

John Bacons Will.

The foregoing will was duly proven in open Court by the oath of J. H. Crauford one of the subscribing witnesses. And the death and hand writing of W. H. Smith one of the other witnesses, was duly proven by the oath of A. G. Mason & Col. W. A. Lusk on Oct. Term 1857. The same order to be recorded & Mark Bacon the Executor named therein appears in open Court & was duly qualified & gave bond sufficient security.

Idem, Hosp. Clerk

Jane Baracraft Will

I, Jane Baracraft of the County of Washington (County of Tennessee) being weak of body, but of sound mind and disposing judgment. But fearing to mind the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, do make a will and ordain this as my last will and testament in manner and form following (My)

Section 1st I give and bequeath to my daughter, Mary Ann Baracraft, Drift Dollars, Section 2nd I give and bequeath to my Grandson, Andrew Belle Drift Dollars.

Section 3rd I give and bequeath to the American Mission Association, Presbyterian Church, Three Hundred dollars.

Section 4th Whatever may remain of my Estate both real and personal after satisfying the above bequests I give and bequeath to my three daughters, Jane Baracraft, Martha Baracraft & Elizabeth Baracraft to be equally divided between them. Lastly I hereby name and appoint my daughters, Jane, Martha and Elizabeth Baracraft my sole Executors of this my last will and testament without requiring bond or security - Interline before signed.

Signature of Jane Baracraft

In presence of
E. L. Wether, February 7, 1852, Jane Baracraft
J. E. Lynn

The foregoing will was duly proven in open Court by E. L. Wether at Sept. Term & J. E. Lynn at Oct. Term, both being qualified witnesses thereto & the same order to be recorded & the same & Martha two of the Executors named therein appear in open Court & was duly qualified.

Idem, Hosp. Clerk

Michael Star Will

I Michael Star being of a sound mind and in the fear of God, do hereby make my last will and testament first my funeral expenses shall be paid out of what I have, Second I give and bequeath to my daughter, Polly Galloway one bed quilt and two cotton dresses, and an equal part of the money with Martha Star after all my funeral expenses are satisfied Third I give and bequeath unto Mary Combs two Dollars Fourth I give and bequeath unto George Galloway one Dollar.

Fifth I give and bequeath unto my daughter Martha my Corn and all the Hogs with all the bedding and cooking utensils and all that is in the House with the exception of one dress & is Catharine Combs one cow dress for Emaline Warrick Whereunto I this day set my name and put my seal January 10th 1853

Signed Seal in presence of
Michael Star
William W. Deakins
James Deakins

The foregoing will was proven in open Court by W. W. Deakins and James Deakins at Oct. Term 1853. And the said James Deakins duly qualified as Administrator.

Idem, Hosp. Clerk

John Bacon Will (of Lear)

I John Bacon considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and certain of death, 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 give my soul to God, Second I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money is that I may die possessed of. Third I give and bequeath to my loving wife is to have the use of my personal property after my debts are paid and is to have the

John Bacon's Will (of Lear)

Finance off of the same I now live on during her widowhood - Fourth in case my wife should marry I direct my property and real estate to go to the use of my son Joseph M Bacon also what other means I may have left.

Having some personal property undivided, one Bay mare worth one Hundred Dollars is to be divided equally between myself and Elijah Bacon is to have my interest in said Bay mare for fifty Dollars also one gray colt worth Twenty Dollars which is to go to my wife for so much Elijah is to have or for ten Dollars my sister Jane Mear is to have ten Dollars in money or by paying my Executor ten Dollars is to have a roan colt one Cream mare is to be sold by my Executor either private or public the proceeds to be divided between my Executor and Elijah - Elijah is to have one fourth of the wheat - one red heifer - one yearling heifer is to go to Elijah - I do hereby nominate and appoint John W Hunt my Executor in witness whereof I do to this my will set my hands and seal this 14th day of July 1858.

John Bacon Seal

Signed sealed & published in our presence we have subscribed our names hereto in presence of Testators this 14th day of July 1858 -

Witness

Jeremiah Allison

J. P. Hartman

The foregoing will was proven in open court by Jeremiah Allison and J. P. Hartman at March Term 1858, both being subscribing witnesses thereto and the same ordered to be recorded, and John W Hunt the Executor named therein appeared in open court gave bond a p p r m o Securist was qualified as the law directs.

Henry Hooper Clerk

Mary E. J. Jordons Will

State of Tennessee
Washington County We the undersigned were present at the death of Mary E. J. Jordan and heard her make the following bequest (the day before death at the residence of Melinda Patton when she had been confined more than ten days) that it was her will and desire that her sister Melinda Jordan and Jane Jordan take charge of her child and Negro girl Emeline and if it should happen that the said Child should die or miss the said girl and girl Emeline to her sister above named
This 20th day of February 1858

Mary J. Jordan
Jacob A. Road

The foregoing will was proven in part at May Term 1858 by Mary J. Jordan one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and at July Term 1858 by Jacob A. Road the other subscribing witness thereto according to law and the same ordered to be recorded.
Henry Hooper Clerk

Silas Ratliff's Will.

In the name of God Amen.
I Silas Ratliff of the State of Tennessee, Washington County being in bad health but of sound mind and memory but calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed to all men to die do hereby make this instrument of writing my last will and testament in the following manner.

First, I will that Robert Ratliff my son and Jane Ratliff my daughter have all my cattle hogs and sheep and all my working tools also all my household and kitchen furniture I will to my daughter Jane my cupboards and furniture. Also I will unto my children namely, Sabitha Ratliff the wife of James Prier, Nancy Ratliff, Fiske Ratliff wife of John Smith, Mary Ratliff wife of Charles Smith, Silas Ratliff, Ely Ratliff, Reuben Ratliff, Robt Ratliff, Jane Ratliff and James Ratliff, also the heirs of Alexander and Mary Goble to share equal in my lands at my death and the death of my wife. I also require that Silas Ratliff, Ely Ratliff, Robert Ratliff, Jane Ratliff and James Ratliff take good care and provide for all the necessaries of life that we may stand in want of as long as we both man and wife and by Robert Ratliff and Jane Ratliff