TIGHT BINDING

Martha Cunningham. Will

I also hereby constitute and appoint my Son Samuel B Cunningham Executor of this my last will & Testament and that no security be required of him. I hereby revoke and disannul all former wills by me made declaring this only to be my last Will & Testament. Signed, acknowledged and delivered by the Testator to be her last Will and Testament in the presence of us who in her presence have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto. the date above written.

Mathew Stephenson
Susan Bear

Martha Cunningham (Seal)

The above Will was proven in open court by the oaths of Mathew Stephenson and Susan Bear the Subscribing Witnesses thereto at April Sessions 1824 and Recorded. Samuel B Cunningham qualified as Executor to the same.

Nathan Nelson: Will

In the name of God Amen

I Nathan Nelson of Washington State of Tenn being very sick & weak in body but of a perfect mind & memory & thanks be to God for the same calling into mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die I do make & ordain this my last will and testament that is to say principally and first of all I give & recommend my soul unto the hand of Almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian like manner at the discretion of my executors nothing doubting but 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 & dispose of in the following manner and form first whereof my son John Nelson has received three hundred dollars and my will is that he receive no more untill the rest of the heirs receive their part as will be hereafter mentioned in the sequelle of my last will & Testament and further my son Isaac Nelson is to have three hundred dollars and to have the mill untill the youngest heir comes of age by giving one fourth of the income of the same for the support of the younger children and to keep the Mill in good repair and also he is to have that part of the Meadow that lays over the branch next the Mill and also four acres of ground adjoining the Mill which property he is to hold until the youngest heir comes of age and no longer also my daughter Rachel Deakins wife of Charles Deakins she has received eighty one dollars this is minister dollars is yet coming to her to be paid out of the estate and further she is to have an equal share with the rest of the heirs as will be hereafter mentioned and further my will is that my daughter Hannah shall have one hundred dollars or that amount in good property as she and the executors can agree and then to have no more untill the rest of my female heirs comes of age and made equal to one hundred dollars each and then of the Ballance shall remain provision will hereafter be made & further Mathew Nelson Isaac Nelson & James Nelson my sons that is yet under age to them &

Nathan Nelson: Will

Ruth my daughters youngest of these five last named children is to receive the sum of one hundred dollars as they come of age but yet nevertheless to an equal divide of the ballance of the estate that may remain and then at the process of time my will is that my heirs both male & female shall have an equal shares of the ballance of the estate that main & further my will is that all my moveable property be sold agreable to law except the beds & furniture which I bequeath to my daughters namely Hannah Thorge and Ruth and the money arising from the sale of the above property is to be put to interest untill the youngest children comes of age and further my will is that the plantation be rented to the best advantage and the rent of the same be put to the best advantage for the benefit of the heirs untill they may all come of age and then my will is that the plantation be sold to the best advantage and then all the monies that is in the estate shall be equally devided amongst the heirs both male & female and as a further confirmation of my last will & testament I do ordain and appoint as my executors James Deakins John Nelson and Isaac Nelson my sons with this further my further request that the care of my orphan children that is yet incapable of taking care of themselves. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this twenty fourth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty four

Nathan Nelson (Seal)

Test William Smith
Benj: Jackson
Jacob Taylor

The foregoing will was proven in court by the oaths of Benjamin Jackson Jacob Taylor & the affirmation of William Smith the subscribing witnesses thereto at July Sessions 1824 & recorded James Deakins John Nelson & Isaac Nelson qualified as executors of the foregoing will.

Rebecca Charleston Will

In the name of God Amen

I Rebecca Charleston Sen: of the County of Washington & State of Tennessee being of sound mind & memory knowing that death is the lot of all the human race & believing that my time on earth will shortly end do hereby make this my last will & testament in manner & form following to wit First it is my will that at my decease my body be buried in a decent Christian manner and that all my just debts & funeral expenses be paid out of my estate before there is any division of the same — It is also my will that my two negro slaves Mary & Dorcas be sold at the discretion my executors and that the money arising from their sale be devided in equal portions among my three daughters Pearson Charleston John Charleston & Thomas Charleston I also will & bequeath to my son Thomas Charleston the first and second volume of my large Bible with illustrations. It is also my will that all the cattle that may belong to my estate at my decease be sold at the discretion of my executors and the money arising from the sale go to the use & benefit of my daughter Margaret Mathis in the manner hereinafter directed I also give & bequeath to my daughter Mary Snepp the third volume of my large Bible with illustrations — I also will & bequeath to my two dear daughters Margaret Mathis & Mary Snepp all my wearing apparel all my household & kitchen furniture of every description with all the money that may belong to my estate or that in any way be due to the same at my decease or that may be made from the sale of any of the personal property belonging to my estate which is not by this will bequeathed which shall remain