

John R. Palmer will

I John R. Palmer of the County of Dipton and State of Tennessee being of sound mind disposing memory, do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking any and all wills by me anytime heretofore made.

1st It is my will that as soon after death as practicable; that all of my just debts be paid by my executors herein after named.

2nd I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Ann M. Palmer after the payment of my debts, the one third of all my personal property absolutely. And the one third of my real property during her natural life.

3rd The remaining two thirds of my real and personal estate together with the remainder of the one third interest herein before willed to my beloved wife Ann M. Palmer for life. I will and bequeath to my two children Coroline and John M. Palmer for sole and separate use and benefit, not to be liable for the debts contracts or liabilities of their husbands should they marry. And in case of either of my said children should die without leaving any kind of her body, then the survivor and her children, and in case of the death of both of my said children without leaving kind of the body, then to the children of my two deceased brothers should and estate should.

4th I do hereby nominate and appoint

my beloved wife Ann M. Palmer my executor to execute this my last will and testament with full power to sell any or all of the lands of which I may die seized and possessed of, and purchase such other lands as may conduce to the greater comfort and better support of herself and my said two children.

5th And in case my executor shall think it advisable to sell any of my said lands, she is authorized and empowered to execute to the purchaser or purchasers all proper conveyances therefor. And to take from the vendors of such lands purchased by her in exchange for lands sold by her under the provisions of this will all proper conveyances, conveying the lands purchased by her to be held subject to the same restrictions and limitations as herein before imposed.

6th Reposing the uttermost confidence in my beloved Ann M. Palmer, I hereby request that the Court will require of her no bond as my executor for the execution of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 8th day of June 1868.

John R. Palmer (Seal)

Signed sealed and acknowledged in our presence this date above written

Attest  Lafayette Hill
 W. Smith

For Probate see Minute Book No. pp. 184.

Wack. Drummonds Will

I Wack. Drummonds considering the uncertainty of this mortal life, and being of sound mind and memory to make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following (that is to say) First after all my just debts are paid I give and bequeath to my Son Marshall R. Drummonds the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars

2nd

I give and bequeath all of personal and real estate to Sarah Ann Sabitt, Samuel H. and James W. Drummonds and Francis Strayhorn to be equally divided between them under the following considerations "to wit"

I request that the part given to Sarah Ann shall be solely to her and the issue of her body, and in event that said Francis Strayhorn should die before he becomes of lawful age this part shall go to Samuel H. and James W. Drummonds.

3rd

I further give to my two grand children Mary Roberts and Robert E. Clements, dollar each for the following reason "viz" I gave their Mother when married all I was able to give

I give her all that come by her mother from her Grand Mother she got it after her marriage with Clements

I further request that my son Samuel H. Drummonds be my Executor to carry into effect the following bequests

Signed and sealed in the presence of us this 12th day of February 1869

W. Drummonds (Seal)

J. B. Roberts we assign in the presence of Sam E. A. Parker of the Testator as witnesses

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N. J. McQuinn's Will

I N. J. McQuinn do make and publish this as my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all other Wills made by me at any other time.

I will and direct that my funeral expenses be paid by my Executor.

This expense to include a head stone.

I will and direct that my Executor sell off any of my property he may think necessary in order that he may satisfy or pay off the bequests hereafter enumerated or mentioned, but if the proceeds from the sale of this property is not sufficient to satisfy these bequests. I will and direct that they be paid out of any monies that may be in the hands of my Executor

I will and bequeath to the heirs of William R. McQuinn the sum of ten dollars each

I will and bequeath to the heirs of J. McQuinn the sum of fifty dollars

I will and bequeath to George A. McQuinn or heirs the sum of fifty dollars

I will and bequeath to Alexander S. McQuinn or heirs the sum of fifty dollars

I will and bequeath to John A. McQuinn or heirs the sum of fifty dollars

I will and bequeath to Elenor E. McQuinn the sum of fifty dollars

I will and bequeath to Margaret G. McQuinn the sum of one hundred dollars

I will and bequeath to Mary E. McQuinn the sum of fifty dollars

I will and bequeath to my son Henry S. McQuinn all the lands I now possess including all the improvements

I will and direct that my son Henry S. McQuinn be the lawful Executor of this my last Will and Testament and that he is authorized to execute this Will with any

securities.

In Witness whereof I H. G. McCain the said
Testator have to this my will written on one
sheet of paper set my hand and seal this 11th
day of January A.D. 1870

Signed sealed and published
in the presence of us, who have
subscribed in the presence of
the Testator and of each other

William Smith
James A. Moore

H. G. McCain
Testator

For Probate see Minute Book I. page 145

Will of Elizabeth Phelps

State of Tennessee
Leflore County

I, Elizabeth Phelps
of the County aforesaid, and of sound
mind and disposing memory do make
this my last will and Testament hereby
revoking all others heretofore at any time
by me made.

- First I give and bequeath all my estate both
real and personal, to my beloved wife
daughter Susan M. Thorne and her heirs
except what is herein after named
- Second I give and bequeath to my beloved son
Micahyah H. Phelps five dollars.
- Third I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter
Mary H. Thorne five dollars
- Fourth I give and bequeath to my beloved
daughter Hendis Lois Hunt five dollars
all to be paid out of any money, which may
come into the hands of my executor after
my decease after my debts & funeral

and all my just debts are paid.

I nominate and appoint my friend Mark
Drummond my executor to carry into effect
the foregoing will and bequests.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and seal in presence of John A.
Stakes and William R. Clements subscribing
witnesses. This the 9th day of March A.D. 1865
Elizabeth Phelps

Attest
John A. Stakes
W. R. Clements

In presence of the Testator

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securities.

In Witness whereof I H. G. McCain the said
Testator have to this my will written on one
sheet of paper set my hand and seal this 12th
day of January A.D. 1870

Signed sealed and published
in the presence of us who have
subscribed in the presence of
the Testator and of each other

William Smith 
James A. Moore 

H. G. McCain
Testator

For Probate see Minute Book I. page 145

Will of Elizabeth Phelps

State of Tennessee
Lipsett County

I, Elizabeth Phelps
of the County aforesaid, and of sound
mind and disposing memory. Do make
this my last will and Testament, hereby
revoking all others heretofore at any time
by me made.

- First I give and bequeath all my estate both
real and personal, to my beloved wife
daughter Susan M. Thorne and her heirs
& cpts what is herein after named
- Second I give and bequeath to my beloved son
Micajah H. Phelps five dollars.
- Third I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter
Mary H. Thorne five dollars.
- Fourth I give and bequeath to my beloved
daughter Madis Leis Hunt five dollars
all to be paid out of any money, which may
come into the hands of my executor after
my decease after any debts & purses

and all my just debts are paid.

I nominate and appoint my friend Mack
Drummond my executor to carry into effect
the foregoing will and bequests.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and seal in presence of John A.
Stokes and William B. Clements. Subscribing
witnesses. This the 9th day of March A.D. 1863
Elizabeth Phelps
Testator

Attest
John A. Stokes
W. B. Clements

In presence of the Testator

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Will of John Burton

I John Burton being of sound mind and disposing memory but feeling the uncertainty of all human events, I hereby make and publish this as my last will and Testament hereby making void all others by me at any time made

- 1st I desire after burial expenses are paid, I want all of my last debts paid
- 2^d I want Mary Ann Tothwaite to have her mother's bed and one half all the bed clothing on the place.
- 3^d I want my son Hezekiah Burton to have five dollars to be paid him by my executor as soon after my death as circumstances will admit.
- 4th I want my son Darnah Burton to have five dollars to be paid as above.
- 5th My daughter Martha Dacey five dollars as above.
- 6th I give my son Robert Burton a note on Robert Dacus for fifty dollars which has collected, I want him to show that.
- 7th I want my grand children of my daughter Vincina Middleton to have five dollars, to be divided among them to be paid as above.
- 8th I want a neat plain tomb stone placed around my wife's grave and also around mine own.
- 9th All the balance of my estate I give to my beloved wife Maria Jane Burton house hold and the like furniture, stock and money and every thing I may die seized and

possessed of.

Given under my hand and seal 3^d day of Dec. 1868

Wt.

W. A. Furnage

J. W. Trubbing

John^W Burton
writ

Was Probated on minute Book 9
May term 1871

Will of John Burton

I John Burton being of sound mind and disposing memory but feeling the uncertainty of all human events, I hereby make and publish this as my last will and testament hereby making void all others by me at any time made

- 1st I desire after burial expenses are paid, I want all of my last debts paid
- 2^d I want Mary Ann Tothaught to have her mother's bed and our half all the old clothing on the place.
- 3^d I want my son Hezekiah Burton to have five dollars to be paid him by my executor as soon after my death as circumstances will admit.
- 4th I want my son Parmah Burton to have five dollars to be paid as above
- 5th My daughter Martha Dacey five dollars as above
- 6th I give my son Robert Burton a note on Robert Dacus for fifty dollars which has collected, I want him to have that
- 7th I want my grand children of my daughter Lucinda Middleton to have five dollars, to be divided among them to be paid as above
- 8th I want a new plain tomb stone placed around my wife's grave and also around mine own.
- 9th all the balance of my estate I give to my beloved wife Harriet Jane Burton Nurse Lolo and all the furniture, stock and money and every thing I may die seized and

possessed of

Given under my hand and seal 25th day of Dec. AD 1868

Wile

John^{his} Burton
mark

W. F. Furnage

J. W. Frobbly

For Probate see minute Book 9
May term 1871

Non-cupature Will of Margaret Clemens.

Being sick and
probably near unto death. It is my will
and desire, if I die, that my friend and
former owner William A. C. Chase have
custody, care and keeping, raising sup-
porting and services of my three oldest
children until they are twenty years of
age - whose names are as follows: to wit
My daughters Lavinia and Rose and
my son William.

It is also my will and desire that
William A. Chase collect any and all
sums of money which may be due me.
that he can collect and appropriate
it for the use and benefit of my three
children above named.

It is my will and desire that my
friend Emily Ross, (Colored) have the
custody, raising, keeping and services
of my infant child - until
he is twenty one years of age.

Made verbally in our presence on
the 2^d day of May 1871 -

J. D. Winborn
W. D. Grant

For probate see Minute Book "I" page 361.

Will of Dorothy A. Rose

I, Dorothy A. Rose being
in feeble health and fully sensible of the
uncertainty of my life; but of sound
mind & memory, do make & publish
this my last Will & Testament as follows:
I wish, and direct, that my
son Dr. James D. Rose, take charge
of, and manage all the affairs of
my estate, with power & authority to
sell off any of the personal property
not herein after specifically bequeathed
to collect all debts that may be
owing to me, and to pay off and
discharge, as soon as he can all
funeral & funeral and all debts that
I may owe - and to enable him
readily & easily to do so, I hereby
authorize and empower him to sell
and convey by good & sufficient
title in fee simple, so much of
my, as may be necessary of my live
or bluff lands, lying adjoining, or
near our former residence on the
Mississippi river in Dyer County,
Tenn. to raise a sufficiency of
money for that purpose - and
in the management of the business
I do not wish him to be required
to give any bond or security, to
return any inventory, or to make
any settlement with court.

I give and bequeath to
my daughter Martha M. Rose all
of my household and kitchen
furniture of every kind and
description - and the balance

of my estate, of every kind, real
personal or mixed. After the payment
of my debts, I wish the equally
divided between my wife, daughter
and son at such time, or so
soon as either one of them may
wish, and if they cannot agree
upon a division, their may being
select and agree upon three or
more disinterested friends to make
such division for them.

In witness of which I do hereunto
subscribe my name, this 16th day of
June A.D. 1871.

Witness acknowledged by the D. A. Rose
attest in our presence & we have
witnessed the same as her agents in her
presence the day & date above written
D. A. Mumford
W. L. Lemoine

For probate, see Minute Book I page 320

Abner Slaughters Will

I Abner Slaughter being sound in body
and mind do make this my last will and
testament revoking all former wills by me
made.

After after my funeral expenses are paid
I give and bequeath to my beloved wife
Mary Slaughter all that I have both real
estate and personal property, during her
natural life, at her death I desire that
all my property real and personal shall be
divided as follows (to wit)

First I give and bequeath to the children
of my son I D Slaughter the sum of
five hundred dollars.

I bequeath to my son Dennis Slaughter one
horse he to have choice of my horses.
I give and bequeath all the balance that
may be left to my two children I D Slaughter
and Susan E Culbreath to be equally
divided between them.

I consider that my son Wyck Slaughter
has received his share already, and that
Dennis has received all except a horse
herein devised. I hereby appoint
my son I D Slaughter and my son-in-law
J. E. Culbreath Executors to this my last
will and testament in witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this the Eleventh day of June one thousand
and eight hundred and seventy

Next

M. H. Cullum
J. D. Cullum

Abner Slaughter

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Will of Edward P. Paylor

I Edward P. Paylor of the County of Ripton State of Tennessee being satisfied of the uncertainty of life, but being sound in body and mind do make and publish this my last will and testament -

First I will that all debts which I may owe at the time of my death shall be paid -

Secondly - After the payment of my debts, I hereby devise well and bequeath all the property I may die possessed of, whether real or personal or evidence of debts due to me, to my brother Samuel P. Paylor, and to my sister Sally H. Maclin of the County of Ripton State of Tennessee, to be equally divided between them. I hereby appoint Samuel P. Paylor executor of this my last will and testament -

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal in the presence of Thomas J. Roeter J. M. Callier, and George Shall witnesses hereto, this the 24th day of January 1871 -

Edward P. Paylor

Witnesses
T. J. Roeter
J. M. Callier
Geo. Shall,

Over

Witnessed & Liked A. to the certified transcript of the record in the case of Saml P. Paylor vs. H. A. Maclin wife Lillie H. against R. D. Brodny Jr. wife Lillie H. from the Circuit Court of Ripton Co. Sept. term 1871
C. B. Simonton clerk

State of Tennessee - 14 Judicial District
At a term of the Circuit Court begun and held at the Court-house in the Town of Covington on the first Monday in September in the year of our Lord 1871 hundred and seventy one - present Jno. J. Dupuy Atty. Genl. B. H. Locke Sheriff and C. B. Simonton clerk - and no judge appearing by four o'clock to day to hold said Court - ordered by the Clerk, that it be adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock

C. B. Simonton clerk

Tuesday Morning Sept. 5th 1871 -

Court met pursuant to adjournment - present and presiding the Hon. Thos. J. H. Phillips Judge of the 14th Judicial Circuit - and the following proceedings were had and entered of record - to wit -

Sam P. Paylor & Ed. J. Paylor
deceased H. A. Maclin wife Lillie H.
vs.
Richard P. Brodny & his wife Lillie H. Brodny
Circuit Court of Ripton Co. January term 1871.
The plaintiff produces a written

purporting to be the last will and testament of Edward J. Taylor deceased dated January 24th 1867, attested by P. J. Porter Esq. Shall and Jas. M. Callier in which said same P. Taylor is nominated executor, and they aver that it is the last will and testament of said Edward J. Taylor deceased -

J. M. Steele &
Rayner Stockton & Rayner
Attorneys for plaintiff

The defendants for plea say that the said writing is not the last will and testament of Ed. J. Taylor deceased.

Commings, Ball
& Smith for defense

Indorsed

Dated Jan'y 4th 1870

C. B. Livingston Clerk

entries on the Minutes -

At the May term 1871 of the Circuit Court of Epton County on the second day of said term - to wit - Tuesday May 2nd 1871 R. W. Rayner special Judge presiding the following proceedings were had and entered of record - to wit -

S. J. Taylor & others

vs.

R. J. Brodny Jr wife

Devisavit vel non

The incompetency of the presiding judge, to sit in this cause being waived by con-

sent of parties, the case is continued and specially set for trial on the first Wednesday of the next term by general consent of the Bar.

And at the present term of said Court on Friday the 8th day of September 1871 the following proceedings were had, and entered of record - to wit -

Saml. J. Taylor & H. W. Maclean
wife Lallie H.

vs.

R. J. Brodny Jr. &
wife Lallie H.

Devisavit vel non

Came the parties by their attorneys, and also a jury of good and lawful men - to wit - J. R. Hallin L. Page, J. S. Clark H. W. Larimore John Barwell, Jas. Bringle, John Rose, P. J. Kelley, J. T. Moore, J. H. Pickard, A. B. Culhane & W. M. Hall, who being elected tried and sworn well and truly to try the issue joined and a true verdict render - and after part of the testimony being heard there not being time to complete the trial of the cause, the court adjourned until tomorrow morning 8 1/2 o'clock.

Again on Saturday morning Sept 9th 1871 the following -

Saml. J. Taylor & H. W. Maclean wife Lallie H.

vs. P. D. 17

Richard J. Brodny wife Lallie H.

Came the

partur by their attorneys and the jury heretofore sworn in this case having returned into Court, resumed the consideration of this cause, and there not being time to complete the trial to day, the jury are permitted to retire, and the consideration of this cause is suspended by the adjourning of the Court, until the meeting thereof at 8 1/2 o'clock on Monday morning next.

Again on Monday Sept. 11th 1871 the following

Saml P. Taylor & H. Maclean
vs wife Lillie &c.

vs. J. D. 17.

Richard P. Brodny Jr.
vs wife Lillie &c.

Devisavit vel non

Came the parties by their attorneys and the jury heretofore sworn in this case having returned into Court resumed the consideration of this cause and there not being time to complete the trial to day, the jury are permitted to retire and the consideration of this cause is suspended until of the Court at 1/2 past 8 o'clock to morrow morning -

Again on Wednesday morning Sept. 13th 1871 - the following

S. J. Taylor & H. Maclean
vs wife Lillie &c.

vs. J. D. 17.

R. P. Brodny Jr.
vs wife Lillie &c.

Devisavit vel non

Came the parties by their attorneys, and the jury heretofore sworn in this case having returned into Court, and resumed the consideration of this cause, upon their oath to say that the writing mentioned in the issue is the last will and testament of Edward J. Taylor, deceased - therefore it is adjudged by the Court, that said writing is the last will and testament of said Edward J. Taylor deceased, and that the plaintiffs recover of the defendants and Nelson Cummins & H. R. Bate & G. W. Smithall their securities on their prosecution bonds the costs herein accrued for which execution may issue - And it is further ordered by the Court that the clerk of this Court, certify a copy of the record in this cause to the County Court of Dixon County and transmit the original will to be there recorded -

Again on Friday the 15th day of September 1871 - the following

S. J. Taylor & H. Maclean
and wife Lillie &c.

vs. J. D. 17.

R. P. Brodny Jr.
vs wife Lillie &c.

Devisavit vel non

Came again the defendants and moved the Court for a new trial in this cause

parties by their attorneys and the jury heretofore sworn in this cause having returned into Court, resumed the consideration of this cause, and there not being time to complete the trial to day, the jury are permitted to retire, and the consideration of this cause is suspended by the adjourning of the Court, until the meeting thereof at 8 1/2 o'clock on Monday morning next.

Again on Monday Sept. 11th 1871 the following

Saml P. Taylor & H. Maclean
vs. wife Lillie H.

vs. J. D. 17.

Richard J. Brodus Jr.
vs. wife Lillie H.

Devisant vel non

Come the parties by their attorneys and the jury heretofore sworn in this cause having returned into Court resumed the consideration of this cause and there not being time to complete the trial to day, the jury are permitted to retire and the consideration of this cause is suspended until of the Court at 12 past 8 o'clock to morrow morning -

Again on Wednesday morning Sept 13th 1871 - the following

S. J. Taylor & H. Maclean
vs. wife Lillie H.

vs. J. D. 17.

R. P. Brodus Jr. & wife
Lillie H.

Devisant vel non

Come the parties by their attorneys, and the jury heretofore sworn in this case having returned into Court, and resumed the consideration of this cause, upon their oath to say that the writing mentioned in the issue is the last will and testament of Edward J. Taylor, deceased - therefore it is adjudged by the Court, that said writing is the last will and testament of said Edward J. Taylor deceased; and that the plaintiffs recover of the defendants and Nelson Carmin & H. R. Bate & G. W. Smith all their securities on their prosecution bonds the costs herein accrued for which execution may issue - And it is further ordered by the Court that the clerk of this Court, certify a copy of the record in this cause to the County Court of Bipton County and transmit the original will to be there recorded -

Again on Friday the 15th day of September 1871 - the following

S. J. Taylor & H. Maclean
vs. wife Lillie H.

vs. J. D. 17.

R. P. Brodus Jr. & wife
Lillie H.

Devisant vel non

Come again the defendants and moved the Court for a mistrial in this case

Again on Wednesday the 20th of
September 1871. the following

S. P. Taylor & A. Maclin
vs wife Sallie A.

vs. J. D. 17.

R. T. Brodus Jr. &
wife Sallie A.

Dennisville all now

Came the parties
by their attorneys and the motion
heretofore made for a new trial
of the issue in this cause is
overruled.

State of Tennessee
DeKalb County

I C. B. Simonton
clerk of the circuit court of said
County, certify that the above and
foregoing is a full and perfect
transcript of the records of the
issue verdict & judgment of the
Court remaining in my office
in the case of Samuel P. Taylor
& A. Maclin vs wife Sallie A.
against R. T. Brodus Jr. & wife
Sallie A. - and I further cer-
tify that the writing marked
& filed "A" and transmitted her-
ewith is the same mentioned in
the issue and declared in the
judgment of the Court to be the
last will and Testament of
Edward P. Taylor deceased, which
issue and judgment of the Court
the foregoing is a certified
copy.

Given under my hand

seal of office this 26th day of
September 1871

C. B.

C. B. Simonton clerk

Will of I. M. Marsh

I, I. M. Marsh

do this day make and publish this my last will and testament, revoking all others heretofore made by me

First It is my will and desire that all of my just debts should be paid after death out of the first moneys that may come into the hands of my Executors as the case may be.

Second I give and bequeath my beloved wife Jane M. Marsh during her life and of my house hold and kitchen furniture and stock that I have and two hundred & eighty three and one fourth acres of land on which I now reside in Tipton County & State of Tennessee, and the following land in the State of Arkansas to wit the west half the south west quarter section five & and the west half of the north west quarter section five & the East half of the South East Quarter of Section 6 in Township 6 North of the base line in Range 2 West of the 5th Principal meridian containing eighty acres each tract - And after the death of my wife Jane M. Marsh all of the above property and lands are to be equally divided between my two children Martha Elizabeth Marsh Mary L. Marsh, and if either Martha or Mary should die before

they should have any children or become of age all of the above named lands is to go the other one or the survivor

3. I give and bequeath to Saml J. Marsh, two children Lewis Marsh and Willie Marsh my grand children the west half of the south west quarter section five in Township and Range above mentioned.

4. I give and bequeath to my grand children - the children of Milamora Marsh - one hundred and twenty acres of land in the State of Arkansas Woodruff Cty. in the north west quarter of section eight & -

5. I hereby nominate and appoint Amos S. Wooten and Calvin Tucker my Executors to the above will. Witness my hand and seal - August 27/67

I. M. Marsh

Witness

W. S. Wooten

H. M. Turnage.

Exhibit "A" to the transcript of the Record in the case of Calvin Tucker and C. S. Wooten exors of I. M. Marsh dec'd vs. S. J. & C. C. Marsh from Circuit Court of Tipton County - Sept. term 1871 -

C. B. Simonson Clerk

State of Tennessee. 14th Judicial Circuit. At a term of the Circuit Court, begun and held for the County of Tipton at the Court house in the town of Covington on the first Monday in September

in the year of our Lord 1870
 hundred and twenty one. Returns
 J. J. Dupuy atty. Genl. B. J. Lock
 Sheriff & C. B. Limanton clerk - and
 no judge appearing by four
 o'clock to day the said said
 Court, ordered by the clerk that
 it be adjourned until tomorrow
 morning at 9 o'clock

C. B. Limanton clerk

Tuesday morning September 5th 1870.
 Court met pursuant to
 adjournment. Present and presiding
 the Hon. Thos. J. Whippin Judge
 of the 14th Judicial Circuit
 and the following proceedings
 were had and entered of record
 to wit -

Case Cannon S. Hooten
 and Calvin Tucker
 vs.
 S. J. Marsh and
 C. C. Marsh

The plaintiffs
 produce a writing purporting to
 be the last will and testament
 of J. M. Marsh deceased, dated Aug
 ust 20th/67 attested by Wm. Hooten
 and H. M. Purnage in which the
 plaintiffs are nominated executors
 and they said that it is the last
 will and testament of the said
 J. M. Marsh deceased.

Wm. Sanford atty. for P.

Indorsed Filed 27th April 1870

J. R. P. clerk

State of Tennessee Circuit Court
 Ripton County 3 April Term 1870

Cannon S. Hooten and Calvin Tucker
 vs.

S. J. Marsh and C. C. Marsh

And S. J. Marsh and C. C. Marsh
 the cons and heirs at law of the
 said J. M. Marsh deceased comes
 and says that the said paper writing
 is not the last will and testament
 of the said J. M. Marsh deceased
 and of this they put themselves on
 the Country

Butt & Smith atty.

And the Plaintiffs doth like
 Wm. Sanford atty -

Filed 28th April 1870 -

Enter in the Minutes

At the September term 1870 of the Cir-
 cuit Court of Ripton County on the
 7th day of Sept. 1870 the following
 proceedings were had and entered
 of record - to wit -

Calvin Tucker & C. S. Hooten
 vs.
 S. J. & C. C. Marsh

Contrasted Will
 This cause is
 continued by consent until next
 term of this term of this Court.

in the year of our Lord Eight
hundred and seventy one. Belongs
Jno J. Supay atty. Genl. B. J. Dock
Shriff v. R. B. Limanton clerk - and
no judge appearing by joint
o'clock to day the said said
Court, ordered by the clerk that
it be adjourned until tomorrow
morning at 9 o'clock

C. B. Limanton clerk

Tuesday morning September 5th 1870.
Court met pursuant to
adjournment. present and presiding
the Hon. Thos J. Whippin Judge
of the 14th judicial Circuit -
++ and the following proceeding
were had and entered of record
to wit -

James Cannon S. Hooten
and Calvin Tucker
vs.
S. J. Marsh and
C. C. Marsh

The plaintiffs
produce a writing purporting to
be the last will and testament
of J. M. Marsh deceased, dated Aug
ust 20th /67 attested by Wm. Hooten
and H. M. Parnage. In which the
plaintiffs are nominated executors
and they aver that it is the last
will and testament of the said
J. M. Marsh deceased.

Wm. Sanford atty. for Pls.

Indorsed Filed 27th April 1870

H. R. Parnall clerk

State of Kentucky Circuit Court
Dipton County April Term 1870

Cannon S. Hooten and Calvin Tucker
vs.

S. J. Marsh and C. C. Marsh

And S. J. Marsh and C. C. Marsh
the cons. and him at Law of the
said J. M. Marsh deceased comes
and says that the said paper writing
is not the last will and testament
of the said J. M. Marsh deceased
and of this they put themselves on
the Country

Butt Smith & Co. attys.

And the Plaintiffs doth like
Wm. Sanford atty -

Filed 28th April 1870 -

Enter in the Minutes

At the September term 1870 of the Cir-
cuit Court of Dipton County on the
7th day of Sept. 1870 the following
proceedings were had and entered
of record - to wit -

Calvin Tucker & C. S. Hooten
vs.

S. J. & C. C. Marsh

Controlled Will -

This cause is
continued by court until next
term of this term of this Court

Again at the May term 1871 on
the 11th day of May 1871 the following

Calvin Tucker & C. S. Wooten

vs. J. M. Marsh dec'd

vs. P. D. H

S. J. & C. C. Marsh

Contested will

Came the parties by their attys, and this cause is continued as an affair of the defendants until the next term of this Court. It is therefore considered by the Court that the plaintiffs recover of the defendants the costs of this continuance for which let execution issue.

Again at the present term of this Court on Thursday the 19th day of September, the following

Calvin Tucker & C. S. Wooten

vs. J. M. Marsh dec'd

vs. P. D. H.

C. C. & S. J. Marsh

Contested Will

Came the parties by their attorneys, and also a jury of good and lawful men to wit H. B. Calhoun, J. W. Bringle, W. Strong, J. S. Clark, Wm. Hill, John Rose, Henry Stokes, J. C. Kite, L. Page, J. H. Miley, C. G. Prankton and John Rosewell who being elected tried and sworn the truth to speak upon the issue joined and a true verdict under according to the law and evidence - and there not being

time to complete the trial to day - the jury are permitted to retire and the consideration of this cause is suspended until the meeting of the Court to morrow morning

Again at the present term of the Court on the 20th day of September 1871 the following -

Calvin Tucker & C. S. Wooten

vs. J. M. Marsh dec'd

vs. P. D. H.

S. J. & C. C. Marsh

Contested Will

Came the parties by their attorneys and the jury have before sworn in this case. Having returned into Court & viewed the consideration of this cause, upon their oaths, do say, that the writing mentioned in the issue is the last will and testament of J. M. Marsh deceased. Therefore it is adjudged by the Court that said writing is the last will and testament of the said J. M. Marsh deceased, and that the plaintiffs recover of the defendants and also Lunt. Long, S. H. Woodcock, and H. H. Brown, their securities for the prosecution of this suit, the costs herein accrued - Ordered further that the clerk certify a copy of the record in this case to the County Court together with the original will to be there recorded.

State of Pennsylvania
 Dighton County

I C. B. Simonson
 clerk of the Circuit Court of said
 County, do certify the foregoing is
 full and perfect transcripts of the
 record of the issue, verdict and
 judgment of the Court remaining
 in my office in the case of Calvin
 Tucker and C. S. Watson vs of 12
 March, deceased, against S. J. & C. C.
 Moser - and I further certify that
 the writing marked & exhibit, A
 and transmitted herewith is the
 same mentioned in the issue
 and declared on the judgment
 of the Court to be the last will
 and testament of J. M. Moser
 deceased, of which issue & judg-
 ment of the Court the foregoing
 is a certified transcript.

Given under my hand and
 seal of office this 27th day of
 September 1871

C. B. Simonson Clerk

S. A. Thompson Will

I Samuel A. Thomp-
 son of the County of Dighton and State
 of Pennsylvania make this my last will
 I give devise and bequeath my estate
 and property real and personal ar-
 follow, that is to say, I will that my
 just debts be paid. I will to wife Jane
 all the land with the farming uten-
 sils stoves corn and fodder and oats
 and all the household furniture and
 two hundred dollars in money to be
 paid out of the cotton crop -

I also will to Julia, Manda, and
 Emma that they shall have six
 hundred and fifteen dollars in gold
 that is the above named sum is
 to be paid to each one of the three
 daughters. I also will to Manda
 and Emma the same amount of
 furniture and bedding that has been
 given to the other children.

I have given to my daughter
 Nancy Margarette and her son Wil-
 liam, their portion of the first
 division. I also will that all money
 that is belonging to my estate be
 equally divided between my wife
 and six children. I also will that all
 the property and real estate to be sold
 and equally divided out to my six chil-
 dren - that is after the death of my
 wife Jane D. Thompson. I appoint
 C. J. Simonson and H. C. Thompsons executors
 In witness whereof I have hereunto signed
 and sealed this instrument -

Witness Simonson S. A. Thompson
 John D. Thompson Probate Minute B. J.

Marina A. Brown's Will

I Marina A. Brown
of the County of DePue and State
of Tennessee, being of sound mind
and disposing memory, do make
and publish this as my last will
and Testament, hereby revoking and
making void any and all other
wills by me at any time made.

After the payment of all my
just debts, I will bequeath and
devise all my estate real, per-
sonal and mixed to my daughter
John Applewhite Brown.

I do hereby nominate and appoint
James Morgan as my executor
and that he be secured from giving
bond and security as such for
the execution of this will.

In witness whereof I do to this my
will at my hands this 25th day of
August A.D. 1871.

Marina A. Brown
mark

We the undersigned, being in and present
and we have subscribed our names
in the presence of the
testator, this the 25th day of Au-
gust 1871.

John A. Campbell
John Kennedy.

For Probate see minute Book I, p. 422

Thomas J. Samerwell's Will

I Thomas J. Samerwell
of the County of DePue and State
of Tennessee, do make this my last
will and Testament:

I give and be-
queath to my wife Mrs. Mary Samer-
well my entire estate - consisting of
lands, personal property and monies
that I have now, or that I may
ever hereafter have or be entitled
to from any source whatever - And
it shall not be construed in
law or equity that this is not my
last will and Testament. My object
being to place her and wife in
this my last will and Testament
in the same position and condition
in regard to all my estate of
every character and description
both real and personal as I
would be placed in if she were
to die before me. And I hereby
appoint her executor of this my
last will and Testament, without her
being required to give any security
for the faithful performance of
the same. This eleventh day of
March A.D. 1867.

In the presence of
Thos. J. Samerwell
A. C. Samerwell.
S. P. Green.

For Probate see minute Book I, p. 527

The State of Tennessee

Please before
the Supreme Court of said State
at Brownsville on the 1st Monday
in April 1868.

Present the Hon. Land
Magistrate and Henry G. Smith Judge.
It wit.

May 15th 1868.

William Johnson and
Hartwell Temple

vs.

James R. Sharp.

The parties appear by their attorneys, and thereupon by consent the judgment rendered in this cause by the court below is affirmed: therefore it is considered that the written instrument mentioned in the proceedings as the will of Mary Sharp decd. is, as to her personality, and the 11th acres of land conveyed to her by Joseph Johnson her last will and testament, and not her will and testament as to the other land mentioned in the record, and that the defendant in error recover of the plaintiffs and of their surety, P. A. Briggs, the costs of this and the Court below and that execution issue.

It is further considered that this judgment be certified to the County Court of Rutherford County and that it together with the will aforesaid be therein recorded.

State of Tennessee

I John L. Brown clerk of the Supreme Court of said State at Brownsville, certify that the foregoing is a correct transcript of the judgment rendered by said Court in the before recited cause the same being upon record in my office.

Witness my hand at Office this 6th day of June 1868.

John L. Brown clerk

I Mary Sharp do make and publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made - First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon as possible out of any money or property I may be possessed of or may come into the hands of my executor. Secondly I give and bequeath to my dear husband all my property, that is to say my land and personal property, requesting him to secure the same for his benefit and his death to give the same to his son John S. Sharp, and that each of my personal and goods as he knows, I wish to be given to my niece Sarah R. Temple after my decease - and thirdly I appoint as my executor my dear husband James R. Sharp. In witness whereof I do to this my will and testament set my hand my hand and seal, this 6th day of June 1868.

Mary Sharp

Sign and sealed and published in and witnessed this day and date above William Johnson
Hartwell Temple

E. M. Robinson's Will.

Being seized in mind and body, and mindful of the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, I make this my last will and testament -

That my debts and funeral expenses be paid -

I will that the tract of land upon which I reside containing two hundred and eighty two acres be divided into two equal parts by a line running east and west, I that portion lying south of said line containing one hundred and forty one acres I give to my daughter Mrs. Mary Ophelia Clifton, that portion lying north of said line, containing one hundred and forty one acres, I give to my grand daughter Mary Ophelia Herring -

I will that my tract of land known as the Prego tract containing one hundred acres, by survey, be divided into two equal parts by a line running north and south I that portion west of said line containing fifty acres I give to my daughter Mrs. Margaret Ann McClunahan - that portion east of said line, containing fifty acres I give to my daughter Mrs. Harrietta Shinnick - The following named articles I give to my daughter Mrs. Mary Ophelia Clifton to wit - my Florence carriage, my secretary and books my Sophia and her bedstead, and the feather bed withers bolster and pillows that

E. M. Robinson will continued

are an iron - also my large folding leaf table, my rocking chair, my large blue chest and large family trunk, also my carving knife and fork and half my set china ware, I also give to my daughter Mrs. Mary Ophelia Clifton my newly named Sash -

I give to my grand daughter Miss Mary Ophelia Herring the following articles, to wit. one bureau, one wash bowl and pitcher a war & stand, a tailors table & glass, three trunks, two feather beds and mattresses, also my silver castor a set of silver table & tea spoons, a sugar spoon, a butter knife and half my set china ware and a set of four button chairs, a breakfast table and my bridle and saddle my cooking stove and accompanying pipes & also fifteen bed quilts, one cover lid two white counterpanes, pine sheets, one blanket, two pine table cloths and a half dozen towels - I also give my grand daughter Miss Mary Ophelia Herring my riding mare - I should my grand daughter Mary Ophelia Herring die having no heir from her body - It is my will that what I have given her shall revert back to the two eldest children my daughter Mrs. Mary Ophelia Clifton may have living at the time of the death of my grand daughter Mary Ophelia Herring - I give to my daughter Mrs. Margaret Ann McClunahan the following articles to wit - one safe that sits in my parlor, a sugar chest, a breakfast

pulling leaf table - a half dozen
split bottom chairs, a large trunk,
feather bed and bed stand one tree bed
my direct spoons, my old silver tea
spoons, and half of my old set of
china were a half dozen glass
goblets, a glass pitcher, a large white
nick pitcher, a half dozen dinner
plates, and a set of knives and forks
also a large split bottom arm chair
I also give to my daughter Mrs.
Ann McClanahan my small round
table.

To my daughter Mrs. Harriett
Shinnick, I give the following ar-
ticles - to wit - one feather bed and
bed stand, one bed case, a half
dozen split bottom chairs, a candle
stand, a half dozen plates a large
dish a set of silver knives two
white pitchers, one hand mirror, one
trunk two small dishes, one looking
glass in the parlor and wardrobe
also my old bureau, which sits in my
room and a looking glass with drawers to it.
I give to my daughter Mrs. Jane
Catherine Dock the following articles
to wit - one feather bed and bed stand
one wash stand one pitcher and
bowl one bureau with an oval glass
to it, one tailer table one looking
glass on the mantle piece in the
parlor, a half dozen split bottom
chairs, my glass case, the rocking
chair in my room, a white pitcher
and a white pitcher two larger
dishes a half dozen camp plates, and
a half dozen glass goblets. I give

to my daughter Mrs. Elizabeth M. Corra-
way twenty dollars in gold -

The value of my estate including all
monies due me by note or otherwise and
all money I have on hand and all my
personal effects not specially disposed
of in this my last will and testament
I will to be equally divided between my
daughters Mrs. Margaret Ann McClanahan
Mrs. Harriett Shinnick, Mrs. Ophelia Clifton
and Mrs. Jane Catherine Dock, and my
grand daughter Mary Ophelia Hering. It
is my will that Mr. Marshall Hering
shall be my executor, and that he shall
not be required to give bond and se-
curity. In witness whereof I have here-
unto set my hand and seal this the
thirteenth day of February in the year
of our Lord, one thousand eight hun-
dred and seventy one, The words, one tree
bed my direct silver spoons and a
large white nick pitcher were inserted
before assigned. E. M. Robinson *(seal)*

The above instrument consisting of
one sheet was now here subscribed
by C. C. Crumshaw by the directions of
E. M. Robinson the testator in the
presence of each of us, and were at
the same time declared by his testator
work well and testament, and we at his
request signed our names hereto as
attesting witnesses.

C. C. Crumshaw Pipton County, Penna.
D. D. Hollaway Pipton County Penna.
S. H. Biddingsfield Pipton County Penna.

For probate See Minute book I. page 572.

John Strong's Will

- I John Strong being in health of body & mind do hereby this 1st day of July in the year of our Lord 1867, make and subscribe to my last will and testament as follows:
- First - It is my will that my beloved wife Martha have all the ready money in the house together with a note of hand on C. McCaw, after deducting certain amounts hereafter specified & said beloved wife have the remainder of this money for her own use & benefit, to be disposed of according to her own wishes.
- Second - It is my will that my daughter Elizabeth Wright receive three hundred dollars, to be paid out of the above named ready money.
- Third - It is my will that my daughter Letitia McCaw also receive one hundred dollars from same funds.
- Fourth - That my grand son James S. Matthews receive two hundred dollars likewise.
- Fifth - That my son J. H. Strong receive one hundred dollars.
- Sixth - It is my will that my entire landed estate be divided into three equal portions - one part including the house in which I now live to go to my son J. H. Strong - Another equal portion to my son C. A. Strong including his present residence - The remaining portion to be divided equally between the bodily male heirs of my son R. S. Strong.
- Seventh - My little wagon I leave to my son R. S. Strong.

- My other wagon to leave to my sons C. A. & J. H. Strong jointly.
- 8th - All the stock of horses, cattle & sheep on the farm to be sold equally between my sons C. A. & J. H. Strong.

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

John Strong

R. C. Carkey

J. S. Carkey

Codicil

Punching the second (21) clause of this my last will & testament - said second clause has been cancelled by the payment of three hundred (\$300) dollars to Elizabeth Wright my daughter & James S. Wright her husband as above bequeathed - and the payment of said three hundred (\$300) dollars is acknowledged by their receipt - witness my hand -

John Strong

Punching the fourth clause of the above will - the request therein made of two hundred (\$200) dollars has also been cancelled by payment in full of two hundred (\$200) dollars to my grand son James S. Matthews & acknowledged by him by receipt - witness my hand this 22nd Sept

John Strong

J. H. Lynn

Wm. C. McCaw

For probate see Minute Book 2, page 581

Will of John G. Meers

I John G. Meers, of the County of Rye and State of Kentucky, now being in full use and possession of my mind, do make and publish this my last will and testament as follows - to wit -

First - All other wills by me at any time heretofore made, are hereby revoked.

Second - All of my just debts and funeral expenses must be paid by my executor hereinafter named out of any monies that may be on hand at my decease or that come to hand thereafter.

Third - I do one third part of my estate - both real personal and mixed and wherever situated, after the payments directed in the second clause of this will, I do hereby devise and bequeath to my loved wife Frances M., the same to be hers, her heirs and assigns forever.

Fourth - The remaining portion of my estate - after the payments directed in the second clause and the devise and bequest in the third clause hereof - being two thirds I do devise and bequest to my dear daughter Mary Eliza - subject to the following conditions and limitations - to wit -

I direct that the portion of my said daughter be held in trust by my executor hereinafter named to be and for the sole and separate use

John G. Meers Will Continued
of my said daughter - not subject to or in any way liable for the debts contracts or contracts of any husband she, my said daughter may hereafter have - the same to be hers in strict settlement, and on her death to go to the heirs of my said daughter; it being my will that an estate for life only go to my said daughter in her said portion with remainder to her heirs of said two thirds.

Fifth - My said executor is & shall be empowered to sell and convey any portion of my real estate - either now or hereafter - both before and after any division between her and my said daughter and reinvest the portion of said daughter in other lands - it being my intention hereby to clothe her with the power to act in these regards in her own sound discretion as fully as I could do, if yet living - And I direct that my said executor shall sell only such of my perishable property as she may deem best - and then selling from time to time, publicly or privately in her own discretion -

The foregoing applies in every particular to my estate both in Kentucky and Tennessee.

Sixth - Respecting the fullest confidence in my said wife Frances M. Meers I do nominate and appoint her my executor - in and to this appointment the trusteeship of my said daughter - however not relieving her from giving security as usual

In testimony of all of which we
have and sent on this 22nd day of
March A.D. 1872 - at Covington

J. G. Myers *seal*

The foregoing was signed by the
testator John G. Myers in our
presence, and we, in his presence
and at his request attest the
same, on the day and date above
written

Jas. McBarret
Rev. H. Locke

For Probate see Minute Book I
April Term, A. D. 1872 -

Peter Winns Will

In the name of God amen

I Peter Winn of the
County of Dikton Commonwealth of Tennessee
being though the goodness of ^{almighty} God of sound mind
and memory but being aware of the uncertainty
of human life do make publish and declare this
my last will and testament that is to say first
I recommend my soul to God who gave it and
desire that my body may be decently buried in
grave yard at Doctor Bookers old place by the
side of my dead wife in the place as selected by
me, with respect to my worldly estate I give
and bequeath and dispose of it in the following
manner, after all my just ^{lawful} debts are paid and
discharged - first I give and bequeath to
my grand children Mary Bandy, Peter Driver
and Betty Driver all my land lying south of
the lane running south of my house beginning at
Charks line on my west with the lane to the
Morgan road, to be divided between them so
as to give Mary Bandy the improvements where
she now lives, Second I will and bequeath to
Mary and Alvin the land whereon my house
now stands beginning at the South East Corner
of the Truck patch running with the cross fence
north to the lane adjacent Bookers house
thence State with the lane west to the Morgan
road thence south to the land that I give to
Mary Bandy Peter Driver and Betty Driver for
them to have as the parents thereof - This I do
and I give all the balance of my land I
give and bequeath to my son William H. and
furthermore I give and bequeath to Mary
and Alvin the bed and bedstead and furniture
that is now in Williams little room and all
the house hold furniture besides I give to
son William Mary Bandy Peter Driver and

Betty Driven to divide equally among themselves.

And lastly I do nominate and appoint my much respected friend William H. Munn and William O. Malone as the Executors of this will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 29 day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty nine
 Witness my hand
 B. P. Lock
 N. J. Melugin
 Peter Wimmer (Seal)

Whereas I Peter Wimmer of the County of Dorton in the State of Tennessee have made last will and Testament in writing bearing date May 29 A.D. 1869 and now by this said will which I declare to be a Codicil to my will to be taken as part thereof, having sold the land bequeath to Mary and Alvin to William H. Munn, S. P. Drivier and M. S. McCall for the sum of one thousand six hundred dollars I give and bequeath to Mary and Alvin the said one thousand dollars to be paid at the expiration of eight years from date bearing interest at the rate of six percent per annum, interest to be paid annually. William H. Munn to pay one half of said one thousand dollars and S. P. Drivier and M. S. McCall two hundred and fifty dollars each.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this 26th day of February A.D. 1872
 Witness
 I. O. Clark
 W. G. Upchurch
 Peter Wimmer (Seal)

John Robinsons Will May 26th 1862

I, J. Robinson of the County of Dorton and Commonwealth of Tennessee being through the goodness of Almighty God of sound mind and memory being aware of the uncertainty of human life do make and publish and declare this my last Will and Testament that is to say first - I recommend my soul to God who gave it and desire that my body be decently buried in the grave yard at my Fathers if it can be got off of the Battle field or sent home wherever I may die.

With respect to my worldly estate I give bequeath and dispose of it in the following manner after all my just and lawful debts are paid and discharged.

First I give and bequeath to my nephew Thomas Caraway my Rifle gun to be received and accepted by him - I also give unto my Father and Mother all of my the ballance of my property I and and Negroes just so long as they live and after their death I bequeath it to my sister Narcissa my land not subject to no debts that her husband may contract my Negroes to be sold at the highest bidder at the death of my Father and Mother and the money to laid out for valuable land or out an interest it nor the proceeds are subject to her husbands debts This is to be wound up by W. J. Caraway

John Robinson
 Witness
 Charles E. Smith

For Probate see Minute Book 588
 + Book H. page 255 - 256 -

W. A. Burnett's Will

State of Tennessee

Dipton County

I Wessly A Burnett
do make and publish
this my last will and testament

First I wish my body decently buried.
Second. I wish my Executors to pay my
Expenses and all other lawful debts as
as possible after my decease

3rd I give and bequeath unto my beloved
wife Susan & Burnett all my personal and
real estate empowering her to collect all
by sell or make any disposition of it
that she may think best for herself and
our three beloved children viz John M.
Robert A. Ada J. Burnett and to have
sole control of it during her life
or widowhood, but should she marry again
she will then only be entitled to a dower
of one third of the real estate and a child
of all the personal property which may be
hand at the time, the balance of the property
real estate to be equally divided between
above named three children.

4th And lastly, I appoint my beloved wife
to execute this my last will and testament
unto her all power manage our effects according
to her best judgment

As witness therof I subscribe my name in
presence of us

W. A. McBride

W. Page

W. A. Burnett

For Probate see Minute book Page 11

Hosea W. Sherrill last will

I Hosea W. Sherrill

being in a critical state of health, and fully apprised
of the uncertainty of a long continuance of my earthly
existence, but of sound disposing mind and
memory do make and publish this my last will and
testament, as follows

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife
Mary D. all our household and kitchen furniture,
my buggy and harness and bay horse and a bay
filly - also as many cows and calves and hogs
as she may wish to keep. Also as a house for
herself and children for and during her natural
life should she remain my widow, the house and
lot of land on which we are now living in the
town of Covington, and in case she should
marry again she is to have the use of said
premises for the space of five years from the time
of my death

As soon as practicable after my death I wish
my Executors herein after named to collect all
notes and accounts due to me, and all such
sums as I, or my estate may be entitled to from
any ^{other} source

And also am consultation with my wife
at such time as they may think best and agree
upon with her, to break up the farm and to
sell off in the usual manner all farming ^{implements} ~~implements~~
stock and perishable property of any kind, and
also my tract of land in the 8th civil district of
this County, on which I lately resided in one
or more tracts at public, or private sale, and on
such terms as they may think best for the benefit of
my estate. And I give my said executors full
power and authority to convey and make good
titles to purchasers of the same

Out of the first moneys that may come into
these hands I wish and direct my executors
to pay all my just debts. And also to

My Son Richard E. A. Shrivell the sum of Six hundred dollars, which I give him a his full share of my estate; Should I not do so before my death, I also wish my executors to pay to our two former servants (Coland woman) Amanda the sum of Fifty Dollars, and Rhoda the sum of Twenty five dollars which I give to them respectively.

All the balance of my funds arising from Collections dues & remaining in the hands of my executors after making the above named payments I wish them to lend out, or to invest in United States government bonds, and to use the interest arising therefrom, together with the products of the farm, so long as it is kept up and a sufficiency of said funds if any should be necessary for the comfortable and decent support of my wife and her children in such style and manner as she may on consultation with them desire for and during her life or widowhood and ^{twelfth} after ^{or} Marriage for the raising support & education of the children. Should my wife marry again then my executors to pay to her in money out of my estate the sum of five hundred dollars.

And as our children become of age or may they are each to receive out of the estate what may then be one equal share or interest of the estate, of the estate in the hands of the executors and at such time as the same house and lot may not be used, or needed for a home as herein provided for my wife and children, then my executors to have the same power and authority to sell and convey it at their discretion as herein specified for the farm and the proceeds to use and apply in the same manner.

I hereby constitute and appoint my friend, Capt David J. Wood and my son

E. A. Shrivell Executors of this my last Will and Testament and I do not wish ^{them} to require any security from them on their bond as such executors. Witness my hand and seal this 3rd day of July A.D. 1872.

A. W. Shrivell (seal)

Signed and acknowledged
by the ^{testator} in our presence the day and
year above written and at
his request we witness the same.

R. H. Mumford
C. B. Hall

For Probate see minute Book 15 Pages 61 & 2

Isaac R. Bledsoe Will

I Isaac R. Bledsoe of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind, and disposing memory do make and declare this to be my last will and Testament, hereby revoking and making void any and all other Wills by me at any time made

First I will bequeath and devise all of my estate of every kind and description real personal and mixed, after the payment of my debts, to my beloved wife Caroline J. Bledsoe absolutely, and in fee simple.

Second I hereby nominate and appoint my said wife Caroline J. Bledsoe Executrix of this my last will and Testament, and she is hereby expressly excused from giving bond and Security as such Executrix

In witness whereof I do to this my Will set my hand, this the 24th day of May A.D. 1872.

Witness

Geo. W. Shelton

Geo. M. Bant

Signed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator and at his request, this the 24th day of May 1872

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Will of O. M. McGuire

I Obediah McGuire being of sound and disposing mind and but in feeble health do make and publish this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all others by me made. I will that all my just debts should be paid. I will that my beloved wife Elizabeth McGuire have and hold all my property both real and personal during her ^{natural} life, and at her death I will that my real estate descend to my Brother and sister and their heirs.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal - this 14th day of August 1867
O. M. McGuire

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W. M. Intosh

J. H. Owen



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John M. McClurkin's Will

- I John M. McClurkin do make this my last will and testament.
- First I declare that I have given to my son J. H. all the personal property I allow for him, which I hereby ratify and confirm to him - and to my son Robert C. I have given a deed to 118 acres of land which I hereby confirm to him.
- Second, I will and bequeath to my sons John H. and Robert C. the 17 acres of land willed to me, by my father that lies adjoining the track on which I live.
- Third I will and bequeath to my sons John H. and Robert C. all the track of land on which I now reside, that lies north of the Bloomington & Randolph road to be their jointly & in fee.
- Fourth I will to my beloved wife, Ann all my track of land on which I reside, that lies south of the Bloomington and Randolph road, to have and to hold during her life & at her death to be sold, and the proceeds equally divided among all my children.
- Fifth. All the lands that I own or are in any way possessed of in the State of Arkansas to wit. the lands in Drew County Ark. received by purchase & as heir of the late A. J. Middleton. I will & bequeath to my four daughters Mary, Jane, Martha C. and Sarah Ann, and Nancy M. to be their jointly

and in fee

I will to my beloved wife Ann my, mine, heir and my, mine, soul and my Cows & all such of my stock as she is entitled to under the law and all of my household and kitchen furniture. But whatever personal property I may be possessed of - not included in this bequest I direct that it shall be sold, and the proceeds divided equally among my children.

I direct that all my just & legal debts be paid out of the contents of money that shall be obtained from my life Policy, and the residue to be equally distributed among my children.

I appoint and nominate my son John H. McClurkin executor of this my will & he shall be required not to give any security therefor.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal, on this 17th day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy two

John M. McClurkin

Signed and sealed by the testator J. M. McClurkin in our presence & we at his request & in his presence sign hereto our names on the date above written as subscribing witnesses.

James McClurkin
Thomas S. Hindman

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