

# RECORD OF WILLS.

also all of my Real Estate in the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina Situate on both sides of Horse Shoe Swamp. it being my desire in the division of my Brother John McKays Land.

Also all of my Household and Kitchen furniture and all money that may be due me or in my possession after my death, to have and to hold the same to his the said John Clark and the heirs of his body, for ever.

And I do nominate and appoint my friend David James Clark to be the Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August A.D. 1858.

Witness,

Le R. Council  
Chile Graham  
David N. Perry

John McKay Seal

State of North Carolina  
Bladen County.

Court of Small Quarter  
Session February Term 1868.

Cl. paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of John McKay dec'd is exhibited for probate in open Court by David James Clark, the Executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said John McKay, is proven by the oaths of Le R. Council and Chile Graham, two of the subscribing Witnesses thereto. 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 McKay dec'd and the same is ordered to be recorded, and filed, and thereupon the said David James Clark the Executor therein named in the last Will and Testament of the said John McKay dec'd is duly qualified as Executor by taking the oath required by Law.

L. B. Blue Clerk

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I Caroline Boyan, of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, do 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 wit,

First That my Executor, hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends and paying all funeral expenses, together with my just debts hereunto and to whomever owing out of the money that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my Estate.

Then I give and devise to my beloved Husband James St. Boyan forty five acres of land known as an equal share of distribution of my Fathers division drawn by my Brother Maud Sikes, in division bounded below by Susan Sikes, and above by Thomas Sikes, lying on the North side of Cape Fear River, containing forty five acres also including all improvements thereon, to have and to hold to him the said James St. Boyan for ever, in peace and satisfaction.

I give and bequeath to my Brother Thomas Sikes one Dollar I give also and bequeath to my Brother Lucius Sikes one Dollar.

I also give and bequeath to my Brother Maud Sikes one Dollar.

I also give and bequeath to my sister Sarah E. Sikes one Dollar.

I also give and bequeath to my sister Harriet Moore one Dollar.

I give and bequeath to my beloved Husband James St. Boyan, all my beds and furniture and all House Hold and Kitchen furniture, three head of Cattle and all the aforesaid stock all domestic fowl and poultry, one good watch one clock.

Then I give and bequeath to my beloved Husband James St. Boyan all the Cash on hand, excepting the debts and bequests before mentioned.

Then My Will, and desire is that all the residue of my Estate if any after taking out the debts and bequests above mentioned shall be sold and the debts owing to me collected, and if there shall be any surplus over and above the payment of the

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debts expenses and legacies that shall surplus shall be paid out to my beloved husband James A. Bryan and to his and to his Executors and Administrators and assigns absolutely forever.

Lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my husband James A. Bryan my lawful Executor to all intents and purposes, to execute this my last Will and Testament, according to the true intent and meaning of the same, and every part and clause thereof, fully without and declaring utterly void, all other wills and Testaments by me made heretofore.

In Witness Whereof I the said Caroline Bryan, do hereunto set my hand and seal, this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of Jan<sup>y</sup> 1867 of January.

Caroline Bryan  
witness

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the said Caroline Bryan to be her last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at her request, and in her presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto;

W. H. Ellis  
J. D. Cain

State of North Carolina  
Bladen County } Court of Pleas & Quarter  
Sessions, February Term 1867

A Paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Caroline Bryan deceased, is offered for probate in this Court, James A. Bryan, being in Court and do not object in open Court, and the due execution thereof is proved by the examination and oath of the Subscribing witnesses thereto, and it is ordered by the Court that this Paper writing and every part thereof, be considered and declared to be the last Will and Testament of Caroline Bryan deceased, and it is ordered to be recorded.

Therefore James A. Bryan is duly qualified as Executor, by taking the oath of office.

D. S. Clerk

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State of North Carolina

Bladen County

In the name of God Amen

I Calvin J. Dickson being of sound mind and memory, but knowing the uncertainty of life do make and declare this my last Will and Testament, in the manner following, first it is my Will that all my lands in Black River should be sold or all that remains unsold, at my death, first a piece of 50 acres on the West side of Black River, together with the Ferry known as Beatty's Bridge Ferry.

Also a piece of 900 acres on the West side of the Hmard road, patented by Richard Parrish, also 50 acres adjoining the above mentioned piece also a tract of 200 acres patented by John Deane. I want this piece now out as Mr. H. Deane, and myself have both claims on it. I have always paid a tax for it, one corner stands out, Gum branch, a pine marked "H" known as White's Corner, now down and a post stands in its place. Also 640 acres on which my mill stands, patented by Richard Parrish.

Also 100 acres within the lines of the 640 deeded to Richard Parrish, by Thomas Brown, also 700 acres patented by J. D. Skutworth that lie out the mill.

Also 260 acres deeded to Richard Parrish by James B. White, being the lower part of a 640 acre patent, patented by James B. White, it is my Will also that a piece should be sold off the upper part of my plantation on Cape Fear adjoining the Maultby tract at White's Hall.

Beginning at Maultby's Corner, on the River thence with Maultby's line to my back line thence down my back line to Chain, thence a line parallel with my upper line to the River.

It is my Will also that a piece should be sold off the lower part of said plantation adjoining the lands of John A. Polson.

Beginning at my Corner below the mouth of South Creek, on the River thence with Polson's line to my back line thence up my back line to Chain.