

James B. Cloyd's Will

I James B. Cloyd of Washington County Tennessee request my property to be divided as follows after defraying my funeral expenses and pay all my debts.

I have let my daughter Jenny have fifty dollars in a wagon.

my John I let have eighty dollars in a Land Warrant.

It was agreed by son William that the Land I let him have was to be his share of my Estate.

My son James got a piece of Land of me for which I hold his note two notes one hundred dollars apiece which notes are unpaid and they are lost or missing also one eighty dollar Land Warrant and twenty dollars in money. The above amount recd. by Jenny, John, and James is to be counted as that much received of their portion of my Estate, Now the whole of my Estate Real and Personal to be divided amongst my children as the Law directs also the divide is to be with my Widow, As above named William has received his whole share in full.

I request my sons John P. and Samuel Cloyd my Executors.

Signed and dated this 16th Jan. 1861

Attest

James Cloyd (S)

Saml. S. Bayles
Barton B. Cloyd

The foregoing Will was duly proven in open Court at the March Term of said Court by the oath of Saml. S. Bayles & Barton B. Cloyd the Subscribing Witnesses, and the said John P. and Samuel Cloyd the Executors named in said Will appeared in open Court at this March Term 1861. & voluntarily refused to act as such & by the Court A. C. and H. West Moss appointed Administrators of said Estate & appeared in open Court from bonds forthwith approved duly & duly qualified as the law directs.

J. A. Cloyd Clerk

Mary Chester's Will

In the name of God Amen,

I Mary Chester of the County of Washington and State of Tennessee being unwell in body but of a sound and disposing mind do make this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all Wills heretofore made by me.

1st It is my Will & desire that my body be interred in a Christianlike manner and that all my just debts be paid.

Second It is my will that of the sale of a lot in the town of Jonesborough sold to Jackson Ross and redeemed by Wm. K. Sevier together with the balance of the money received from the sale of Laura a girl of color in all about four hundred dollars now in the hands of William H. Branch my son-in-law It is my will that my daughter Catharine have all the money after my funeral expenses are paid.

Third It is my will and desire that my daughter Catharine have my two beds and all of the house and kitchen furniture and whatever rightfully belongs to me she being my youngest daughter having taken care of me.

Fourth It is my will and desire that my grand-daughter Susan Rebecca Branch have an embroidered painting.

Fifth It is my will and desire that my little grand-daughter Mary Chester Branch have a small table.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal.

March the 1st 1859

Mary Chester (S)

Attest

J. H. Branch

James W. Cox

The foregoing Will was duly proven in open Court at the March Term 1861 by the oath of James W. Cox & J. H. Branch the Subscribing Witnesses, and the said John P. and Samuel Cloyd the Executors named in said Will appeared in open Court at this March Term 1861. & voluntarily refused to act as such & by the Court A. C. and H. West Moss appointed Administrators of said Estate & appeared in open Court from bonds forthwith approved duly & duly qualified as the law directs.

The foregoing Will was presented & proven in open Court at this July Term 1861 by the oath of James W. Cox one of the Subscribing Witnesses and the signature of J. H. Branch the other Subscribing Witnesses to said Will was duly proven to be his genuine signature by the affirmation of J. H. Branch & ordered to be recorded.