

RECORD OF WILLS.

by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I the said John McCall do hereunto set my hand and seal this the day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-five (A.D. 1875)

John McCall (Seal)

Signed, Sealed, Published and declared by the said John

McCall to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names witnesses thereto

James Kelly
A. H. Cromatic

State of North Carolina - Bladen County

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of John McCall, decd., is exhibited before me the undersigned judge of probate for Bladen county by the executors therein named and the due execution thereof by said John McCall by the oath and examination of A. H. Cromatic one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and it is further proved by the oath and examination of John W. Kelly and Daniel J. Clark and A. H. Shaw that James Kelly one of the subscribing witnesses thereto resides out of the State of North Carolina, and it is further proved by the oath and examination of the said John W. Kelly, Daniel J. Clark & A. H. Shaw that they are well acquainted with the handwriting of the said James Kelly and John McCall, decd., having often seen them write and that the name of the said James Kelly subscribed as a witness to the said will is in the handwriting of the said James Kelly and that the name of the said John McCall, decd., the testator, subscribed to the said will is in the handwriting of the said John McCall, decd.

It is therefore considered by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of the said John McCall and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

August the 6th 1877

Grandest Singletary
Judge of Probate.

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Will of Mrs
A. H. Purdie

In the name of God Amen.

I Ann M. Purdie of the State of North Carolina and county of Bladen being of sound mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following:

1st To my daughter Eliza Jane during her life the lands purchased by me from H. N. Robinson and wife Helen Jane as will be seen by deed dated May 4th 1841, Recorded in Book R page 684, 28th January 1847, containing between six and seven hundred acres known as the Summit House tract, with the privilege of using any timber on the same or rooking of turpentine trees - after her death to my grandson James Purdie.

2nd To my daughter Eliza Jane I give and devise all debts of every description due either by note or account or otherwise - including five hundred dollars advanced by me for her benefit in part payment of a debt due by the estate of Thomas J. Purdie to the estate of Lucy A. Brown - except a note for \$1786.55 made by J. W. Purdie & Thos. C. Smith dated April 21st 1866 subject to a credit of ten dollars May 15th 1875, which note I give to my son John W. Purdie.

3rd To my son John W. Purdie I give and devise whatever household and kitchen furniture I have left in his possession - all the balance of my furniture with household and kitchen, also my silver ware I give and devise to my daughter Jane.

4th To my daughter Eliza Jane I give my entire interest in the estate of my brother Thomas C. Smith, both in the real estate and personal property.

5th To my daughter Eliza Jane I give my stock of every kind

6th To my grandson James Purdie I give my gold watch formerly owned by his uncle Col. Thos. J. Purdie.

7th It is my will, and desire that my executor pay over to the proper authorities the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars for the purpose of procuring a Damage for the benefit of the Methodist church in this circuit

8th I hereby constitute and appoint Thos. D. McDowell executor to this my last

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Will and testament.

In witness whereof I the said Ann M. Purdie hereunto set my hand and seal this the 13th day of May A.D. 1898.

Witness

W. A. Bizzell
M. McD. Jaton
Jos. S. Robinson

A. M. Purdie (Seal)

State of North Carolina

Bladen County

Probate of Will

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Mrs. Ann M. Purdie, deceased, is exhibited before me the undersigned Judge of Probate for Bladen county, by Mrs. Eliza J. Dunham, administratrix, and the due execution thereof by the said Ann M. Purdie by the oath and examination of Dr. W. A. Bizzell and Dr. J. S. Robinson who being duly sworn doth depose and say and each for himself depose and saith that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of Ann M. Purdie, that the said Ann M. Purdie in presence of this deponent subscribed her name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which bears date of the 13th day of May 1898. And the deponent further saith that the said Mrs. Ann M. Purdie, the testator aforesaid did at the time of subscribing his name for said declare the said writing as subscribed by him to be the last will and testament, & this deponent did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said will as an attesting witness thereto and at his request and in the presence of the said testator.

And this deponent further saith that at the said time when the said testator subscribed her name to the said last will as aforesaid, and the time of the deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid the said Ann M. Purdie was of sound mind and memory, of full age is execute a will and was not under any restraint to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent. And further

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these deponents say not.

Given to, and subscribed before me
this 14th day of Nov. 1898

E. Singleton
Judge of Probate

Witnesses } W. A. Bizzell
Jos. S. Robinson

Will of Mary Avery

In the name of God Amen.
I, Mary Avery of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say that my executors Franklin and James Burney shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends and for all funeral expenses together with my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing out of the moneys that may first come into their hands as a part or parcel of my estate.
I give and bequeath to my oldest daughter Sally, wife of C. Martin the sum of one dollar to be paid by my executors within two years from the time of my death out of my moneys belonging to my estate not otherwise disposed of, which sum shall make her a fair and equitable portion according to the value of my estate to be hers and at her disposal absolutely forever.
I give and bequeath to my oldest son John A. Burney the sum of one dollar as his right and proper share to be paid by my executors in the same manner as the last bequest and is made under the same views in reference to the former advancements.
I give and bequeath to my daughter