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***WILL OF***

***VERNON WINFREY***

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By _____ Deputy

I, ***VERNON WINFREY***, a resident of Franklin, Tennessee, declare this to be my Will, and I revoke all other Wills and Codicils that I may have made.

*ARTICLE I*

*Family Information*

I am currently divorcing my wife *BARBARA WINFREY (herein "BARBARA").* I have one child who is now living, namely, *OPRAH WINFREY.* I also consider *THOMAS WALKER* as my son and I intend to treat him as such under this document. By this will I intentionally have not provided for my wife BARBARA, as she has received other assets and property from me during my lifetime and I have filed for divorce from her.

*ARTICLE II*

*Payment of Taxes and Expenses*

A. My executor shall pay all expenses of my last illness and funeral, costs of administration including ancillary, costs of safeguarding and delivering legacies, and other proper charges against my estate (excluding debts secured by real property or life insurance). My executor shall also pay all estate and inheritance taxes assessed by reason of my death, except that the amount, if any, by which the estate and inheritance taxes shall be increased as a result of the inclusion of property in which I may have a qualifying income interest for life or over which I may have a power of appointment shall be paid by the person holding or receiving that property. Interest and penalties

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concerning any tax shall be paid and charged in the same manner as the tax. I waive for my estate all rights of apportionment or reimbursement for any payments made pursuant to this article.

B. My executor's selection of assets to be sold to make the foregoing payments or to satisfy any pecuniary legacies, and the tax effects thereof, shall not be subject to question by any beneficiary.

C. My executor shall make such elections and allocations under the tax laws as my executor deems advisable, without regard to the relative interests of the beneficiaries and without liability to any person. No adjustment shall be made between principal and income or in the relative interests of the beneficiaries to compensate for the effect of elections or allocations under the tax laws made by my executor or by the trustee.

D. The balance of my estate which remains after the foregoing payments have been made or provided for shall be disposed of as hereinafter provided.

*ARTICLE III*

*Distribution of Personal Property*

A. I give all my personal effects and furnishings and tangible personal property of all nature, automobiles and boats, and any policies of insurance thereon, to the then acting trustee of the *VERNON WINFREY TRUST DATED MAY 21, 2012*, to be distributed in accordance with that instrument and any amendments made pursuant to its terms before my death.

B. I may leave a memorandum (which is not to be a part of this will), listing some of the items described above with respect to the disposition of which I have certain wishes, and I request that my wishes as set forth in the memorandum be observed.

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*ARTICLE IV*

*Distribution of Residue*

I give all my residuary estate, being all real and personal property, wherever situated, in which I may have any interest at the time of my death not otherwise effectively disposed of, but not including any property over which I have a power of appointment, to the then acting trustee of the *VERNON WINFREY TRUST DATED MAY 21, 2012*, which I have executed, to be added to the trust property and held and distributed in accordance with the terms of that instrument and any amendments made pursuant to its terms before my death.

*ARTICLE V*

*Appointment and Powers of Executor*

A. I appoint T. TOLBERT CHISUM, of Beaumont, Texas, as executor. If T. TOLBERT CHISUM fails or ceases to act, I appoint THE CHICAGO TRUST COMPANY, of Wilmette, Illinois, as executor. If THE CHICAGO TRUST COMPANY fails or ceases to act, I appoint THOMAS WALKER as executor. The term "executor" shall refer to the executor or co-executors acting hereunder.

B. If the appointment of an executor of my estate is necessary or desirable in any jurisdiction in which my principal executor is unable or unwilling to act, I appoint as my executor in that jurisdiction such individual or corporation as may be designated in an instrument signed by my principal executor, to act without bond, and to have all the powers and discretion with respect to my estate in that jurisdiction during administration that my principal executor is given with respect to the balance of my estate, to be exercised without Court order.

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C. I give my executor power to retain any property that I own at my death, and to invest in bonds, stocks, notes, bank deposits, shares of registered investment companies, or other property, and to retain or make any investment without liability, regardless of type, quality, marketability or any rule requiring diversification; to lease, borrow with or without security from any lender, sell or exchange all or any part of my estate, real or personal, for such prices and upon such terms as my executor deems proper; to compromise, contest, prosecute or abandon claims in favor of or against my estate; to distribute income and principal in cash or in kind, or partly in each, and to allocate or distribute undivided interests or different assets or disproportionate interests in assets (and no adjustment shall be made to compensate for a disproportionate allocation of unrealized gain for federal income tax purposes), and to value my estate in order to make allocation or distribution, and no action taken by my executor pursuant to this power shall be subject to question by any beneficiary; to determine in cases not covered by statute the allocation of receipts and disbursements between income and principal; to deal with the fiduciary of any trust or estate in which any beneficiary under the aforementioned trust agreement has an interest, though an executor hereunder is such fiduciary; to deal with a corporate executor hereunder individually or a parent or affiliate company; and to execute and deliver necessary instruments and give full receipts and discharges. My executor shall have power to inspect and monitor businesses and real property (whether held directly or through a partnership, corporation, trust or other entity) for environmental conditions or possible violations of environmental laws; to remediate environmentally-damaged property or to take steps to prevent environmental damage in the future, even if no action by public or private parties is currently pending or threatened; to abandon or refuse to accept property which may have

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environmental damage; my executor may expend estate funds to do the foregoing, and no action or failure to act by my executor pursuant to this power shall be subject to question by any beneficiary. The foregoing powers shall be exercised by my executor without authorization by any court and, as to property subject to administration outside the state of my domicile, only with the approval of my domiciliary executor. No bond or security shall be required of any executor wherever acting. If permitted by law and if not inconsistent with the best interests of the beneficiaries as determined by my executor, the administration of my estate shall be independent of the supervision of any court.

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF*, I have signed this Will on the 6 day of Sept, 2012.

Vernon Winfrey
VERNON WINFREY

We certify that the above instrument was on the date thereof, in our presence, signed and declared by the testator VERNON WINFREY, to be the testator's Will and that we, at the testator's request and in the testator's presence and in the presence of each other, have signed our names as witnesses thereto, believing VERNON WINFREY to be of sound mind and memory at the time of signing.

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Dawn E. Wright Residing at 1211 Sixteenth Avenue, S.
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STATE OF TENNESSEE )
) SS.
COUNTY OF DAVIDSON )

We, the undersigned, being the testator and the witnesses, respectively, whose names are signed to the foregoing instrument, and being first duly sworn, do hereby declare to the undersigned authority that the testator, in the presence of witnesses, signed the instrument as the testator's last Will and that the testator signed willingly; and that each of the witnesses, in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other, signed the Will as a witness and that to the best of his or her knowledge the testator was at that time of legal age, of sound mind and under no constraint or undue influence.

Vernon Winfrey
VERNON WINFREY

Witness

Dawn E. Wright
Witness

Signed and sworn to before me by VERNON WINFREY, the testator, and by each of the above witnesses, this 6th day of September, 2012.

NANCY BOWEN
STATE OF TENNESSEE NOTARY PUBLIC
COUNTY OF SUMNER

Nancy Bowen
Notary Public

**STATE OF TENNESSEE**

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**IN RE:** ***VERNON WINFREY***

**Docket No:** ***25P792***

***I, JOSEPH P. DAY, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Davidson County, in the State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the document heretofore entered in the above styled case on July 31, 2025 in the Seventh Circuit Court for Davidson County, Tennessee, as same remains of record in the Minutes of said Court.***

***IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of said Court, at office, in Nashville, on July 31, 2025.***

JOSEPH P. DAY CIRCUIT COURT CLERK

***JOSEPH P. DAY, Clerk,***

***By:*** _____
***Deputy Clerk***