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JOHN STUART'S

Last will & testament

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I **JOHN STUART** of the county of Washington and state of Tennessee being weak of body but of sound mind to make this my last will and testament here by revoking and making void all other Wills by me made at any other time.

FIRST I direct that my funeral expenses and all of my debts be paid as soon as possible out of any monies or means where I may die possessed of or may first come into the hands of my executors.

SECOND I give and bequeath to my wife **ANN STUART** one share equal with my sons and daughters, also besides the one share I bequeathed to my wife, **ANN STUART**, one cupboard, one the bureau, one falling leaf table and half of the household and kitchen furniture, one cow to be willed and disposed of as she pleases at her death.

THIRD I will and bequeath to **DAVID STUART** my son one half a share.

FOURTH I will and bequeath to my son **ROBERT STUART** one share.

FIFTH I will and bequeath to **EMILY STUART** [grand-daughter] daughter of my son **WILLIAM STUART** one share.

SIXTH I will and bequeath to my daughter **MARY [STUART RUSSELL] RUSSEL** one share and a bay Mare and the other half of the household and kitchen Furniture.

SEVENTH I will and bequeath to my son **JOHN STUART** one share.

EIGHTH I will and bequeath to my son **JOSIAH STUART** one share and a gray filly to be made as good as the one Mary Russell got to be made good equally divided out of all the shares.

NINTH I will and bequeath to my son **JAMES STUART** one share and one horse be made as good as the one Mary Russell got to be made good equally divided out of all the shares.

TENTH I will my farm and all my personal property that is not named in this will to be sold at public sale, on such credit that the heirs in this will may agree on, to the highest bidder and the amount of the sales to be divided amongst the heirs, as above named, and according to the above named shares.

I do appoint **JOSIAH CONLY** and **JOHN S. SMITH** for my executors and this my last will and testament, without binding them to security.

JOHN STUART {seal}

Signed and sealed this third day of September 1853 and delivered in the presence of

J. D. GIBSON
M. B. STUART
JOHN L. SMITH
JOSIAH CONLY

