

Isaac Henley's Will

I Isaac Henley ^{being of} Washington and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory and being further more sensible of approaching dissolution do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and annulling all other and former Wills by me made

1st after the payment of all my just debts I will and bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth the house in which I now live with the garden Lot and all out buildings and all the house-hold and kitchen furniture thereunto pertaining during her life. I will and bequeath to my dear black girl Esther and child to wait upon her during her life. 2^d My wife to be an equal heir with my children to all my real and personal estate not before bequeathed with such exceptions as shall be made hereafter. 3^d To my children I will and bequeath Jonathan I Henley Thomas B Henley Louisa Brown Mary Henley Isaac B Henley equal shares of all my real Estate including besides the home tract the tract upon which my mother lives adjoining the lands of Joshua Henley Jacob F Brown and others.

4th The boys Haron and Houston to be sold and the proceeds to be equally distributed among my children. 5th The cash and notes to be divided equally among my wife and children. 6th I appoint Jonathan I Henley and Thomas B Henley my sons Executors of this my last Will and Testament and in justice to my other children they are required to give such security as shall be approved by the County Court.

In testimony of which Will I have affixed my hand and seal this 11th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & forty. A.C.

Signed Isaac
and delivered in
the presence of

Eliza
Henley

(See Minute Record (Ledger) 1842 to 1847, Pages 384 & 385, for an explanation of the foregoing will, which accounts for the same not being signed)

J. H. Anderson, D.C.

James Ford's Will

In the name of God Amen I James Ford of the County of Washington and State of Tennessee being very weak and low of body but of perfect mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament. First I give and recommend my soul to the hands of Almighty God to dispose of as he sees proper. And secondly I give my body to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial and as touching this worldly Estate whereunto hath pleased God to bless me First I give and bequeath unto my daughter of Grant Ford namely Elizabeth Ford and Carry Ford my two daughters and secondly I give and bequeath unto Rebecca Ford my two acres of land containing in all one hundred and thirty three acres of land in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 18th day of January Eighteen hundred and forty five.

Witnesses
William B. Proffitt
Daniel B. Proffitt
James Ford
mark
by the order of J. B. and Daniel B. Proffitt the two subscribing witnesses at the December Term 1846 of Court held and adjourned.

James Ford's Will

I, James Ford, in the name of God Amen, being of Washington County Tennessee being of sound mind and memory calling to mind the uncertainty of death and the uncertainty of this mortal life do hereby make and constitute this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills and testaments written by me at any time made, in manner and form following, to-wit:

1st after my funeral expenses are paid I wish all my just debts to be paid out of my estate. 2^d I give and bequeath unto my two sons Archibald A. Ford and James A. Ford at my death the tract of land that I bought of Mrs. Powell the one I now live upon, containing seventy eight acres more or less by the said Archibald A. Ford and James A. Ford paying to Mrs. Powell my daughter, Elizabeth and Mary, one hundred dollars apiece, in current bank notes when they come to be eighteen years of age. Also that they pay the Board of Trustees of Washington College twenty five dollars in current bank notes in the term of five years. 3^d I also give the said Archibald A. Ford and James A. Ford more property of the South end of my farm and they are also to have the management of the farm by their farmhands.

Sarah Doak's Will. (continued)

natural life. I also have the privilege of keeping as much stock in the place as I see proper while I live. - Lastly, I appoint my two sons, *William Doak* and *Samuel A. Doak* Executors of this my last will and testament, where I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 1st September 1840.

William Doak,
Samuel A. Doak,
Joshua Green.

Sarah Doak (Seal)

The foregoing will was proven in open Court by the oaths of *William Doak* and *Joshua Green*, two of the subscribing witnesses thereto, at the September Term of the County Court, and ordered to be recorded.

Catharine Miller's Will

Be it remembered that *Catharine Miller* of the County of Washington and State of Tennessee do publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former will or wills by me made, in manner and form as follows: First, I give my soul to God who gave it, and my body to be buried in a Christian like manner. Second, My will and desire is that all my just debts be fully paid. Third, My will and desire is that all my personal property of every kind that my beloved son-in-law and daughter *Adam* and *Margaret Bell* shall have at my death. Fourth, My will and desire is that the amount of money I may have at my decease if any my son-in-law and daughter *Adam* and *Margaret Bell* is to have.

5th. My will and desire is that *James White* be my Executor. 6th. My desire is that County shall not be required of Executors. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 9th day of November 1842.

John Longmire,
George Branch,
Chas. & Hill

Catharine Miller (Seal)

The foregoing will was proven in open Court by the oaths of *John Longmire* and *George Branch*, two of the subscribing witnesses thereto, at the November Term of the County Court for the year 1842, and ordered to be recorded.

Benjamin McLean's Will.

In the name of God, Amen! I, *Benjamin McLean* of Washington County in the State of Tennessee being sick and weak in body but of sound mind and understanding, and considering this certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and being desirous of settling my worldly affairs, and thereby be better prepared to leave this world, when it shall please God to call me hence, I therefore make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following: That is to say: First and principally, I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God, and my body to the earth, to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executor hereinafter named, and after my debt and funeral charges are paid, I devise and bequeath as follows:

Item 1st I give and devise unto *Richard McLean* my brother, all my real and personal estate to him the said *Richard McLean* and his heirs and assigns lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint *Richard McLean* my brother to be the Executor of my last will and testament, revoking and annulling all former wills by me heretofore made, ratifying and confirming this and none other to be my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 20th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three.

Benjamin McLean (Seal)

Signed, sealed, and published and declared by *Benjamin McLean* the above named Testator as and for his last will and testament, in the presence, and in the presence of each other, two subscribing witnesses whose names are subscribed thereto.

Johnathan Rusk,
William B. Rusk,
George A. Rusk

The above will was duly proven in open Court by the oaths of *Johnathan Rusk* and *William B. Rusk* at the February Term of County Court 1849, and ordered to be recorded.

Elizabeth Aikens Will.

In the name of God, Amen! I, *Elizabeth Aikens* of the County of Washington and State of Tennessee being in perfect possession of my mental faculties, but admonished by my increasing infirmities and advanced age of my mortality, do make and publish this my last will and testament, to wit: To my beloved grand daughter *Evadine B. Sackett*, I will and bequeath four years' service of my negro woman *Eliza* to commence immediately after my death. - To my beloved grand daughter, *Adelaide E. Sumner*, formerly *Adelaide E. Aikens* I will and bequeath the services of my negro boy *Bell*, the son of *Eliza* aforesaid, until he is twenty years of age, or shall own boy, *Bell* be of, or over, or less than four years