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Cary Boyds last will & testament

The last will and testament of Cary Boyd
of the County of Crawford and State of Missouri -

I Cary Boyd considering the uncertainty of this
mortal life, and being of sound mind and memory
do make and publish this my last will and testament
in manner and form following (that is to say)

First: I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Lydia
- in Boyd, (after paying my last debt, and funeral
expenses) all of my personal estate whatsoever (and
whenever, of what nature, kind, and quality soever
the same may be, for and during her natural life
and to and for her only use, benefit and support du-

-ring her natural life, and it is my will that my said
wife have the sole control and management of my
said personal estate, for her support and maintenance
- and during her natural life & for no other pur-

-pose whatever, - And from and after the decease
of my said wife, I give and bequeath all of my said
personal estate, unto my nephew, Francis Boyd,

to and for his only use benefit and behoof, which
said legacy given to my said wife as aforesaid, I there-

-by declare is intended to be, and is to be given to her
in full satisfaction and recompense of, and for
her dower and third which she may or can in any
wise claim or demand out of my estate

And I do hereby ^{constitute and} appoint Lydia Boyd and Isaac
Clark executors of this my last will and testament hereby
revoaking all former wills by me made,

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal the 27th day of July in the Year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and thirty two Cary Boyd

Signa Seal published and declared by the above named
Camp Boyd. to be his last will and testament, in the pres-
ence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses
in the presence of the testator

Samuel Richeson
William Clark

State of Missouri

Court of Pulaski Co. Be it remembered that on the 19th
day of August in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred and thirty three. personally appeared in open
Court before the Honorable James O. Gillespie, David Fullbright
and Rowley Williams, Justices of said County Court,
Samuel Richeson and William Clark, and after
being first duly sworn, according to law, on oath say
that Camp Boyd signed with his hand and sealed with
his seal a certain instrument now produced before
the Court, purporting to be the last will and testament
of the said Camp Boyd, and that they subscribed their
names to said instrument, as witnesses in the presence
of the said Camp Boyd, and that the said Camp Boyd
was of sound and disposing mind, at the time of
of executing the same, and that they are not dis-
interested in said estate

Samuel Richeson
William Clark

Sworn to and subscribed in open Court this 19th day
of August 1833

R. B. Harrison Clerk

State of Missouri

Court of Pulaski Co. I, R. B. Harrison Clerk
of the Circuit Court of the County of Pulaski, and ex-
officio Recorder within and for the same, do certify
the above and foregoing to be truly recorded from
the original as filed in my office this 19th day of
August 1833

R. B. Harrison Clerk

In the name of God Amen,

I Robert Bennett Harrison of the
County of Pulaski and State of Missouri, being
in good health of body, and of sound and
disposing mind and memory, praised be God
for the same, and being desirous of settling
my worldly affairs, whilst I have strength
and capacity so to do, and considering the
certainty of death, and the uncertainty of
the time thereof, and that I may be the better
prepared to leave this world when ever it shall
please God to call me hence, do therefore make
and publish this my last will and testament,
hereby Revoking and making void, all former
Wills by me at any time, heretofore made

First and principally I commit
my soul into the hands of my Creator, who
gave it and my body to the earth to be buried
in some Christianlike burying ground, at the
direction of my executor herein after named

And as to such worldly estate wherewith
it has pleased God to entrust me with, I
dispose of the same as followeth
viz after paying all just demands that
are against me, I give and bequeath to my
beloved and much respected companion Mary
S. Harrison, all my estate and property of
what ever kind or nature the same may
be, both real and personal, money goods
and chattels rights and credits in behoof
said hands or possession the same may be
and I do hereby appoint my worthy friend

Abraham North executor of this my last Will and Testament and require of him to see that it is fully complied with and executed

In Witness whereof I Robert Bennett Harrison to this my last Will and Testament contained on one page have set my name and affixed my seal this 28th day of July 1834

R. B. Harrison

attest

William J North
Sarah C North

State of Missouri
County of Polaski } Be it remembered that on this 30th day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six personally came before me Edwin Swink Clerk of the County Court within and for the County aforesaid William J North and Sarah C North and after being first ^{advised} sworn according to law an oath says that Robert Bennett Harrison signed with his hand and sealed with his seal a certain instrument now produced before me purporting to be the last Will and Testament of the said Robert B Harrison and that they subscribed their names to this said instrument, as witnesses in the presence of the said Robert B Harrison, and that the said Robert B Harrison was of sound mind and disposing mind, at the time of executing the same, and that they

are not interested in said estate

W. J. North

Sarah C North

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30th day of September 1836

Edwin Swink Clerk

State of Missouri }
County of Polaski } I, Edwin Swink Clerk of the Circuit Court and Ex officio Recorder within and for the County aforesaid, do certify the above and foregoing to be truly recorded from the original as filed in my office for record this 1st October 1836

Edwin Swink Clerk

Be it remembered that I John Williams of the State of Missouri and County of Polaski considering the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death and being of sound and disposing mind, do dispose of my property in the following manner, viz. To my dearly beloved wife Margaret and my heirs & wife and bequeath all my personal property and interests after my just debts are paid and I appoint Gran B Williams my sole Executor to execute the same Signed Sealed and delivered in presence of the undersigned this 21st day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six

John Williams
Michael Gordon
William Easton

John Williams
Mark

6
State of Missouri
County of Pulaski } Be it remembered that
on the 8th day of August in the year of
our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred
and thirty Six personally came before
me the undersigned Edwin Swink Clerk of
the County Court Within and for the
County aforesaid, ~~James~~ Michael
Wisdom and William Eastee and after
being first duly sworn according to
law an oath sayeth that John Williams
Signed with his hand a certain instrument
now before me purporting to be the last
will and testament of the said John
Williams and that they subscribed
their names to the said instrument
as witnesses in the presence of the said
John Williams and that the said John
Williams was in sound and disposing
mind at the time of executing the
same and that they are not interested
in said Estate

Michael ^{his} Wisdom
Mark

William ^{his} Eastee
Mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me
the undersigned this 8th October 1836
Edwin Swink Clerk

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In the Name of God Amen
I Robert Weger of the County of Pulaski and
State of Missouri. Being in perfect Mind and
Memory Thanks be given to the almighty God
bidding unto mind the mortality of my Body
and knowing that it is appointed for all men
to dy. I Make and ordain this my last will
and Testament that is to say principally and
last of all. I give and Recommend my soul
unto the hands of the almighty God that gave
it and my body I Recommend to the Earth to be
Buried in a decent and Christianlike Burial
Manner at the discretion of my Executors
Nothing doubting. But I shall receive the same
again by the mighty power of God and as
touching my worldly Estate wherewith it has
pleased God to bless me with in this life I give
Devise and dispose of the same in the following
Manner and form. viz—

✓ 1. First. I give and Bequeath unto my Beloved
wife. Mary Weger my gray Mare called Dove
and two Cows and Calves and all of the household
Furniture, which I do not want sold, but for
my loving wife to keep

2. Secondly. I further bequeath unto my loving
wife Mary. Weger all of my improvement when
I now live and all of the rest of my horses
Cattle and Sheep and hogs and gear and
farming tools so long as she remains my
widow

3 Thirdly and it is my will that my Executors
shall have full power to sell and dispose of my
Improvements and all of the rest of my

property so far as will settle and pay of all my
last debts

4 Fourth and it is further my will that the remainder
of any thing left after paying of all of my
just debts that it be and go to the use and support
of my wife and children so long as she remains
my widow

Fifthly and I further do appoint John Weyer
and Thomas Weyer Executors to this my last
will and testament and I do hereby utterly
disannul all other wills and testaments and
confirm this to be my last will and testament
and no other in witness whereof I have here-
unto set my hand and seal this 28th day
of March in the year of our lord and
thousand eight hundred and thirty seven
witnesses present at the ^{his} Robert Weyer 
time of signing and sealing

Jacob Newman

J. N. B. Dodson

State of Missouri }
County of Pulaski }

Be it remembered that on
this fifth day of June in the year of our lord
and thousand eight hundred and thirty seven
personally came before me B. Swink Clerk of
the County Court of the County of Pulaski.

Jacob Newman and J. N. B. Dodson and after
being first duly sworn according to law
an oath says that Robert Weyer signed with
his hand and sealed with his seal a certain
instrument now produced before me purporting
the last will and testament of the said

Robert Weyer, and that they subscribed their names
to said instrument as witnesses in the presence
of the said Robert Weyer and that the said
Robert Weyer was of sound ~~mind~~ and
disposing mind at the time of executing
the same and that they are not interested in said
estate

Sworn to and subscribed

before me this 5th day of

June 1837

Edwin Swink Clerk

State of Missouri }

County of Pulaski }

I, B. Swink Clerk of
the Circuit Court of the County aforesaid
and official Recorder in and for the same
do certify the foregoing to be truly
recorded from the original as filed
in my office for record this 5th June
1837

Edwin Swink Clerk

In the name of god Amen

I Thomas Stephens of the County of Pulaski and State of Missouri, Calling to recollection that all men have to dye and being weak of Body but of Sound Mind and Memory and for the better settling My worldly affairs after My death I do Make and publish this My Last Will And Testament in manner and form following (To-wit) Item 1 it is My Will that My funeral expenses and all My just debts be fully paid + Item Second it is My Will that I give devise and bequeath to My beloved wife Elizabeth Stephens all and singular the tract of Land wherean I now live with all things appertaining thereto it being West part of the North West quarter fractional on the West side of Gasconade River of Section twenty four in Township Thirtyseven North of Range Number Ten West Containing one hundred and thirty one acres and seventy one hundredths of an acre lying and being in the County and State aforesaid to her heirs and assigns forever I further more give and bequeath to My beloved wife aforesaid My four Negroes namely Richmond, Bill, Phaw and Fil also My Stock of horses and cattle consisting of Eight head of Horses and seven head of cattle with all My household and kitchen furniture of what ever Name or Nature the Same May be to her her heirs and assigns forever, Item Third I will and bequeath and devise to My five Children namely John, Stephens, William, Eliza, Stephen & Agnes Wiley

Two Tracts of Land lying and being in the State of Virginia and designated as follows one tract Patton 8^c 2070 being bearing date 25th of August 1809 and Patton dated 31st day of August 1812 in the County of Henrico in Little Cole River Containing Three hundred and ninety acres of Land, also one other tract of Land 8^c 2071 survey bearing date 27th day of August 1812 situate in the County and State aforesaid and contains two hundred and fifty acres of Land which was Patented to the Testator and one John Harris on the 13th day of January 1815 also one other tract of Land lying and being in the State of Virginia and Hanover County 8^c 2071 25th day of August 1819 and Patented to the Testator and one John Harris on the twentieth day of January 1815 Containing two hundred and fifty acres of Land, also one other Tract of Land lying and being in County and State aforesaid 8^c 2070 and Patented to Thomas Stephens Junior Containing one hundred and eighty acres of Land which Patton bears date twentyfifth day of October 1814 also one other Tract or parcel of Land 8^c 1111 July 7th 1801 Patented to Thomas Stephens Twentyfifth day of October, 1814 lying and being in the County and State aforesaid and all of which five Tracts of Land and all My interest therein I wish and will to My four Children before mentioned with all things appertaining thereto belonging to be equally divided so they may grow amongst themselves I furthermore will to My four last mentioned Children all My interest in and to the estate of John Perkins Late of Buckingham Co Virginia deceased to be equally divided

between them their heirs and assigns forever and I
 further will and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth
 Stephens my cart and one yoke of oxen. I
 further will and bequeath unto James Leek the
 wife of James Leek two hifers to her and
 her children for ever and lastly I do hereby
 appoint John Appleba & Joseph Wiley to be
 executors to this my last will and Testament
 revoking and annulling all other will or
 wills by me heretofore made ratifying and
 confirming this and no other to be my
 Last Will and Testament in testimony
 whereof I have hereunto set my hand
 and seal this 12th day of December 1839
 Thomas Stephens

Signed Published and declared
 by the above named Thomas
 Stephens to be his last will and
 Testament in presence of us who
 at his request have signed as
 witnesses to the same.

James Harrison
 William Leek
 Mark

State of Missouri
 County of Pulaski. Be it remembered that on
 this 23rd day of March in the year of our Lord
 one thousand eight hundred and forty,
 personally came before me Edward Swink
 Clerk of the County Court within and
 for the County and State aforesaid James
 Harrison and William Leek and after
 first duly sworn according to

I have an oath says that Thomas Stephens signed with
 his hand and sealed with his seal a certain
 instrument now produced before me purporting
 to be the last will and Testament of the said
 Thomas Stephens & that they subscribed their names
 to the said instrument as witnesses in the
 presence of the said Thomas Stephens and that
 the said Thomas Stephens was of sound and
 disposing mind at the time of executing the
 same and that they are not interested in
 said estate
 James Harrison
 Sworn to and subscribed William Leek
 before me this day and
 date above written
 Edward Swink Clerk

State of Missouri
 County of Pulaski. I Edward Swink Clerk of the
 Circuit Court of the County of Pulaski and
 Official Recorder, do certify the foregoing
 will to be truly recorded from the original
 as handed me for record the 23rd day of
 March A.D. 1840
 Edward Swink Clerk

I Archibald McDonald of the County of Pulaski and State of Missouri do make and publish this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all former Wills by me at any time here tofore made and first I direct that my Body Be decently interred in some suitable or convenient Burial Ground and that my funeral be conducted in a manner corresponding with my testate and situation in life.

And as to such worldly testate as it hath pleased God to intrust me with I dispose of the same as follows

First I direct that all my debts if any and Funeral expenses be paid as soon after my decease as possible.

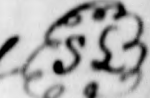
Secondly I will and bequeath unto my loving Wife Narcissa McDonald all my lands and appertanances thereto belonging or in any wise appertaining to her own proper use and benefit without condition that she may at any time dispose of the same as she may think proper also I will my Negro Boys Alexander and Lewis to my Wife Narcissa McDonald without ~~and~~ ^{and} condition to be disposed of as she may think proper. also all my personal property Horses, Cattle, sheep, hogs and

House hold furniture &c.

I will to my wife Narcissa McDonald to be used and disposed of as she may think proper.

I also will to my son James McDonald the sum of Five Dollars. also to my daughter Elizabeth Starbison I will one Cow and calf and the sum of Five Dollars Also I will to my daughter Jane Totote the sum of Five Dollars.

And I do hereby make and ordain my Beloved wife Narcissa McDonald Executor of this my last will and testament. in witness whereof I Archibald McDonald the Testator have to this my last Will written on one sheet of paper set my hand and seal this the eight day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine

Archibald McDonald 

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of us who have subscribed in the presence of each other

Joseph Kiden
Samuel G. Totote

State of Missouri
County of Pulaski

Be it remembered that on this 20th day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and

personally came before me to Swink
Clerk of the County Court of Pulaski
Joseph Hiden and Samuel G. Poteet
and after being first by me duly
sworn according to Law upon their oath
do say that Archibald McDonald signed
with his hand and sealed with his
seal a certain instrument now
produced before me purporting to
be his last will and Testament of
the said Archibald McDonald and
that they subscribed their names to
said instrument as witnesses in the
presence of the said Archibald McDonald
and that the said Archibald McDonald
was of sound disposing mind at the
time of executing the same and that
they are not interested in said estate
sworn to and subscribed Joseph Hiden
before me this 20th Sept 1840 Samuel G. Poteet
to Swink Clerk

State of Missouri

County of Pulaski
I Edwink Clerk of the
Circuit Court of the County of Pulaski and
Ex-officio Recorder for the County and State
aforesaid do certify that the foregoing will
was duly recorded by me from the original
as handed me for Record on the 20th Day
of September A.D. 1840

E. Swink Clerk

I Robert Wright of the County of Pulaski in the State of
Missouri do make and publish this my last will and
Testament in manner and form following that to say

First it is my will that so much of my property be
sold as will pay all my just debts with the exception
of two brown mares known by Spider and Peg.

Second I give devise and bequeath to my beloved
wife Lydia Wright in lieu of her dower the plantation
she now reside during her natural life and all the
fine Stock Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, &c by me now
owned and kept thereon, also all the household
Furniture and other items not particularly named
and disposed of otherwise in this will during her
natural life as aforesaid at the death of my said
wife all my right Title and claim to the land
on the South side of the Prairie Branch to my
youngest son James. Third I give and devise
to my Eldest son Warren all my right and Title
to the land on the North side of the Prairie Branch
also any blaze face filly claimed by him
Fourth I give and devise to my Eldest daughter
Janetty and Lowell Tilly two years old past
Fifth I give and devise to my youngest son
James and Rose Horse call.

Sixth I give and devise to my two youngest
daughters so much as will make their portion
Equivalent to my Eldest daughter Janetty as they
may become of age also it is my will that
at the death of my beloved wife there shall
be an Equal Division Taken into consideration
what I have bequeathed to my three Eldest
children of the property remaining in
possession of my Wives.

And lastly I constitute and appoint Robert M Case
 to be the Administrator to this My last will and
 Testament revoking and annulling all former wills
 by me made and ratifying and confirming this and
 no other to be My last will and Testament in Testi-
 mony whereof I have hereunto set My hand and
 seal this the 6th day of January in the year
 of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
 forty one signed published and declared by
 the above Robert Wright as and
 for his last will and Testament } Robert Wright
 in presence of us who at his } Mark
 request signed as witnesses }
 to the same

William Case }
 Gilson Jackson }

State of Mississippi }
 County of Pulaski }
 14th day of February A.D. 1841 personally came before
 me E Swink clerk of the county court within and
 for the County of Pulaski and State of said,
 William Case and Gilson Jackson and after being
 first duly sworn according to Law on oath
 says that Robert Wright signed with his hand
 and sealed with his seal a certain instrument
 now produced before me purporting to be the last
 will and Testament of the said Robert Wright
 and that they subscribed their names to the
 said instrument as witnesses in the presence
 of the said Robert Wright and that the
 said Robert Wright was of sound and
 mind at the time of executing

the same and that they are not of kind or interested
 in said Estate
 sworn to and subscribed
 before me the day and
 date above written
 E Swink clerk

State of Mississippi }
 County of Pulaski }
 I E Swink clerk of the
 Circuit Court and Recorder within and
 for the County of Pulaski and State of Mississippi
 do certify that the foregoing will was by
 me duly recorded from the original as
 handed me for Record on the 16th day
 February A.D. 1841
 E Swink clerk

In the name of God Amen I James Harrison of the County of Crawford and State of Missouri being sick and weak in body but of sound and disposing mind thanks be to God for his mercies, and calling into mind the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof and the more effectually to guard against the Possibility of dying Intestate do make and Ordain this my last Will and Testament in the manner and form following: To wit,

1st I Commit my soul to almighty God who gave it and my body to the Earth to be buried in a decent Christian like manner at the discretion of my Executors hereinafter named, and as to such worldly Estate as it has pleased God to bless me with I Give and Dispose of it in the following

2nd I Give to my beloved and affectionate wife Lovisa Harrison my Tract of Land upon which I now live together with all appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining to the same and all my Stock of every description and all my house hold & Kitchen furniture and farming tools or such part thereof as my wife Lovisa Harrison may think proper to keep and my five Negroes named as follows Arch Bob Betsey Jane and Looky during her natural life and at the death of my wife Lovisa Harrison I wish the whole of my property to be sold and the proceeds of the same Equally divided amongst my Eight children named as follows John B Harrison James P Harrison Pamela M Lenon William P Harrison Benjamin B Harrison Mary M Harrison Thomas B Harrison and Eliza S Harrison

3rd I Give to my son John B Harrison the sum

of fifty Dollars

4th I Give to my son James P Harrison the sum of one hundred Dollars

5th I Give to my son William P Harrison the sum of one hundred and fifty Dollars

6th I Give to my son Benjamin B Harrison the sum of two hundred and fifty Dollars

7th I Give to my daughter Mary M Harrison the sum of three hundred Dollars

8th I Give to my son Thomas B Harrison the sum of three hundred Dollars

9th I Give to my daughter Eliza S Harrison the sum of three hundred Dollars

10th and I do furthermore wish all my mercantile business closed in what ever way my Executors hereinafter named may think proper and after all my just debts are paid that are now due or that may become due and all those special legacies that are hereinbefore mentioned are paid then the balance to be Equally divided amongst my Eight children as named in the 2nd item in this will.

11th and any time that it may be the opinion of my Executors that my wife Lovisa Harrison has more property of any kind than she wishes to keep I wish the same to be sold together with my blacksmith tools and the proceeds of the sale to be equally divided as named above

12th and I wish my said wife Lovisa Harrison to furnish all my children with our bed and bedding that have not had the same in such manner and at such times as she may deem most expedient

13th and all the money that I have on hand which is appropriated to the payment of my just debts

and I do appoint my said wife Leonida Harrison Executor
 and my two sons John B Harrison and James
 P Harrison Executors to this my last will and Testament
 In Testimony of which I have hereunto set my hand and
 seal this 28th day of August in the year of our Lord one
 thousand eight hundred and thirty six

James Harrison 

Signed sealed acknowledged and delivered by the said
 James Harrison to be his last will and Testament in
 testimony whereof we John Duncan and Robert Duncan
 have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses
 in the presence of the said James Harrison and at his
 request and in presence of each other this 28th day
 of August A D 1836

John Duncan

Robert Duncan

State of Missouri

County of Pulaski Be it remembered that on the
 28th day of August A D 1836 personally appeared before
 me Robert A Wardin Clerk of the County Court within &
 for the County of Pulaski and State aforesaid John
 Duncan and after being first duly sworn
 according to Law on his oath says that James Har-
 rison signed with his hands and sealed with his
 seal this the above and foregoing Instrument of
 writing as the last will and Testament of him
 the said James Harrison and that he together
 with Robert Duncan subscribed their names to the
 said instrument as witnesses in the presence of the
 said James Harrison and in the presence of each
 other and that the said James Harrison was of sound
 and disposing mind at the time of executing the
 same and that they are not interested in the
 Estate or of a Kin

John Duncan

Sworn to and subscribed
 before me the day and
 date above written

Robert A Wardin Clerk

State of Missouri

County of Pulaski Be it remembered that on
 this 28th day of August A D 1843 before me Robert
 A Wardin Clerk of the County Court within and for the
 County and State aforesaid, personally appeared John
 Duncan and William S Duncan and after being
 by me duly sworn according to Law upon their oaths
 do say, that they were well acquainted with Robert
 Duncan, well knew his signature by reason of him
 being our Brother and being perfectly familiar
 with his hand writing from his earliest knowledge of
 making letters with a pen, and that we are confident
 the signature of the said Robert Duncan as subscri-
 bed to the above and foregoing Instrument of
 writing is genuine, and that the said Robert
 Duncan is now dead

John Duncan

William S Duncan

Robert A Wardin Clerk

State of Missouri

County of Pulaski

I Robert A Wardin Clerk of the
 circuit court and Ex-officio Recorder within and for the
 County of Pulaski and State of Missouri do certify that
 the foregoing bill was by me duly received from
 the original as handed me for record this 28th day of
 August A D 1843

Robert A Wardin Clerk

In the name of God amen I David J. Woody of the County of Washington and State of Tennessee being sick and weak in body, but of sound and disposing mind. Thanks be to God for his mercies, and calling into mind, the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and the more effectually to guard against the possibility of dying intestate, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in the manner and form following (To wit)

1st I Commit my soul to Almighty God who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian like manner

2nd Such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless me with I disposed of it in the following manner (To wit)

I gave and bequath unto my beloved sister Mary Gilliland my whole Estate personal and real after all my debts are paid to have and to hold so long as she shall live or remain unmarried. In case my sister Mary should marry - I give unto her fifty acres of Land deeded to me by Jacob Briles the remainder of my Estate I give and bequath to the children of my beloved sister Amanda Fiddle who is the consort of Aaron Fiddle - In case my beloved sister Mary Gilliland should die without having married - I give and bequath the whole of my Estate to the children of my beloved sister Amanda Fiddle

I do appoint my Brother-in-law Aaron Fiddle ~~of this my~~ executor and my sister Mary Gilliland Executrix of this my last will and testament - In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 17th day of September in the year of

our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three
D. J. Woody (Seal)

Signed sealed acknowledged and delivered by the said David J. Woody to be his last will and testament - In testimony whereof we Jemel Dodge and Robert A. Hardin have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in presents of the said David J. Woody and at his request and in presence of each other this 17th day of September A.D. 1843

Jemel Dodge (Seal)
Robert A. Hardin (Seal)

State of Missouri }
County of Pulaski } Be it remembered that on this 7th day of February A.D. 1843 personally appeared Robert A. Hardin before me Menden & Smith and of the acting justices of the peace within and for the County of Pulaski and State aforesaid and after being by me duly sworn according to Law upon his oath says that David J. Woody signed with his hand and sealed with his seal this the above and foregoing instrument of writing as the last will and testament of him the said David J. Woody and that he together with Jemel Dodge subscribed their names to the said instrument as witnesses in the presents of the said David J. Woody and in the presents of each other and that the said David J. Woody of sound and disposing mind at the time of executing the same and that they are not interested in the Estate or of him - Sworn to and subscribed before me Menden & Smith } Robert A. Hardin
Justice of the Peace for the County of Pulaski
and at first above written

In the name of God amen I David J. Moody of the County of Washington and State of Tennessee being sick and weak in body, but of sound and disposing mind. Thanks be to God for his mercies, and calling into mind, the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and the more effectually to guard against the possibility of dying intestate, do make and execute this my last will and testament in the manner and form following (To wit)

1st I Commit my soul to Almighty God who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian-like manner

2nd Such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless me with I dispose of it in the following manner (To wit)

I give and bequeath unto my beloved sister Mary Gilliland my whole Estate personal and real after all my debts are paid to have and to hold so long as she shall live or remain unmarried. In case my sister Mary should marry - I give unto her fifty acres of land deeded to me by Jacob Briles the remainder of my Estate I give and bequeath to the children of my beloved sister Amanda Fiddle who is the consort of Aaron Waddle - In case my beloved sister Mary Gilliland should die without having married - I give and bequeath the whole of my Estate to the children of my beloved sister Amanda Fiddle

I do appoint my Brother-in-law Aaron Waddle of ~~this~~ my executor and my sister Mary Gilliland executrix of this my last will and testament - In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 17th day of September in the year of

and Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three
 D. J. Moody (Seal)
 Signed sealed acknowledged and delivered by the said David J. Moody to be his last will and testament. In testimony whereof we Genl Dodge and Robert A. Hardin have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in presents of the said David J. Moody and at his request and in presence of each other this 17th day of September A.D. 1843

Genl Dodge (Seal)
 Robert A. Hardin (Seal)

State of Missouri }
 County of Pulaski } Be it remembered that on this 1st day of February A.D. 1843 personally appeared Robert A. Hardin before me Medson F. Smith one of the acting Justices of the Peace within and for the County of Pulaski and State aforesaid and after being by me duly sworn according to Law upon his oath says that David J. Moody signed with his hand and sealed with his seal this the above and foregoing instrument of writing as the last will and testament of him the said David J. Moody and that he together with Genl Dodge subscribed their names to the said instrument as witnesses in the presents of the said David J. Moody and in the presents of each other and that the said David J. Moody of sound and disposing mind at the time of executing the same and that they are not interested in the Estate or of him - Sworn to and subscribed before me Medson F. Smith Justice of the Peace this day and date first above written Robert A. Hardin

State of Missouri }
 County of Pulaski } Be it remembered that on the
 6th day of January A.D. 1844 personally appeared
 before me Robert A. Hardin Clerk of the County
 Court within and for the County and State
 aforesaid Washington A. Dodge and Genl G.
 Dodge and after being by me duly sworn according
 to law upon their oaths do say that they were well ac-
 quainted with Genl Dodge well knew his signature
 by reason of him being their father and being per-
 fectly familiar with his hand writing from
 their earliest knowledge of letters made with a
 pen and they are confident that the signature of
 the said Genl Dodge as subscribed to the above
 and foregoing instrument of writing is genuine
 and that the said Genl Dodge is now dead
 sworn to and subscribed before Washington A. Dodge (a)
 and the day and date above written Genl G. Dodge (a)
 Robert A. Hardin Clerk

State of Missouri }
 County of Pulaski } I Robert A. Hardin Clerk of
 the County Court within and for the County and
 State aforesaid do hereby certify that Median
 H. Smith is a lawful and acting Justice of
 the Peace for Cullen Township within and for
 the County aforesaid - and that full faith
 and credit is due to his acts as such officer
 as witness my hand and seal of
 Court this 6th day of March A.D. 1844
 Robert A. Hardin Clerk

State of Missouri }
 County of Pulaski } I Median H. Smith Presid-
 ing Justice of the County Court within and for
 the County and State aforesaid do certify that
 Robert A. Hardin is the legal and acting Clerk
 of the County Court of the County aforesaid and
 that said Court is a court of record and that
 full faith and credit are due to his acts as
 such - as witness my hand this 6th day of
 March A.D. 1844 Median H. Smith
 Presiding Justice County
 Court

State of Missouri }
 County of Pulaski } I Robert A. Hardin
 Clerk of the County Court and Recorder
 Recorded for said County of Pulaski
 do hereby certify that the above and
 foregoing will and probate was truly recor-
 ded from the Original as handed in
 for Record this 6th day of March 1844
 Robert A. Hardin Clerk

Knew all men by these presents that I Thomas Henry of the County
 of Pulaski and State of Missouri do make and publish this my last
 will and testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills
 by me at any time heretofore made and do First I direct that any
 body be lawfully entitled Second, that my personal property
 such as cows pigs &c to sold or enough of such property to pay
 all my just debts the balance of my personal property such
 as beds and bedding dishes chests trunks &c I bequeath unto my
 children to be equally divided amongst them or the proceeds
 of such property if sold by any executor when they shall
 arrive at such an age as to be capable of taking

care of the same. Also I bequeath unto my brother Charles my library of Books excepting such only as my children may find in their early education as also my wearing apparel. And further it is my will that my estate be sold as soon & on such terms as my Executor may think most advisable & the proceeds thereof to be appropriated to the Education of my children excepting only the one tenth of such proceeds which I bequeath to my Brother Charles to be appropriated to his own use for the spread of the Gospel & also a sufficient amount of said proceeds as will support & render my wife Mary and comfortable during her natural life & so long as she shall continue my widow. Provided also, that it shall not require more than one third of the above mentioned proceeds. And I hereby constitute & appoint my Brother Charles Hovey to be the Executor to this my last will and testament. And lastly I hereby commit the Guardianship of all my children until they shall respectively attain the age of eighteen years, unto my Brother Charles Hovey, and I also direct that the expenses of the maintenance & education of my said children until they shall attain the age aforesaid or become entitled to the sum or sums of money hereby provided for their benefits respectively shall be borne by my said Brother out of the moneys or assets belonging to the Estate, he witness whereof I the Testator have hereunto set my hand & seal this Eighteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty four signed sealed & delivered in presence of us who have subscribed in the presence of each other

Robert G. Clark

Mary A. Clark

The above
their marks

Lorenzo Hovey

State of Missouri

County of Pulaski) Be it remembered that on this the 22^d day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty four at the House of the Late Lorenzo Hovey deceased personally appeared before me Robert A. Hardin Clerk of the County court within and for the County & State aforesaid, Robert G. Clark and after being by me duly sworn according to Law, up on his oath says that Lorenzo Hovey signed with his hand and sealed with his seal this the above and foregoing instrument of writing as his last will and testament and he together with Mary A. Clark subscribed their names as witnesses to said instrument and in the presence of the said Lorenzo Hovey and in the presence of each other and the said Lorenzo Hovey was of sound and disposing mind at the time of executing the same and he is not interested in the estate or of him sworn to and subscribed before me this day and date first above written

Robert A. Hardin Clerk

Robert G. Clark
his mark

State of Missouri

County of Pulaski) Be it remembered that on this the 22^d day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty four at the House of the Late Lorenzo Hovey deceased personally appeared before me Robert A. Hardin Clerk of the County court, within and for the County and State aforesaid, Mary A. Clark and after being by me duly sworn according to Law up on her oath says that Lorenzo Hovey signed with his hand and sealed with his seal this the above and foregoing instrument of writing as his last will and testament and she together with Robert G. Clark subscribed their names as witnesses to said instrument and in the presence of the said Lorenzo Hovey and in the presence of each other, and the said Lorenzo Hovey was of sound and disposing mind at the time of executing the same and she is not interested in the estate or of him

Sworn to and subscribed before and
the day and date first above written } ^{his} Mary A. Clark
Robert A. Hardin Clerk } ^{mark}

State of Missouri }
County of Polaski } I Robert A. Hardin Clerk of the County
Court and Ex-officio Recorder within and for the County
and State aforesaid do hereby certify that the above
 foregoing will and the proof of the same was by and
truly recorded from the Original as handed in for
record this 27th day of May A.D. 1844

Robert A. Hardin Clerk

In the name of God Amen

I Silenced Himeson of the County of Polaski in the State of
Missouri, being of sound and disposing mind, thanks be
to God for his mercies and calling to mind the certainty of
death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and the
most effectually to guard against the Possibility of dying Intes-
tate, do make and ordain this my last will and Testam-
ent in ~~the~~ the manner and form following To wit;

1st I commit my soul to almighty God who gave it and
my body to the earth to be buried in a decent and christian
like manner at the discretion of my Executor herein after
mentioned, and as to such worldly estate as it has pleased
God to bless me with I give and dispose of in the
following manner

2nd I give to my daughter Narcissa Riddle late
Narcissa Himeson one dollar

3rd I give to my son Philip Himeson one dollar

4th I give to my son John Himeson one dollar

5th I give to the Heirs of my son William Himeson
one Dollar

6th I give & bequeath to my two grand children Sarah Jones
and John Jones the Place where I now live and all my
Stock of every description to be equally divided between
them at my death Sarah Jones

7th I give to my grand Daughter above mentioned
all my House hold & Kitchen furniture farming tools
Bugs and Pottery of every description with the exception
of one good bed and bedding which I will and give
to my grand son John Jones before mentioned

8th I give my two grand children above mentioned
Sarah and John Jones all my money or claims of
Debt which I may be possessed of at my Death to be
equally divided between them after the payments

of all my just debts = Provided that nothing contained in
this will shall effect any of the above mentioned property
during my natural life, but at my death to descend to
my heirs according to the former provisions of this my
last will and testament

9th and lastly I do ordain and appoint my son
Philip Himeson Executor of this my last will
and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and seal this 26th day of June in
the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty three
the word Sarah Jones in the first line } Silenced ^{my} Himeson ^{mark} ~~and~~
7th I have intended before assigned

Signed sealed and acknowledged by the said Silenced Himeson
son to be his last will and Testament. In testimony whereof
as Jas. P. Harrison Nathan Lamb and John B. Harrison
have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in presence of the
said Silenced Himeson and at his request and in
presence of each other this 26th day of June A.D. 1843

John B. Harrison
Nathan Lamb
Jas. P. Harrison

State of Missouri }
 County of Pulaski } I Robert A. Warren Clerk
 of the County Court and Recorder within &
 for the County of Pulaski do hereby certify that
 the foregoing will was truly received from the
 Original as handed me for Record this 22
 of October A.D. 1844

Robert A. Warren Clerk

State of Missouri } Be it remembered that on this 4th day of
 County of Pulaski } March A.D. 1853 before the undersigned Clerk
 of the County Court of Pulaski County personally appeared J. B. Har-
 rison whose name appears to the foregoing will and made oath
 in due form of law that he subscribed the foregoing will as a
 witness, at the request of Silence Henson and in her presence that
 he signed her name to the same at her request and that she
 made her mark thereto in his presence and that she was of
 sound and disposing mind at the time of signing the same
 Sworn to and subscribed this day and date J. B. Harrison
 above written A. Anderson Clerk

By J. B. Harrison

State of Missouri } Be it remembered that on this 5th day
 County of Pulaski } of March A.D. 1853 before me the undersign-
 ed Clerk of the County Court of Pulaski County personally appea-
 red J. B. Harrison and after being duly sworn in due
 form of law made oath that he subscribed his name to
 the foregoing will as a witness thereto in the presence of Silence
 Henson and her request that she made her mark thereto in his
 presence and that she was of sound and disposing mind at
 the time of signing the same

J. B. Harrison

Sworn to and subscribed this day and

A. Anderson written before me A. Anderson Clerk

By J. B. Harrison

In the name of God Amen
 I William Moore of the County of Pulaski
 and State of Missouri calling to my mind the un-
 certainty at what time my life shall terminate
 and being of sound and disposing mind and more
 effectually to guard against any difficulty which
 might arise after my death I deem it necessary to ma-
 ke and publish my last will and Testament

In the first place I commit my Body to the dis-
 cretion of the undertaker from whence it came and my soul to almighty
 God who gave it and that my Body shall be enter-
 ed in a decent and Christian like manner

2^d It is my request that my funeral and other
 necessary burial expenses be first paid

3^d I will that all my just debts be discharged
 at as early a period as will possibly admit of whe-
 ther they may be after which and the payment the-
 reof I do

4th I will and bequeath unto my beloved and affe-
 ctionate wife Elizabeth Ann Moore, and unto my
 Children each and every of them and equal
 portion of my property real and personal, money
 and evidence of debt to be divided amongst
 my wife and Children whose names are as follows
 Margaret Jane, Geo. L., Mari M. and William Henry
 Moore in an equal proportion each taking
 a Child's part It is my will and request I do
 hereby appoint Joseph John Owen my Executor
 to carry into effect this my last will and Testament
 In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand and seal this 29th day of May A.D. 1844
 attest in the presence and by the County
 and direction of the said William Moore
 Robert A. Warren
 Clerk of Court

State of Missouri }
 County of Pulaski } be it remembered that
 on this 3rd day of February in the year of
 our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and
 forty six, Personally appeared before the County
 Court of the County of Pulaski and State of Mi-
 ssouri, Robert A. Hardin and Jesse A. Ray,
 and after being first duly sworn according to
 Law, on oath says that William Moore sig-
 ned with his hand and sealed with his seal a
 certain instrument of writing, now produced
 before us purporting to be the last will and
 Testament of the said William Moore, and that
 they subscribed their names to said instru-
 ment as witnesses in the presence of the said Wil-
 liam Moore and in the presence of each other
 and that the said William Moore was of
 sound and disposing mind at the time of execut-
 ing the same and that they are not interested
 in said Estate

sworn and subscribed to in
 open Court before us on the
 day and year aforesaid

Wm. H. Smith CC Justice
 L. Bates CC Justice

Robert A. Hardin
 Jesse A. Ray

State of Missouri }
 County of Pulaski } I Robert A. Hardin Clerk of the
 Circuit Court and Official Recorder within and for
 the County of Pulaski and State of Missouri do
 hereby certify that the above and foregoing will
 of said of proof was by me Truly Recorded
 and as to be an original for
 4th day July 1846 R. A. Hardin

In the name of God Amen I Michael
Stuart of the County of Pulaski and State
of Missouri on this 8th day of May in the
year of our Lord one thousand Eight
hundred & forty eight Being in rather a
bad State of health But of sound ~~mind~~
disposing mind & knowing the Certainty
of death & the uncertainty of the time thereof
& in order the more effectually to guard against
dying Intestate I do make & publish this my
Last will & testament hereby revoking and
setting aside as a nullity any and all other
wills whatsoever

I Commit my soul to the hands of almighty
God who gave it & my Body to the earth to
be buried in a decent & Christian like Man-
ner at some suitable grave yard at the
discretion of my executor herein after to be
named And as to such worldly effects
as it has pleased God to bless me with it is
my will to dispose of the same in the following
manner to wit

I first I give & bequeath to my kind affectionate
& loving wife Margaret Stuart during her
natural life the farm upon which I now
live together with every thing thereunto belonging
or in anywise appertaining together with all
my farming tools of every description and
all my household & kitchen furniture
Every description & all my stock such as
Horses Cattle Hogs Sheep and every other
description of perishable property

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also all grain Groceries and provisions of every
kind that may be on hand at the time of my death
provided nevertheless the above is to stand subject
to the payment of all my just debts

Then 2^d I give and bequeath to my beloved son
William H Stuart all moneys I may have on
hand at the time of my death also all debts that
may be owing to me ~~at the time of my death~~ & as soon as to be
collected by my executor herein after mentioned
for the use and benefit of my above mentioned
son William H Stuart

And I do hereby nominate Constitute and
appoint ^{my beloved wife} Margaret Stuart executrix to this
my last will and testament not in the
least doubting but what she will carry into
effect the purposes for which this instrument
was intended

In testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my hand & affixed my seal the day & year
above written Michael Stuart Seal

The above signed Sealed
and delivered in the presence of }
Jas P Harrison
Pleasant Wynnau

Truly recorded from the Original this 8th day of
February 1849 Witness Amy Anderson & C

35 State of Missouri }
County of Pulaski } that on this 9th day of
February A.D. 1849 personally appeared in open
Court James P. Harrison & Pleasant
Wayman and after being duly sworn
deposed & sayeth that Michael Stuart
signed with his hand & sealed with his
seal a certain instrument now before
the Court purporting to be the last will &
testament of the said Michael Stuart &
that they signed their names as witnesses
to the same in the presence of the said
Michael Stuart and that the said
Michael Stuart was of sound & disposing
mind at the time of executing
the same and that they are not interested
in said Michael Stuart's Estate

James P. Harrison
Pleasant Wayman

State of Missouri }
County of Pulaski } I Andy Anderson
Clerk of the Circuit Court & ex officio
Recorder within & for Pulaski County,
do hereby certify that the foregoing will
& affidavit & proof was by me truly
seen & Booked at pages 34 & 35 the
8th day of February 1849

In testimony whereof I have
hereunto set my hand & affixed
the seal of said office at
Waynesville this 10th day & year
of 1849
A. Anderson
B. J. Ellis

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In the name of God Amen
I George W. Gibson of the County
of Pulaski & State of Missouri Calling
to my mind the uncertainty at what
time my life shall terminate & being
of sound and disposing mind &
more especially to guard against any
difficulties which might arise after
my death I therefore deem it necessary
to make & publish this my last will
& testament — In the first place I
commit my body to the dust from
whence I came & my soul to Almighty
God who gave it & that my body shall
be interred in a decent & Christian like
manner 2^d It is my request that my fun-
eral and other burial expenses be first
paid 3^d I will that all my just debts
be discharged at as early a period as
possibly admit of what so ever they may
be after which and the payment thereof
I do hereby will & bequeath unto my beloved
& affectionate wife Mrs Charlotte G. G.
on all my goods & chattels lands &
tenements. Manors & other evidences
of debt which is or may be mine at
the time of my death to be hers my wife
except what is hereafter mentioned
during her natural life, 4th I will
and bequeath that at ~~my~~ ^{my} ~~wife's~~ death
all my real estate lands & tenements
shall belong to my wife Mary
& P. Laughlin 6th I will

bequeath unto each of my Brothers (viz
 Thomas Gibson John Gibson Jefferson Gibson
 & Samuel Gibson each the sum of One dollar
 7^{1/2} I will and bequeath unto each of my
 sisters viz Sarah Morris & Mariah Jane
 Gibson each the sum of one dollar
 In testimony whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand & seal this twelfth day
 of February in the year of our Lord
 one thousand eight hundred & forty
 seven & in the presence of Allen
 Hamer & Nelson Alexander as witnesses
 G. H. Gibson

Witness names
 Allen Hamer &
 Nelson & Alexander
 marks

State of Missouri
 County of Pulaski I Andy Anderson
 Clerk of the Circuit Court & ex officio
 Recorder within & for said County do
 hereby certify that the foregoing will
 was by me truly recited in Book
 A at page 36 & 37 this 31st day of Jan
 1847 In testimony whereof I have
 hereunto set my hand &
 offered the seal of said
 Court this day & year
 of our said

E. H. Anderson Clerk
 By J. R. [unclear] [unclear]

The last will and testament
 of Richard Wynn of Pulaski
 County Missouri In This my
 last will and testament made
 made this betwix the ninth
 One thousand eight hundred and
 fifty two

I Bequeath to my beloved wife
 Harriet Wynn all my real &
 personal Estate during life or
 widowhood & for all my debts are
 paid To her & her control To
 use and dispose of as she may
 think best For the support
 of her and hers
 I want my children to be ed-
 ucated out of my Estate my son
 Absolom Henry Wynn to have
 an Extra Education He being
 an invalid. I want my son
 William to have a certain
 Bay ~~horse~~ more 4 years old
 he now claims with with a saddle
 and bridle My Son Robert to
 have a certain barrel felly he
 now claims Bridle & saddle
 My son Matthew to have a
 certain Begg he now claims
 Saddle and Bridle
 the rest my children Susan
 and personal I want if Harriet
 cannot and I before I should
 to have a horse and Bridle

in proportion to my three older
children

At the death of my wife Harriet
Wynn I want all my real estate and
personalty estate as property sold and divided
amongst my seven children

William Wynn & Robert Wynn
Matthew Wynn Susan Wynn
Abraham Wynn Permelia Gossard
Wynn Robert Esq. Wynn Mary
and Mary a like And lastly
And lastly I constitute and
appoint my said wife Harriet
Wynn and my said son William
Wynn and my said son
to be the Executors to this
last will in testimony

whereof I have
hereunto my hand and set
this October the ninth
day one thousand eight
hundred and fifty two
Witness

Abraham Johnson } Richard Wynn
Solomon Hawkins }
Wilbert A. Hawkins }

State of Missouri
County of Pulaski } Be it remembered
that on the 29th day of November
A.D. 1852 personally appeared before
me W.W. Donald Clerk of the

County Court with in for the County
of Pulaski and State of Missouri
Solomon Hawkins Wilbert A.
Hawkins & after being by me duly
me duly sworn according to law
upon this said day that Richard
Wynn signed with his hand &
seal with his seal this above
& forgoing instrument and they
to gether subscribe their names
as witnesses to said instrument
& in the presence of the Richard
Wynn & in presence of each other
the said Richard Wynn of said
& his papered mind & the execution
of the same and they are not
interested in the estate

Sworn to and sub-
scribed before me this } Solomon Hawkins
29th day of November } Wilbert Hawkins
A.D. 1852
W.W. Donald Clerk

State of Missouri
County of Pulaski } I W.W. Donald
Clerk of the County Court in
for the County of Pulaski do certify
that I duly record the above will
in Book A Page 3839-40

in testimony whereof I W.W. Donald
Clerk have hereunto
set my hand & seal of said
Court the 29th day of November
1852

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Thomas Graham of the County
of Pulaski in the State of Missouri
do hereby make and publish this my last
Will and Testament in manner and
form following that is to say I give
it my will that my funeral
expenses and all my Just debts be
fully paid Second I give devise
and bequeath to my Beloved wife
Mary Graham in full of her share
all my estate except what I
Bequeath to my children during
her natural life or widow hood
and all the live stock, Horses
cattle sheeps hogs &c by me
now owned & kept also all the house
hold furniture and other items
not particularly named and other
wise disposed of in this will during
her natural life or widow hood as
afore said the Lawer first disposing
of a sufficiency thereof to pay
my Just debts as afore said And
that at the death or Marriage of
my said wife all the property hereby
bequeathed is bequeathed to her as afore said
or so much thereof as may then
remain unexpended To my five
children I give & William C North
George W Emba and to their
heirs and assigns forever
I give and devise to my
Beloved wife Mary C a mare

name Emma a saddle & Bridle and to
his heirs and assigns forever
Fourth I give & devise to my second
son William C a mare name Jane
a saddle & Bridle and to his heirs
and assigns forever
Fifth I give & devise to my son
George W a Sars Bridle & saddle
worth sixty Dollars to be received
by him at the age of fifteen
years and to his heirs and
assigns forever Sixth I give
and devise to my daughter Martha
one cow & calf worth ten Dollars
one Bed and Bed Case worth twenty
Dollars and to her heirs and assigns
forever Seventh I give and
devise to my daughter
Emilia one Cow and Calf worth
ten Dollars one Bed and Bed Case
worth twenty Dollars to be received
by them at the age of Eighteen
years to her and her heirs
and assigns forever
And lastly I hereby constitute
and appoint my said wife
Mary Graham To Execute
To this my last will and
testament revoking and annulling
by all former will by me made
and Ratifying and confirming this
and no other to be my last will
and testament

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hereunto set my hand and
Seal this the 20 of November
A.D. 1852

Thomas Graham
Signed, published and delivered by
the above named Thomas Graham
as and for his last will &
testament in presence of us who
at his request have signed as
witness to the same

John Byrnes
James M. Dillon

State of Missouri
County of Pulaski

Be it remembered
that on this 5 day of Jan 1853
personally appeared before me
Wm M. Donald Clerk of the County
Court of Pulaski County & State
of Mo. said John Byrnes & James
M. Dillon and after being sworn
do hereby say that Thomas
Graham signed with his hand
and seal with his last will is
he for the Clerk of at this
purporting to be the last will
& testament of the said Thomas
Graham & they sign this
instrument as witnesses to the same
in presence of each other

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and the said Thomas Graham
and that the said Thomas Graham
was of sound and free mind
at the time of executing the same
and that they are not interested
in said Estate of Thomas Graham
sworn to and sealed
before me this 5 day of Jan 1853
Wm M. Donald Clerk
John Byrnes
James M. Dillon
as witnesses

State of Missouri
County of Pulaski
Clerk of the County of Pulaski
do certify that the foregoing
will is now recorded by me in
Book & Page 40, 41, 42, 43
I witness whereof signed
my hand and seal
this 5 day of Jan 1853
Wm M. Donald Clerk

44 know all men by these presents
That I Zadoc Denison do make this
my last Will and Testament that
after my death and my wife Eliza-
bette Denison death I do give
off of my land to my son
Thomas Denison if I shall die
before my wife Elizabeth Denison
leaves the said Elizabeth Denison
is to have the land in her posses-
sion during lifetime and have her
support of off the land during
her life time and at the end
of her death the said Thomas Denison
to have all of my interest with
title & claims forever to and
keep

This January 1st 1853 } Zadoc Denison
do hereby that the
I do hereby that he
Zadoc Denison
authorized me to sign his name
to the above name with
Wm Black
John D Edgar
Emuel Hargreaves
Witness

State of Missouri
County of Pulaski } J. W. McDaniel
County Clerk of the County
Court of Pulaski County
State of Missouri

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herby certify that I recorded
the foregoing will in Book
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J. W. McDaniel
County Clerk of
Pulaski County
has her unto set my hand
and affix my seal
this 29th day of
January 1853
J. W. McDaniel
Clerk

106th I John Duncan of the County of Pulaski
and State of Missouri being full and
of sound mind in view of the uncertainty
of death life and the certainty of
death do make and ordain this my
last will and testament first
I consign my soul to the care of
Almighty God and my body to the
earth where it originated And
as to my earthly estate with his
presence God to bless me with I do
dispose of in the following manner
viz I do give and bequeath to my
beloved and affectionate wife Mary
Duncan all my estate both real &
personal consisting of the plantation
upon which I have resided all my
horses cattle sheep dogs farming
utensils house hold and kitchen
furniture together with all money
I have on hand and all that is
owing to me to gether with every
thing else of which I am now
possessed or of which I am the joint
and legal owner to have to her
during her natural life and at the
death of my afore said wife I wish
my Wake Estate to equally divide
among my eight children now
as follows to Francis A. & William
Duncan & Henry D. & Mary M.
Martha & John & W. Burley &
that I do ordain and appoint

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My Brethren J. J. Duncan to
be my executor of this my last
will and testament
On testimony whereof I have
hereunto set my hand and
affixed my seal this eighth day of
August in the year of
our Lord one thousand eight
hundred & fifty seven 1857
John Duncan

Signed seal and
delivered in presence
and in the presence of
witnesses
John Duncan
A. Duncan
William D. Duncan

State of Missouri ss Be it remembered
County of Pulaski
That on this 15th day
of March 1853 personally appeared before
me M. M. Small Clerk of the County of
Pulaski County of the State of
Missouri and after he duly sworn
deposed to & sayeth that John
Duncan signed with his hand
and with his seal a certain in
strument of writing in the form of
the Clerk purporting to be the last
will & testament of the said John
Duncan & that there signed the

names as witnesses do the same in the
 present of the John Duncan and that
 they said John Duncan was of sound
 and disposing mind at the time of
 executing the same and that they are
 not interested in said John Duncan
 - Extra ✓

Sherrin in Roberts
 before me the 15th day
 of March 1853
 Wm McDaniel Clerk

Willis O. Bryant
 A I turn

He also wife of Henry was only taken from original
 by the 15th day of March 1853 Wm McDaniel Clerk

I know all whom it may concern
 that I Richard James Bryant in my right
 mind and in fear of the Lord with me
 since of my soon leaving to depart this
 life do on this 16 day of February
 in the year of our Lord eight hundred
 fifty three make this as my last will
 Testament as follows to wit I do first
 Will and Bequeath unto my beloved wife
 Sarah my mansion house and farm
 attached thereto as long as she lives &
 remain my Widow and I do further Will
 that she have six or eight head of milk cows
 as she thin best to have and that she
 have many other things as shall be
 very for our use and the family and
 we are her mediators and further
 that she have five acres of horses
 for the use of the family & her self to
 make the same with

And I do further Will that all of my
 remaining portion of my personal property
 shall be sold or twelve months credit
 at Public Sale to the Short Order
 except my beef cattle that I am
 now feeding I wish them to be taken
 and sold in the St Louis Market
 & as soon as circumstances will all
 sort of all except 7 or 8 head
 of them which I require to be kept
 and fed until they get in good
 pastures and then to be taken &
 sold at St Louis and proceeds
 of my cattle as well as the proceeds
 of my other personal property be
 applied first to the payment of
 my just debts secondly that the
 remainder of the proceeds be equally
 divided among all of my legal heirs
 Except that the four oldest children
 to wit Rebecca P. Bryant & Eliza
 & J. F. James shall be subject
 to a deduction of fifty dollars each
 of their part of legacy for property
 already received and I do further
 Will that at the execution of this
 will in mention time to wit
 the death or marriage of my dear
 widow that the said real and other
 property be sold and an equal
 distribution of the proceeds be made
 among all of my legal heirs and I

and I do grant 23 pounds as
 my executor to carry into effect
 this my last will and Testament
 all of which I do declare to be
 my last will and Testament in
 testimony whereof I hereunto set my
 hand and seal the day and year
 above written. Richard Jones and
 witnesses
 Wm C York
 Napolean Wilson

State of Missouri
 County of Pulaski. Be it remembered
 that on this 5th day of
 April A D 1833 personally appeared before me
 Wm McDonald Clerk of the County Court
 of Pulaski County in that State of Missouri
 Wm C York & Napolean Wilson and after
 being by me duly sworn according to law
 upon the oath sworn that Richard
 Jones signed with his hand and seal
 with his real & obnoxious and perjury
 & consent of nothing as his last will
 & Testament and they together with
 Richard Jones subscribed their names
 as witnesses to said instrument and in
 presence of the said R Jones and in
 presence of each other and to the said R
 Jones and of himself as before said.
 at the time of executing the said
 will and of the said instrument and to
 the said Jones

Sworn to and subscribed before
 me this day and year above
 written
 Wm C York
 Napolean Wilson
 Wm McDonald
 Clerk

State of Missouri
 County of Pulaski. Be it remembered
 that on this 5th day of April
 A D 1833 personally appeared before me
 Wm McDonald Clerk of the County Court
 of Pulaski County in that State of Missouri
 Wm C York & Napolean Wilson and after
 being by me duly sworn according to law
 upon the oath sworn that Richard
 Jones signed with his hand and seal
 with his real & obnoxious and perjury
 & consent of nothing as his last will
 & Testament and they together with
 Richard Jones subscribed their names
 as witnesses to said instrument and in
 presence of the said R Jones and in
 presence of each other and to the said R
 Jones and of himself as before said.
 at the time of executing the said
 will and of the said instrument and to
 the said Jones

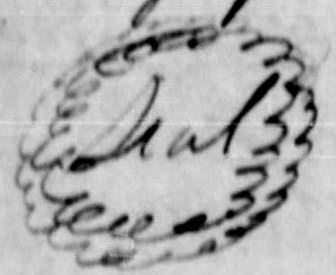
In the name of God Amen
 I Thomas Speakman of the
 County of Pulaski & State of Missouri
 Being sick & weak of body and of
 sound & disposing mind & well
 knowing the certainty of death and
 the uncertainty of the time thereof &
 being unwilling to die intestate
 do make and Ordain this my last
 will & Testament hereby Comitting and
 setting at naught any & all other
 will that may have heretofore been made
 by me in any way manner or form
 whatsoever
 I now first I will & bequeath my
 Soul to God who gave it

In the name of god Amen
 Thomas Speakman of the county
 of Pulaski and State of Missouri Being
 sick and weak of body but of sound
 and disposing mind and well knowing
 the certain of Death and the an-
 certainty of the time hereof and being
 unwilling to die intestate do make and
 ordain this my Last will & Testament
 most duly consider manly & seal
 my this my last will and set y^t
 that none to my & all others with
 that may have hereto fore been
 made by me in any way manner what ever
 I have & I will and bequeath to my
 soul to almighty god who govern it
 and my Body to the earth to be buried
 in Christian like manner at some
 suitable place grave yard ^{of my} ^{convenience}
 here in after words expressed
 and as to such worldly Estate as it has
 please god to Bless me with
 and after the payment of my ^{just} debts
 I will & bequeath the same of what
 soever nature that person as mixed
 to my beloved wife Elender
 Speakman during her natural life
 and at her death to be Equally divided
 among my five children to wit
 Mahalo L. Speakman Lucinda
 Samuel I. and Sarah I. Speakman
 and J. D. C. hereafter appointed Executors
 of my will my Ex^{ors} & admors.

of this my Last will & Testament
 hoping that he will come into effect
 or come the same to be done the provision
 of this my will as set forth above
 In testimony of which I have here
 unto set hand & seal this 12th
 Day of June A 1853 signed sealed
 and acknowledged in the presence of
 Wilbert A. Hawkins and Mary
 M. Harrison as in the presence of each
 other
 Thomas Speakman
 Wilbert A. Hawkins
 Mary M. Harrison

State of Missouri } Be it remembered that
 County of Pulaski } this 29th Day of June A D
 1853 personally before me W. W. Wilson and
 Clerk of the County Court of Pulaski
 County appeared A. Wilbert Hawkins
 Mary M. Harrison the subscribing
 witnesses to the foregoing will both
 personally known to me who after
 being duly sworn depose &
 say that the testator Thomas
 Speakman signed the foregoing will
 with his own hand & that he was of sound
 mind at the time of signing of it and he is
 to now in their presence & that they require
 the same in the presence of the testator
 on the day hereof & sealed by W. A. Hawkins
 & Mary M. Harrison
 whereon this day & date of record In testimony of

I have here written but my hand is
to Seal of this last at of this 27th
Day of June 1858



W W A Donald Clerk
by J B Ellis Depty

In the name of God Amen
I Thomas Speakman of
the County of Pulaski & State of
Missouri being sick & weak of body
but of sound & disposing mind & well
knowing the certainty of death & the uncertain-
ty thereof & being unwilling to die In-
testate do make & Ordain this my last
will & testament hereby Countermand-
ing & setting at naught any and all
other wills that may have been ^{heretofore} made
by me in any way manner or form
whatsoever. I then first

I will & bequeath my Soul to God
who gave it & my body to the Earth to be
buried in a Christianlike manner
at some suitable Graveyard at the
discretion of my executor hereinafter
wards appointed & as to such worldly
estate as it has pleased god to bless
me with - After the payment of my
Just debts I will & bequeath The
Farm of whatever kind real or
personal or mixed to my beloved
wife Ellenor Speakman during

her natural life & at her death to be
equally divided among my said Children ^{namely}
Mahlaa Ke. James. Lucinda Samuel J.
& Sarah I Speakman & I do hereby off-
rent James I Harrison Executor of this my
last will & testament hoping that he
will carry ^{in to effect or cause to be done} the provisions of this my last
will as set forth above

In testimony of which I have hereunto set my
hand & seal this the 27th day of June 1858
Signed Sealed & acknowledged in
the presence of Wilbert A Hawkins & Mary
Mc Harrison & in the presence Each Other

Wilbert A Hawkins { Thomas Speakman
Mary Mc Harrison { ^{his} ~~last~~ ^{will} ~~mark~~

State of Missouri {
County of Pulaski { Be it Remembered that on this
27th day of June 1858 personally before me W W
McDonald Clerk of the County Court of Pulaski County
appeared Wilbert A Hawkins & Mary Mc Harrison
The Subscribing witnesses to the foregoing will
of Thomas Speakman both Personally known
to me - who after being duly sworn depose
& say that the testator Thomas Speakman
signed the foregoing will with his own hand
& that he was of sound mind at the time of
signing of it & that he did the same in
their presence & that they signed the same in
the presence of the testator on the day on which
it is dated

Given to & Subscribed { Gilbert A. Hawkins
before me this day { Mary M. Harrison
I date of record In testimony whereof
I have hereunto set my hand & the seal
of said Court at office this 27 day of
June A.D. 1858 Wm McDonald Clerk
By D. Ellis Spj

I Isaac N. Davis of the County of
Polaski and State of Missouri do
make and publish this my Last will
and testament in manner and form
following, that is to say

First it is my will that my funeral
expenses and all my Just debts be
fully paid

Second I give devise and bequeath
to my wife Elizabeth Davis in Law
of her dower absolutely an equal part
of all my real and personal
Estate with my children named as
follows O. N. Davis Mahldo A.
Davis W. G. Davis Daniel E. Davis
Andrew J. Davis Thos. Davis &
George W. Davis and where as the
first named five that is O. N. Davis
Mahldo A. William G. Davis &
Daniel E. and Andrew Thos.

Each receive from two hundred
and fifty Dollars it is my will

that that sum be made up to
to my wife Elizabeth Davis and
my two youngest children that is
Henry and George W. after which the
remainder I wish to be divided equally
among all the persons before men-
tioned share & share alike

Third I wish all my property real
and personal up to said to the Legatee
for as twelve months credit at such time
as my executors shall think the most advantageous
for the advantage of the Legatee

Fourth I will that my son Oliver A. Davis act
in the capacity of guardian to my two sons
Henry and George W. without being bound to
give security. Finally I hereby constitute
and appoint my said son Oliver A. Davis to be
the executor to this my last will and testament
revoking and annulling all former wills by me made
and ratifying and confirming this and no other
to be my last will and testament In testimony
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this
sixth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and fifty. Signed published
and declared by the above named Isaac N. Davis
as his last will and testament in presence of his
who at his request have signed as witnesses to the
same

William Gillespie

W. H. Gillespie

Witness I Isaac N. Davis of Polaski County
and State of Missouri having read and duly
executed my last will and testament

date the sixth of April one thousand eight-
 hundred and fifty. Now I do hereby declare
 this present writing to be as a codicil to my
 said will and annex the same thereto and
 taken as part thereof. And I hereby declare it is my
 will that if any of the above named Legacies
 without issue or children from their body
 their share shall be equally divided between
 the remaining children or child it shall be
 for their use and benefit. In witness whereof
 I have this day set my hand and seal to this codicil
 Signed, published and declared } T. Davis Secy
 by the above named T. Davis
 as his last will and testament
 in presence of us who at his
 request have signed the same
 William Gillespie
 W. H. Gillespie

Not of this State County of Pulaski J. B. J. Remond
 that on the 30th day of December A.D. 1854

In the name of God amen. I Thomas A.
 Hoag being afflicted and in bad state of health
 but of sound mind do make this my last will and
 testament: 1st I will my soul body and spirit
 to my heavenly creator knowing that it is his
 unalienable right: second. I will that after my
 funeral expenses and all just debts are paid that
 my effects shall be disposed of as herein mentioned
 Thirdly. I will and bequeath unto my beloved wife
 Margaret Hoag all my estate in every shape manner
 and form after my just debts are paid saving to
 my dear and loving children as they severally
 arrive of age namely Ann T. Hoag one dollar, Martha
 E. Hoag one dollar, Thomas A. Hoag one dollar, Maria
 A. Hoag one dollar, Liza A. Hoag one dollar, Samuel
 A. Hoag one dollar, Margaret E. Hoag one dollar, and
 do appoint my beloved wife Margaret Hoag my
 executor to carry out my will and wish in my
 above will. This 25 day of December 1853
 E. J. Christison. Thomas A. Hoag
 Elisha Christison.

State of Missouri }
 County of Pulaski } It is remembering that
 on this 31st day of January A.D. 1854 personally
 appearing before me W. W. McDonald Clerk of the
 county court within and for Pulaski county
 and State of Missouri E. J. Christison and
 Elisha Christison and made oath in due form
 of law and deposit to and said that Thomas
 A. Hoag was in his right mind at the signing of
 this his last will and testament and that he signed
 this as his last will and his signature is genuine

and they state they signed the will as witnesses
at the request of the Testator. Sworn and subscribed
before me this 31st day of January. A.D. 1854

W. W. McDonald Clerk

Pulaski county, Missouri.

In the name of God. I Joseph H. Elam
of Pulaski county Missouri, knowing the uncertainty
of life and the certainty of death; & being
in low health but in my proper mind do
make this my last will & testament:—

First, That all my just debts be paid.
Second, That my beloved wife as we have
lived in peace & harmony together whose
name is Delilah Elam, I have all my real
& personal estate to have & to hold for the
use & benefit of herself & to assist her in
raising her & my beloved children during her
widowhood & if she marry, then in that event
the property to be sold, that it may be
equally divided among my beloved wife &
children

Lastly, I want my beloved wife app-
ointed Administratrix or any person or persons
that she may choose, be or they giving
bond & approved security as the law
requires. Given under my hand and
seal this 26th day of March A.D.
1854.

Joseph H. Elam

Attest

James M. Harrison
James Sillering

State of Missouri }
County of Pulaski }

Be it remembered that on this
14 day of April A.D. 1854 personally appear-
ed before me W. W. McDonald clerk of the
county court within & for the county of Pulaski
& state aforesaid James M. Harrison and after
being first duly sworn according to law, on
oath says, That Joseph H. Elam signed
with his hands & sealed with his seal a
certain instrument now produced before me
purporting to be the last will and testament
of the said Joseph H. Elam & that they subscribed
their names to said instrument as witnesses in
the presence of the said Joseph H. Elam
& that he was of sound mind at the time
of executing the same & that they are not
interested in the said estate. James M. Harrison
Sworn to and subscribed
before me this 14 day of
April A.D. 1854

W. W. McDonald
Clerk