Last Will and Testament

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OF

CLAIRE RUCKER SMITH

I, CLAIRE RUCKER SMITH, Nashville, Tennessee, being of sound mind and disposing memory, realizing the uncertainty of this life, and with full confidence and trust in my Lord and Savior,

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Jesus Christ, in His death for my sins on the cross and in His shed blood as an atonement for my soul, and knowing that by faith in His sacrifice on the cross for me I have eternal life, do hereby make, publish and declare this to be my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills or Codicils to Wills heretofore made by me.

ARTICLE I.

EXECUTOR AND TRUSTEE

Section 1. I hereby nominate and appoint ROBERT THOMAS (PAT) RUCKER as Executor of this, my Last Will and Testament. In the event ROBERT THOMAS (PAT) RUCKER is deceased or is unable or declines to serve as Executor, or resigns or becomes incapacitated or dies after qualifying and assuming the duties of Executor, MILLER BASKETTE RUCKER and JAMES JOSIAH RUCKER, JR., will be vested with all the powers and charged with all the duties and responsibilities herein contained and conferred upon ROBERT THOMAS (PAT) RUCKER as Executor and all be relieved from the necessity of making bond in their capacity as Executor.

ARTICLE II.

I direct that all debts that shall be legally owing by me, my funeral expenses and the expenses of administration of my estate be paid by my Executor as soon as practicable, except that as to any debt secured by real estate, whether by mortgage or any other security instrument, my Executor may pay such debt or permit such real estate to pass subject to such debt. I further direct my

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Executor to pay all inheritance and estate taxes that shall be imposed by reason of my death, including such taxes on proceeds of insurance on my life.

I also direct that my Executor hereinafter named provide a suitable marker at my grave in Woodlawn Cemetery.

ARTICLE III.

DISTRIBUTION OF ALL PROPERTY

Section 1. I give, devise, and bequeath all my property, real, personal and mixed wheresoever located as follows:

(a) I will, devise and bequeath my residence property with the 1.11 acres, more or less, situated on the West side of Mt. View Road in the old 2nd Civil District of Davidson County, Tennessee, which was conveyed to me in the partition of the R. T. Rucker real estate, to my husband, Herbert Weatherly Smith, for and during the term of his natural life and at his death to go and pass in equal shares to my nephews, JAMES JOSIAH RUCKER, JR., ROBERT THOMAS RUCKER and MILLER BASKETTE RUCKER.

(b) I will, devise and bequeath Lot No. 7, Block 12, Unit 3, Section 14, LEHIGH ACRES, situated in Lee County, Florida, to my husband, Herbert Weatherly Smith in fee simple, and if he predeceases me, then to JAMES JOSIAH RUCKER, JR., ROBERT THOMAS RUCKER and MILLER BASKETTE RUCKER.

(c) I shall make a list of household furnishings and furniture and other like personal property designating the parties to whom same shall be delivered by my Executor hereinafter named. This list will be in my own handwriting and will be placed in the same envelope with this Will. I will and bequeath our antique business, furniture not designated in my own handwriting and grave lots to my husband, HERBERT WEATHERLY SMITH. That if he predeceases me, the same will go to MILLER BASKETTE RUCKER, JAMES JOSIAH RUCKER, JR., AND ROBERT THOMAS (PAT) RUCKER.

(d) I will and bequeath all the rest and residue of my estate to my husband, HERBERT WEATHERLY SMITH, and if he predeceases me, the same will go to ROBERT T. RUCKER, JR., MILLER B. RUCKER, JAMES J. RUCKER, JR., VELCIE S. WOODS, JAMES J. RUCKER III.,

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LAWRENCE L. RUCKER, and PAMELA RUCKER.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed this, my Last Will and Testament on the 27 day of February, 1973.

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SIGNED by the said Claire Rucker Smith as for her Last Will and Testament in the presence of us, the undersigned, who at her request and in her presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names hereto as attesting witnesses on the day and date above written.

Sandra Smith
Witness

Nashville Tennessee
Address

Tom D. Coleman
Witness

Nashville Tennessee
Address

THIS WILL PREPARED BY:

Tom G. Coleman, Jr.
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1623 Parkway Towers
Nashville, Tennessee 37219

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II

I Claire Rucker Smith
on this day Feb 21, 1973.
Leave to my nephew Robert
T. Rucker, after the death
of my Husband Herbert W.
Smith. A 150 yr. old cherry
wave chest - with three deep
drawers, with 2 doors below.
The black and white dining
room hanging lamps, belonging
to your great grand Father's grand
mother's Joe and Mathis Rucker
(around 100 yrs old.) A small drop
leaf two drawer table, belonging
to the above grand parents. (already
given)

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I Claire Rucker Smith on
this day Feb. 21, 1973, leave
to my nephew, James J.
Rucker Jr. after the death
of my husband Herbert W.
Smith. His great great grand-
father's marble top table (already
given) The red hanging hall
lamp (very old) The walnut
bed (150 yrs old) if sold the
bed that replaces it, or
you can pick any large
peice of furniture, not
designated in this division
of family peices.
The ivory red & white chess
men, around 75 yr. old (white
queen is missing)

Mrs. Claire Rucker Smith

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I Claire Rucker Smith on this day Feb. 21, 1973, leave to my great nephew Jimmy J. Rucker, after the death of my husband Herbert W. Smith A walnut bookcase belonging to your great, great grandmother and father J. F. Rucker and wife, Martha Ann Rucker - and a lamp after, Miller has selected his. A large chair and shoe box (already given) A carved gun by your great-grandfather Robert T. Rucker and scissors (carved) "by him".

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I Claire Rucker Smith on this day Feb. 21, 1973 leave to Miller my husband Herbert W. Smith. A bonnet: walnut chest — two deep drawers - two small drawers at the top - three large drawers at the bottom (around 1830) you can pick any lamp not already given in the division. your grandfather carved corn wagon (by Robert T. Rucker) (already given) The flowered china - 12 pieces each, and one platter.

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I

I Claire Rucker Smith on this day Feb 21 1973 leave to my great nephew after the death of my husband Herbert W Smith – my great nephew Laurence L. Rucker a solid poplar china press belonging to your great, great, great, grandfather Robert F. Powers (age before the civil-war) washstand belonging to your great great grandmother Julia E. Shaw (already given) a chest box, made by your great Uncle Robert P. Rucker)

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I

I Claire Rucker Smith on this day Feb 21 1973 leave to my niece Pamela Rucker after the death of my Husband Herbert W Smith a solid cherry chest with four drawers owned by your great, great, great, grandmother Betsie Ferris Rucker (owned only by a Rucker girl) (1830) also compote owned by the same Betsie Ferris Rucker. (given) 12 thin crystal glasses, and 12 compotes to match.

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I Claire Rucker Smith do
this day Feb. 21, 1973 leave
to my foster sister Velcie
S. Woods after the death
of my husband, a walnut
drop leaf table, a fruit
(dining room) picture - a
(Rucker picture)
Already given (Julia S Shaw)
lamp - silver basket (Gussie
S. Ruckus & Robert T. Ruckers)
bridal gift, silver basketb -
small table belonging to
the Ruckers, around 1880

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FELIX Z. ... REGISTER
DAVIDSON COUNTY, TENN.
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STATE OF TENNESSEE, DAVIDSON COUNTY

I, ROBERT E. WORRALL, Clerk of the County Court of Davidson County, State aforesaid, do certify that the foregoing is a full, true and complete copy of Last Will and testament and Codicil of Claire Rucker Smith, probated April 3, 1975 and recorded in Minute Book 236, Page 202 and Will Book 113, Page 148 *which remains of record on file in said office.*

Given under my hand and official seal, at office, in Nashville, this 12th *day of* December *19* 75

R E Worrall
Clerk of the County Court.

By Mary L Knight
Deputy Clerk.