

## James Poindexter's Will

is to be taken care of from the proceeds of the place above mentioned during her mother's life time or as long as she may remain single further my desire is that my daughter Martha & Poindexter have all her bed clothing and bed and beds &c. my desire is that my daughter above mentioned have four hundred dollars in three years after the debts now pending are all paid - my son Elbert & Poindexter have a bed - my son & Heuston Poindexter have a bed and clothing necessary for a bed the remainder of the house hold and kitchen furniture and farming tools to remain as they are till my death then to belong to my son William M. Poindexter the stock of all kind that is now on the place for my son Wm M. Poindexter to have the control of to trade in any way he may see proper for the payment of debts or the support of the family my son Thomas Poindexter I have given his part of my Estate my son John Poindexter I have given his part of my Estate my son Geo. Poindexter I have given him his part of my Estate - my daughter Sarah Crockett I have given her part of my Estate my desire is that my son William M. Poindexter be my Executor in witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and seal this 31st day of January 1857

James Poindexter (Seal)

Wm M. Humphreys  
William M. Hunter  
W M Mitchell

The foregoing will was presented in open Court at April Term 1857 by W M Humphreys and W M Mitchell two of the subscribing witnesses thereto - and ordered to be recorded -

Henry Hope clk  
By A G Graham del

## Nathan Peoples Will

I Nathan Peoples do make and publish this as my last will and testament hereby wishing and making void all other wills by me at any time made -

First - I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any moneys that I may die possessed of or may first come into the hands of my Executor.

Second - I give and bequeath to my youngest son James Peoples my home farm one hundred and sixty acres more or less valued at Fifteen Hundred dollars out of which the said Pleasant I Peoples is to pay over to my Executor the sum of Three Hundred Dollars which is to go to the other heirs I also hold my son Pleasant for my maintenance during my natural life

Thirdly - I will and bequeath that my four to wit Margaret M. Melinda J. Rufus & Ann Phelps &

Fourthly - I will and bequeath that Ruth choose one of the children to live with and as she has chosen Hannah & Neplinges I further will and bequeath that she shall have her for one cent and that she is to treat her well and not to let her be bought or sold. I further bequeath that Ruth shall have all her bedding bedstead and bed clothing one chest two tables and little wheel two boxes and fruit the loom and tuckers & pot presses two tin Buckets and any other little articles that she has bought and paid for herself.

Fifthly - I will and bequeath that my eldest son James M. Peoples be and I hereby charge him with two years time coming before he was of age - Two hundred Dollars - also Nathan A Peoples my third son (do) to two years Two Hundred Dollars - I further will and bequeath and do hereby charge my second son Azariah with one hundred and eighty four Dollars and the interest on the same from the time I made him the debt to the Parker farm - I further charge my second daughter Basemith with seven Dollars - all the foregoing charges against my heirs my Executor to first in settling with them to take their receipts as that much of their part received and if Azariah's part of the estate should not

## Nathan Peoples Will. Cont.

such what he is chargeable with, with the interest he is to pay over to my Executor the overplus. I further bequeath that Hannah shall have the Cupboard - Nickel my Large Chest - and Pleasant one table - and all the balance of my personal property to be sold to the highest bidder for cash - Sixthly. I further will and bequeath that my other tract of lands to wit the tract that I & P Peoples now live on be sold to the highest bidder for cash - I further bequeath that all the money arising from my real estate as well as personal with the money and notes on hands, with the amounts chargeable to the aforenamed heirs be added together and whatever the amount is to be divided equally between my lawful heirs to wit: James M Peoples, Rachel Rowe, Bethmoth Dayless, Hannah Peoples, Nathan A Peoples, D N Peoples, Hannah L Peoples, Am Joseph M P Peoples. Those that are chargeable not to get any more until the others are made equal with them, and then the aforenamed eight heirs to be made equal in the balance of the money of money after Rachel Rowe, D N Peoples, are made equal to those who are chargeable out of the first money on hands - I further charge Pleasant and Penakney one third of all the grain they raise during my natural life the wheat to be got out and measured by the bushel, likewise the corn to be husked and measured by the bushel, also the third of the husks and straw - Lastly. I do hereby nominate and appoint D N Peoples my Executor. In witness whereof I do to this will. Set my hand and Seal this 16 day of February 1857. - Nathan Peoples (Seal)

Attest  
Jacob Fine  
Alisha Fine

The foregoing will was duly proven in a Pin Court at May Term 1857. by Jacob Fine and Alisha Fine Subscribing witnesses thereto - An order to be records - Am D N Peoples the first named therein appears in open court was qualified as the Law directs

Kenny Chap. Clerk

## Montgomery Irvins. Nuncupative will

State of Tennessee  
Washington County I Whereas Montgomery Irvins a resident of said County of Washington departed this life on the 14<sup>th</sup> Inst and so far as we know, died without making a written will, but during the last days of his sickness did communicate to his friends while on his death bed, at his own house, where he had lived for several years immediately preceding his death in the old County of Washington, - his wishes as to the management of and disposal of his property giving very nearly the following directions. In substance as follows. These statements were made on Sunday and Monday preceding his death and to the best of our knowledge and belief his mind was clear and sound and that he was entirely capable of making his last will, so far as mental capacity was involved -

First that John Rhed should move his family & effects and to old Irvins house and take charge of his (Irvins) property, farms, negroes, stock and all his affairs - raise the crops and carry on the business so as to clear his business all up, and pay all his just debts, as soon as it can be done. This was repeated as old Rhed did not like to assume the business - until old Rhed satisfied him that it would be done -

Second. That said Rhed should keep the children at home together and educate them, keeping them at school as much as possible - wishing them to be well educated -

Third. That the negro boys Jim & Alick be sold - and the other negroes Betty, Alfred, and Lucinda be kept with the children.

Fourth in regard to the suit pending with N. McCorrick. He wanted John Rhed to do with it as if it were his own, leaving it discretionary with said Rhed to arbitrate or prosecute said suit, as witness our hands this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 1857

Attest  
W P Breiner

John Rhed

E R Bickham

We the undersigned heard the above except so much as relates to suit with McCorrick - during the talk about that shown away from the best side Apr 21<sup>st</sup> 1857. Elizabeth H. Hensley

Attest W P Breiner

The foregoing will was proven in open court at May Term 1857. by John Rhed, E R Bickham & Elizabeth Hensley: Subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be records - John Rhed named therein appears in open court was duly qualified as Law