

WILL OF GEORGE ROULSTON

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The last Will and Testament of **George Roulston** was produced to Court for probate where upon James Trimble, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, made oath that he saw the said **George Roulston** sign, seal, publish and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament and that he was at the time of publishing the same of sound and perfect mind and memory to be best of his knowledge and belief and that he saw Josiah Ellis sign his name as a concurring evidence thereto, which Will is ordered to be recorded and is in these words, to wit,

In the name of God Amen. I, **George Roulston** of the Town of Knoxville, being of sound mind and memory but sorely afflicted in body, knowing the uncertainty of life and willing to make an equitable a division of my worldly property as the nature of the case will admit of and at the same time considering that a Deed of Conveyance has been made to **James Grant Roulston, my eldest son**, to the house and Lott on which I live in the Town of Knoxville and if he obtained an equal division of all my other property with my other children, he would have more than a just proportion, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament. In the first place, I give and bequeath to my loving wife **Elizabeth Roulston** one third part of all the land which I own during her natural life. I also give and bequeath my landed property after deducting the one third to my wife during her life time, to my loving children, **Charlett, Harriet, Maria and George Roulston** and any other child or children my wife may be pregnant with at my death, to be equally divided amongst them as Tenants in common. I also give and bequeath all my personal property after paying all my just debts to be equally divided between my loving wife **Elizabeth** and my children **Charlett, Harriet, Maria and George Roulston**. And my ither child or children of which my wife may be pregnant at my Decease as aforesaid. I do hereby constitute and appoint Deveraux (*sic*) Gilliam, Josiah Nichol, John Lavender, Hugh Dunlap and Robert Caldwell Executors of this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 9th of August 1804.
George Roulston (seal)

Attest
James Trimble
Josiah Ellis

GEORGE ROULSTON

Whereas it appears to the Court here that **George Roulston** late of this County is dead and hath made his last Will and Testament in Writing in which he hath appointed Deveraux (*sic*) Gilliam, Josiah Nichol, John Lavender, Hugh Dunlap and Robert Caldwell Executors which Will hath been exhibited into Court and proved as the law directs. It is therefore ordered by the Court that letters Testamentary of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits which were of the said George Roulston

deceased Issue to Deveraux Gilliam, John Lavender, Hugh Dunlap, they have qualified agreeable to Law.

These are therefore to empower you the said Deveraux Gilliam, John Lavender, Hugh Dunlap to enter into and upon all and singular the goods and chattels rights and credits of the said George Roulston deceased and the same into your possession take wheresoever to be found and a true and perfect Inventory thereof to make and return into our said Court within ninety days from the date hereof and all Just debts of the said George Roulston deceased to pay and also well and truly to pay and deliver all the legacies contained and specified in the said Testament as far as the said goods and chattels rights and credits will thereunto extend and the Law charge you.

Witness, Charles McClung Clerk of our said Court at office the Second Monday of October 1804.

Chas. McClung

GEORGE ROULSTON INVENTORY OF THE ESTATE

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An Inventory of the estate of George Roulston deceased was returned to Court by the Executors and admitted to Record, to wit,

A printing office with the apparatus belonging thereto, Book Binding utensils, 1 Negro boy, 1 negro woman, 1 Horse 7 head of Cattle, 13 head of hogs, 1 Clock, 4 beds with bedding, 1 Side board, 1 Dining Table, 3 plane Tables, 8 Windsor chairs, 1 Cupboard, 3 looking Glasses, 9 common chairs, 5 Trunks, 1 case and bottles, 1 Knife Box, 1 Kife Case, 1 cradle, 4 window curtains, 2 Tea boards, 3 Band Boxes, 2 Tea chests, 1 Tea canister, 1 coffee box, 2 dishes, 31 plates, 1 sett Knives & forks, 1 sett of common cups & saucers, a part of a sett of china, 1 decanter, 2 Goublets, 4 salt stands, 1 sugar dish, 1 cream Jug, 1 sett of Casters, 1 Tureen, 2 pitchers, 1 writing desk, 1 wine glass, 5 jelly glasses, 2 baking pans, 1 Baking dish, 1 tin pen, 3 bowls, 4 candle sticks, 2 tin ditto, 2 pair of Hand Irons, 1 pair of Tongs, 1 pair of Waffle Irons, 2 Tea Kettles, 4 Iron Pots, 3 Dutch Ovens, 2 Skillets, 1 Frying pan, 1 Ironing Table, 2 pair pot hooks, 1 Pot rack, 1 Tippet, 1 spade, 1 Hoe, 3 Brushes, 3 Table cloths, 3 hand towels, 1 set of dryers, 1 jar, 1 Ax, 2 Inkstands, 1 Saddle. Doubtful debts, James Neely note \$3.33. Shad Collums note \$11.41 2/3. Thomas Campbells note \$3.66 2/3. James Jourdans note \$66.66 2/3. George Beans note \$2.00. Aquilla Lows note \$2.00 – John Lavender, Hugh Dunlap & Deverix (*sic*) Gilliam.

GEORGE ROULSTON DECEASED

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Ordered that Robert Huston, James Parks and Josiah Nichols esquires be commissioners to make settlement with the Executors of George Roulston deceased and make report thereof to the next Court.

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APRIL SESSIONS 1806

The amount of the sales of the Estate of George Roulston was returned to Court by the Executors and admitted to record, to wit,

The printing off with the apparatus thereto: Brs – 176.00

Book Binding utensils – 1.00

1 Negro Boy – 161.00

1 clock 41 Dolls, 1 sideboard 13 Dolls, 1 Dining Table 7 Dolls – 61.00

8 Windsor chairs 9 Dolls, 2 looking glasses 5 Dolls,

1 Gin case \$8.50 22.50

1 Knife case 90 cents, 1 knife box 12 ½ cents, 1 cradle 2 dolls – 3.02 1/2

2 Tea Boards 150 cents, 1 Goublet 30 cents, Crockeward 7 dolls – 8.80

1 pair Dog Irons 1.50, can boxes 20 cents – 1.70

2 Tea Kettles 2 Dolls 75 cents, 4 iron pots 50 cents – 3.25

3 Dutch ovens 5.25, 1 Frying pan 75 cents – 6.00

1 Ironing Table 1.25, 2 pot hooks 12 ½ cents & pot rack 80 cents – 2.17 ½

1 Spade 45 cents, 1 Trippet 15 cents, one ax 95 cents – 1.55

2 Beds and bedding \$34.50, 1 Trunel Bed & bedding 50 cents – 35.00

1 Bed and bedding 23.00, 3 Tables 5.62 ½, 1 cupboard 8 dolls – 36.62 ½

1 Looking glass 75 cents, 9 chairs 1.75, 5 Trunks 3.25 – 5.75

1 Can box 1 cent, window curtains 1.25, 1 pair Dog Irons 2 dolls – 3.25

1 Hoe 1.55, 1 Tin pan 1 cent, 1 cricket, 1 writing desk & saddle 14.00 – 15.56

3 Brushes, 3 hand towels, 3 table cloths, 2 Inkstands, 1 Gar – 2.25

3 head of Cattle, 13 head of Hoggs – 20.00

1 negro woman sold by sheriff – 50.00

3 head of Cattle sold ditto one dead – 15.00

1 Horse sold- 36.00

Executors:

Deveraux Gilliam

Hugh Dunlap

John Lavender

GEORGE ROULSTON

Deveraux Gilliam one of the Executors of George Roulston deceased returned that he had made the following sales and collections of said Estate which was admitted to record, to wit,

22 copies of Roulstones Edition of the Laws of Tennessee – \$66.00

Cash collected from Robert McBath 1.25
67.25

Deveraux Gilliam

GEORGE ROULSTON

John Lavender, one Executors of George Roulston deceased returned that he had made the following collections on the Estate of said deceased which were admitted to record, to wit,

Cash from Maj Jm Lea \$9, Ditto from Charles J Love \$8 –	17.00
Cash from Col. Stewart \$3, Cash from John Hunt \$6 –	9.00
Cash from Jno Formwalt Senr \$.75, Cash from McPherson Shff \$3 –	3.47
Cash from Jno Kein \$2.00, Cash from Will lackey \$20.00 –	<u>22.00</u>
	51.72

John Lavender

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.60 pd Hugh Dunlap on the of the Executors of George Roulston deceased returned that copy .60 pd he had made the following collections on the Estate of said deceased, which were admitted to record, to wit,

Cash received from B. Witt	18.33 1/3
Ditto John Love	15.30
Ditto A White, clerk	10.00
Ditto John Love 2000 feet of plank 4/6	15.00
Ditto John Brown acct	15.00
Ditto Henry Smaler acct	34.00
Ditto John Cocks acct	16.50
Ditto C Wright	4.50
Ditto A Ewing	6.00
Ditto S. Roseborough	13.50
Ditto T Dickson	30.00
Ditto S Childers, sheriff of Williamson	<u>19.00</u>
	\$197.13 1/3

Hugh Dunlap

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A statement of the amount of sales made by the Executors to the estate of George Roulstone (*sic*) deceased as per certificate made thereof by the clerk, \$674.99 ½
Amount collected and returned by the said Executors certified

Hugh Dunlap a/c	197.13 1/3
Deverix Gulliams do	67.00
John Lavender do	<u>51.75</u>
	991.12 5/5

Payments made by the Executors as per Vouchers for which they are entitled to a credit as follows:

To Sheriff Joseph Love, as pr Vouchers for fees	No 1	24.40
To Do full amt of an Execution H L White vs the estate of G Roulston	No 2	188.61 ½
To Do full amount of an Execution Will Ball Admr of James Barrel deceased vs the estate of George Roulston	No 3	44.93
Shff Joseph Loves proven account	No 4	347.75 2/3
Doctor William McNeales proved a/c	No 5	77.00
James Tribles Rec't for services	No 6	90.75
Amount of Hugh Dunlap a/c rendered up to the 15 th Apl 1806 for serviced, cash advanced, expended and so forth	No 7	30.00
Amount of Deverix Gilliam a/c rendered up to the 15 April 1806 for services rendered and expenses.	No 8	104.00
Payments made by John Lavender, one of the executors, to wit, Robert Craighead proven a/c balance	No 9	102.00
To John Hillsman for note	No 10	22.00
To Montgomery & Thornburry Rec't	No 11	14.75
To Edward Scott rec't	No 11	9.00
To Dowler & Shall a/c	No 11	5.00
To John Miller proven a/c balance	No 12	20.00
To Do Do Do Do	No 13	4.10
To William Thraikill proven account	No 14	6.50
To James Stewart Judgt & costs	No 15	6.00
15 th of April 1806	No 16	<u>4.92</u>
		1101.71 5/6

R Houston
J Nichol
James Park

*Read more about the Raulston/Roulston/Rolstone/Ralston family at:
<http://www.ajlambert.com>