

Isaac Bacon Will

at Lonsborough together with two hundred and fifty dollars out of the Money that is due me which I desired to give her for ever (thirdly) if then she can belong me my estate here or else where not hereafter by death to be equally divided between my three sons Jonathan Charles & John to be theirs for ever (Fourthly) having given herebefore to Thomas Bacon Joseph Bacon & Isaac Bacon my three sons & Henry Peck my daughter what I intended for them therefore say no more about them at present. Lastly it is my will & desire that my two sons Charles & John be executors of this my last will & testament here by recording and unrolling all wills and testaments herebefore made ratifying & confirming this to be my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty third day of June in the year eight hundred and twenty six. Signed sealed and published by Isaac Bacon test his last will and testament in presence of us who have hereunto set our hands in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other the day & year above written -

Isaac Bacon (Seal)
 Jonathan Bacon
 Charles Bacon
 John Bacon
 Henry Peck

The foregoing will was proven in court by the oath of
 Jonathan Bacon & Henry Peck the subscribers witnesses thereto at
 July Sessions 1826 & previous. Charles Bacon & John Bacon qualified as
 exors to the foregoing will.

Thomas Little Will

Improrved It is my will & desire that in the first place all my last
 debts and funeral charges be paid and satisfied and all my last cleared out of
 the office. Then I give & bequeath unto May my dearly beloved wife the use
 of the plantation and Improvement thereon & how far to buy up my children
 together with the use of my plantation interests & household furniture & also to
 make up as much out of my stock of horse land as will provide her with
 a couple good plantation horses & also to give of such of the stock of breeding as
 she shall think fit for her and her childrens support and further the whole of
 to be and remain in her hands for her support & bring up of my children
 during her natural life & then the same to be divided equally between my three
 children as well as our stock and household all and every other form testament
 here before made and executed by me in any way before this time made and
 bequeathed ratifying & confirming this and no other to be my last will &
 testament in writing. Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the
 day & year above written. Signed sealed published & pronounced & sealed by the
 said Thomas Little as his last will & testament in presence of us the subscribers
 Thomas Little (Seal)
 Jonathan Little
 Charles Little
 John Little
 May Little
 Henry Little
 David Little

William Russell Will

In the name of God Amen

I William Russell of the county of Washington & State of Tennessee
 being sick & weak of body but of perfect mind & memory (for which I thank God) and calling to mind the
 uncertainty of human life do make and ordain this my last will & testament 1st I recommend my
 soul into the hands of almighty God who give it and my body to be buried by my executors 2^d as
 to separate such worldly substance as it has pleased God to give me with I give and bequeath in
 the following way & manner - And first I desire that all my last debts & general expenses be
 paid out of my estate And next I will and grant freedom unto my servant & black girl Rhoda
 against the arrival at the age of twenty eight or near years from last September provided she procure
 to keep my security by law required in case of emancipation. And next I will & bequeath
 unto my daughter Annena Jane Russell a certain tract or parcel of land in Washington
 County and State aforesaid on the waters of big Limestone Spring the lands of Henry Richards and
 others which land I desire she shall be put in possession of at the age of eighteen with profits
 arising therefrom from this time shall be put to the use of her support. And I bequeath
 unto my said daughter my part or interest in a tract of land lying on the head waters of
 Limestone of which land my Brother James Russell and myself held each an undivided moiety
 which land I desire that my executors may either keep for my daughter aforesaid until she
 arrives at the age of eighteen or they may sell it at discretion as they may think proper &
 keep the money for my daughter until the age of eighteen or use it for her support if
 required. Also I desire that my executors may sell the best advantage as it may seem they
 may think proper my interest in a share horse partnership property between my Brother James
 Russell and myself and use the price in the best advantage for my wife and kept for my said
 daughter. Also I bequeath unto my said daughter all my household furniture except some
 furniture and heavy to be kept by Jane & Ellison as long as she may have it of my
 doing so (1822) if she should die while my daughter come of age if not to be deposited by
 my executors where they see in right. Also my horse season to be kept for my daughter
 until she is of age. I desire that my executors may sell my other horse & saddle together
 with all my other goods and chattels which may not be mentioned here my executors
 may sell either at private or public sale as they may think most profitable and the
 amounts of land sold to be kept for my said daughter. I will that the labour of
 my black girl Rhoda be applied to the use of supporting my said daughter during
 the term that said Rhoda is to be in servitude - And again I will that if a debt
 I have due me in the State of Ohio should be ever collected after the death of this last
 shall be paid out of the amount, one half shall be for my said daughter & the other
 to be divided equally between my father's heirs and my next of kin. John Ferguson or heirs
 and all interests or profits arising from my estate in any way not herein mentioned as
 to be kept for my daughter. And lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my Brother James
 Russell & Robert Russell executors of this my last will & testament. Christy proving all other wills by me made
 and my request is that the court receive my executors without the common security. In witness whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand & seal this eighteenth day of March in the year eight hundred and twenty six. Signed sealed published &
 to be the last & testament of the above named W^m Russell in presence of us who as his personal friends have been called upon to
 as witnesses to the same. The foregoing will was proven in Court by the subscribers
 James Russell & Robert Russell. I Pth can claim two of the subscribers names of which
 William Russell (Seal)

Robert Stuart will

I Robert Stuart of the County of Washington and State of Tennessee being weak in body but of sound and disposing memory. Do make and declare this my last will & testament in manner & form following that is to say. In the first place it is my will that at my decease my body be buried in a decent Christian like manner and that all my last debts and funeral expenses be paid out of my estate before then in any division of the same. I also will & bequeath to my Brother John Stuart all that part of the plantation on which I now live lying east & south of the following dividing line County of Tennessee at a fork on Saxe Smiths line near the mouth of the lane that to Isaac Smith & to them or the heirs or assigns the line which will be indicated by extending a line the course of the lane to Smiths line thence with the line & road leading to Smiths line to where the road leading to Smiths line joins said road thence with the road for road to where it is intersected by road leading to Kelly Ferguson and from thence a straight line to a white Oak John Smiths corner near Smiths corner and John Smiths Meadow which divides land with all that appertains thereto I hereby bequeath to him his heirs and assigns for ever. I also give & bequeath to my sister Mary body all the residue of my land lying North & West of the before described line & including my dwelling house and other improvements late to her and her heirs & during her natural life and at her decease. I hereby will and bequeath the whole of her part of my land with all the appertinances to her son Joseph body to be to him his heirs & assigns for ever. Also it is my will that my Major boy James be called by my executor at five when he arrives at the age of twenty three years and that he be the possessor of my land Marys son Joseph body and his emancipation is agreed. Also I will & bequeath to my sister Mary body my slave man Sam of various black & white two boys & a child & furniture to be for her benefit and at her disposal. I also will & bequeath to my nephew James body fifty dollars in Money. Also I will & bequeath to my nephew David Stuart son of John my black boy also will to Robert Stuart son of John my slave boy. Also I will to my Brother Isaac Stuart & to my sister Margaret Lillian & Susan Ferguson to each of them five dollars in Money. I also will & bequeath to my Brother John Stuart two hundred dollars in Money or the cash of my estate together with my plough I have given later for his use & at his disposal after my decease. It is my will that my estate be divided and distributed amongst all the legatees both of real & personal property in this will made to my Brother John Stuart is made to him on the condition that the said John Stuart do execute a full release of all claims whatever he may have or can have on me or my estate on account of a settlement of the estate of our dear Father David Stuart and should he fail to execute such release on quiet claim then & in that event the legacies made to him shall go to the use & benefit of Mary body & Joseph body and all the residue of my estate not by this will already disposed of and that Mary remain in my last debt on said thirty will & bequeath to Mary body & John body & it is my will that they take care of & provide a comfortable living for my Major man James. I hereby Shewly appoint and constitute my Brother John Stuart & Joseph body my Nephews executors of this my last will & testament & it is my request that no duty be required of them and also may body nicholas & Harriette my former slaves by me made an easy this only to be my last will & testament. I have here published & declared the before said last will & testament in his presence and at his request & in presence of each other do declare our names as witnesses that the foregoing will was proven in court by Henry Robert Stuart (Judge) District Judge of the County of Washington & the following two of the subscribing witnesses. Teste at District of Columbia 1826 & Division of John Stuart & Joseph body executed in presence of the witnesses.

Jonathan Muthrills will

In the name of God Amen

Jonathan Muthry of the State of Tennessee Washington County being low in health and weak in body but of perfect sound mind & memory and calling to mind the mortality of the body knowing that it is appointed for all men to die and for the better regulating of such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless me with do make this instrument of writing my last will & testament. 1st My former expenses paid for debts I owe none of any importance. 2nd My estate be divided in the following manner. 3rd I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Jane her choice of one fourth part of her father's land & furniture but she shall have the first one bureau & small table all the household furniture and all the clothing she has made since she was married with me also my slave man Sam & child & child. My family Bible & coffee mill & I have left out of my private box for her sister once while she stays here. 4th I give & bequeath to my son Isaac all my land and tenement where I now live containing one hundred & eighty acres be the same more or less with all the appertinances thereto belonging during his natural lifetime but not for him to sell or dispose of in any way and after his death to be equally divided between his children by Jane or division as they may agree or also all my former interests of every description and his choice of breeding cows. 5th I give & bequeath to my daughter Rebecca daughter my riding horse and brown bay horse. 6th I give & bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Murrey a bay mare that she now has in possession. 7th My will is that all the balance of my estate that is not here particularly mentioned including all my Tools of husbandry and sheep with all other articles and household furniture of every description including all debts that is owing to me be divided and equally divided between my two daughters Rebecca daughter & Elizabeth Murrey in such manner as they and their husbands may agree on. 8th As I have here before given to my other children not herein named (Wife) John Muthry, Ralph Muthry, Jonathan Muthry, Mary Murrey, Mary Muthry and Sarah Murrey such sums as I then thought proper to give them I give and bequeath to them the several sums by me here before given that they receive. Lastly I nominate and appoint my friend Nathan Shipley and my two sons in law William Murrey and John Murrey Executors of this my last will & testament hereby revoking all other wills legacies and bequest made by me and only when making this to be my last will & testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the twenty third day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & twenty six.

Witness Isaac in the presence of
 Thomas Galloway
 Mary Allgood
 Duke Rumble

Jonathan Muthry (Seal)
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The foregoing will was proven in court by the Oath of
 Thomas Galloway & Duke Rumble two of the subscribing witnesses
 Thue to at District of Columbia 1826 & Division of
 Nathan Shipley William Murrey & John Murrey qualified as executors to the
 foregoing will