TIGHT BINDING

Robert Forbes Will.

Men. one half to be and remain in the possion of my wife Elizabeth Forbes and the other half to be sold in such manner and on such credit as will bring the most. and the money arising from such sale to be put on Interest by my Executor, to the sole use and benefit of my Daughter Polly Forbes, until she is of age to receive the principal, which she is then to receive. An Inventory of all my property and the Valuation of the same thereon is to be returned to court with the divide and bill of sale as a record of the proceeding of my Executory. And I Robert Forbes do nominate and appoint Adam Wattenbergen Esq. my sole Executor to execute this my last will & testament and I do hereby revoke all former legacies &c. declaring this and no other to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I the said Robert Forbes do hereunto set my hand and seal this twentieth eighth of July Anno Domini. one thousand eight hundred and thirteen.

In presence of us Robert his Forbes (Seal) Mark

his witnesses have subscribed our names

Wm Bayles
George Stringfield
John Folts

The above Will was proven in open Court by the oaths of George Stringfield and John Folts two of the subscribing witnesses at November Sessions 1813. and ordered to be Recorded. Adam Wattenbergen qualified as Executor to the above Will.

John Cowans Will

In the name of God Amen

I John Cowan of Washington County & State of Tennessee being of sound mind & Memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of life do make and ordain this my last will & testament in manner following that is to say in the first place I recommend my soule to god who gave it & my body to the earth to be decently interred at the discretion of my executors hereafter named and as to my worldly estate I dispose and bequeath it as follows. First I will & bequeath my negroes Dave Nancy & Elizabeth and their future increase to Richard Carr his heirs and assigns for ever.

Secondly. I give and bequeath my negro boy Ned to Jacob Ellis his heirs & assigns for ever. and it is my request & hope that said Carr & Ellis would permit my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth Cowan to have the use of said negroes during her life or so long as she may want their service. Thirdly I will & bequeath that all my personal estate of every kind whatever not hereafter bequeathed to remain on my plantation for the support and maintenance of my dearly beloved wife during her life and after her death to be sold by executors hereafter named and the amount of said sale to be disposed of as follows— I give and bequeath to Jacob Ellis & his heirs four hundred dollars. Fourthly I give and bequeath to my Mother Sarah Cowan & his heirs three hundred dollars. Fifthly I give and bequeath to my my Brother

John Cowan Will

who is to remain in the possition of my plantation during her life it is my will & desire that said plantation whereon I now live be sold at twelve Months Credit by my executors or the survivor of them who are hereby vested with full power & authority to convey the same to any purchaser and the proceeds of the sale be appropriated to the payment of the legacies herein bequeathed. And should there remain any thing over and above the legacies herein bequeathed it is my will and desire that my nephew James Cowan jr. have three hundred dollars — and should there be any money or other estate not herein bequeathed it is my will & desire that the same be divided between my Brothers and sisters & their heirs share and share alike. And lastly it is my will & desire that my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth Cowan Richard Carr & Jacob Ellis be executors & executors of this my last will & testament hereby revoking and annulling all wills and testaments heretofore made ratifying & confirming this to be my last will & testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 18th day of August 1813 Signed Sealed and published by John Cowan to be his last will & testament in presence of us who have hereunto our names in the presence of the testator & in presence of each other the day & year above written

George Humphreys
Wm Carr
Samuel Denton

John Cowan (Seal)

The forgoing will was proven in court by the oaths of Geo. Humphreys William Carr & Samuel Denton the subscribing witnesses thereto at November Sessions 1813 & ordered to be recorded. Richard Carr and Jacob Ellis qualified as executors to the forgoing will.

Henry Powell Will.

In the name of God Amen.

I Henry Powell of the County of Washington and State of Tennessee being weak of Body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God. Calling unto mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to die. Do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul unto the hand of almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent christian burial at the discretion of my Executory nothing doubting but that at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God. And as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life. I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form. First I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth my beloved wife. One third part of all the plantation whereon she now lives and likewise the plantation where William Smith now lives together with all my household goods and movable effects. except as the Girls come of age. to give to each one a good bed and furniture, a horse and saddle a piece three head of Cattle and a Sow and pigs. And likewise give to my two beloved sons John and Joseph the plantation on Lick Creek where Elijah Meadows now lives for them to divide between themselves as they come of age but they are not to have it until they arrive to the age of twenty one years and the plantation at