

RECORD OF WILLS.

Wife Midwinters that the balance of a three hundred
acre tract of land known as the Hartford lands and
a tract of three hundred and thirty acre known
whereon I now live may be equally divided between
my sons Joseph, D. Charles, Th. and William R. Allen.

It is my will that my son David Lewis have a tract
of one hundred acre known as the tract I purchased from
J. D. Marks.

It is my will and desire that my son Edmund have
one hundred acres of land to be laid off from the
Hartford tract beginning at John Allen's corner and
running with that line to R. W. Lewis' line then
round so as to include one hundred acre.

It is my will and desire furthermore that if either
of my sons should die before they arrive at the age
of twenty one years it is my will and desire that their
portion of land go to my surviving sons who I have named
last to.

I nominate and appoint my friends Nathaniel Bryan
and David Lewis Executors to this my last will and
testament.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and
affix my seal this 26th day of November A.D. 1867.

Test
H. D. Robinson }
David Willis }
Joseph
Allen his mark

Clara Carolina }
Bladen County } Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
May Term 1868

Ch. Paper writing purporting to be the last will and test-
ament of Joseph Allen deceased was exhibited for probate
in open Court by Nathaniel Bryan one of the Executors
therein named and the due execution thereof by the
said Joseph Allen is proved by the oath and exam-
ination of David Willis one of the subscribing
witnesses thereto.

It is the Court's consideration by the Court that the said

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paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and
testament of the said Joseph Allen, and the same is to be
recorded and filed.

And therefore Nathaniel Bryan one of the Executors therein
named, the other Executor therein named, David Lewis, refusing
to qualify, duly qualified as such by taking the oath
required by law, and with sure bonds in the sum of
Ten thousand dollars, with David Lewis as security thereof
attest

D. D. Allen Sec.

P. F. F. Cunningham Sec.

In the Name of God "Amen"

I, Elizabeth Blackwell of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina
being of sound mind and memory and considering the
uncertainty of this frail and transitory life do therefore
make certain public and declare this to be my last
will and testament. That is to say -

1st After all my lawful debts are paid and discharged
the residue of my property I give and bequeath and
dispose of as follows to wit, to my beloved son
Stephen Blackwell my coat and calf and one spotted
cow, one white horse, one trunk and one bed and
one half of the balance of the dishes, the other half to
my son, W. J. Blackwell, and one pot to my son Stephen
Blackwell, and one table iron stove, axes, and hatchets,
and one clock -

2^d I give to my son Owen Blackwell one Ruffed
Grouse, one Blue Dove one hen one wheel, one
large dish, one Red Chest, one square, 1 drawing
knife, one looking glass, one pair large steel yard,
one Bed.

3^d I give to my son, W. J. Blackwell the sum of

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one Large Chest. One Small Cupboard. One Large Basin. One White Bed. One Large Churn. The Pictures of the beds. Rants. Flies and Roof. To be divided between Omer and Stephen Blackwell. One Smoothing Iron. To H. J. Blackwell. These quite.

I give to my son P. R. Blackwell three quite and one flr dogs. if my son Omer does not get back from Virginia his part goes to Stephen Blackwell to my son J. W. Blackwell. fifty cents to be paid by Stephen Blackwell out of his portion.

I give to my grand daughter Jincy Blackwell all of my homespun dresses. one bed and three five dresses. Two pair of stockings one box.

I give to my son P. R. Blackwells wife one dress two pair of stockings. to my son W. J. Blackwells wife one dress two pair stockings. to my son Omer wife one dress two pair stockings.

I give to my sister Julia Ann. Biles. one new Calico dress. one Cape of the same. one cap and one coat. for her Burying dress.

The Balance that I have not given away. it is my wish that it may be equally divided between my sons. W. J. Stephen and Omer Blackwell. after three quite-apins for Omer and Stephen Blackwell.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal. This the 28th day of March in the Year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and thirty four.

In presence of
R. V. Melvin
Martha Dawson

Elizabeth Blackwell

North Carolina
Bladen County

Court of Pleas & Quarter Session
May Term 1864.

A Paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Elizabeth Blackwell. deceased. is exhibited in open Court by Robert V. Melvin. and the due execution thereof by said Elizabeth Blackwell. is proved by

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the oath and examination of R. P. Melvin. one 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 Elizabeth Blackwell. and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

Attest

P. Blue Clerk.
J. F. Cunningham D.C.

In the Name of God "Amen"

I Lewis. Thompson of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina do hereby make and declare this instrument of writing to be my last will and testament as follows.

I want my Executor to pay my just debts and funeral expenses as soon as possible.

I give and bequeath to my son William R. Thompson three hundred acres of land that is to say I want it adjoin Jones. Singletary. Storms. H. F. Wilburn and Aaron Hesters. lines and to include my Grindling at Rome plantation. to him and his heirs. but in case my said son should die without issue. then said lands shall go to my grand children William J. and Mary Ann. Thompson to them and their heirs forever.

I give and bequeath to my grand children William J. Thompson and his sister Mary A. Thompson the balance of my lands be the same more or less to them and their heirs forever. in fee simple.

My grand daughter Elizabeth Ann Monroe I leave nothing by will as I have already given her eighty acres of land by deed as her part in full.

I further give my said son W. R. Thompson one bed and necessary furniture and the balance of my estate be it much or little except two beds and their furniture which two beds I leave to my said grand children.