

Lastly - I appoint my son Solomon Miller the executor of this my last Will & Testament.

Witness my hand & seal this 1st of September 1863.

Attest

Samuel Steel

Attest A B Barkley.

Peter Miller

(Seal)

Will of Edith Beard

In the name of God. Amen. I Edith Beard of the County of Washington and State of Tennessee, being of sane mind, but advanced in life, do ^{make} make and ~~make~~ ^{make} ~~make~~ this my last will and testament to wit:

First: I give and bequeath to my son David my brass handless Bureau and the notes of hand (some 2 or 3) or obligations I hold on him, which are to be delivered up to him at my death.

Second: I bequeath and give to my son Samuel, my Bureau known as the "Sally" bureau, and the two or three notes I hold on him - except the half of one or two of said notes which belongs to my daughter Matilda Gray. These notes not now at hand are understood to be drawn payable to me, but the said one half due to my daughter Matilda I leave her to settle with my son Samuel.

Third: I give and bequeath to my daughter Matilda Gray the three Cows of mine, three milk Cows, three yearlings and three calves now on the farm where I live, also the old Wagon Plough windmill, gearing and farming utensils of mine on the farm.

Fourth: I give and bequeath to my only surviving daughters Matilda and Emeline all my wearing apparel and clothing and the articles used by me about my person.

Fifth: I give and bequeath to my two daughters Matilda and Emeline all the rest of my personal property consisting of Beds and bedding, Tables bureau Clock, Cook stove, press Chairs and all the other household furniture and personal property left at my death, to be by them divided between themselves the said Matilda and Emeline, and my sons David and Samuel according to their knowledge of my wishes in regard to the division of said property. My said daughters are well acquainted with my will and wishes in regard to said property, and having full confidence in their discretion and disposition to carry out my wishes in the disposition of said property, I give them this discretion in the disposition and distribution of the same.

Sixth: I then by give and bequeath to the heirs of Mr. Hytes Humphreys my deceased daughter husband, One Dollar as their full share of my estate.

seventh: I give and bequeath to the heirs at law of my son William One Dollar as their full share of my estate.

Eighth: In case of the death of my daughter or either of them before my death it is my will that the surviving daughter make the division and in case that neither survive that my executors divide it equally between my son David and Samuel and the heirs at law of my said daughter Matilda Emeline.

Lastly: I then by appoint my sons David and Samuel Beard my executors to execute this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 11th day of July 1865

Edith ^{her} ~~hand~~ ^{mark} (Seal) Charles (Seal)

Witness

J. D. Deudrick

James H. Deaking

The foregoing will was duly proven in open Court at November Term 1865 by J. D. Deudrick and James H. Deaking, the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And David and Samuel Beard the executors thereof named appeared in open Court gave bond and approved security and was duly qualified as such, as the law directs.

W^m J. H. H. C. C.

James Bardings "Will"

State of Tennessee Washington County.

I James Barding being sound in memory and mind and knowing that it is appointed unto man to die, do publish and make this my last will and testament revoking all former wills.

1 My will is that my body be decently consigned to the grave and commend my soul to God who gave it, and all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid out of any money I may die with secured or possessed of.

2 My will is that my beloved wife Louisa shall have all my Lands, all my negroes and stock of every kind and all my household and kitchen furniture and farming utensils of every kind so long as she remains my widow. With this exception, that when my children shall come of lawful age three names hereafter named, shall have one good Eighty Dollar Horse bridle and saddle each one, James O. Barding, William Lechster B. Desaut, Louise H. Louisiana B. Stephen P. Barding, and at the death of my wife or widowhood my will is that all of land negroes stock household and kitchen furniture of every kind be sold by my Executor and an equal distribution made among all my lawful heirs share and share alike - except my son John M. Barding which my will is he shall have One Dollar as I have given him his portion heretofore. Lastly I appoint Robert A. Thompson my Executor.

for which I hereunto set my hand and seal this 17th February 1880.

Signed and sealed in the presence

Witness

Ernest Mahoney

William Mitchell

James Barclay (seal)

The foregoing will was proven in open Court at the November Term 1885 by Ernest Mahoney and William Mitchell the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And Robert A. Thompson who was appointed Executor to said will refusing to serve as such thereupon Nathan Shipley Esq. was appointed Administrator with the will annexed who entered into bond with approved security as the law directs, and entered upon the duties of said appointment.

J. F. Grisham Ck.

William L. Humphreys' "Will"

I Wm L. Humphreys of the County of Washington and State of Tennessee being sound in mind and disposing judgment, calling to mind the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me heretofore made. Section 1. As I have heretofore provided off all of my children, with the exception of my three youngest sons and my daughter Margaret, it is my will that she Margaret have a Black Saddle Horse worth One Hundred and fifty Dollars, one Bureau and as much Cupboard furniture as she wishes to have and whatever is left she is to divide it between my sons Thomas S. and James C. Humphreys and for her to divide the share between herself and James C. Margaret is to have two beds dressed and whatever shute blankets and other bed clothes that will be necessary to furnish them complete.

Sec 2. I give my sons James C. and Thomas S. Humphreys one bed a piece dressed and whatever will be necessary to furnish them complete.

Sec 3. It is my will that all of my personal property that may remain at my death to be sold at public sale and whatever it may bring to be equally divided between my sons William H., Moses A. and John A. Humphreys.

Sec 4th. As I have cleared my land to my sons Lemuel W. and James C. Humphreys for which in part they bound themselves in a bond of Ten thousand Dollars for the complete and ample support of myself and my beloved wife Sally during our natural lives. Now if my wife Sally should survive me it is my will that she shall have my bay mare and brule Colt. If she should become dissatisfied after my decease with the maintenance which my sons Lemuel W. and James C. Humphreys is bound to give her, I hereby leave it discretionary with them to make any contract with her that they may think best. Lastly, I hereby

appoint my two sons Lemuel W. and James C. Humphreys Executors of this my last will and testament. Witness my hand and seal this 30th day of July A.D. 1885.

Witness, Jas. Campbell.

William L. Humphreys (seal)

The foregoing will of Wm L. Humphreys was proven in open Court by James Campbell the subscribing witness thereto and admitted to Record.

J. F. Grisham Ck.

Reese Bayless' "Will"

\$1000.

Eight years after date I promise to pay Reese Bayless One Thousand Dollars in Current Bank notes for value received of him to be paid in equal amounts to his four daughters viz Anna Bayless, Isabel Hartsell, Eliza Broyles, Cynthia Hartsell and Martina W. Gamick. Witness my hand and seal this 24th day of February 1885.

John Bayless (seal)

State of Tennessee I for and in consideration of the fact that I the Washington County undersigned have been of far greater trouble to my son the within named John Bayless than either he or I anticipated and the prospect is that I will be of more and for the love and affection which I bear to him for his filial regard and conduct and because under all the circumstances it is only just to him, I hereby for these and divers other reasons good and valuable considerations hereby release and forgive him from the payment of the within note as on its face expressed to my four daughters and in the presence of the undersigned witnesses deliver the same to him annulled this 18th day of July 1884.

Reese Bayless (seal)

Witness

Geo. H. Simpson

Catharine E. Bashor

Henry V. Nair

This foregoing instrument of Reese Bayless was proven in open Court by Geo. H. Simpson, Catharine E. Bashor and Henry V. Nair subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

J. F. Grisham Ck.