

Henry Hale Will

Be it remembered that I Henry Hale of Washington County State of Tennessee being of sound mind & memory but conscious the certainty of all human life is short & fearful this my last will & testament in meane & form following. (PR) Firstly I give & bequeath all my movable estate consisting of stock of every kind farming utensils with every other article of which I may have possessed to my sister Elizabeth Hale during her lifetime. Secondly after the death of my sister Elizabeth I give & bequeath all the residue & property to the following persons to wit for the purpose of (PR) Maria Lydia Thomas John Stephen Solomon George & Lucy who call themselves by the name of Hale and who come by me educated at the late Sessions of our County Courts late for Washington County at Lawrenceville the above named property I hereby bequeath to the above aged persons to them & their heirs for ever to be equally divided among them — Thirdly the tract of land I now own on Considers of one hundred & six acres I leave by will to be divided in the following manner — First To Thomas a free man of color who calls himself Thomas Hale I give & bequeath one hundred acres of land on the town end of said tract Henry Hale to be divided off by an East & West line. Secondly to Solomon a free man of color who calls himself Solomon Hale I give & bequeath Eighty acres of land joining the above lot and divided off in the same manner. Thirdly I give & bequeath to Stephen a free man of color who calls himself Stephen Hale Eighty acres joining the last mentioned lot and divided off by an East & West line. Fourthly I give & bequeath to John a free man of color who calls himself John Hale Eighty acres of land joining the last mentioned lot and divided off by an East & West line. Fifthly I give & bequeath to Joseph Almendall one hundred & thirty five acres of land including my present dwelling house and divided off by a line running north eighty seven acres west — Sixthly & lastly I give & bequeath to Henry Calhoun one hundred and thirty five acres of land joining the last end of the upper end of my premises next to Nicholas Grinith which several tracts of land I hereby give to the above named legates as an inheritance to them & their heirs for ever — And I hereby appoint Nicholas Grinith & James Gray Executors of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made — In testimony I the said Henry Hale have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 11th day of October 1820

Witness present

Henry Hale (Seal)
Mark

Henry Hop &

Lasher Ellis

John Gott

The foregoing will was proven in open court by the oath of Henry Hop and John Gott two of the subscribing witnesses taken at January Sessions 1822 & recorded

Porter Charlton Will

In the name of God Amen

I Porter Charles Esq of the County of Washington in the State of Tennessee being much in body but of perfect mind & memory this be given and given calling to mind more to the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed to all men once to die do hereby declare this my last will & testament that is to say principally & first of all I give & bequeath my soul into the hands of God that gave it & my body I commend to the earth to be buried in decent burial as the manner of the disposition of my executors nothing standing but at the general resurrection I shall again be brought by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate which with it hath pleased God to bestow on me in this life I give & bequeath & dispose of the same in the following manner & join I give first to my wife beloved wife Rebecca Charlton all the movable property including all the stock together with household furniture of every description & also two negro girls named Nancy & Doves and that she have that part of the Masow during her natural life that has been called formerly my part of the Masow and furthermore that she if so get her sustenance as to bread stuff out of the mill as much as she stands in need of during her natural life and that she may dispose of these things as she thinks proper at her death the money she may be made of paid up by John Charlton Also I give & bequeath to my son Thomas Charlton two hundred acres of land on Henderson Creek where he now lives — Likewise I leave & bequeath to my daughter Polly Smith a yellow skin girl named Sides — And I bequeath to my son Simpson Charlton the balance of a debt due from my son Porter Charlton for Town two hundred & fifty seven dollars & fifty cents — Likewise I leave & bequeath to James Mathis my son in law two hundred acres of land on which he now lives adjacent to the line already made in the same left on more — Likewise I leave my son Porter Charlton for all that part of the plantation on which I now live on the east side of the Creek on which the great mill now stands & joining the land above mentioned of James Mathis land and also the great mill with all that fixtures thereunto — And also I bequeath to my son John Charlton all that part of the said plantation on which I now live that lies on the west side of land Creek on which the great mill now stands and that the Masow of said land Creek be the dividing line between my two sons Porter & John Charlton from its mouth where it enters into the Musky fork of big Lost Creek up as far as my land extends — And furthermore I leave & bequeath to my son John Charlton a certain negro slave boy named Joe upon condition that he pay to Porter Charlton for Thomas Charlton & Lawrence Smith each of them fifty dollars the balance of one hundred thirty five dollars each the first payment to be made on the first day of June one thousand eight hundred & twenty three & one hundred & twenty five dollars each of every two years from that date until the whole amount is paid off — And I do likewise make & bequeath to Mathis Mathis & Hugh Campbell as the sole heirs of the my last will & testament and I do hereby utterly disavow over & disannul all & every other former testament and legacies bequeathed or made by me in any way before named and I bequeathed ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this third day of June this year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty one signed sealed pronounced & declared by the said Porter Charlton as his last will & testament in the presence of us who in his presence & in the presence of each other have written subscribed our names

Porter Charlton (Seal)

The foregoing will was proven in open court by the oath of John Mathis John Mathis & John Mathis the subscribing witnesses taken at January Sessions 1822 & recorded — Mathis & Stephen & Hugh Campbell qualified as executors to the