

A Record Book for Wills, letters of
Administration, letters Testamentary
Bonds &c For Weakley County
County, State of Tennessee.

Saml Mc Echnings
Clerk of Weakley County Court

Book B

John W. Palmer = Executor
State of Tennessee }
Weakley County } of John W. Palmer
a citizen of Weakley County =

It appearing to the satisfaction
of the Court that Smith Palmer died
leaving a written will in which you are
appointed which has been duly proven
in open Court and you being
qualified according to law and having
been ordered by said Court that
letters Testamentary issue to you

These are therefore to em-
power you to enter upon the execution
of said will and take into your
possession all the property and to
make to ~~these~~ our next a perfect
Inventory thereof and collect all
debts and after paying all just
demands against the Testator and
settling up the business of said Estate
agreeable to law you will pay
over and deliver the property and
effects that may remain in your
hands and do all other things that may
be required ~~by~~ according to the
provisions of said will and the laws
of the land - hereunder my hand and
affix Apr 20 1840 J. C. Dicks Cl.
Fees 50 Cts.

John Henry Moore Admr.

State of Tennessee To John Henry
Moore a citizen
of Weakly County

It appearing to the satisfaction of the
Court now in Session that Elisabeth Moon
died without leaving any written will or
testament and it further appearing to
the satisfaction of the court that you are
entitled to letters of administration and you
having been qualified agreeable to law and
it having been ordered by said court that
letters of Administration issue to you

There are therefore to authorize you
and empower you the said John Henry Moore
to enter into and upon all and singular the
goods chattels rights and credits of the said
Elisabeth Moon dec'd. and the same into
your possession take wheresoever to be found
in this State and a true and perfect
inventory thereof make and return into
our ensuing court on oath and all
the just debts of the intestate pay so
for the said estate will amount or extend
the residue thereof to those who have by
law a right to receive the same
herein fore not withstanding I do order that
at office the first Monday in May 1840

J. D. Dodds C. R.
J. B.

Anscom McVelly Admr.

State of Tennessee To Anscom McVelly
Weakly County a citizen of Weakly County

Whereas to the Court that Michael McVelly
is dead and having made no will or
testament and application being made by
Anscom McVelly to have letters of Admin-
istration granted to him on the estate
of the said Michael McVelly dec'd. he having
given bond and security as by law directed
the court therefor order that he have letters
accordingly. There are therefore to
authorize and empower you the said Anscom
McVelly to enter into and upon all and singular
the goods chattels rights and credits of the said
Michael McVelly dec'd. and the same into
your possession take wheresoever to be found in this
State and a true and perfect inventory
thereof make and return into our next
Court on oath and all the just debts of
of the intestate pay so far as the said estate
will amount or extend the residue there-
of deliver to those who have a right there-
to by law herein fore not withstanding
I do order that at office the first Monday in June A.D. 1840

J. D. Dodds C. R.
J. B.

4 Wilson Wood Adm^r

State of Tennessee } August Term 1840
Weakley City }
of Weakley County }
of Weakley County

It appearing to the satisfaction of the court now in session that William Wood is dead and having left no written will or testament and application being made by Wilson Wood to have letters of Administration granted to him on the estate of the said William Wood Deceased and he having given bond and security as by law directed the court therefore orders that he have letters accordingly.

These are therefore to authorize you the said Wilson Wood to enter into and upon all and singular the goods and chattels rights and credits of the said William Wood Deceased and the same into your possession take wherever to be found in this State and a perfect Inventory thereof make to our next Court on oath and all the just debts pay so far as the said Estate will extend the residue if any pay to those who by law are entitled to receive the same herein said not Witness my hand at office this first Monday in August A.D. 1840

J. C. Dodds Clerk

State of Tennessee } Sept. Term A.D. 1840
Weakley County }

To William C. Storace a citizen of said County It appearing to the satisfaction of the court now in session that George Storace has died leaving no will and the court being satisfied as to your claims to the administration and you having given bond and qualified as directed by law and the court having ordered that letters of administration issue to you

These are therefore to authorize and empower you to take into possession and control all the goods chattels claims and papers of the said estate and return a true and perfect inventory thereof to our next County Court to collect and pay all debts and to do and transact all the duties in relation to said estate which lawfully devolve on you as administrator and after having settled up said estate to deliver the residue thereof to those who are by law entitled

Witness J. C. Dodds Clerk of said court at office this 8th day of Sept. A.D. 1840 and 65th year of American Independence

J. C. Dodds Clerk

6 Oct Term A.D. 1840

State of Tennessee To Jacob Massfield, a citizen
of said County

It appearing to the satisfaction of the court
now in session that Benjamin B. Russell has
died leaving no will and the court being satisfied
as to your claim to the administration and you
having given bond and qualified as directed
by law and the court having ordered that let-
ters of administration issue to you - Then we
therefore to authorize and empower you to
take into your possession and control all
the goods chattels claims and papers of
the said said intestate and return a true
and perfect inventory thereof to our next
County Court to collect and pay all debts
and to do and transact all the duties
in relation to said estate which lawfully devolve
on you as administrator and after having
settled up said estate to deliver the residue
thereof to those who are by law entitled
to the same

Witness J. C. Doads Clerk of
said Court at office this 5th day
of October A.D. 1840 and of American
Independence the 63rd

J. C. Doads Clerk

October Term A.D. 1840

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State of Tennessee To Jesse A. Davis a citizen
of said County

It appearing to the satisfaction of the court
now in session that Mr.
Huggins has died leaving no will
or testament and the court being satisfied
as to your claim to the adminis-
tration and you having given bond
and qualified as by law directed and
the court having ordered that letters of
administration issue to you

Then we therefore to authorize and
empower you to take into your posses-
sion and control all the goods
chattels claims and papers of the said
said intestate and return a true and perfect
inventory thereof to our next court
to collect and pay all debts and to
do and transact all the duties
in relation to said estate which
lawfully devolve on you as admin-
istrator and after having settled
up said estate to deliver the residue
thereof to those who by law are entitled
to the same - Witness J. C. Doads
Clerk of the County Court at office
this 5th day of October A.D. 1840
and of American Independence
the 63rd J. C. Doads Clerk

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State of Maine
County of York
October Term A.D. 1840.

To Alexander Barr a citizen of Mealy County: It appearing to the satisfaction of the County Court now in session that James N. Barr is dead and the considering you to be entitled to letters of Administration you having made application for the same and given bonds as the law directs.

These are therefore to authorize and empower you to take into your possession and control all the goods chattels rights & interests of the said James N. Barr dec'd. to collect and pay all the debts of said estate which is due or owing from said estate and to do and transact all other business of said estate which devolves on as the administrator of the same and when you settle up said estate to pay over the residue if any there be to those who by law are entitled to the same. Witness J. C. Dodds Clerk of the County Court of said Mealy County at office this 3rd day of Oct. A.D. 1840 and of American Independence the Sixty-fifth.

J. C. Dodds Clerk

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John Lenoir
Last Will
Oct. Term 1840.

In the name of God Amen
I John Lenoir of the County of Mealy and State of Tennessee being weak in body but strong in mind and disposing memory do make and constitute this my last will and testament in manner and form following (to wit)

Item 1 - It is my will and desire that all of my just debts be paid as shortly after my death as can be conveniently done.

Item 2 - I lend to my beloved wife Elisabeth Lenoir all of my estate both real and personal for the maintenance my said wife and children namely William L. John. Robert Jesse Thomas & Elisabeth Jane Lenoir with the youngest of my said children become of age except such property as my executor and executrix may think proper to spare to any one of my said children without injury to the to the others. Then and in that case the property so to be spared shall be valued at fair price and be charged to such child or children receiving said property in part of the amount which he she or they are or may be entitled to in a final division of said property but in case my said wife should marry I then desire that all of my property be equally divided among all of my children above named.

Item 3 - It is my will and desire that if my said

October Term 1840.

Should hereafter think proper to leave I now live at and remove to any other that she be at liberty to do so and to sell the land I now live on or any other property she may think proper to sell and perfect title to the same for the purpose of purchasing land for a home for my said wife and children in any country she may think proper to settle in but for no other purpose.

Item 4 It is my will and desire that all debts due me be collected and put to use and support of my said family if it should be so needed.

Item 5 I do appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth Senof and William G. Bowers my executors and executor to this my last will and testament revoking all others bearing the same. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 14th day of September 1840.

Signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of us
George Williamson
Amos Hill
William G. Hill

Proven in open Court by the oaths of Amos Hill and William G. Hill two of the subscribers to said will at Oct. Term of the County Court and returned by me J. C. Doane Clerk.

Nov. Term 1840

State of Tennessee } To Hon. S. Edwards a citizen
Mundy County } of said County
It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that Sam. Jackson has died leaving a legitimate wife in which you are appointed executor which has been proven in open Court and your having given bonds and qualified according to law and it having been ordered by the said Court letters testamentary issue to you

There are therefore to authorize and empower you the said S. Edwards to enter upon the execution of said will and take into your possession all the property and to make to the next Court a true and perfect inventory thereof and make due collection of all debts and after paying all the just demands against the Testator and settling up the business of said Estate according to law you will pay over and deliver the property and effects that may remain in your hands and do all other things that may be required according to the provisions of the said will and laws of the land.

Witness John C. Doane Clerk of the County Court at office this first Monday in Nov. in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty and of American independence the 65th
John C. Doane Clerk

Nov Term 1840

Isam Cahoona Will-

State of Tennessee

Meigs County

I Isam Cahoona do make and publish this as my last will and testament hereby revoking and making void all others with by me at any time made First I direct that my funeral expenses be paid as soon after my death as possible out of my monies that I may see proper of or may first come into the hands of my Executor Secondly I give and bequeath two step daughters Phely Sallaway the wife of Ben Sallaway and Gulty Smellidge a certain tract of land lying on the waters of mud creek in Meigs County and State of Tennessee containing by one hundred and twenty five acres it being the land whereon I now live and purchased of Joel Pinson which calls can be ascertained by reference to the deed made to me by Thos A. Falk agent of Joel Pinson to them and the lawful heir of their body forever I also give unto the said Phely Sallaway wife of Ben Sallaway and Gulty Smellidge all my property as Every description and that they equally divide and enjoy the same after my death Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint Thos A. Edwards my Executor in witness whereof I do to this my last will set my hand and seal this the 29 day of March A.D. 1840. Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of

Isam Cahoona *(Seal)*

Benton Ship

Sam Currie

Nov Term 1840

Esperan Pearce

to Adm.

Wm Pearce

Office of the County

Court Clerk

Grisson Term

State of Tennessee To Esperan Pearce a citizen Meigs County of said County

It appearing to the County Court now in Session William F. Pearce her died leaving no wife and the Court being satisfied as to your claim to the administration and you having given bond and qualified according to law and the Court having ordered that letters of Administration issue to you.

That we therefore do authorize and empower you the said Esperan Pearce to take into your possession and control all the goods chattels claims and papers of the said intestate and return a true and perfect inventory thereof to our next County Court to collect and pay all debts and to do and transact all the duties in relation to said Estate which lawfully devolve in you as Administrator and after having settled up said estate to deliver the residue thereof to those who by law are entitled to the same =

Witness My Seals Clerk of the said Court at office and day of November A.D. 1840 and 15th of American Independence

John C. Doacs Clk

14 Nov Term 1840

State of Tennessee To John Roberts a citizen
Meigs County of said Court greeting

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court
now in session that Anas Roberts is dead leaving
no wife and the Court being satisfied as to your
claim to the administration and you having given
bond and qualified as directed by law and the
Court having ordered that letters of Administration
be issued to you...

There was therefore to authorize and empower you
to take into your possession and control all the
goods chattels claim and papers of the said
intestate and return a true and perfect in-
ventory thereof to our next County Court to collect
and pay all debts and to do and transact all
the duties in relation to said Estate which may law-
fully devolve on you as Administrator and after
having settled up said estate to deliver the
residue thereof to those who by law are en-
titled to the same.

Witness John C. Doan Clerk
of said Court at office this 2^d day of
November A.D. 1840 and 65th of American Inde-
pendence
John C. Doan Clk

Nov. Term 1840

Last will of Saml. Hopkins Senr.

No I am about to take a journey from home as it
may be possible that I may never return anymore if
it should be so want my property to be managed in this
way that is I wish after all my Just debts are paid
if I am about to take a journey from home and as it
may be possible that I may never return any more and if
it should be so I want my property arranged in this
way I give my wife Margaret all my property
land and other property singular all my Estate
Credits &c and then to pay all Just debts against
said Estate this my last will and testament made
and signed this 23^d February 1837

test.

Saml. Hopkins Senr.

Samuel Hopkins

R. Hopkins

16 Dec Term 1840

State of Tennessee To J. M. Bastin a cit
Muskley County & izen of said County

It appearing to the county court
now in session that Mary Bastin is
dead leaving no will and the court
being satisfied as to your claim to the
Administration and you having given bond
and qualified as directed by law and the
Court having ordered that letters of Admin-
istration issue to you:

Thus we therefore to authorize and empower
you to take into your possession all the goods
chattle claim and paper of the intestate
and return a true and perfect inventory
thereof to our next county court to collect and
pay all debts and to do and transact all
the duties in relation to said Estate which
lawfully devolve on you as Administrator
and after having settled up said Estate
to deliver the residue thereof to those who
by law are entitled.

Witness John C. Dodds Clerk
of the County Court of said County at
office this 7th day of December AD
1840 and 65th of American Independence
John C. Dodds Clk

December Term 1840

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State of Tennessee To James N. Newton a cit
Muskley County & izen of said County

It appearing to the satisfaction of the
Court that James Newton has died leaving no
will and the Court being satisfied as to your
claim to the Administration and you having
given bond and qualified as directed by law
and the Court having ordered that letters of Ad-
ministration issue to you.

Thus we therefore to authorize and empower
you to take into your possession and control all
the goods chattle rights and credits of the said
intestate and return a true and perfect inven-
tory thereof to our next County Court to collect and
pay all debts and to do and transact all the
duties in relation to said estate which lawfully
devolve on you as Administrator and after hav-
ing settled up said Estate to deliver the residue
thereof to those who by law are entitled thereto.

Witness John C. Dodds Clerk of said
Court at office this 7th day of Dec. 1840 and
of American Independence the 65th

John C. Dodds Clk

18 December Term 1840

State of Tennessee } To William Dornald
Meigs County } a citizen of said County

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court now in session that Morgan Dornald has died leaving no will and the Court being satisfied as to your claim to the Administration and you having given bond and qualified as directed by law and the Court having ordered that letters of Administration issue to you.

There are therefore to authorize and empower you to take into your possession and control all the goods chattels claims and papers of the said intestate and return a true and perfect inventory thereof to our next County Court to collect and pay all debts and to do and transact all the duties in relation to said estate which lawfully devolve on you as Administrator and after having settled up said Estate to deliver the residue thereof to those who by law are entitled.

Witness John C. Dadds Clerk
of said Court at office this 7th day of
Dec. 1840 and 65th of American Independence
John C. Dadds

Dec. Term 1840

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State of Tennessee } To Miller B. Melkerson
Meigs County } a citizen of said County

It appearing to the satisfaction of the County Court that A. D. Melkerson has died leaving no will and the Court being satisfied as to your claim to the Administration and you having given bond and qualified as directed by law and the Court having ordered that letters of Administration issue to you.

There are therefore to authorize and empower you to take into your possession all the goods chattels claims and papers of the intestate and return a true and perfect inventory thereof to our next County Court to collect and pay all debts and to do and transact all the duties in relation to said Estate which lawfully devolve on you as adm^r and after having settled up said Estate to deliver the residue thereof to those by law who are entitled.

Witness John C. Dadds Clerk of the said
Court at office this 7th day of December 1840
and 65th of American Independence.

John C. Dadds Clk

20 December Term 1840

State of Tennessee } To David Winston a
Meckley County } citizen of said County

It appearing to the satisfaction of the County Court now in session that Cliff Finch has died leaving no will and the Court being satisfied as to your claim to the administration and you having given bond and qualified according to law and the Court having ordered that letters of administration issue to you.

There are therefore to authorize and empower you to take into your possession and control all the goods and chattels claims and paper of the intestate and return a true and perfect inventory thereof to our next County Court to collect and pay all debts and to do and transact all the duties in relation to said Estate which lawfully devolve on you in and after settling up said Estate to deliver the residue thereof to those who are by law entitled.

Witness John C. Dadds Clerk of the said Court at office this 7th day of Dec. A.D. 1840 and 15th of American Independence
John C. Dadds Clerk

Dec. Term 1840 21

State of Tennessee } To Bird Miller a citizen
Meckley County } of said County

It appearing to the satisfaction of the County Court now in session that Briant Williams has died leaving no will and the Court being satisfied as to your claim to the administration and you having given bond and qualified as directed by law and the Court having ordered that letters of administration issue to you.

There are therefore to authorize and empower you to take into your possession all the goods & Chattels claims and paper of the intestate and return a true and perfect inventory thereof to our next County Court to collect and pay all debts and to do and transact all the duties in relation to said Estate which lawfully devolve on you in administration and after having settled up said Estate to deliver the residue thereof to those who are by law entitled.

Witness John C. Dadds Clerk of the said Court at office this 7th day of Dec. A.D. 1840 and 15th of American Independence
John C. Dadds Clerk

22 January Term 1841

State of Tennessee } To Peter White a
Weakley County } Citizen of said County
It appearing to the County Court now
in session that Absolon Fields is dead leaving
no wife and the Court being satisfied as to
your claim to the administration and you
having given bond and qualified as directed
by law and the Court having ordered that
letters of administration issue to you

There are therefore to authorize and
empower you to take into your possession
and control all the goods chattels claims &
papers of the said intestate and return a true
and perfect inventory thereof to our next
County Court to collect and pay all debts
and to do and transact all the duties
in relation to said Estate which lawfully
devolve on you as administrator and
after having settled up said Estate to deliver
the residue thereof to those who by law are
entitled to the same.

Witness John C. Dodels clerk of
the County Court at office this 4th day
of January AD 1841 and of Annua
Independence the 15th

John C. Dodels CLK

23 January Term 1841

State of Tennessee } I Elisha Hey do make and publish
Weakley County } This as my last will and testament
lawfully making and making void all other wills by me at
made any time made first I direct that my funeral expen-
ses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible
out of my money that I may die possessed of or may first come in
to the hands of my executor secondly I give and bequeath to my
beloved wife Elizabeth all my house hold and kitchen furniture
and farming utensils with all the produce that is mine on my place
and all my horses cattle and sheep with all my hogs and I also
give to my beloved wife my land where I now live with all its
appurtenance and lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint
J. W. Cochran my Executor in witness whereof I do to this my
will set my hand and seal this the 28th of September 1840

Elisha^{sr} Hey

Signed sealed and attested published in
our presence and we have subscribed
our names here to in the presence of the
Testator this the 28th of Sept. 1840

J. W. Cochran
Rebecca Cochran

State of Tennessee } the foregoing will was presented
Weakley County } in open Court and proven by the
oaths of J. W. Cochran and Rebecca Cochran subscribing
witnesses

Witness John C. Dodels clerk of
the County Court of said Weakley County at office
this 4th day of January 1841

John C. Dodels CLK

24 February Term 1841

State of Tennessee }
Weakley County } To Madison Roff a
Citizen of said County

It appearing to the County Court now in session that Jesse Pully has died leaving no will and the Court being satisfied as to your claim to the administration and you having given bond and qualified as directed by law and the Court having ordered that letters of administration issue to you.

These are therefore to authorize and empower you to take into your possession & control all the goods, Chattels, Claims and papers of the said intestate and return a true and perfect inventory thereof to our next County Court to collect and pay all debts and to do and transact all the duties in relation to said Estate which lawfully devolve on you as administrator and after having settled up said Estate to deliver the thereof to those who by law are entitled to receive the same.

Witness John C. Dodds Clerk
of the County Court of said County at
Office this 1st day of February A.D. 1841
and of American Independence the
65th.
John C. Dodds

March Term 1841

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State of Tennessee }
Weakley County } To Jona. M. Gilbert
a citizen of said County

It appearing to the County Court now in session, that Lucy Bucy has died, leaving no will, and the Court being satisfied as to your claim to the administration, and you having given bond, and qualified, as directed by Law, and the Court having ordered that letters of administration issue to you,

These are therefore to authorize and empower you to take into your possession and control, all the goods, chattels, claims and papers of the said intestate, and return a true and perfect inventory thereof to our next County Court to collect and pay all debts, and to do and transact all the duties in relation to said Estate, which lawfully devolve on you as Administrator, and after having settled up said Estate to deliver the residue thereof to those who are by law entitled,

Witness, John C. Dodds, Clerk of the
County Court of said County, at
Office, this first day of March, A.D.
1841, and of American Independence
the 65th.

John C. Dodds.
Clerk.

26 March Term 1841
State of Tennessee
Wickley County

To William S Scott a citizen of said
County

It appearing to the County Court
now in Session that John has died leaving
no wife and the Court being satisfied as to
your claim to the administration and you
having given bond and qualified as by
law directed and the Court having ordered
that letters of administration issue to you

These are therefore to authorize and
empower you to take into your possession
and control all the goods chattels claims
and papers of the deceased and return a
true and perfect inventory thereof to our
next County Court to collect and pay
all debts and to do and transact all the
duties in relation to said Estate which
lawfully devolve on you as administrator
and after having settled up said
Estate to deliver the residue thereof to those
who are by law entitled

Witness John C Do dds Clerk of the
said Court at office this 1st day of
March 1841 and 15th year of Amer-
ican Independence

John C Do dds
Clerk

April Term 1841 27
State of Tennessee
Wickley County

To Lawrence Pryor a citizen of said County

It appearing to the County Court now in ses-
sion that John Pryor has died leaving no wife
and the Court being satisfied as to your claim to the
Administration and you having given bond as directed
by law and the Court having ordered that letters of
administration issue to you

These are therefore to authorize you to take
into your possession and control all the goods
chattels rights and credits of the said Intestate
and make a true and perfect inventory thereof
to our next County Court to collect and pay
all debts and to do and transact all the
duties in relation to said estate which by law
devolves on you as Administrator and after
having settled up said estate to
deliver the residue thereof to those who by
law are entitled to the same

Witness John C Do dds Clerk of
said Court at office this 5th day of
April 1841 and of American Indepen-
- dence the 15th

John C Do dds Clerk

28 June Term 1841

State of Tennessee

Meigs County

To William C Glasgow a citizen of
said County.

It appearing to the County Court
now in session that William A. Brown
has died leaving no wife and
the Court being satisfied as to your
claim to the Administration and you
having given bond and qualified
as directed by law and the Court
having ordered that letters of Administration
issue to you.

There are therefore to authorize and empower
you to take into your possession and control
all the goods and chattels claims and papers
of the said intestate and return a true
and perfect inventory thereof to our ensuing
County Court to collect and pay all debts
and to do and transact all the duties in
relation to said estate which lawfully devolve
on you as Administrator and after having
settled settled up said Estate to deliver the
residue thereof to those who by law are
entitled.

Witness John D. Dodds clerk of
the County Court of said County at
at office this 7 day of June 1841 and
the 15th year of American Indepen-
dence

John D. Dodds clerk

July Term 1841

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State of Tennessee

Meigs County

To Isaac Fuller a citizen of
said County.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the
County Court now in session that William
A. Hendricks has died leaving no wife
and the Court also being satisfied as to
your claim to the Administration and you
having given bond and qualified as
by law directed and the Court having
ordered that letters of Administration issue
to you.

There are therefore to authorize and em-
power you to take into your possession
and control all the goods Chattels rights
and credits of the said Intestate and
return a true and perfect inven-
tory thereof to our ensuing County Court
to collect and pay all debts and to
do and transact all the duties in rela-
tion to said Estate which lawfully
devolve on you as Administrator &
after having settled up said Estate
to deliver the residue thereof if any
to those who by law are entitled
to receive the same. Witness John
C. Dodds clerk of the County Court
of said County at office this 5th day
of July 1841 & of American Independence
the 16th

John C. Dodds clerk

30 August Term 1841

State of Tennessee To John L. Jones a
Weakly County Citizen of said County
It appearing to the County Court now in session
that ~~Thomas B. Jones~~ has died, leaving now will and
the Court being satisfied as to your claim to the
administration, and you having given bonds
and qualified, as directed by law, and the
Court having ordered that letters of adminis-
tration issue to you,

These are therefore to authorize and empower
you to take into your possession and control
all the goods, chattels, claims, and papers of
the said intestate, and return a true and
perfect inventory thereof to our next
County Court, to collect and pay all debts,
and to do and transact all the duties in
relation to said Estate which lawfully
devolve on you as administrator; and after
having settled up said estate, to deliver the
residue thereof to those who are by law entitled.
Witness John C. Dadds, Clerk of said Court, at
office, this 2nd day of Aug - 1841 - and sixty
fifth year of American Independence.

John C. Dadds, Clerk

September Term 1841 31

State of Tennessee To Peter Laceywell a
Weakly County Citizen of said County
It appearing to the County Court now in session that
Thomas B. Jones has died leaving now will and the Court
being satisfied as to your claim to the adminis-
tration, and you having given bonds, and qualified as
directed by law, and the Court having ordered
that letters of administration issue to you.

These are therefore to authorize and empower
you to take into your possession and control
all the goods, chattels, claims, and papers of the
said intestate, and return a true and perfect
inventory thereof to our next County Court.
To collect and pay all debts, and to do and
transact all the duties in relation to said Estate
which lawfully devolve on you as administrator
and after having settled up said Estate to
deliver the residue thereof to those who are by
law entitled.

Witness John C. Dadds Clerk of said Court
at office this 6th Sept 1841 and 65 year
American independence,

John C. Dadds, Clerk

State of Tennessee To William C. Jones a
Weakly County Citizen of said County
It appearing to the County Court now in session
that Jonathan W. Rogers has died leaving now will
and the Court being satisfied as to your
claim to the administration and you having
given bonds and qualified as directed by law

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and the Court having ordered that letters of administration be issued to you.

These are therefore to authorize you to take possession and control all the goods chattels and papers and claims of the said intestate and return a true and perfect inventory thereof to your next County Court to collect and pay all debts and to do and transact all the duties in relation to said Estate which lawfully devolve on you as administrator, and after having settled up, said Estate deliver the residue thereof to those who are by law entitled. Witness John C. Dadds Clerk of said Court, at Office this 6th Sept. 1841 and 65 year of American independence

State of Tennessee

Weakly County

To Rufus P. Dadds as

Citizen of said County

It appearing to the County Court now in session that Daniel Prime has died leaving no will and the Court being satisfied as to your claim to the administration and you having given bond and qualified as directed by law and the Court having ordered that letters of administration issue to you.

These are to authorize and empower you to take into your possession and control all the goods chattels claims and papers of the said intestate and return a true and perfect inventory thereof to your next County Court to collect and pay all debts and to do and transact all the duties in relation to said Estate which lawfully

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devolves on you as administrator and after having settled up said Estate deliver the residue thereof to those who are by law entitled. Witness John C. Dadds Clerk of said Court at Office this 7th Sept. 1841 and 65 year of American independence

John C. Dadds Clerk

State of Tennessee

Weakly County

To Sarah Hinton a Citizen of said County

It appearing to the County Court now in session, that Shadrach Hinton has died leaving no will and the Court being now in session satisfied as to your claim to the administration and you having given bond qualified as directed by law and the Court having ordered that letters of administration issue to you.

These are therefore to authorize and empower you to take into your possession and control all the goods chattels claims and papers of the said intestate and return a true and perfect inventory thereof to our next County Court to collect and pay all debts, and to do and transact all the duties in relation to said Estate, which lawfully devolve on you as administrator and after having settled up said Estate to deliver the residue thereof to those who are by law entitled.

Witness John C. Dadds Clerk of said Court at Office this the 6th day of September 1841 and sixty fifth year of American Independence

John C. Dadds Clerk

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State of Tennessee & To Benj. Malen a
Washby County & Citizen of said County
It appearing to the County Court now in session
that Mary Winston has died leaving no will and
the Court being satisfied as to your claim to the
administration and you having given bond and
qualified as directed by law and the Court
having ordered that letters of administration
issue to you.

These are therefore to authorize and empower
you to take into your possession and control
all the goods, Chattels, Claims, and papers
of the said intestate and return a true
and perfect inventory thereof to our next
County Court to collect and pay all debts
and to do and transact all the duties
in relation to said Estate which lawfully
devolve on you as administrator and
after having settled up said Estate to
deliver the residue thereof to those
who are by law entitled.

Witness John C. Doads Clerk of said
Court at office this the 6th day of
September 1841 and sixty fifth
year of American Independence
John C. Doads, Clerk

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State of Tennessee & To
Washby County & To Mills & Williams a Citizen of
said County.

It appearing to the County Court now in session
that Allen Williams has died leaving no will and the Court
being satisfied as to your claim to the administration
and you having bond and qualified as directed by law
and the Court having ordered that letters of adminis-
tration issue to you.

These are therefore to authorize and empower you to
take into your possession and control all the goods,
Chattels, Claims and papers of said intestate and
return a true and perfect inventory thereof to our
next County Court to collect and pay all
debts, and to do and transact all the duties
in relation to said Estate which lawfully
devolve on you as administrator and after
having settled up said Estate to deliver the
residue thereof to those who are by law entitled.

Witness John C. Doads Clerk of
said Court at office this 4th day
of October 1841 and 65 year of American
Independence

John C. Doads, Clerk

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State of Tennessee To John D. Adair a
Washly County & Citizen of said County
It appearing to the County Court now in session
that, Abner P. Smith has died leaving no will and
the Court being satisfied as to your claim to the admin-
istration, and you having given bond, and qualified, as
directed by law, and the Court having ordered that letters
of Administration, issue to you.

These are therefore to authorize and empower you to take
into your possession and control all the goods, chattels,
claims, and papers of the said intestate and return a
true and perfect inventory thereof to our next County
Court, to collect and pay all debts, and to do and
transact all the duties in relation to said Estate
which lawfully devolve on you as administrator
and after having settled up said estate to deliver
the residue thereof to those who are ^{by law} entitled.

Witness John C. Duddy Clerk said Court, at
office this 3rd day of October 1841. and 65
year of American Independence

John C. Duddy Clerk

State of Tennessee To Cynthia Walker a
Washly County & Citizen of said County
It appearing to the County Court now in session
that, Henry F. Walker has died leaving no will, and
the Court being satisfied as to your claim to the admin-
istration, and you having given bond and qualified
as directed by law, and the Court having ordered
that letters of administration, issue to you.

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These are therefore to authorize and empower you to take
into your possession and control all the goods, chattels,
claims, and papers of the said intestate and return
a true and perfect inventory thereof, to our next
County Court, to collect, ^{and pay} all debts and to do and transact
all the duties in relation to said Estate, which lawfully
devolve on you as administrator and after having settled
up said estate, to deliver the residue thereof to those
who are by law entitled.

Witness John C. Duddy Clerk of said Court, at
office this 4th day of October 1841 and 65 year of
American Independence

John C. Duddy Clerk

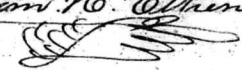
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State of Tennessee } To Elizabeth Hill
 Maclay County } & William S. Hill
 Citizens of said County

It appearing to the County Court now in session, that Amos Hill has died, leaving no will and the Court being satisfied as to your claim to the administration, and you having given Bond and qualified as directed by law, and the Court having ordered that letters of administration issue to you

These are therefore to authorize and empower you to take into your possession and Control all the goods, chattels, claims and papers of said intestate, and return a true and perfect inventory thereof to our next County Court to collect and pay all Debts, and to do and transact all the duties in relation to said Estate, which lawfully devolve on you as Administrator, and after having settled up said Estate to Deliver the residue thereof to those who are by law entitled.

Witness Saml McEhinago Clerk of said Court, at office, this the 9th day of October 1843 and 67th year of American Independence

Saml McEhinago Clerk


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State of Tennessee } To El. Lewis a
Weakley County } Citizen of Weakley
County.

It appearing to the County Court now
in session, that Ephraim P. Alesomathy
has died, leaving no will, and the Court
being satisfied as to your claim to the
administration and you having given
bond, and qualified as directed by law
and the Court, having ordered that
letters of administration issue to you.

These are therefore to authorize and em-
power you to take into your possession
and control all the goods, chattels, claims
and papers of the said intestate, and
return a true and perfect inventory of
them to our next County Court, to col-
lect and pay all debts, and to do and
transact all the duties in relation to
said Estate, which lawfully devolve
on you as Administrator; and after
having settled up said Estate, to de-
liver the residue thereof to those who
are by law entitled.

Witness Your Hon. Excellency Clerk of said
Court at office, this 6th day of Novr
1843 and 67 year of American Inde-
pendence. *Sam. McKeithen* Clerk

Novr Term 1843

State of Tennessee } To El. Lewis a
Weakley County } Citizen of said County

It appearing to the County Court now in
session that Bro W Harris has died
leaving no will, and the Court being
satisfied as to your claim to the ad-
ministration and you having given
bond, and qualified as directed by law
and the Court having ordered that letters
of administration issue to you.

These are therefore to authorize you
and empower you to take into your pos-
session and control all the goods, chattels,
claims and papers, of the said intestate
and return a true and perfect inventory
thereof to our next County Court, to col-
lect and pay all debts, and to do and
transact all the duties in relation to
said Estate, which lawfully devolve
on you as Administrator and after hav-
ing settled up said Estate, to deliver the
residue thereof to those who are by law
entitled. *Witness Sam. McKeithen*
Clerk of said Court at office

This 6th day of November 1843 and the
67 year of American Independence
Sam. McKeithen Clerk

42. Nov. Term 1843

State of Tennessee To Pleasant J
Meekley County ^{will} Tiler a citizen of
said County

It appearing to the County Court now
in session that William Tiler has died
leaving no will and the Court being
satisfied as to your claim to the ad-
-ministration, and you having given bond
and qualified, as directed by law and
the Court having ordered that letters of ad-
-ministration issue to you

There are therefore to authorize you to
take into your possession and control all
the goods, chattels, claims, and papers of the
said intestate, and return a true and
perfect inventory thereof to our next
County Court, to collect and pay all debts
and to do and transact all the duties in
relation to said Estate, which lawfully
devolves on you as administrator and after
having settled up said estate, to deliver
the residue thereof to those who are
by law entitled

Witness Tom Mc Eithridge Clerk of said
Court at office this 6th day of Novr 1843
and 6th year of American Independence
Tom Mc Eithridge Clk

43. January Term 1844

State of Tennessee To Jonathan Fowler
Meekley County ^{will} a citizen of Meekley
County - It appearing to the County
Court now in session that William Tiler
has died leaving no will and the Court
being satisfied as to your claim to the
administration and you having given
and qualified, as directed by law and
the Court having ordered that letters of ad-
-ministration issue to you

There are therefore to authorize you to
take into your possession and control
all the goods, chattels, claims, and papers
of the said intestate, and return a
true and perfect inventory thereof to our
next County Court, to collect and pay
all debts and to do and transact all
the duties in relation to said Estate,
which lawfully devolves on you as ad-
-ministrator and after having settled
up said Estate, to deliver the residue
thereof to those who are by law entitled
Witness Tom Mc Eithridge Clerk of said
Court at office this 6th day of
July 1844 and 6th year of American Inde-
pendence
Tom Mc Eithridge Clk

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State of Tennessee & of William S. House
Weakley County & a citizen of said county

It appearing to the Court now in session
that James McMoran has died leaving
no will, and the Court being satisfied as
to your claims to the administration and
you having given bond and qualified as
directed by law, and the Court having made
that order of administration issued to you.

These are therefore to authorize and
empower you to take into your possession
and control all the goods, chattels, claims, &
papers of the said intestate and return
a true and perfect inventory thereof
to our next County Court to collect
and pay all debts and to do and tra-
nsact all the duties in relation to said
Estate, which lawfully devolve on you
as administrator; and after having
settled up said estate, to deliver the
residue thereof to those who are by law
entitled. — Witness Our Hand & the Seal of
said Court at office, this 5 day
of February 1844 and 68th year of
American Independence.

Saml McEchenag Clerk

Copy of W. S. House Will

August 2^d 1842 In the name of
God Amen, I William S. House of
the State of Tennessee Weakley County
being of sound mind, though weak
in body, with my beloved wife
Picty to be as comfortable & educated
as possible, I therefore make &
publish this my last will & testament
as following. I give to my beloved
wife Picty all the land that I possess
& all my stock of Horses, Cattle &
Hogs and all the balance of my
property of every kind, with the ex-
ception of what I shall require to
pay my debts, I also appoints A. F.
McLain my executor of this my last
will & testament in witness whereof
I set my hand and seal the day
and date above written
Signed sealed published & attested
by the above named
Wm S. House to be his last
will & testament in the
presence of us whose names hereunto sub-
scribed our names as witnesses in presence
of the Testator

F. White

J. F. Farmer

B. A. Fowler

State of Tennessee
Weakley County
This day personally ap-
peared before me in open Court F. White
& J. F. Farmer subscribing witnesses

with last will & testament, of Wm
F. Humes who proved legally that they
saw the testator and saw Wm F. Humes
sign and execute and deliver the within
will, and that the said Wm F. Humes
acknowledged it to be his last will &
testament for the purposes therein
specified upon which the courts and
the same to be admitted to record.
Given under my hand and seal of
office this 5th of September 1842

John L. D. Day
by his deputy Em. E. E. E.

State of Tennessee Weakley County

To Eliza Saloway & E. D. Parsell Citizens of
Weakley County

It appearing to the Court that Eliza
Saloway has died, leaving a written will
in which you are appointed Executors which
has been duly proven in your Courts; and
you having given bond and qualification
according to law, and it having been
ordered by said Court that letters testamentary
be given to you.

There are therefore to empower you,
the said Eliza Saloway and E. D. Parsell
to enter upon the execution of said will,
and take into your possession all the prop-
erty, and to make to the next Court a per-
fect inventory thereof, and make and
collection of all debts, and after paying all
the just demands against the testator
and settling up the business of said es-
tate according to law, you will pay over
and deliver the property and effects that may
remain in your hands, and as all other
things that may be required, according to
the provisions of the said will and the
laws of the land.

Witness Tom McEithen Clerk, at office
the 7th day of May 1844 and the 68th
year of American Independence
Tom McEithen Clerk

In the Name of God amen

I Edward C. Caloway being sound in mind and very weak in body do make this my last will and testament

In the first place I give and bequeath unto my wife Eliza C. Caloway the Land on which I reside with all of my stock of Horses, hogs, sheep, hew, farming utensils, House hold & Kitchen Furniture, all out standing debt, and moneys by note or otherwise and Two negroes viz Henry & Mariah during her natural life or as long as she remains a widow, after which time the property above stated and increase is to revert to my three Children viz, James J. Caloway, Josephine Caloway & Mary A. V. Caloway

2^d I give and bequeath unto my son James J. Caloway two negroes viz Henry and Nancy the same is to be given unto his possession so soon as he arrives at the age of twenty one year together with a good horse saddle and bridle

3^d I give and bequeath unto my daughter Josephine Caloway two negroes viz Mary & Lewis the same to be delivered unto her possession so soon as she arrives at the age of twenty one year or marries let that be when it may together with a horse male & saddle

4th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary A. V. Caloway one negro (viz) Catharine

which is to be delivered unto her possession so soon as she becomes of age or marries together with a horse male & saddle - But it is to be understood that notwithstanding I left only one negro to my daughter Mary A. V. Caloway it is not my intention to leave her life than my other children when ever the property that I have left to my wife reverts back to my children (viz) James J. Josephine & Mary A. V. Caloway - as she is to have another negro of the same value as one of those given to James J. Caloway & Josephine Caloway on the one and then the remainder to be equally divided as before stated

all of my Property named in this will is to be positively kept together and employed as it now is at this time to the support & education of my children of which I wish them to have a good share my wife is to have the control of all together with my other executor and she my wife is to pay out of her part of what I have bequeathed to her all debts and claims against my estate as soon as possible whenever they are presented properly authenticated

For the great love, respect and confidence I have in my wife I leave her one of my executors, For the high regard I have for my friend Erasmus Tansil together with the implicit confidence I have in his integrity & his professional request he would be joint executor with my wife I am testifying of the above my work & mine, I hereunto set my hand this 20th of March 1844

Edward C. Caloway

Witness
George H. H. H.
Thos. J. H. H.

The within will & testament was proven in open Court by at the May Term 1844 for the County of Meigs by Thos P Hawkins and William Lilliaspie who were duly sworn as the law directs herein under my hand at office 7th day May 1844

Thos H Etheridge Clk

March Term County Court 1844
State of Tennessee. To C. D. Gardner & Thos H
Meigs County. Foster Citizens of said
County - It appearing to the County Court
now in session that Allen Lilliaspie has died leaving
no will, and the Court being satisfied as
to your claim to the administration, and you
having given bond, and qualified as directed
by law, and the Court having ordered that
letters of administration issue to you.

There are therefore to authorize and empower
you to take into your possession and control
all the goods, chattels, claims, and papers of
said intestate, and return a true and
perfect inventory thereof to our next County
Court, to collect and pay all debts and to do
and transact all the duties in relation to said
Estate, which lawfully devolve on you as
administrator, and after having settled
up said estate, to deliver the residue thereof
to those who are by law entitled.

Witness J. H. Etheridge Clerk of said County
at office this 4th day of March 1844 and
68th year of American Independence Thos H Etheridge Clk

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March Term County Court 1844

State of Tennessee To Alfred Gardner
Meigs County a citizen of said
County - It appearing to the County
Court now in session that Archabald
Horton has died leaving no will, and
the Court being satisfied as to your claim
to the administration, and you having given
bond, and qualified as directed by law,
and the Court having ordered that letters
issue to you of administration issue to you.

There are therefore to authorize and im-
power you to take into your possession and
control all the goods, chattels, claims, and
papers of the said estate in testate, and
return a true and perfect inventory thereof
to our next County Court, to collect and
pay all debts, and to do and transact all the
duties in relation to said estate, which
lawfully devolve on you as administrator;
and after having settled up said estate,
to deliver the residue thereof to those who
are by law entitled.

Witness J. H. Etheridge Clerk
of said County at office this the 4th
day of March 1844.

68th year of American Independence
Thos H Etheridge Clk