

WILL OF WILLIAM MADDUX

(Putnam County, TN, Family Record)

This Will is owned by Mrs. F. E. Collier, Jr., Cookeville, TN

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I, William Maddux of the county of Fauquier and State of Virginia being in perfect mind make this my last will and Testament in the manner following viz: First, I give and bequeath to my Children by my **first wife, Peggy Whorton** viz: Craven Maddux, Betsy Davis, Fanny Maddux, Thomas Maddux, Snoden Maddux, Franky Maddux, William Maddux, Darky Maddux, and Peggy Maddux, all the Estate I received with her from the Estate of her father Snoden Whorton Deceased both real and personal which property the Settlement of the said Snoden Whorton Estate will fully dissignate (*sic*) to be equally divided between them, Craven Maddux and Betsy Maddux excepted – My son Martin Maddux had paid in full his full proportion of the said Estate and is to have no farther interest therein. My son Craven Maddux has been paid three hundred and twenty six dollars in part of his claim, which sum is to be deducted out of his proportion of said estate. My daughter Betsy Davis has received forty pounds which sum is also to be deducted out of her proportional part of said Estate. The other children Fanny Maddux, Thomas M. Maddux, Snoden Maddux, William Maddux, Darky Maddux and Peggy Maddux not having received any part of their claims in said estate are to have their full and equal proportion thereof.

Secondly, I give and bequeath to my **present wife Hannah**, all that tract of land I purchased from Mr. Andrew Chunn together with one Negro man, Wil, one Negro man Jim, one Negro boy, Robbin, one Negro woman named Charlotte, one old wagon, four horses, viz, Bob, Jack, Janny, Holly, and one set of Waggon gears, three of my best milch (*sic*)Cows and Calves, ten head sheep, one sow and pigs and ten shoats, one Barshare plow, four Shovel plows, two Mattocks, two Hilling hones, two Axes, three beds and furniture, One Iron Kettle, one Dinner Pot, one Breakfast Pot, and one nest of Wooden Ware To hold the above named property during her life, or widowhood – All the above property left to my wife Hannah at her death or Marriage is to be equally divided between my Children-Craven Maddux, Betsy Davis, Fanny Maddux, Thomas Maddux, Snoden Maddux, Franky Maddux, William Maddux, Darky Maddux, Peggy Maddux, Matilda Maddux, Maria Maddux, Mahala Maddux, Sara Ann Maddux, Alferna Maddux, and Avalina Maddux, All the remainder of my property is to be equally divided between the fifteen last named children or their heirs lawfully begotten of their bodies, the Property left my wife Hannah to revert to their heirs in like manner. Lastly, I appoint my friends Craven Whorton and Augustine Smith Exscutors (*sic*)to this my last will and Testament.

Witness my hand and seal this second day of March one Thousand eight hundred and ten.

Whereas my son Martin Maddux has received his full proportion of his Grandfathers Snoden Whorton also his full share of my own Estate is the reason I have not made him Heir to any part of my Estate.

Signed in the presence of
Geo. Chriseman
Craven Whorton
Craven Maddux

William Maddux (X) his mark (Seal)

At a court held for Fauquier County the 28th day of May 1810

This last will and Testament of William Maddux deceased was proven by the oaths of George Chriseman and Craven Whorton two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And at a Court of Quarterly Sessions held for the said County on the 27th day of August 1810. The executors named in this Will came into Court and refusing to take upon themselves the burden of Execution thereof, Administration of the Estate of the said Wm. Maddux dec'd with the Will annexed is granted Martin Maddux, who made oath thereunto, and together with Craven Horton, Mark A. Chilton and John A. W. Smith his Securities entered into and acknowledged Bond in the penalty of five thousand pounds conditioned as the law directs, Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate thereof in due form.

Teste: H. R. Campbell C.C.

A copy teste: Clerk of the Circuit Court of Fauquier County, Virginia

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