

In the name of God Amen I **James Adair** of the County of White and State of Tennessee being sound in body, of sound mind and perfect memory, make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following &c. **Wit.** I give and bequeath unto my two daughters **Ann** & **Margaret Adair** forty acres of Land lying on the West end of my former plantation I now live including buildings and the spring and timber to support the same to hold unto the said **Ann** and **Margaret** and their heirs forever.

I further give to my two daughters all the house hold furniture and two cows and one falling axe and all my horse and pork and bacon and all the grain and poultry of every description. I give and bequeath unto my six sons **William** & **Lewis Barnes** and **Jordan** & **Phaniel** & **Dea** all the rest of my Lands jointly amongst them and their heirs to hold the same forever. My will is that my daughter & **Thomas Adair** have the one of my horses and gears and farming tools until the forth day of August next, and after that my Will is that my six sons above named is to have the horses gears and farming tools and also my cart and yoke of Oxen and Tools of Edge. And as to all the rest residue and remainder of my estate Real or Personal I give the same to my six sons above named to be equally divided among them, and lastly I hereby appoint my two eldest sons **William Adair** and **Lewis Adair** my Executors of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills by me made. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this twelfth day of January in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and fifty one.

James Adair (Sd)
Mark

Signed sealed published and declared by the above named

James Adair to be his last Will and Testament in the presence

of us whose names are hereunto subscribed as Witnesses in the presence of the

Deeds
John W. H.
Samuel Coleman

State of Tennessee
White County

April Term A.D. 1851

This day was exhibited in open Court a paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of **James Adair** late a citizen of the County of White deceased and the due execution and publication thereof as such was proven in open Court by the Oaths of **John W. H.** and **Samuel Coleman** the subscribing Witnesses thereto for the purposes and things therein contained. And at the same time made oath in due form of Law that the said **James Adair** at the time of signing the same was of sound mind and disposing mind in memory, said Will being deemed by the Court to be sufficiently proven is ordered to be recorded and certified as the law requires.

Done at Office in Springdale 7th day of April A.D. 1851

G. S. Deane Clerk
of White County Court

Recorded 14th April 1851

G. S. Deane Clerk

I **Thomas Barnes** of the County of White & State of Tennessee being through the abundant mercy & goodness of God) though weak in body (yet blessed with a sound mind & disposing memory do make this my last Will & Testament as follows: 1st I desire that my body be decently buried, 2nd that all my just debts be paid, 3rd I give bequeath & devise unto my sons by my first wife **Ellen** - **John**, **David**, **Lewis Barnes** & **Thomas Barnes** if living all my Lands both in the County of White & back in **North Carolina** I will that my wife **Polly** have the use of thirty acres of said Land including my dwelling house the spring together with the Young Orchard for and during the term of during her natural life that is whilst she remains a Widow & no longer than said thirty acres of Land to go to my sons aforesaid, also I desire that my wife **Polly** have timber on my adjoining Land what is necessary for firewood & for keeping up the fencing on said thirty acres of Land for the term aforesaid hereby reserving the use of the aforesaid spring to other sons on the adjoining Lands, Also said **Polly** is not to prohibit other sons from having free access to the spring aforesaid, Also she is not to have the timber on the adjoining Land severed or destroyed, I Will that my wife **Polly** have her side saddle, the Loom & the apparatus attached to it, ^{her furniture}

I give and bequeath to all my children by my first wife **Ellen**, my four negroes **John**, **Sam**, **Jack**, **Edgar** & **Mary**, I will that said negroes be sold and the proceeds thereof be divided equally between all my children by my first wife **Ellen**. Notwithstanding I will that my wife **Polly** have the aforesaid **John** & **Mary** to stay with her & wait upon her and my daughter **Martha** until **Martha** shall either arrive at full age or marry then **Mary** to be sold & the proceeds to be divided equally between all my children aforesaid by my first wife **Ellen**.

I Will that all my property (not otherwise disposed of) be by my Executors hereafter named sold upon a credit of 12 months and the proceeds thereof to be paid with all my money notes & debts due me to be divided equally among and between all my children meaning & including all the children by my first wife **Ellen** & all the children by my present wife **Polly**.

Not knowing whether my son **Thomas** aforesaid is living or not, Now in case he is either dead or should die before he returns to White County, then all my Lands aforesaid lying in the County of White & back in **North Carolina** I bequeath & devise as aforesaid to my three sons **John**, **Lewis** & **Thomas Barnes**. I further Will & positively order that said **Thomas Barnes** have is not to have any part or portion whatever of my estate neither Real nor personal.

Notwithstanding I Will that my daughter **Martha** have fifty dollars in Cash paid her by my Executors **Edna** and **Liddy** her perpetuate part, I will my Executors to put said fifty dollars out upon interest until said **Martha** arrives at full age or marries. I Will that my daughter **Lizzy** have five dollars in Cash paid to her by my Executors. I Will & positively order that said **Lizzy** is to have said five dollars and no other nor further portion of my estate whatever neither real nor personal. And I do hereby appoint my three sons **John**, **David** & **Lewis Barnes** my lawful Executors to carry this my last Will and Testament into effect hereby revoking all other Wills & Testaments by me heretofore made, I Testify whereof I have set my hand & seal this 13th day of March A.D. 1851.

Thomas Barnes
Thomas Barnes

Thomas Barnes (Sd)

Thomas Barnes' Will Contd.

State of Tennessee
White County

June Term A D 1851

On this day Levi L. Mayhew produced in open Court a paper purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Thomas Barnes late a citizen of the County of White deceased, and the death of the Testator having been proved, the due execution and publication thereof as such was proven in open Court by the Oaths of Levi L. Mayhew and Thomas C. Noble the Subscribing Witnesses thereto for the purposes and things therein contained. And the said Levi L. Mayhew and Thomas C. Noble also made oath in due form of Law that the said Thomas Barnes at the time of executing said Last Will and Testament was of sound and disposing mind and memory, said Will being deemed by the Court to be sufficiently proved is ordered to be recorded and Confirmed as the law directs, Whereupon Polly Barnes the Widow of the said deceased personally appeared here in open Court and declared from said Will so far as relates to her which was also ordered to be entered of Record here at Office in Spanish the 2^d June A D 1851

L. L. Librell Clerk
of White County Court

Recorded 24th June 1851

L. L. Librell Clerk

State of Tennessee

White County

It is a Court begun and held for the County aforesaid on the first Monday in July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty one. Whereas the last will and Testament of Thomas Barnes late of said County deceased hath been exhibited to the said Court and proved in due form as required by Law, Whereunto in the same manner have been qualified as Executors John Barnes. These are therefore to empower the said Executors to enter into and sign all and singular the goods and about the right and credits of the said deceased and then into their possession take the same the said may be found in this State and an Inventory to return into this Court within the time limited by Law and all the just debts of the said deceased to pay so far as the said estate will extend or amount to (Thos. Barnes & Librell Clerk of said Court at Office the first Monday in July A D 1851 and in the County State Year of American Independence)

L. L. Librell Clerk
of White County Court

Recorded 7 July 1851

L. L. Librell Clerk