

# Abraham Miller & Will.

Elizabeth Martha Peleg Star, James A., Daniel, Abby, Sarah Jane,  
and William Elijah Miller.

I, Abraham Miller, do hereby nominate and appoint Daniel A. Miller,  
my son, my Executor. In witness whereof I do this my Will set out my  
hand and seal this 13th day of February 1847.

Signed, sealed and pub-  
lished in our presence, and we have sub-  
scribed our names hereto in the presence of Abraham Miller, Esq.,  
of the Testator this 13th day of Feb: 1847.

10 M. P. A. Miller,

Alfred Carr,

Peter H. Ritter.

The foregoing Will was duly proven in open Court, April Term 1847, by  
the oaths of all the subscribing witnesses, attested and ordered to be recorded.

# Bentley Hale's Will.

I, Bentley Hale, a negro of color, do make and publish this as  
my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills  
by me at any time made. First, I direct that my general expenses and all my  
debt be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I  
may die possessed of, or may just come into the hands of my Executor.  
Secondly, I give and bequeath to my son Richard twelve and one-half acres of  
land, which he has already got, and has been laid off by him. Third, I will and  
bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth twelve and one-half acres of land lying join-  
ing the place of land that was laid off to Richard and in the same form that Rich-  
ard and I last had. Fourth, I give and bequeath to the rest of my bodily  
heirs, name, I maturity, Sarah, Hannah, Jordan, Elizur, Lewis, and the two  
sons of my daughter Sarah, to wit, Samuel Franklin Parsons and Richard, the bal-  
ance of my land and all my personal property, to have and to hold the same from all  
the persons. Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Jordan, Elizur  
Hale, my Executor, in whose hands I do this my will at my hand and seal this  
31st day of June 1848.

Signed, sealed and published in our presence, See Bentley Hale Esq. Seal  
and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the Testator this 31st day of June, 1848.

Attest, Herian D. Blake

Benjamin Shifley

The foregoing Will was duly  
proven in open Court July Term 1849, by the oaths of the subscribing wit-  
nesses, attested and ordered to be recorded.

# Jane & Brown's Will.

In the name of God, Amen! I, Jane Brown, of the County of Washington  
and State of Maryland, being of sound mind and usual memory, now make  
and seal for the distribution of the portion of Goods with which my deceased  
Father hath blessed me, and because I have a desire to give a small portion  
to my black man Adam, deem it right to make and constitute the following  
instrument of making my last Will and Testament in manner and form follow-  
ing. First, I recommend my soul to the mercy of God through the all suf-  
ficient and merciful death and suffering of the well beloved Saviour through  
whose excellent mediation and intercession and through an unshaken faith that  
in I have no doubt of my acceptance. Second, I submit my body to the trust of  
natural elements to rest in silence until the morning of the Resurrection whereat  
know it will be quickened and fashioned according to the image of who is the  
Resurrection and the life. Thirdly, for the support and maintenance of my  
black man Adam and one small child of his which I give to him named  
Caroline to have and to hold his natural life. He is then to be free, or if the old  
man Adam may choose to give it negro girl before his death he may do so at  
will. I also will and bequeath to him during his natural life one young  
black man named Pete, one miller ten twenty bushels of corn and ten  
bushels of Wheat, three Bacon Hogs and three of any common red guilts and one  
blanket. Fourthly, I will and bequeath to my mother one bag mare called Nell.  
Fifthly, My Will is that Thos. C. Miller be paid for the labor of his black  
boy James Edwards agreeable to our contract as heretofore, so long as he shall  
remain in my service. Sixthly, I will and bequeath to my grand son George  
Miller, one young and mare named Fanny. Seventhly, I will and bequeath  
to my daughter first to Caroline one Dollar, Chapman one Dollar, Deborah  
one Dollar, Richard one Dollar, Eighthly, I will and bequeath to my daughter Linda  
all the horses, cows, hogs and sheep and grain that may be at my death, and as to  
my household furniture I wish my children to divide it equally amongst themselves  
without contention. And lastly, I remain John C. Brown and Sarah C. Miller my  
executors of this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I set my hand and seal the thirtieth day of July eighteen hundred  
and forty seven.

First, John C. Brown 3

J. H. S. Blane 3

C. C. Miller 3

John C. Brown 3  
Sarah C. Miller 3

The foregoing Will was duly proven in  
open Court September Term 1847, by the oaths of the witnesses, atta-  
ched thereto and ordered to be recorded.