

Jane Allison's Will.

In the following manner Item 1st. I give and bequeath to my two daughters Polly Ann Conly and Hannah E Thompson whatever money may be in the hands of Duncan & Blairs and in the hands of John F. Deaderick at the time of my death to be equally divided between them.

Item 2nd - The residue of my estate of every description after paying my just debts and funeral expenses my will and desire is that it be equally divided between my two daughters Polly Ann Conly and Hannah E Thompson and my three grand children Amanda Jane Ruple, Harriet Ruple and Robert A Ruple to be divided among the four. I have said share alike. But should any of my grand children named die before they arrive at the age to receive their portions without issue then and in that case the estate is to be equally divided between the legacies sharing alike. My will and desire is that the portions left to my grand children shall remain in the hands of my executors, hereafter to be named until they arrive at the following ages (to wit:) Amanda Jane & Harriet Ruple at eighteen and Robert A Ruple at the age of twenty one years.

And further my will and desire is that whereas at the death of my daughter Nancy Ruple and Rachael Ruple some articles that have been given to them again fall into my hands, it is now intended that by the legacies left their children and my grand children named in this will they are indemnified and no other notice to be taken of these such articles.

And lastly I nominate and appoint my two sons William Robert A Thompson and such being executors of this my last will and Testament, hereby revoking all wills heretofore by me made, and it is my will that they be exempt from giving security for the performance of the duties now imposed on them.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 5th day of July 1885.

Jane Allison (Seal)

signed and sealed in the presence of the undersigned who witnessed the same at the request of the Testator in her presence and in the presence of each other as her last will and Testament.

The foregoing will was proven in open Court of the St. Helena by the oaths of John St. Helena, Thomas St. Helena, James St. Helena and Allison Long subscribing witnesses thereto at Term 18 and recorded.

John Rock's Will.

In the name of God Amen

I John Rock of the County of Washington State of Tennessee in perfect health of body and of sound mind and memory, thanksgiving unto God, calling unto mind the mortality of my body, knowing that it is appointed once for 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 God that gave it, and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent burial and as touching such worldly estate whereunto it has pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give, devise and dispose of in the following manner and form. First I give and bequeath to my wife Nancy all of my land during her widowhood, and after that it is my will that my grandson, John Washington Conly have all of my land, and provide myself and Nancy wife should die before John Washington Conly become twenty one years of age, the land is to be rented out until he becomes of age and all the household furniture is to be at the disposal of Nancy my wife, and all of the stock and other perishable property with the exception of the household furniture is to be sold at public vendue, and the money to be equally divided between my two children, this my last will and Testament that Jane Decker shall live my wife Nancy during the life of Nancy. This my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty eighth day of July one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight.

Attest

Amos Hoale Sr

Robert E Hoale

The foregoing will was proven in open Court by the oaths of Amos Hoale Sr and Robert E Hoale subscribing witnesses thereto at Term 18 and recorded.

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Lawrence Earnest's Will.

In the name of God Amen

I Lawrence Earnest of Washington County and State of Tennessee being sick of body but of sound mind and memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death do make and

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publish this my last will and Testament in manner and for the following

Art 1. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Hannah all of my personal property, including my servants Rachael and Hiram with all her natural life except what property may hereafter be devised to my children

Art 2. I give and bequeath to my son Jacob B. Earnest one three cott called Ball to be well raised until the Fall of 1838.

Art 3. I give and bequeath to my son Lawrence B. Earnest one man cott to be kept and well raised until the Fall of 1838; also one Feather Bed, well furnished with clothing.

Art 4. As I have caused the deed of the plantation whereon I now live to be made to my son Jacob B. Earnest for which he is to pay all just debts, dues and demands that I may owe, and it is my will that he live and remain with my wife Hannah and see the property bequeathed to her to the best advantage to her comfort and happiness, and whatever remains of my property bequeathed to my said wife at her death it is my will that it be sold and equally divided among my children (viz) Mary Earnest, Elizabeth Ann, Cynthia Abby, Marilla Briggs, Astorina Payne, Rebecca Payne, Lavinia Barnett, Ann & Earnest, Jacob B. Earnest, Lawrence B. Earnest.

Art 5. It is my wish that my brother-in-law Nathan Barnes and my friend E. L. Meath be and act as Executors to this my last will and Testament, in witness whereof I have hereunto signed, sealed and acknowledged this to be my last and last will the 25th day of August 1837

Witness
 Wm Payne
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 The foregoing will was proven in open court by the oath of Wm Payne and E. L. Payne two of the subscribing witnesses thereto at May Term 1838 and Recorded

Lawrence Earnest test

William Jackson's Will.

In the name of God Amen. I William Jackson of the County of Washington being being weak in body but of sound mind and memory do make and declare this as my last will and testament in form following to wit

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I recommend my soul to God who gave it, and my body to the earth, to be buried by my Executors in a decent and Christian like manner, and as touching my worldly estate, I do order and direct as follows, firstly I give and bequeath the tract of land on which I now live, which I purchased of Dodson, supposed to contain one hundred and twenty acres to my son Willie Jackson, his heirs and assigns forever

Secondly I will and bequeath to my son Smith Jackson and his heirs and assigns forever, eighty-two acres of the upper end of the tract I live on, the same being either more or less.

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my daughter Barbara Jackson a tract of land conveyed to me by Little & Little and another adjoining thereto, containing in the whole one hundred and forty six acres and one half, be the same more or less, to be and ensure to said Barbara, her heirs and assigns forever.

Fourthly It is my will and desire that my negro slaves, namely, Joseph, Marshall, Dick, Alice, and Elliot, be hired out to humane men, until they respectively arrive to thirty years of age, & then to be set free by my Executors hereafter named, and it is my wish that said slaves until their freedom shall be turned to those that will treat them kindly, and furnish them with good warm comfortable clothing.

Fifthly It is my will and desire that the proceeds of the labor of said slaves, shall be equally divided among all of my children share and share alike.

Sixthly It is my will and desire that my son Willie Jackson shall have one half of my grain crop now on my farm, both that which is cut and the corn that is growing.

Seventhly It is my will and desire is, that my daughter Barbara Jackson, shall have twenty bushels of wheat and forty bushels of corn out of my crop that is raised and growing.

Eighthly My will and desire is that all the hay on my farm shall be cut and secured and equally divided, between my son Willie and my daughter, Barbara Jackson, share and share alike.

Ninthly It is my will and desire that my son Willie Jackson, Smith Jackson and my daughter Barbara Jackson shall have a cow and calf each of their own choosing.

Tenthly It is my will and desire that my daughter Barbara shall have her choice of all my horses, that is one of them and shall also have a saddle and a bridle worth twenty five dollars, to be paid for out of my estate.