

Section 4. All the real estate and interests in real estate and all the personally and interests in personally devised and bequeathed in this will to either of my said two grand daughters shall be held by her to her sole and separate use and benefit, free from the liabilities, contracts, control and marital rights of any husband she may at any time have.

Decline, & I thereby nominate and appoint Robert W. Sanford as my executor. But if said Robert W. Sanford declines the qualify as such executor, then and in that event I appoint Chas B. M^r. Clelland as such executor.

Section 7. I hereby nominate and appoint Chas B. McCalland as guardian of each of my said two grand daughters. And if said Chas B. McCalland should become executor under this will, then he may fill both offices viz executor of this will and guardian of my said two grand daughters

This the 6th day of June 1908
Eveline H. Douglas

signed by the said Leeling H. Douglas as & for his last will & testament in the premises. The undersigned who, at his request and in his sight & presence, have subscribed our names here to as attesting witnesses, the day & date above written.

For Probate see Minute Book 3 94 Jan 67 J. R. Sanford
X. W. Allen

Edmund Smithers
Last Will

I, Edmond Smithers of the Eighth Civil District in the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of life do therefore make, ordain, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament

First - I order and direct that my executor herein after named collect the Life Policy I hold on the Manhattan Life Ins. Co. for (\$1,000) One Thousand Dollars - and dispose of such personal property of which I am possessed at the time of my death as seems to the best advantage. I then direct that Mr. R. S. Calhoun be paid the sum of \$76.⁸³ Seventy six Dollars and Eighty three cents with interest thereon, first and in preference of all other debts, it being the amount he paid out for me in the interest of my policy. I then direct that my funeral expenses and all other just debts be paid as soon after my decease as conveniently may be.

I now make, constitute and
appoint Mr. A. S. Calhoun to be executor
of this my last will and testa-
ment hereby revoking all other
wills by me made. In witness
whereof I have hereunto subscribed my
name and affixed my seal the Twenty
Fifth day of July in the year of our Lord
One Thousand Nine Hundred and Six.
Edwth Smithers (Seal)

This instrument was in the day & date thereof signed, published and declared by the said Ed Smith as to be his last will & testament in the presence of us who at his request have subscribed our names thereto as witnesses in his presence & in the presence each other.

J. H. Heller J. W. G.

Thomas M. Canning
Last Will

I, Thomas M. Canning do make and publish this as my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all others by me at any time made.

First I direct that my funeral and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as is possible, out of any moneys that I may die possessed of or that may first come into the hands of my Executor.

Secondly - I give and bequeath to my beloved wife the farm on which we last lived known as the Mr. Craddock farm which farm has already been added to her for her lifetime. Also the farm recently purchased by me from Mr. M. C. Hoffman containing about Seventy or Seventy-Five acres, both of said farms for her lifetime. I also will to Susan A. Canning any and all moneys that I may have on hand or that may come into the hands of my Executor except life insurance which shall be paid in accordance to the way the policies read and direct.

Thirdly I will that the Mr. Craddock place go to my oldest son William Canning as it has already been conveyed to him by deed at the death of my mother.

Fourthly - I direct that farm which I bought from Mr. M. C. Hoffman go to my youngest son John M. Canning at the death of his mother.

Fifth - I direct that any and all other property that I may die possessed of shall go to my two sons share and share alike.

Sixthly - I do hereby nominate and appoint Richard V. Canning my executor. In witness where to I do this, my will, set my hand this the Eight day of Sep. one thousand nine hundred & six.

T. M. Canning

Signed & published in my presence & we have subscribed our names thereto in the presence of the Testator.

this Sep 8 1906.

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W. C. Crary
C. H. Vaughan

H. H. Richardson Sr.
Last Will

I, H. H. Richardson Sr. do hereby make and constitute this my last will and testament.

But my wife Eva M. Richardson at my death (after my debts are paid) I will and devise - all of my personal property of every description absolutely and all of my lands and real estate I will and devise to my wife Eva M. Richardson - during her natural life (with the exception of one hundred and fifty acres which will be hereinafter described) and at her death to be equally divided in value between her bodily heirs, and to my nephew William M. Medico Alton, son of Guston P. Alton I will and devise the above mentioned 150 acres of land, being a part of my Buntyn tract of land to be enclosed in the following boundaries.

Beginning at a Swiss flag with Swat Gutter and red oak pointers on the Randolph and Allport road near the cypress pond on Drake. Thence South 58.6° pole to a stake, it being the beginning corner of the division line between Williamson M. Cafflan and the said H. H. Richardson Sr. Thence West with said division line 271 pole to a stake. Thence North 144 pole to a stake, in the north boundary line of the original entry no. 735, granted by the State of Tennessee to the Trustees of East Tennessee College by Grant no. 2333. Thence East 91 pole to a cypress on the west boundary line of a tract of land conveyed to J. S. Witherington to the said H. H. Richardson Sr. Thence South 85° pole with the said Witherington west boundary line to his south west corner. Thence East with the said Witherington's South boundary line 182 pole to the beginning containing 150 acres more or less, being the same on which Guston P. Alton now resides. This clause of my will is to take effect

at my death and in case of the death of said William Medcalf Alston without child or children said 150 acres of land is to revert and vest in my heirs absolutely - Given P. Alston is not to be charged with rents of said land prior to my death.

And I do hereby appoint H. H. Richardson my executor with full bond and should any of the heirs of my will attempt to make the said H. H. Richardson Jr. give bond, they or the one attempting to make him give bond shall forfeit whatever they may have been entitled to under my will.

This August 12, 1905.

Witness my hand and seal
J. H. Garner
J. C. Hutchinson

H. H. Richardson Sr.

Codicil

The 150 acres of land which I have willed to my nephew H. M. Alston in the above will, in case of his death prior to his mother Mary Jane Alston's death the said Mary Jane Alston shall have and hold said 150 acres of land during her natural life - and at her death the title shall be vested in my heirs absolutely - and in case the said H. M. Alston shall be living at his mother's death and wishes to sell the land he shall have the privilege to do so.
Aug. 24, 1905. H. H. Richardson Sr.

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Emma F. Over
Last Will

I, Emma F. Over, of Covington, Tipton County, Tennessee, do make this my last will and testament, revoking all others heretofore made by me.

1st. I desire all of my just debts paid as soon after my death as practicable.

2nd. I give, grant and bequeath to my beloved daughter Lucia Miller, wife of R. D. Miller absolutely all my property of every description, including real personal and mixed and wherever situated that I may be seized of and possessed of.

3rd. I do hereby appoint and constitute as executor of this my last will and testament the said R. D. Miller, husband of my said daughter Lucia Miller.

This October 17th 1906.

Mrs. E. F. Over

At the request of Emma F. Over, who signed the above will in our presence and in her presence we the undersigned do subscribe our names as witnesses of her execution of the instrument as her last will and testament, and her signature thereto.

This Oct. 17th 1906.

J. H. Hanna, M.D.
W. F. Bringle

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Andrew J. Dearing,
Last Will of

I, Andrew J. Dearing,
being of sound mind and disposing
mind and memory, and having in
view the uncertainty of this life, do
make and publish this my last will
and testament, hereby revoking and
making void all other wills by me
at any other time made.

Item 1st. It is my will that all my just
debts be paid as soon as possible after my
death out of any monies that I may die
seized and possessed of or which may
first come into the hands of my executor
and executor.

Item 2nd. I give devise and bequeath unto
my beloved wife Annie J. Dearing, all of
my estate of whatever kind, character
and description, whether real or personal
or mixed, and wherever situated to be hers
for and during her natural life, with full
power in case of her needs to sell and
dispose of same and use the proceeds
thereof.

3rd. After the death of my wife Annie J.
Dearing, I desire that out of my estate
remaining, that there shall be expended
on my lot in Munford, Tenn. for im-
provement a sum not less than \$500.00
the same to be used in purchasing a
monument for me and my family. I
also direct that the sum of \$500.00 be expended
on the lot of my little daughter who is buried
at Pleasant Plains Madison County Tenn.
said sum of \$500.00 to be used in purchas-
ing for her a suitable monument.

4th. The balance of my estate after carrying
out the above provisions I will, and bequeath
to the South Western Baptist University, at
Jackson Tenn. said sum to be used by
said University for the education of young
Baptist ministers. And is to be known as
a Ministerial Education fund, and not to be
used as endowment purposes.

Lastly, I hereby nominate and appoint my
wife Annie J. Dearing executor and if she
be unable to act as such, then my son
John Dearing, of this my last will and testament

and I hereby exonerate them from giving any
bond or filing any inventory or making
any settlement with any clerk or court and
either said executor or executor can act singly
and alone.

In witness whereof I have hereto set my
hand to this my last will and testament this
the 2nd day of July 1906.

A. J. Dearing.

Signed and published in our presence and we
have hereto subscribed our names as witnesses
at the request of the testator, and in his pres-
ence and in the presence of each other.
This July 2nd 1906.

J. D. Gibbs.
W. M. Simonton.

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Yvonne Leslie
Last Will

Covington, Tenn.
Dec. 9th 1866.

I, Yvonne Leslie, hereby bequeath to my niece, Gertrude M. Leslie, the house and lot on Lyea-
more street, lying directly south of my father's
home, the two shares of Tipton County Build-
ing and Loan Association Stock, Certificate #307,
Series 13, my watch and all other personal
property that I may be possessed of, including
Cash, except so much as may be necessary to
execute the conditions of my will.

I do each of my other heirs, I bequeath the sum
of \$1.00 each.

I hereby appoint my father, J. D. Leslie, as execu-
tor or administrator, without bond. It is my
wish that he, also, act as guardian or
trustee for Gertrude, until she become of age,
or as long as he lives.

I make this my last will and testament
of my own free will and accord, and am fully
aware of its contents.

Witness
Ella Cummins

Claude M. Leslie

Mary Leslie

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N. J. Bell
Last Will

I, N. J. Bell of Tipton
County, Tenn., being of sound mind
and knowing the uncertainty of life
and the certainty of death do make this
my last Will and Testament and hereby
revoke all other wills heretofore made by me.
1st I give and devise to my beloved daughter
M. R. Bell the following tract or parcel of
land in fee simple forever, bounded and
described as follows to wit:

Beginning at stake on north side of
public road on line of St. H. Strange
thence 13¹/₂ chains South 86° West to a
oak marked X thence South 75° West
177¹/₂ chains with public road to stake
to said road with street going pointure,
South 43¹/₂ East 20 links thence North
87° West 5¹/₂ chains to corner on line of
the Pope tract and also on corner of the
4⁶/₁₀ acre tract of St. H. Strange. Thence
South 2° West 15¹/₂ chains with said
Pope line to stake. Thence North 82¹/₂°
East 29¹/₂ chains to a stake. Thence North
2° East 43° chains to stake. Thence South
86° West 5¹/₂ chains to stake. Thence North
2° East 15 chains to the beginning and
said to contain 44 acres more or less,
and the same tract surveyed on the 7th
day of December 1889 by B. F. Strange for me.
The above tract of land is given by me to
my said daughter M. R. Bell for and
in consideration of the fact that I now
justly owe and am indebted to my said
daughter in a sum of about eight hundred
dollars for money that she has paid or
caused to be paid to my two sons, Wm
+ Robert B. Bell, and discharged my
note to them in about the sum of
Three Hundred Dollars to William and
about Five Hundred Dollars to Robert now
in making this devise I am not only
actuated by love and affection for my said
beloved daughter but feel that it is just due
her for money that she has already expended
for me as aforesaid.

I do give and devise to my two beloved

daughters she said M. R. Bell and J. E. Bell
as joint owners & tenants in common in
equal shares the following tract or parcel
of land situated & lying adjoining the tract
heretofore devised to M. R. Bell and in
the 13th civil district of Tipton County
Tennessee and bounded and described as
follows to wit:

Beginning at a stake on north side of
public road. Thence south 2° West 15 chains
to a stake. Thence North 86° East 5 1/2 chains
to stake. Thence North 2° East 15 chains to a
stake on north side of public road. Thence
South 86° West 5 1/2 chains along with said
road and line of W. H. Strange to the begin-
ning and said to contain 7 1/2 acres more or
less and the same surveyed on the 7th day
of December 1889 by B. F. Strange for me. The
above tract of land is devised to my said
two daughters in consideration of the love
and affection I feel for them & their well
fare and the same is to be theirs in fee
simple forever as joint owners & tenants in
common.

3rd I give and bequeath to my two beloved
daughters above mentioned - M. R. & J. E. Bell
in equal shares. all the personal property of
every description which I may die seized and
possessed - to do and dispose of as they think
proper & right.

4th I leave as my Executor (if it is necessary for
one to qualify in order to settle my estate) my
two daughters M. R. & J. E. Bell and desire
that no settlement inventory or bond be required
of them and in case of their should die or
refuse or fail from any cause to act, then
and in that event, the other is authorized
and empowered by me to do so, and I
request, that no Inventory settlement or
bond be required of her.

Witness my hand this the 13 day of December 1889.
M. R. Bell

We, the undersigned witnesses to the foregoing will have signed
at the request of Mrs M. R. Bell and in the presence of each other
this the 13 day of December 1889.

J. B. Case
J. A. Gibbs

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Lillie B. Bell,
Last Will.

I, Lillie B. Bell of Valle, Tenn.
do hereby make my last Will and Testament
revoking all other Wills.

Thank in body but sound in mind, I
give and bequeath my effects, personal and
real as follows:

All my expenses incident to my last
sickness, and all debts I now owe, or here-
after make shall be paid out of my ready
money.

I give and bequeath to my sister, Cora
F. Calhoun, all my Furniture, bedding &c.
and other miscellaneous personal property.

I give and bequeath to my nephew
Lloyd Bell One Hundred dollars to be
loaned, and the interest used for his per-
sonal benefit.

I give and bequeath to my nephew
Joe C. Calhoun One Hundred dollars to
be loaned and the interest used for
his personal benefit. These legacies to
my two nephews to come out of my
ready money & income and if there
is not enough to pay them this year
it shall come out of next years income
or another third year. If Joe should die
while a minor, I wish this legacy to
go to the next heir of him (Cora's child),
and if there be no living heir, then
I wish Cora to have Joe's legacy. And if
there be any balance of my money & income
this year, after all the above are paid, then
I wish it to be paid to my sister Cora F.
Calhoun. And it is my wish that my
Uncle Wm. Bell shall have charge of my
money & income both in collecting and
paying out, till all my affairs are settled up.

I give and bequeath to my half sister Maude
Florence One dollar.

I give and bequeath to my half sister Mamma
Buck Bell One dollar.

I give and bequeath to my half Brother Earl
Bell One dollar these last three legacies
to be paid at once out of my ready money.

I give and bequeath to my Brother J. E.
Bell, whom I remember in love and affection.

a share in my Real Estate which I have inherited. I wish my Sister Cora F. Calhoun to have the larger share, and I feel that my said Brother T. C. Bell does not need this Real Estate and I wish him to consider my love for my sister Cora F. Calhoun, and claim only a small share of my said Real Estate.

In the event my heirs all die (those named above) I hereby expressly will that my Real Estate shall revert to the original Bell Estate.

This given under my signature, and the witnesses signing at my request.

This Aug 8th 1906

Lillie Bell
M. C. Bell
Mar. Matice Perry.

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Andrew Doggette Jr.
Last Will.

State of Tennessee,
Tipton County.

I, Andrew Doggette, Jr., do make and publish this as my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all others by me made at any time -

- 1st 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 executors.
- 2 I give and bequeath to my wife Liola Doggette during her natural life and until her death or until she marries another man, the residence in which I now live and about 20 acres of land adjacent thereto, situate in district no. 10 Tipton County, Tennessee, on the east side of the Sommersville & Covington road the said twenty acres of land commencing at the house and running to a certain crop fence on my land running north & south from the Sommersville & Covington road with a sweet gum tree standing about the center of said fence. Also ten (10) acres of land not cleared, the same commencing at the N.W. corner of my tract of land known as the Johnson tract in district no. 10 Tipton County, Tenn. running east to the line between said Johnson tract and a tract of land formerly owned by J. S. Taylor now owned by Dudley Frazier, Memphis, Tenn. said ten acres of land being the north end of said Johnson tract. At the death of my wife Liola Doggette or if she marries another man, then in either of these events all her rights and interest in and to the above described premises shall cease, it being my intention simply to give to her this property as long as she has a widow or without

marrying another man. Now in case Viola should die or marry some one else, then in that event I give and bequeath the above described real estate to my daughter Sueie Belle Doggett and should Sueie die without bodily heirs then in that event I give and bequeath said real estate to the bodily heirs of James A. Doggett my son.

3. I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Boyd during her natural life, the house in which Jake Thomas now resides with about twenty five acres of cleared land adjacent thereto situate in the 10th civil district of Tipton County. Term should Nannie die without bodily heirs then in that event I give and bequeath the above described real estate to my daughter Sueie Belle Doggett and should she die without bodily heirs then in that event I give and bequeath said real estate to the bodily heirs of Jas. A. Doggett, my son.

4. I give and bequeath to my daughter Martha Boyd during her natural life or until death the house in which Jake Braden now resides with about twenty five acres of cleared land adjacent thereto and known as a portion of the Johnson tract situate in district no. 10 Tipton County. Term should Martha Boyd die without bodily heirs, in that event I give and bequeath said real estate to my daughter Sueie Belle Doggett.

I also give and bequeath to my two daughters Nannie and Martha Boyd during their natural life about twenty acres of land not spared and not to be divided but used by them jointly for fire wood and timber. Should Nannie and Martha die without bodily heirs then in that event the above described real estate I give and bequeath to Sueie Belle Doggett should Sueie Belle die without bodily heirs then in that event I give and bequeath said real estate to the bodily heirs of Jas. A. Doggett.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Eliza Runnels forty dollars to be paid by my executor out of any money that I may die

possessed of, and if I should have no money on hand at my death out of which to pay the said forty dollars then in that event I direct that the real estate herein given to Nannie and Martha Boyd be charged with same and that a lien is hereby created and fixed upon said real estate for said amount until paid in full to the said Eliza Runnels.

Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint J. A. Boyd my executor - In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand this the first day of August 1889
Andrew S. Doggett

Signed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator - this the 1st day of August 1889

J. L. Taylor
J. S. Martin

Codicil.

Since writing the above will Viola Doggett at that time my wife has sued for and obtained a divorce from me and I do hereby change my will. And I now will and devise all the property devised to Viola Doggett to my daughter Sueie Belle Doggett in fee - said Viola is to take no property real or personal under my will and the share devised to her in the above will is now devised to my daughter J. Belle Doggett absolutely.

Tested May 31st 1893
J. H. Smith
J. T. Talley

A. C. Doggett

Codicil

Since writing the foregoing Codicil said Viola has asked permission of me to live at my house and help raise our child and I have given her such permission, but I have not lived with her as my wife nor am I to pay her in any way for her services. She is not to take any interest whatever in my estate real or personal and my former Codicil is null and void.

This Sept. 7th 1903

Andrew C. Doggett

Signed by us as witnesses in the presence of testator and at his request Sept. 7th 1903.

E. L. Taylor.
H. L. Taylor.

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Williamson McClelland
Last Will.

I, Williamson McClelland, of Tipton County, Tennessee, do hereby make and publish this my last will and testament.

Item 1st I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Jennie, the following described personal property.

1st All personal property owned by my said wife at the time of her marriage to me that shall be on hand at the time of my death.

2nd All personal property that my said wife has accumulated by her own industry during the time of our said marriage that shall be on hand at the time of my death.

3rd All the dining room and kitchen furniture in the house now occupied by me as a home, including the side board, dining chairs, two cafes, kitchen range and cooking utensils and vessels, and all the crockery, china ware and table ware of every kind. The dining table is the property of my daughter Lora C. and is not included in this bequest.

4th Three bedsteads, beds and bedding, to be selected by my said wife from any that I may own at the time of my death, except that she is not to select as one of said three bedsteads the iron bedstead that belonged to my deceased daughter Maggie, one wash stand and one dresser, to be selected by my said wife from any that I may own at the time of my death.

5th One sewing machine, if there be any on hand at the time of my death, and all tools and appliances belonging to same.

6th One milch cow if there be any on hand at the time of my death.

7th The sum of Three Thousand (\$3000.00) Dollars in money.

Item 2nd My said wife shall take the property herein above described and bequeathed in Item 1st of this will in lieu of all other interest and in full of all right, title, claim, share and interest which she may have in and to my estate, real or personal, by virtue of the homestead and dower laws, or of any other laws of the State of Tennessee.

Item 3rd My executors are hereby authorized and directed to pay off and discharge said legacy of Three Thousand Dollars to my said wife.

any money belonging to my estate that may be on hand at the time of my death.

If there be not sufficient money on hand belonging to my estate at the time of my death to pay off and discharge said legacy of Three Thousand Dollars to my said wife in full, my executors shall apply all money that may then be on hand belonging to my estate to the payment of said legacy of Three Thousand Dollars to my said wife, and shall provide for and pay any balance that shall be due on said legacy in the following manner, provided said manner shall meet with the approval of my said wife, to wit:

My said executors shall pay said balance in equal annual instalments, said instalments not to exceed three in number, the first instalment to be due on the 1st day of December of the year succeeding the year of my death, and the remaining instalments to be due on the 1st day of December of each succeeding year until said balance is paid in full. Each said instalment shall be a lien upon the rents of all my real estate for the year in which said instalment is due and shall be paid out of same, and all said instalments shall bear interest from the date of my death.

However, if the plan above set out for paying off said balance on said legacy of Three Thousand Dollars does not meet with the approval of my said wife, my executors shall adopt and pursue the following plan in order to raise the necessary amount of money to pay off said balance on said legacy, to wit:

1st My executors shall, as soon after my death as practicable, sell, for cash, as much of the merchantable timber on any of my real estate as may be necessary to realize the balance that may be due on said legacy of Three Thousand Dollars.

2nd If my said executors do not realize sufficient money to pay off said balance in full from the sale of said timber, or if they should find it impracticable to make any sales of said timber without a great sacrifice in the value of same, they shall, as such executors, borrow sufficient money to furnish paying off said legacy of Three Thousand Dollars, and shall execute a note or notes for such money, and to secure said note, or notes, shall

execute a mortgage or trust deed on so much of my real estate as may be necessary.

Item 4th I give and bequeath all the residue of my personal property in equal shares to my four children, Mary, Lora E., Joseph H. and Charles E.

Item 5th It is my will, and I hereby direct that all my real estate shall be held and controlled by my said executors for a period of ten years from the date of my death, for the benefit of all my said children and for the purpose of improving said real estate. My said executors shall have the right, in their discretion, at any time or times during said period of ten years to sell any of the merchantable timber from any or all of said real estate, and the balances of proceeds of said sale or sales of said timber after the payment of all necessary and proper costs and expenses of making said sale or sales shall be paid over at once by my said executors to my said four children in equal shares. My said executors shall have the right to rent and lease said lands, or any portion of same, during said ten years, but they shall make no rent or lease contract with any tenant to run longer than one year after the expiration of said ten years. My said executors shall collect the rents from said lands during said period of ten years, and shall pay the taxes on said land each year until the expiration of said period of ten years. My said executors shall keep said premises in a good state of repair, and shall, from time to time, make such improvements as in their discretion may be desirable or necessary, such as clearing up lands, building fences, tenant houses etc. But my said executors in making such repairs and improvements, shall not in any one year exceed more than one-sixth of the total amount for which said land is rented for that year.

After the payment of the taxes and said repairs and improvements made and all necessary cost and expense of executing this will during each of said ten years, the balance of the rents of said lands shall be equally distributed among my said four children.

But the provisions made in this item for the payment of proceeds of sales of

timber and the rents to my said four children are subject to and shall in no manner affect the provisions heretofore made in Item 3rd of this will for the payment of said legacy of Three Thousand Dollars to my said wife. After the expiration of said period of ten years, I give and devise to my said three children, Lora E., Joseph H. and Charles E., each an undivided one-fourth interest in and to all my said real estate in fee simply, absolute.

Item 7th After the expiration of said period of ten years, I give and devise to my said daughter, Mary, an undivided one-fourth interest in and to all my said real estate for and during her natural life without impeachment of waste, with remainder in fee to her legal heirs.

Item 8th My said daughter, Mary, shall take and hold any property or interest in property, real or personal, bequeathed and devised to her in this will to her sole and separate use, free from the debts, contracts, control and marital rights of her present husband or any future husband she may have.

Item 9th My said daughter Lora E. shall take and hold any property or interest in property, real or personal, bequeathed and devised to her in this will to her sole and separate use, free from the debts, contracts, control and marital rights of any husband she may have.

Item 10th I hereby appoint my said sons, Joseph H. and Charles E., executors of this will, and in such capacity no bond or other security shall be required of them or either of them. If either of said executors shall fail to qualify, then the one qualifying shall have all the estate powers, discretion and immunities herein given to both as such executors. And if both shall qualify, either of them so qualifying shall have and may alone exercise all the powers and discretion herein given to both. The one acting in any particular transaction shall alone be responsible therefor without any liability attaching to the one not acting therein.

This 26th day of April 1907.

Williamson McClelland

Signed by the said Williamson McClelland as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us, the undersigned, who, at his request and in his sight and presence, and in the presence of one another have subscribed our names hereto as attesting witnesses the day and date above written.

Geo. A. Linderger.

J. Winfield Dabbs

For Probate see Minute Book #40 page 532

J. O. H. Bowers
Last Will

Know all men by these presents that I, J. O. H. Bowers of Tipton County, and State of Tennessee being in full health and of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me at any time heretofore made and as to my worldly estate and all the property real personal or mixed of which I shall die seized and possessed or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease I devise bequeath and dispose thereof in the manner following to wit: (First), My will is that all my just debts and funeral expenses shall by my executors hereinafter named be paid out of my estate as soon after my decease as shall be found convenient.

Item, I give devise and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary A. Bowers my horse Biggy and and harness and all of my cow & pigs and hogs also all of my household and kitchen furniture also all of my money and notes and all my other personal property of every kind that I may be possessed or entitled to at the time of my decease also all of my real estate that I know own or may own or be entitled to at the time of my decease. And lastly I do nominate and appoint my said wife Mary A. Bowers to be the executor of this my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I the said J. O. H. Bowers have to this my last will and testament contained on one sheet of paper subscribed my name and affixed my seal this 9 day of Sept. 1905.

J. O. H. Bowers (seal)

Signed sealed published and declared by the said J. O. H. Bowers as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

W. F. Walker

L. C. Wilkins

For Probate see Minute Book 40 page 148

Will of D. M. Witherington.
D. M. Witherington, of Munford, Tipton County, Tennessee, make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all wills by me heretofore at any time made.

First. I desire all my just debts and funeral expenses paid as soon after my death as practicable.

Second I give devise and bequeath to my son James B. Witherington my farm in the 13th Civil District of Tipton County Tennessee 164 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres of which I bought from A. M. Smith and about 222 acres of which I bought from L. H. Rankin, the whole farm containing about 386 acres but he is to pay to Donald Mordcai Witherington son of my son W. F. Witherington the sum of One Hundred Dollars and to Sidney Witherington, son of my son C. B. Witherington, deceased one hundred dollars.

Third. I give and devise to my eldest daughter Kate Witherington my lot in the city of Memphis Tennessee, and fronting about 112 feet on the east side of Creedmore Avenue and running back easterly about 200 feet to Crockett Avenue being the same lot bought by me from S. H. Flaniken.

Fourth. I give and devise to my youngest daughter Sarah P. Witherington my lot in the city of Memphis Tennessee fronting about 50 feet on the North side of Lane Avenue, and running back northwardly about 175 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet to the right of way of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company - bought by me at Chancery Court Sale.

I also give and bequeath to her Two Hundred (\$200.00) out of my personal estate. Fifth. I hold in notes and accounts several hundred dollars against my son W. F. Witherington and also several hundred dollars against my son Sidney P. Witherington deceased for advances made to them respectively. I hereby remit and

Cancel all of said indebtedness against each of them.
 Sixth All the rest and residue of my estate of every kind real, personal or mixed and wherever situated I give devise and bequeath to my said son James B. Witherington my daughter Joe Witherington and my daughter Sara C. Witherington equally, one-third to each.

Seventh I hereby nominate and appoint my said son Dr. James B. Witherington Executor of this my last will and testament and expressly desire that he be permitted to qualify and act as such without giving any security as such.
 Witness my hand at Murfreesboro.

This the 5th day of September 1901.

N. M. Witherington

We, G. H. Cannel and P. A. Aycock hereby certify that on this day N. M. Witherington signed the above instrument and declared it to be his last will and testament in our presence and at the same time we signed this as witnesses thereto, at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other.

This the 5th day of Sept. 1901.

G. H. Cannel.
 P. A. Aycock.

For Probate see Minute Book 41 page 65

Elizabeth E. Nabers
 Last Will

Elizabeth E. Nabers being of sound mind and disposing memory do make and publish this as my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made.
 Item 1st I desire and direct all just debts to be paid out of the first monies coming into the hands of my executor.

Item 2nd I will, bequeath and devise all my property and estate wherever situated to my Brother, J. C. Nabers and W. A. Nabers and my Sister Martha J. Nabers and Mary F. Nabers to be owned and held by them in fee as equal tenants in common thereof, with full power to sell or dispose of same as they or either of them may see fit.

If at the time of my death either one or more of the above named devisees should be dead then I desire and direct that such of said devisees as are living at date of my death take my estate in fee as equal tenants in common thereof.

I nominate or appoint as my executor of this will and excuse him from the necessity of giving bond as required by law.

This the 11th day of October 1899.

Elizabeth Nabers

Witness

For Probate see Minute Book 40 page 500

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Lemuel Williams
Last Will

Know all men by this present that I Lemuel Williams of Tipton County and State of Tennessee being in full health but of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me at any time heretofore made.

And as to my worldly estate and all the property real personal or mixed of which I shall die seized and possessed or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease, I devise bequeath and dispose thereof in the following to wit:

First my will is that all my just debts and funeral expenses shall by my executor hereinafter named be paid out of my estate as soon after my decease as shall be found convenient.

Item I give devise and bequeath all of my estate real personal and mixed of which I shall die seized and possessed or to which I shall be entitled at my decease I give devise and bequeath to be equally divided between my beloved children, namely, James Lemuel, Lolla, Bell George Washington, Emily Savanna and Mary Rox. And that James Lemuel my above named son having become involved to the amount of one hundred dollars by note to me also two hundred and seventy five dollars (275.00) to J. C. Coats which debt I have secured by Trust deed also one hundred and twelve dollars to Nehruite Preston & Co. for which I have executed my note for the sum of two hundred & twenty seven dollars & 17 cts. a part of which was paid to secure payment of said \$12.00.

Now should any or all of said sums have to be paid by me or my executor hereinafter named the same amount shall be charged to said James Lemuel and be deducted out of his equal share of my estate so as to make all equal in my estate.

Also my son George Washington having become involved to the amount of one hundred and

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fifty dollars and seventeen cents to Nehruite Preston & Co. I have executed my note for two hundred and twenty seven dollars & 17 cents to secure payment on same.

Also twenty five dollars for one mare which said George Washington has received from me also one mule for which I paid fifty dollars to Oliver Quinly for said son George Washington my will is that my executor hereinafter named shall charge the above named sums against my son George Washington and deduct same out of his equal share in my estate so as to make them equal in my estate that is to say the sums to be deducted from my son James and George it is to be equally divided among & between the other children. And lastly I do nominate and appoint A. W. Dickerson to be the executor of this my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I the said Lemuel Williams have to this my last will and testament contained on one sheet of paper subscribed my name by mark this the 12 day of June 1907.

Lemuel ^{his} Williams (seal)
mark

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Lemuel Williams as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

Witness -

J. P. Gilkine
C. T. Singleton.

For Probate see Minute Book 41 page 87

Fannie White
Last Will.

I, Fannie White, a widow, being of sound mind and disposing memory do make and publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all other wills heretofore made by me:

I hereby direct that at my death, or as soon thereafter as my heirs named may think best that my executor sell at public or private sale as he may deem best for the interest of the estate, all of my property of every character, including whatever real estate I may own, and divide the proceeds into four equal parts and pay same to my four children, to wit:

Arsell L. Slaughter, Lucile Slaughter, Louis Slaughter and Allen White; or to the guardian of each child not then of age.

Having implicit confidence in my son, Arsell L. Slaughter, I hereby nominate and appoint my said son, Arsell L. Slaughter as the executor of this my last will and testament, without bond in any sum whatsoever, with authority in him to dispose of any real estate owned by me at time of my death, and make deeds thereto.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my signature this the 7 day of June, 1907.

Mrs. Fannie White.

The foregoing will was signed by the testator in our presence and not attested the same in her presence and at her request, this June 7, 1907.

J. P. Sanford
H. L. Lister
J. A. Sewell

For Probate see Minute Book 41 page 74

Mary Leila Meek
Last Will.

I, Mary Leila Meek wife of Jas. T. Meek do make this my last will & testament, revoking all other wills heretofore made by me. I will, give grant & devise unto my daughter, Rebekah Meek, 50 acres of my tract of land on which I reside & in the 1st Civil District of Tipton County Tennessee and on which is located my residence and other improvements & said 50 acres is to be surveyed off of the East End of said tract or the end of said tract on which is located my residence. (2) I give, devise & grant to the rest of my children share & share alike all the rest of said tract of land.

But I will & devise that they shall have no power to sell or alienate their part of said tract of land until the youngest of these sons is 25 years of age.

(3) I do grant & devise that my husband shall have the use control & habitation of all of the above described tract of 117 acres of land as long as he shall remain unmarried.

(4) I do hereby, devise said 50 acres of land described in the first item of this will to my daughter Rebekah free from all the debts contracts & liabilities of any husband & to her sole & separate use.

(5) I do hereby appoint & constitute my beloved husband Jas. T. Meek the executor of this my last will & testament.

This April 9, 1905.

Mary Leila Meek.

At the request of Mrs. Mary S. Meek, the person who has made this will, we have witnessed her signing the same and at her request we subscribed hereto as witnesses of this her last will & testament.

This Apr. 8, 1905.

H. T. McCormick
J. L. Johnson

For Probate see Minute Book 41 page 218

Ida and Virginia Morrison,
Last Will.

We, Ida and Virginia Morrison being of sound mind and memory, do hereby make, ordain and publish this, as and for our joint will and testament, hereby revoking and making void any and all wills by us or either of us heretofore made.

Item 1st The survivor of us is hereby nominated and appointed Executor of this will, without Bonds, and shall not be called upon to make settlement or return inventory of estate.

Item 2nd We and each of us, do hereby will, devise and bequeath unto the survivor of us, any and all estate, whether real, personal or mixed of which we or either of us may die seized, possessed or entitled to, and each survivor hereby assumes the payment of all legal and just debts, if any, owing by the said decedent.

Item 3rd In case either of us should marry hereafter this joint will is not to prevent such party from making other disposition of her estate by will or otherwise as she may see proper.

In testimony whereof we have set our hands this 27 day of October A.D. 1906.

Virginia Morrison
Ida Morrison

Signed in our presence and acknowledged by Testators to be their last will and testament, and we at their do sign the same the same as witnesses in their presence and the presence of each other.

Pearl Lattner
Ermine M. Nedy.

For Probate see Minute Book 41 page 228

Ida S. Hall State of Tennessee,
Last Will. Lipton County.

I, Ida S. Hall, of said County and State, being of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of life, do make and declare this to be my last will and testament, that is to say:

Item 1st I give and devise unto my son Oscar S. Hall and his heirs, the 114 Acres of land more or less, which have been already surveyed for him on the East half of my Father's place, also 91 acres of land to be run as follows to wit:

to begin at the South end of the West half of the Father's place on which he now resides and run North the entire width of said place sufficiently far North to make him 11 acres. The two lots of land herein devised to him contain 255 acres more or less and are bounded as follows to wit:

On the North by the lands of J. D. Hall and J. B. Hall, on East by the lands of George Calhoun and on South by the lands of Isaac Calhoun and W. J. Mager and on the West by the lands of Baker Calhoun.

Item 2nd I give and devise unto my son J. D. Hall and his heirs 113 acres more or less already surveyed to him, it being the North east corner of my home place with the addition thereto of 5 Acres on west side of said 113 acres to be taken from my home place, the whole to contain 118 acres more or less, also my Samuel Sherrod place containing 50 Acres for full description of which see deed from Samuel Sherrod and wife to J. D. Hall. The whole 168 Acres of land hereby devised to J. D. Hall and his heirs are bounded on the North by the lands of J. C. Culbreath and J. C. Meek, on the East by the lands of J. C. Meek and Mrs. M. J. Stitt on the South by the lands herein devised to Oscar S. Hall and on West by my home place.

Item 3rd The remainder of my home place containing 157 Acres including my dwelling house and which is bounded on North by the lands of Mr. Grimeley and the Samuel Sherrod tract and on the East by the lands herein devised to J. D. Hall and on the South by the lands herein devised to Oscar S. Hall and on the West by the lands belonging to the heirs of

law of Garner S. Mays deceased and by lands of Mrs. Dymally. I give and devise to my daughter Anne S. Roby to have and to hold for her natural life, and if she should marry again and leave a child or children surviving her, then in remainder to said child or children in fee simple but if my said daughter should die without leaving any lineal descendants, then at her death I give and devise said lands to my two sons Oscar S. Hall and J. R. Hall and their heirs the same to be divided between them into two equal parts.

Item 4th All of the above lands mentioned and described in this will are situate in Tipton County and said State of Tennessee.

Item 5th I give and bequeath unto my said daughter Anne S. Roby the piano (already given her) and the set of furniture in my room and I give and bequeath unto my grandson Robert Hall my gold watch.

Item 6th The remainder of my estate of whatever nature and kind and wheresoever to be found at my death, I give, devise and bequeath unto my aforesaid children, Oscar S. Hall, J. R. Hall and Anne S. Roby to be equally divided between them.

Item 7th I hereby constitute and appoint my sons, Oscar S. Hall, and J. R. Hall, Executors without bond of this my last will and testament.

This 22nd day of August 1902

Robt. S. Hall, (Real)

Signed, declared and published by the above named R. S. Hall as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us, who in his presence and at his request, have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto the day and year above written.

J. B. Bailey
Jessie Bailey

For Probate see Minute Book 41 page 316

C. H. Dickson.
Last Will.

I, C. H. Dickson of sound mind and disposing memory do make and publish this my last will and testament revoking and making void all other wills by me heretofore made.

First. I will and direct that all of my just debts be paid including my burial expenses, before any distribution is made of my estate.

Second. I will and bequeath to my sister Lena A. Payne Fifty Dollars, also to my brother C. F. Dickson who is now a resident of the State of Texas Fifty Dollars.

Third. I will and bequeath to my sisters Sallie L. Dickson, and Mollie H. Simpson, now wife of Robert Simpson, and to my brother J. M. Dickson, the balance of my estate, share and share alike, real personal and mixed property, consisting of ninety acres of land which Town and which is located in the Seventh Civil District of Tipton County, State of Tennessee, also my undivided interest in my mother's home place on which I now reside, consisting of about six acres more or less.

Fourth. I appoint R. E. Robinson executor of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 1st day of November, 1907, in the presence of the witnesses whose signatures appear below.

C. H. Dickson.

And we hereto at the request of C. H. Dickson and in his presence and in the presence of each other subscribe our names as attesting witnesses.

Done this 1st day of November 1907.

J. F. Moffatt
H. A. Baird

For Probate see Minute Book 41 page 320

C. R. Harris.
Last Will.

I, C. R. Harris, of Covington, Tipton County, Tennessee, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make and publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made. Item 1. I direct that all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any monies that may come into the hands of my executor.

Item 2. I will and bequeath to my beloved wife, Bettie Harris, all of my personal estate, of whatever kind and description, and wheresoever found, held or located at the time of my death, consisting of Tipton County Bank Stock, notes, cash on hand, and any and all personal property I may own at my death.

Item 3. I will, devise and bequeath unto my beloved wife Bettie Harris, to her own use and benefit, to keep, sell, transfer and convey as she may desire, all of my real estate of every kind and description, and which is situate in civil district No. 1, Tipton County, Tenn. Just east of the right of way, and bounded on the north by the lands of Ruffin; on the south by the lands of Ruffin and on the east by the lands of Ruffin containing about 12 acres, be the same more or less. To have and to hold unto her in fee simple forever.

Item 4. I nominate and appoint my wife, Bettie Harris, sole executrix of this my last will and testament and direct that no bond or security be required of her as such executrix, and she is hereby released from executing the same.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand, this the 27th day of February 1908.

C. R. Harris.

Signed and sealed in our presence, and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of and at the request of the testator. This the 27th day of February 1908.

H. V. Bringle
J. E. Walker.

For Probate See Minute Book #1 page #67

Mrs. M. J. Fithen.
Last Will.

In view of the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death I, M. J. Fithen, do make and publish this as my last will and testament and hereby revoke any will heretofore made by me. Item 1. I direct that my executor shall, out of the monies that first come to his hands, pay all of my funeral expenses and any other debts I may owe at the time of my death.

Item 2. I devise and bequeath to my nephews, Wm. H. Kilpatrick, Thomas A. Kilpatrick and Jas. P. Kilpatrick, my tract of land situate in the first civil district of Tipton County, in the State of Tennessee, containing 15 acres and which lies North of Covington, Tennessee, about one mile. And I also bequeath to my said nephews all of my bank stock in the Farmers Union Bank of Covington, Tennessee, and in the Tipton County Savings Bank and Trust Co. of Covington, Tennessee, in equal portions or shares, to wit, a one third undivided interest each in said real estate and in said bank stock.

Item 3. I devise to my nieces, Lillian M. Nelson and Rosalie E. Nelson, my store house and lot situate on the South side of the square and fronting the square in the town of Covington in Tipton County, Tennessee, the house in said lot being a brick storehouse and now occupied by W. H. Bailey, to be held as tenants in common by my said two nieces, equally, a one half undivided interest to each.

Item 4. I bequeath to my nephew Thomas A. Kilpatrick any and all debts that he may owe me at the time of my death and I direct my executor to cancel and discharge all evidence of said debts, my said nephew being excused from paying any of the same and they shall not be charged to him as advancements.

Item 5. The rest and residue of my estate, both real, personal and mixed, I give, devise and bequeath unto my nephew Thomas A. Kilpatrick.

Item 6. I hereby appoint W. H. C. Nelson to be the executor of this my last will and testament and I empower him to convey the real estate and assign the personal property herein devised and bequeathed as special legacies to the parties to whom the same are devised and bequeathed.

Made and executed at my home in Tipton County,
Tennessee on this 5th of February, 1908.
M. J. Futher.

We whose names are appended hereto at the request of
the testatrix Mrs. M. J. Futher, and in her presence
and in the presence of each other do sign our names
hereto as subscribing witnesses to the last will and
testament of said Mrs. M. J. Futher on this 5th day of
Feb. 1908.

J. H. B. Hamilton.
J. S. Morrison.

For Probate see Minute Book 41 page 460

Alexander Sturgeon
Last Will.

I, Alexander Sturgeon, sometimes
called Sandy Hart, do make and publish this
my last will and testament, hereby revoking all
former wills by me at any time made.

I give and devise to my beloved grand-
daughter Fanny Foster, my lot of land lying
in the town of Covington in Tipton County,
Tennessee, and bounded on the North by a
street, on the south by Mrs. Jennie Cole's lot,
on the East by North Main Street and on the
West by the old railroad right of way, said
lot now having situated on it the house in
which I am now living, a store-house and
another house now rented out, and being all
that part of the land now owned by me
which lies east of said old right of way.
I give this land to said Fanny Foster because
in my old age she has lived with me, waited
on me and faithfully nursed me in sickness.

This February 21st 1908. Alexander ^{his} Sturgeon.

Signed by the said Alexander Sturgeon as and
for his last will and testament, in the presence of
us, the undersigned, who, at his request and
in his sight and presence have subscribed our
names hereto as attesting witnesses the day
and date above written.
George Stephen Solis.
Charlie Sumpter.

For Probate see Minute Book 41 page 471

Wallace Blackwell, ³
Last Will.

I Wallace Blackwell of
Tipton Co. Tennessee do make and publish
this as my last will and testament.

1st I direct that all my debts be paid by
my executor as soon after my death as possible.

2nd I give to my daughter Liza, the wife of
Rock M. Bride of Tipton Co. Tenn., my entire
estate (land, stock & personal property.)

3rd That the said Liza M. Bride shall give to
my other children Jurnius Blackwell, Sallie
wife of Wm Wilson, & Alexander Blackwell
such part of the estate as she may think best.

4th I appoint my daughter Liza M. Bride
executor without bond.

February 15th 1908.

Wallace ^{his} Blackwell
_{made}

E. C. Tazewell
Attest.

For Probate See Minute Book #1, page 479

A. A. Montgomery, ³
Last Will.

I, A. A. Montgomery of the
County of Tipton and state of Tennessee, being of
sound mind and disposing memory do make and
publish, this as my last will & testament, hereby re-
voking and making void any and all other wills
by me at any time made.

1st I will, that all my just debts be paid, by my
Executor hereinafter named, as soon as practicable
after my death.

2nd I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Victoria
Montgomery, all of my personal property of every kind
and description absolutely, to dispose of as she may see
proper. This is to include all judgments, notes
accounts, money on hand, and all stock, feed and
farming utensils of all kinds.

3rd I will and devise to my wife Victoria Montgomery,
for and during the term of her natural life or widow-
hood 200 hundred acres of land off the North
end of the tract of land on which I now reside
in Civil Dis. No. 12 Tipton County, Tennessee.

At the death of my wife or her marriage said
200 acres of land is to descend to and vest in our
daughter Sarah Victoria Montgomery, and in case of
the death of our said daughter Sarah Vic before her
mother, and in case of her death without heirs of
her body, then and in that case it is my will,
that said 200 acres of land descend to and vest
absolutely in my two sons J. A. and T. M. Mont-
gomery in fee share and share alike.

4th All the remainder of my said tract of land,
after taking off said 200 acres as mentioned
in the 3rd clause of this will, I will and devise
to my said two sons J. A. & T. M. Montgomery
absolutely and free.

5th I own two lots located in the Haynie Add.
to the town of Corinth, Tennessee. And I will
and devise said two lots of land to my beloved
wife Victoria Montgomery in fee with the request
that she sell the same, and apply the proceeds to
the support and education of our child Sarah
Vic so far as may be necessary. I give her
full power and discretion in the matter.

6th I hereby nominate and appoint my said wife
Victoria Montgomery, Executor of this my last
will and testament and request of the County
Court of Tipton County not to require of her

bond or security for the execution of this trust.
 She is also released from making inventory and
 settlements with the Clerk of the County Court.
 This the 5th day of June 1905.

A. A. Montgomery

We sign our names hereto as witnesses, at the
 request of the testator, in his presence, and in the
 presence of each other.

This June 5, 1905

Walter J. Pringle
 & R. Shelton Jr.

For Probate Minute Book 42 page 53

A. H. Smith Jr.
 Last Will.

I, A. H. Smith, of Brighton
 Tennessee, being of sound mind and disposing memory
 do make and publish this as my last will and test-
 ment, hereby revoking all other wills by me at
 any time made.

First: I will and bequeath to my son L. A. Smith
 all of my personal property wherever situated, including
 groves, choses in action and personal effects of every
 kind but direct that all of my debts including
 funeral and burial expenses shall be paid out of
 my said personal property, monies, choses in action
 and personal effects and in the event my said
 personal property including monies, choses in action
 and personal effects of every kind shall prove, at the
 time of my death, insufficient to pay off and dis-
 charge all of my debts, including funeral and burial
 expense then and in that event, whatever balance
 remains unpaid, shall be and constitute a charge pro
 rata and per capita in equal proportions upon the
 shares of real estate hereinafter devised to my
 children and said charge upon said real estate be
 released upon the share or shares of either or any
 one of my said children who shall pay to my
 executors hereinafter named a one sixth of said
 balance, if any, of my debts after the exhaustion
 of my said personal property, monies, choses in action
 and and personal effects of every kind.

Second: I will and devise to my sons F. L.
 Smith of Clarkedale, Miss. and H. E. Smith
 of Mullington, Tenn. and my daughter Mrs. Nannie
 McClerkin of Paragould, Arkansas my tract of land
 in district no 2 of Tipton County, containing about
 140 acres and direct that said tract of land be
 equally divided by metes and bounds among them
 with lines running north and south from north
 boundary line to Indian Creek and I direct that
 my son F. L. Smith shall have the west third part,
 my daughter, Mrs. Nannie McClerkin shall have the
 middle third part and my son H. E. Smith shall
 have the east third part of said 140 acres tract.

Third: I give and devise to my son A. H. Smith
 the following three tracts of land: 1st Tract. Beginning
 at a negro school house the south west corner of
 field known as Birdshaw field on public road
 running thence in eastern direction with said
 road to southwest corner of old horse lot, thence

a northern direction with said lot fence down a hill to a branch or ditch, thence down said branch or ditch to the right of way of the Illinois Central railroad, also L. C. Policks corner of mill lot, thence with Policks line northeast and north to public road, thence west with said public road to Kersey lot, thence with his line south and west to Phillips line and with his line and Hiffman's line to Mrs. Fannie Smith's S.E. Corner, thence west along her south line and extending to J. S. Hill's S.E. Corner, thence west with Hill's south line to the old line between my lands and the A. Marshall estate, thence south with the original line between my lands and the Marshall estate to the beginning. 2nd Tract. A lot of timbered land beginning at the northeast corner of Willis Smith's lot in public road, thence north with said road to an old bridge across Indian Creek, thence in a Western direction to a slippery elm tree on old creek bed, it being D. H. Townsend's corner, thence south with Townsend's line to said Townsend's S.E. corner, thence in a western direction to C. J. Morrison's corner on bluff, thence in a southern direction with said Morrison's line to the S.E. corner of the Morrison land on J. S. Hill's north boundary line, thence in an eastern direction with said Hill's line to Mrs. Fannie Smith's S.W. Corner, thence in a northern direction with her, D. H. Townsend and Willis Smith's West boundary line to Willis Smith's N.W. Corner, thence in an eastern direction with said Smith's line to the beginning. 3rd Tract. Beginning near where the Illinois Central Railroad crosses Hatchie Creek, thence in a southern direction along said railroads right of way to old saw mill lot, thence in an eastern direction along Mrs. Futher's north line to a public road and along said road to a bridge across Hatchie Creek, thence down said old creek bed my east and north boundary line to the beginning the same being a field of bottom land containing about 15 acres and north of Brighton, Tennessee.

Fourth. I give and devise to my son, L. A. Smith, the following three tracts of land. 1st Tract. Beginning at A. S. Hindman's N.E. corner thence in a southern direction with said Hindman's line to H. C. Banks North west corner, thence in an eastern direction with said Banks line to the right of way of the

Illinois Central railroad, thence in a north east direction along said right of way to a gin lot, thence along gin lot to said right of way of said rail road, thence along said railroads right of way to L. A. Smith's S. W. corner, thence in a northern direction along said L. A. Smith's line to a public road, thence in an eastern direction along said public road to A. E. Jameson's S. W. corner, thence in a northern and eastern direction with said Jameson's west and north lines to branch near sewer pipe under L. C. Railroad, which is also right of way of said railroad, thence up said branch or ditch in a western direction to where same is crossed by fence dividing field from woodland and near a large white oak tree, thence in a southern direction along fence up a hill to S. W. corner of old horse lot, thence in a western direction along public road to the beginning. 2nd Tract. Beginning at the S.E. corner of old Ellis 11 acre lot, thence in an eastern direction along public road, to the S.W. corner of the Baptist Church lot, thence in a northern and eastern direction with said church lot lines to Hannah's west boundary line, thence in a northern direction with Hannah's west line to public road near bridge across Hatchie Creek, thence in a western and southern direction along said road to Henry Fraziers house and lot, thence in a southern direction along Fraziers and Ellis line to the beginning, the same being a field of bottom land east of Brighton and containing about 15 acres more or less. 3rd Tract. Beginning at Mrs. Fannie Smith's S.E. corner, thence in an eastern direction along public road to H. S. Hiffman's west boundary line, thence in a northern and eastern direction with Hiffman's and Phillips north boundary line to Mrs. Doc Rowdy's west boundary line, thence in a northern direction with her line to where same crosses Hatchie Creek, thence down said creek with its meanders to where same empties into Indian Creek, thence in a western direction down Indian Creek with its meanders to where an old bridge crossed said Indian Creek, thence in a southern direction with public road to the beginning the same being timbered land.

Fifth. I give and devise to my son, A. L. Smith, the following lands. 1st Tract. Beginning at Mrs. Nannie Hiffman's

north east corner on right of way of Illinois Central railroad, thence in an eastern direction with Mrs. Huffman's line to a creek, thence down said creek with Mrs. Huffman's C. A. Dickson and A. J. Hamma's lines to bridge near Baptist Church, thence in a western direction along public road to C. P. Church lot, thence south and west with church and school lot, to L. C. Polick's N.E. Corner, thence in a southern direction with Polick, A. C. Church and R. P. Lewis lots, to said Lewis S.E. corner, thence in a western and northern direction with Lewis and Robinson's line to public road, thence in a western direction along said road to right of way of Illinois Central railroad, thence in a western direction with said railroad's right of way to the beginning. 2nd tract. Also my unsold lots in the town of Brighton, Tennessee, a more minute description of which I do not now possess.

Sixth. All of the lots or parcels of land given and devised by me in this will to my said six children are devised and given to them in fee simple absolute without limitation or conditions except as herein before mentioned, to wit, to pay in equal proportions all my debts due at the time of my death should my personal property, monies, choses in action and personal effects of every kind be insufficient to pay the same.

Seventh. I love all my children alike and in this will I have made a just division among them. To some I have not left as much property as I have left to others, but my reason for doing so is based upon a clear, honest and sensible construction of my duty towards all my children. I have heretofore helped in various ways and given and advanced to some more property than I have to others and in making this will I have considered closely and estimated the differences heretofore made and herein have adjusted whatever inequalities or differences which have been heretofore made by me.

Eighth. I hereby appoint as my executor to this my last will and testament my two sons, A. H. Smith Jr. and L. A. Smith and request the Court probating this will to require no bond from them or either of them for the faithful execution of this instrument as I have the utmost confidence in both of them. Should either of my sons decline

to act then I direct and empower the other to act as my executor with the same request as to bond. In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name and acknowledged the same.

A. H. Smith Jr.

Mr. Grant Reid and W. A. Black having been requested by A. H. Smith to witness the above as his last will and testament, in the presence of the said A. H. Smith and in the presence of each other have signed as witnesses to his above signature.

This the 12th day of December 1907.

Grant Reid,
W. A. Black.

For Probate. See Minute Book # 2 page 74

J. C. Moore
Last Will.

I, J. C. Moore, of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee, being of sound mind and memory, do make this my last will and testament hereby revoking any and all wills heretofore made by me at any time.

1st. I direct that all my just debts shall be paid by my executor as soon after my death as may be conveniently done.

2nd. I devise and bequeath all my property of every kind, real personal and mixed, including my two paid up life insurance policies and the proceeds thereof to my wife, Julia C. Moore and to my son, Thomas J. Moore, in trust and to be held in trust and disposed of by them as herein directed.

3rd. My wife and son named in the last item as trustees are hereby appointed the executor and executor jointly of this my last will and they are excused from giving any bond or bonds as such executor and executor and such trustees and also excused from rendering any inventory of my estate and from making any settlement with the Clerk of the County Court or with the County Court or with any Court as such executor and executor and as such trustees.

4th. I empower and authorize my said executor and executor to sell and dispose of or partition any real estate that I die possessed of and give valid conveyances thereto as fully as I might do myself and do all other things necessary for the partition of my estate.

5th. I direct that my property, real and personal, herein devised shall be taken and held and improved by my executor and executor and kept together for the use, benefit, maintenance, education, support and comfort of themselves and my two minor children, to wit: Mary Lois and Drew Carlyle Moore until the youngest comes of age, when all the property herein devised shall be divided between my said three children and my wife, each one taking share and share alike, that is to say, a one-fourth part to each one. Provided that if my son, Thomas J. Moore, shall desire to engage in business for himself or marry, then his one-fourth interest may be allotted and set apart to him and his will further, if my daughter, Mary Lois, when she

comes of age or marries, desires her portion set apart to her, then partition shall be made of my whole estate, giving to each one of the devisees their respective one-fourth interest and the executor and executor shall be trustees and testamentary guardians for Drew Carlyle and hold and manage his share without bond and settlement until he reaches the age of twenty-one years.

6th. I will and devise and bequeath my aforesaid property, real, personal and mixed, to my wife, Julia C. Moore in trust as aforesaid with this limitation: That if she remarry her appointment as trustee, and executor will forthwith cease and the powers conferred upon her to execute this will will terminate and the sole power of executing the thereafter will devolve upon my son, Thomas J. Moore and there shall then, in case of her remarriage, be allotted and apportioned to the said Julia C. Moore her one-fourth interest in my estate.

7th. I will and direct that if either or any of my children or my wife be dead at the time of my death or at the time of the partition of my estate under this will, then the survivors shall take my estate share and share alike, unless any of my children shall have married and died leaving a child or children without having received their part of my estate, then such child or children of my deceased child shall take the portion which such deceased child would have taken.

8th. I direct that my funeral expenses shall not exceed \$50.00 and that no tombstone or monument will be placed at my grave.

In testimony of all of which I subscribe my name hereto as the maker of this my last will and testament on this, the 25th day of September, 1905.
J. C. Moore.

We, the undersigned subscribing witnesses, at the request of the testator, J. C. Moore and in his presence and in the presence of each other, subscribe our names to this instrument as the last will and testament of the said J. C. Moore. This Sept. 25th 1905.

Chas. P. Simonson.
H. M. Simonson.

For Probate See Minute Book 42 page 77

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C. H. Morgan,
Last Will.

I, Charles H. Morgan, of the County of Tipton and State of Tennessee being of Sound Mind and Memory do make, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament, First. I wish enough of my personal property and effects sold to pay my just debts and funeral expenses. Second. I give bequeath and devise my homestead consisting of 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres to my wife Jamie Morgan during her natural life or until our youngest child becomes of age.

Now should my wife die before the children are all of the age of twenty one years then I wish the court of Tipton County to appoint a guardian and said guardian to use the proceeds of the place for the maintenance of the child or children that may be minors at that time. I also wish my wife's sister Saphronia Wilson to have a child's interest in a support from the proceeds from the place and a child's part in the division when the final settlement is made.

Third. I hereby will to my two sons C. H. Morgan and C. E. Morgan my shop lot consisting of one and three fourths acres with shop tools and every thing pertaining thereto to have and to use and to pay the taxes on same until my youngest child living at that time shall become twenty one years of age at which time I wish all of my real estate consisting of my home place and shop lot to be sold and the proceeds divided equally between my wife if living at the time and all of my children and also Saphronia Wilson.

Fourth. I nominate and appoint my said wife Jamie Morgan to be the executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 24th day of July 1908.
C. H. Morgan (Seal)

Witness:
J. H. Drummond.
J. D. Hunt.

For Probate see Minute Book 42 page 168

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Willie Smith
Last Will

I Willie Smith of Brighton Tipton Co. Tenn. do make and publish this as my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all others 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 beloved wife Mary C. Smith my home place near the town of Brighton Tipton Co. Tenn. and at her death said property shall not be sold neither during her life nor at her death but shall fall to theirs as I will further on dictate. My wife also to have first choice of a horse and cow.

Thirdly. I will and bequeath to my son C. B. Smith my farm of about 125 acres in Dist No. 2 of Tipton Co. Tenn. known as the Bill Smith place and bounded as follows:

North by lands of Henry Rose, South by Indian Creek & C. H. Flaniken East by Mrs. Azlee Ferguson West by Indian Creek and Henry Rose. For above bequest he shall pay \$800.00 cash which I will further on dispose of.

Fourthly. I give and bequeath to my son Glover Smith the \$50.00 cash which is to be paid by my son C. B. Smith also all my personal property (except what is given to my wife) money, choose in action &c. which I may die possessed except \$50.00 cash which I will further on instruct.

I further instruct and require if my son Glover Smith to pay from his part of the estate all my debts, burial expenses &c. as above mentioned in the caption of this instrument.

Fifthly. I give and bequeath to my daughter Mrs. Leona White the home place near Brighton Tenn. which I have bequeathed to my wife her life time and at the death of my daughter Leona White if she should have no bodily heir & heirs said property to revert to my two sons C. B. Smith and Glover Smith if living at the time and if either should be dead the property to go to their heirs.

Sixthly. I give and bequeath to my son Elmer Smith \$50.00 cash to be paid him by my son Glover Smith from his part of the estate.

Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint my wife Mary C. Smith and my two sons C. E. Smith and Elmer Smith my executors and further invest that the executors shall not be required to give bond for the handling of above property.

In witness whereof I do to this my last will and testament set my hand.

This November 3rd 1908.

Willie Smith.

Signed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator.

This November 3rd 1908.

Witnesses: C. F. Miller
L. C. Polick.

For Probate see Minute Book 42 page 192

George Tucker.
Last Will.

I, George Tucker, being of sound and disposing mind, and memory, and having in view the uncertainty of life, and the certainty of death, 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 1. It is my will that all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as possible, by my executors hereinafter named out of any monies of which I may die seized and possessed, or which may first come into the hands of my said executors.

Item 2. I will, devise, and bequeath to my beloved wife Nora Tucker all the personal estate of every kind and character of which I may die the owner, and to include the proceeds of my life insurance policies, to be held absolutely.

Item 3. I will, devise and bequeath unto my said wife Nora Tucker all the real estate of which I may die seized and possessed, for and during her natural life, with remainder over as hereinafter set out.

Item 4. Upon the death of my said wife, it is my will, that Joyce North Ralph, son of Milton Ralph, have 53 acres of my home tract of land consisting of about 134 1/2 acres of land which lies in Civil District No. 1 of Cipton County, Tenn, and which was conveyed to me by John Tucker by deed which is recorded in the Register's office of said County in Book "8" at page 114. Said 53 acres is to include the mansion house situated on said tract where I now reside, known as my "home place", and shall be so laid off as to be as near as may be practicable in a square.

Item 5. All the rest and residue of my real estate I will, devise and bequeath to my two children Beulah Ralph, wife of Milton Ralph, and Rufus Tucker share and share alike. This devise to take effect immediately upon the death of my said wife Nora Tucker. The share of my said daughter Beulah Ralph, shall inure to her sole and separate use, free from the debts, liabilities, contracts, control and marital rights of any husband she may have.

Item 6. I nominate and appoint my wife