named
and at his request in his
presence and in the presence
of each other we witness the
same.

John D. Douglass,
Stephen E. West,
J. H. Lauderdale.

To probate see book "F" page 548.

James H. Cotten Will.

I James H. Cotten leave this as my last will and testament, viz My property to be equally divided between my wife and our children. My wife to keep possession of all the property during her widowhood, and manage it as I have done for the benefit herself and our children. If she marries again, then it is my will, that an equal division of my estate be made between my wife and the children and that guardians be appointed for the children. My wife's real estate to remain at her own disposal. Out of the first many rec'd from my brother J. A. Cottens Estate, all my debts to be paid, as far as it will go after leaving two hundred dollars in my wife's hands for current expences. The balance after my debts are all paid to be put out at interest by R. J. Cotten is my agent or attorney. If I die in service. Then this fund is to be used and applied as my wife and brother R. J. Cotten may think to the best advantage of my family. Should circumstances make it necessary in the opinion of my wife and brother R. J. Cotten, to sell one or more of the negroes they are to do so, purchasing with the proceeds other property to be held as they were, this April 14 1862.

Jas H Cotten

Test
John Adison
Sue Adison
P. H. Gibbs

For probate see minute Book Page 608

Thos. Campbell will.

I Thomas Campbell of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee being sound in body and mind do make this my last will and testament at the same time and by these presents annulling and revoking all former wills. First I want enough of my personal property sold to pay all of my just debts. Secondly I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth M. Campbell my tract of land containing 175 acres on which I am now residing and all my personal property that is left after the payment of all my debts, to have and hold during her life time my widow and if she should get married, she is to have a child's part of all money and property belonging to my estate - but if she remarries my widow she is to have the full use of all the property and at her death it is to be equally divided among my children. I earnestly desire that my wife or other legal representatives should use all the funds that can be spared in educating my children. I request my friend W. H. Cullumb be Executor to this my last will and testament.

signed sealed and delivered} T. C. Campbell
in the presence of }
Isaac Sullivan
Lucy Sullivan

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Alfred R. Wilkins will

Tipton County Tennessee,
May 14th 1861.

From a consideration of the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death and from a consideration of the pain I will place myself in by joining the volunteers of Tennessee to defend the rights of the Confederate State of America I therefore being in my proper mind and in the enjoyment of good health wish to dispose of my little effects in the following manner which I wish to be carried out by my Executor provided I fall a victim to my Country or do not live to return.

I will to my dear mother Rebecca Wilkins five hundred dollars to be appropriated to her comforts if needed at any time or if not needed immediately to be handed out for her individual benefit during her lifetime and at her death if she has not consumed it and its proceeds I then will it my sister Jane M Adams and the heirs of her body. I will to my half brother W. T. Lane the amount he is indebted to me will be seen by examining my papers including my interest in a thousand dollar judgment transferred to me by him; and the remainder of my estate consisting of my interest in four hundred acres of land in Calhoun County Arkansas the balance in money notes & accounts &c I will to my sister Jane M. Adams and the heirs of her body given under my hand and seal this
May 15th 1861.

Testm.

R. L. Lane
R. C. Lane

Alfred R. Wilkins (seal)

For Probate see Book F page 608.

Burton L Smith will

I Burton L Smith, of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee, being of advanced age and infirm health but of sound mind and memory do make and publish this my last will & testament.

First it is my wish that as soon as practicable after my death my Executor herein after named provide to pay off all my just debts and funeral expenses out of any money that may be on hand or from the proceeds of the sale of such of my property as he & my wife Ann Smith may think best to sell including any of my slaves, should they think it best to sell for that purpose & my Executor is hereby clothed with authority to make titles to any property he may sell.

Secondly I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Ann Smith for & during her natural life the whole of my property real and personal.

Thirdly It is my will that my son B.B. Smith and Burton L Smith and my grand daughter Louisa Walker live with my wife free of charge and that Burton receive a good education but whenever Louisa marries she cannot live with my wife free of charge without the consent of my wife.

Fourthly It is my will that my sons B.B. & T.L. Smith after the death of their mother shall have and inherit the ninety six acre tract of land on which I now live independent of any other property they may receive, and in the division of the personal property they are to receive equal shares with my other children on condition that they provide for and manage for and take care of their mother and also on account of the other children having received better education managing and leaving my two boys to take care of their future in their sole judgement.

Fifthly It is my will that my sons B.B. & T.L. Smith have and receive one half of the fifty acres of land I purchased of my son J. M. Smith and that they pay four hundred & fifty dollars to my other children or their representatives for the same, & having this day sold to my son in law Robert Hayes the other half of said fifty acres of land for the sum

Sixthly. It is my will that my personal property upon the death of my wife shall be equally divided between all of my children or if dead their children share and share alike.

Seventhly. It is my will that the property whether money or other property falling to my daughters shall be theirs during their natural life & after their death shall go and belong to their children independent of their husbands and shall be free from the control of their husbands and not subject to any of their husbands debt & any money that may fall to any of their share shall be left in negro if possible but if not then in other property subject to the limitations above named.

and if my daughter Mary Humphreys wife of Abdom Humphreys shall draw negro they must be sold here so as not to separate the families of negroes & the money received for them invested in other negroes subject to the conditions & limitations above named.

Eighthly. It is my will that the property falling to my grand daughter Louisa Walker is only given on this condition, that it is hers during her natural life and after her death to be the property of her children, and in the event she should die without leaving a child or children living at the time of her death then the property she may have received is to be equally divided between my other children or their children & hereby request the County Court of Tipton County to appoint Jordan L Farrow her guardian if my wife should die before she marries or becomes twenty one years of age - and in my next is her Father Ebenezer Walker to have the control & management of her property. Ninthly. If my Grand Son P. H. McSmith should die before he becomes twenty one, or the property he receives is to be, the property of my other children or their children & is to be equally divided among them.

Tenthly. I hereby appoint Cullen Smith my Executor to execute and carry out such & every one of the quiet & conditions of this my last will & testament & it is my wish that the County Court will demand no security of him - I having confidence in him & believing he will do as much.

Witness my hand & seal this 30th March 1859.
Signed & sealed in our presence the 8th day of April 1863
having been witnessed before signing & sealing

Henry Sanford

Isaac S. Bottrall

Probate Book "E" pp. 445.

test

S. W. Aiken Will.

State of Tennessee
Tipton County

March the 15th 1863.

This is my last will and testament.

I will also bequeath to my wife Argent H. Aiken all my estate to have and hold so long as she remains my widow & at her death to be sold and equally divided between my heirs; and J. S. Craig to be my Executor; this being my last will & testament.

Witness my hand and seal

S. W. Aiken

Tested

J. S. Craig
R. M. Wright

For probate see Book "F" page 605.