

RECORD OF WILLS.

Will of
Eliza M. Edge

In the name of God Amen
I, Eliza M. Edge 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

First that Executor (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of relations and friends, and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts however and to whomsoever owing out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate

Then I give and devise to my beloved sister Drucilla J. Edge one hundred acres of land to be set out by metes and bounds known as the home survey wherein I now live as to include my mansion house, all out houses and other improvements to have and to hold to her the said Drucilla J. Edge for and during her natural life.

I further give and devise to my beloved sister the said Drucilla J. Edge all residue of my estate consisting of all my hogs and cattle and sheep, all my beds, bedsteads and bed clothing, wearing apparel and all furniture of whatever kind that now belongs to me or may come in possession of during my natural life all to be my said sister's devise

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend Charles L. Edge 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, hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I the said Eliza M. Edge do hereunto set my hand and seal this 8th day of September 1875.

(Signed) Eliza M. Edge (Seal)
Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Eliza M. Edge to be her last will and testament in the presence of us who at her request in her presence subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.
M. K. Culbreth
Rachel Culbreth

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State of North Carolina }
Bladen County } Probate of Will

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Eliza M. Edge, deceased, is exhibited before me the undersigned Judge of Probate for Bladen County by Charles L. Edge the executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said Eliza M. Edge by the oath and examination of M. K. and Rachel Culbreth 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 and purporting to be the last will and testament of Eliza M. Edge, that the said Eliza M. Edge in presence of his deponent subscribed her name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which bears date of the 8th day of September 1875. And the deponent further saith that the said Eliza M. Edge the testator aforesaid did, at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing as subscribed by her and exhibited to be her last will and testament and this deponent did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said will as an attesting witness thereto and at her 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 Eliza M. Edge was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will and was not under any restraint to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent. And further these deponents say not.

Given to and subscribed before me this 21st day of September 1881

(Signed) N. A. Steadman, Jr.
Judge of Probate.

(M. K. Culbreth
Rachel Culbreth