

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that I, George W. Cochran, of Hamilton County, Tennessee, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make, declare and publish this as my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking any and all wills which may have heretofore been made by me, and I desire and direct as follows:

FIRST:

That my body be buried in a Christianlike manner at Fayette, Walker County, Georgia, beside my deceased wife, and that a suitable monument or marker be caused to be erected by my executor out of any funds which may come into his hands available for that purpose.

SECOND:

I desire that all of my just debts be paid and all debts or obligations owing to me be collected by my executors hereinafter named, as soon after my death as practicable.

Among my debts is an obligation of about \$200 00 principal and interest thereon owing to me by Simon Smith, colored, who has been my faithful servant; said Simon Smith now resides at East Chattanooga, Tennessee.

THIRD:

I desire and direct that my Executors shall sell all of the real estate and personal property which may belong to my estate, either at public or private sale, after publication in some newspaper in Hamilton County, Tennessee, of the time, terms and place of sale, and said property sold to the highest and best bidder or bidders upon such terms and conditions as may seem, to my executors, to be for the best interest of my estate. Any of my said property may be sold separate and apart from any other property, or it may be sold as a whole, as may seem best, by my Executors. Provided, however, in the event my Executors shall deem it for the best interest of my estate to sell all or part of my estate, either real or personal, at a private sale, they may do so upon securing the written consent of a majority in number of the legatees under this will hereinafter named, which said private sale may be for such price and upon such terms as may seem to my Executors for the best interest of my estate. And whether my property is sold at private or public sale, as hereinbefore provided, my Executors are duly authorized and directed to execute any and all necessary and proper deeds or title papers to the purchaser or purchasers and place them in the quiet and peaceable possession of said property.

My real estate at present consists of my present home located on 46th Street at the corner of Bird Avenue at East End, in Hamilton County, Tennessee, which was deeded to me by R. C. Wooten, the same being located on a lot 56 ft x 145 ft having thereon a five-room cottage. Also a certain lot fronting 52 feet on 46th St and running back of uniform width 145 feet, and being the third lot east on 46th Street from my dwelling in East End, Hamilton County, Tennessee, on which there is located a four-room cottage, the same having been deeded to me by D. W. Thomas.

I also own two shares, \$100 00 each, Union Cotton Mills, Fayette, Georgia.

FOURTH:

After my estate, both real and personal, shall have been sold by my Executors, as aforesaid, and all of my debts paid, as hereinbefore provided, I give and bequeath unto the following named parties the amounts hereinafter indicated, respectively:

Walter L. Catron, my nephew, Chattanooga, Tennessee	\$400 00
Albert G. Catron, my nephew, Fayette, Georgia	100 00
Sarah Frances McWhorter, my niece, Summerville, Georgia	100 00
Jane L. Storey, my niece, Summerville, Georgia	200 00

Ann C. Agnew, my niece, Menlo, Georgia	\$ 200 00
William H. Cochran, my nephew, Coleman, Texas	100 00
Vera Loyd, Mariana, Ark, my niece	50 00
J. A. Cochran, nephew, in Texas, address unknown, provided he is located in 12 months from the date of my death	50 00
Mrs. Mydia Rone Myers, my niece, wife of W. W. S. Myers, La Fayette, Georgia	100 00
Mrs. Ruth Myers Cline, my niece, La Fayette, Georgia	50 00
Miss Virginia Myers, my niece, La Fayette, Georgia, daughter of W. W. S. Myers	50 00
Mrs. Ellen Catron, wife of A. G. Catron, Cedar Grove, Georgia, my niece	100 00
Simon Smith (c) East Chattanooga, Tenn, in consideration of his faithful services to me as my servant for the past several years, should he survive me	100 00

In the event any one of the parties named in the foregoing item of my Will, Except Simon Smith (c) should die before my death, leaving child or children, I desire and direct that the bequest herein given to such named person go to and become the property of such child or children, they standing in the place of their deceased parent. However, should they leave no child or children, then their share shall become a part of the residue of my estate.

FIFTH:

In the event, after the payment of my debts and the cost of administration of my estate, there should not be an amount of money remaining sufficient to pay the full amount of the respective bequests hereintofore provided, then I desire and direct that my Executors distribute my estate to the legatees hereintofore named pro rata in proportion to the respective legacies that I have hereintofore named.

SIXTH:

In the event, after the payment of all of my debts and the costs of administration of my estate, and the various legacies hereintofore provided there should remain in the hands of my executors, belonging to my estate, a sum of money as residue, I desire and direct that my Executors shall distribute the same pro rata in proportion to the respective legacies that I have hereintofore named; provided, however, Simon Smith shall not have more than \$100 00 of my estate in any event, and that on condition that he survive me.

Reposing special trust and confidence in my friends, William H. Payne, of Hamilton County Tennessee, and W. W. S. Myers, of Walker County, Georgia, I do hereby nominate them as my Executors of this my Will, and enjoin upon them the faithful execution of the same, and they are authorized to dispose of and administer my estate as hereintofore directed without any order of Court. And they shall be required to execute bond and make their returns to the proper court, as provided under the law in such cases.

Witness my hand and seal this the 4th day of June, 1915.

GEORGE W. COCHRAN (L.S.)

The foregoing instrument signed, declared and published by George W. Cochran, as his last Will and Testament in the presence of the undersigned, who attest the same as witnesses at his special instance and request and in his presence and in the presence of each other, on this the 4th day of June 1915.

JAS. M. SHAW

F. M. SHAW

M. K. RILEY

WITNESSES

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