

Abraham Odell will

James Odell David Odell Lemuel Odell & Rebecca Thorne. Also it is my wish that the three Negroes as here with and leave my wife Mary Odell during her life and then for my daughter Margaret to have the girl called Hannah & my daughter Mary Thorne to have the girl called Alice. and my two sons Samuel & John to have the boy called Ben. and it is my express wish that the above named Negroes are not to be sold out of the family— And I appoint Rebecca Odell & John Odell to be my true and lawful executors. I also wish my wife Mary Odell to have the disposal of her own land as she may think proper— In testimony to the above I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the 28th of March in the year of our Lord 1829

in presence of
 Whitel River
 Clayton River

Abraham Odell (Seal)

The foregoing will was proven in open Court by the affirmation of Whitel River and Clayton River the subscribing witnesses thereto at July Term 1829 & recorded, Samuel Odell & John Odell, executors, gave bond & surety and qualified as the law directs

William Nelsons will

In the Name of God Amen

I William Nelson of Washington & State of Tennessee knowing the uncertainty of life, and being of sound mind & memory have thought proper to make this my last will & testament. First I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife one horse now in my possession. Then I give my flock of sheep my household & kitchen furniture of every description during her Natural life. It is also my wish & desire that she may continue to receive her support & maintenance from my son Mark W Nelson according to the true purport & meaning of a bond I have on said Mark W Nelson for my support and maintenance and her support. Secondly I give unto my Mark W Nelson my part of the wagon now on the farm of every description and the small Grass that is now in the field— And it is further my wish & desire that after the death of my beloved wife Mary if she should survive me that my executors, do all the property heretofore specially devised to my said wife, after paying all my last debts and paying my funeral expenses, to be equally divided between & then also amongst my six daughters (to wit) Jane wife of William Dagen, Leasia wife of William Clayton, Eliza wife of James Pearce, Simeon wife of Patrick McCall, Polly Nelson & Susan Nelson— Thirdly, I have a claim to a tract of land in the State of Virginia and Shenandoah County which land I claim by entry it is my wish & desire that Thomas the eldest of he can receive said it since he is living. On my last Executors to clothe him with full power & authority to commence for the recovery of the said land as for my six daughters and then his bond to give him full power & authority to receive said land, and I give unto the said Thomas the one half of the value of said land for recovery of the said land is not to run my estate to any expense about the said land, & after said land should be recovered the other half the value of said land to be paid heretofore specially devised. I give & bequeath unto my above named six daughters to be equally divided among them— Fourthly it is my wish and desire that my

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woman Fanny & my sister Mary Nelsons have to be paid as he is an antislavery & I do again to be my executor. Taken at some quarter to the hour in said last made. Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my two sons William Nelson & Mark W Nelson my executors to this my last will & testament— hereby making & certifying under all seals & testaments heretofore made by me— In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 9th March 1824

Attest Richard Carr
 Jacob Klippner

Peter Taylor

William Nelson (Seal)

The foregoing will was proven in open Court by the oath of Richard Carr Jacob Klippner & Peter Taylor the subscribing witnesses thereto at July Term 1829 & recorded, William Nelson & Mark W Nelson the executors, gave bond and surety and qualified as the law directs

Walker Barron Will

I Walker Barron of the State of Tennessee Washington County being for some time past in a low state of health, but still of perfect sound mind & memory & knowing that it is appointed for all men to die and for such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless me with do make this instrument of writing my last will & testament in the following manner. First I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Peggy Barron and my daughter Polly the plantation whereon I now live with all improvements thereon belonging and also a Negro girl called Clara together with all my household goods & furniture to be equal in use between them for their benefit & support, and my will is that they live together during my wifes life time, & at her death the said Negro & other property left at her death to be the property and possession of my daughter Polly forever. Secondly I have heretofore given to my other children as they married & left me such of my estate as I then could spare for them. I now give & bequeath to them the several sums they have lately or received— Thirdly my will is that all the balance of my estate not hereinbefore bequeathed by me be sold and the proceeds equally divided between my wife & between my executors also a small tract or piece of land sold by me to Nathaniel Jones for which no grant has been paid and when said grant is obtained, thereby authorize my executors to make him a title to the same, in as full and ample manner as I could do myself. Lastly I do hereby nominate & appoint my friends Thomas Barron Executor of this my last will & testament hereby revoking all other wills legacies & bequests made by me & pronounced this to be my last will and testament— In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the first day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & twenty three signed sealed in the presence of

Walker N. Barron (Seal)
 Mark

The foregoing will was proven in open Court by the Oaths of Nathan Shaffer, William Lusk & Peter Taylor two of the subscribing witnesses thereto at July Term 1829 & recorded— Thomas Barron the executor gave bond & surety and qualified as the law directs