

RECORD OF WILLS.

In the Name of God "Amen"

I, John D. Beatty of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina. Knowing the uncertainty of life, and being in a low state of state of health, but as I believe of a sound and disposing mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament D Nauchy, that is to Say =

I bequeath to my beloved wife Jane her life estate in the plantation wherein we now live so far as my right extends, also the following negroes, Clarissa, Florah and Richmonds, also Patrio four in number, also one Buman, to my daughter Polly and Ella, one Buman each, should either or both marry it is my wish that they have a servant girl each, or five hundred dollars at the time of their marriage. This may extend to Margaret and Maria, also my dear boys William and Lucius, and Hays. I wish to have a thorough English education, also Margaret Maria and Anna Ella.

It is my wish that the lands as well as the negro Property, when my son Hays becomes of age, shall be equally divided between all nine of my children.

It is my wish that my Executors and Executor be empowered to divide the Blount land that remains unsold.

It is my wish that my Father have all the Blount lands except the piece in Polly above as yet sold, and the eleven hundred acres or whatever number of acres there may be, in the Survey that joins the lands given me by my Father near my plantation.

It is my wish also that my grand son John Beatty Reid, shall have a Silver Cup.

It is my wish that my Executors, to provide Ambassadors, Head and foot stones, for all my family and to permit my respected and beloved Father to be buried in my wish to make it be having to furnish them for my son G. H.

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I make my dearly beloved wife my Executrix together with my dear beloved Father William H. Beatty, Hays H. Beatty, and my beloved son in law David Reid, my Executors. This the 15th day of March 1849.

Made published signed and sealed and declared and affirmed in presence of us.
Patrio, L. Cromastie,
Luther Cromastie,

J. D. Beatty Seal

North Carolina } Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Bladen County } May Term ad 1849

There is the within foregoing will proved according to Law, by the oaths of Patrio, L. & Luther Cromastie, the subscribing witnesses thereto, and ordered to be enrolled in the Book of Wills for Bladen County and ordered to be filed.

J. H. Robinson Clerk.

In the Name of God "Amen"

I Elizabeth Harrington of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina, being sick but of sound mind and memory do make the following my last Will and testament

It is my Will for all my negroes to be sold Grace and her three children, Mary Sarah Tiller, and Mary, and her four children, Cind, Mary and Julia, and the proceeds

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about Seven Hundred Dollars, to be equally divided amongst all my Children, and those that are dead for it to go to their Heirs.

It is my Will that a note I have in my Son John B. Harrington of Fifty Pounds and 13/100 Dollars October 6th 1846. that he should not pay but Three per Cent interest, except Fifty Dollars to go to the Baptist Home Missionary Society.

Also my Bed and bed clothes to be sold and the money equally divided amongst my Heirs also the spinning wheels.

It is my Will that it be understood among my Heirs that I and my Negroes were to live with John Cromartie my lifetime, for one note and I have no demands against him.

Lastly I appoint my friend Abraham Murphy my Executor and do revoke all former ones.

In Witness Whereof I the said Elizabeth Harrington have hereunto set my hand and seal this April 14th 1846 -

Signed sealed and published in the presence of

Elizabeth Harrington
L. W. Cromartie
James W. Cromartie
David A. McMillan

May Term
AD 1849 -

Thus is this Will proved by the oaths of David W. Cromartie and James W. Cromartie, subscribing witnesses thereto and it is ordered to be recorded.

W. H. Robinson - Clerk -

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In the Name of God "Amen"
I William S. Adams being of sound mind and memory do make this my last will and testament in manner following to wit -

I desire and direct that a sale of all my perishable property be made as soon after my death as possible, and that all debts due me by note account or in any other way, be collected and the various proceeds be applied to the payment of my just debts.

I direct that my plantation known as Porters Neck or Strawberry Hill, and my back place on Carons tract near the Mineral Spring, be sold and one third of the purchase money be paid at the time of sale, and a credit of one two and three years be allowed on the balance and if the money from the sale of my perishable property and from debts due me, do not prove sufficient to pay my debts, then I direct that enough to pay them be appropriated from the amount of the sale of my lands.

I give all of my Slaves their freedom, condition of their removal to Colony of Liberia in Africa, and I hereby bequeath to them the sum of Five Hundred Dollars to aid the Colonization Society, in removing them as speedily as possible to said Colony.

And I hereby direct and request my Executor to appropriate said sum of Five Hundred Dollars out of the first monies collected by him, after the payment of my debts for said purpose.

Should any delay be experienced in sending them to Liberia, for the want of funds, I hereby direct my Executor to hire them out at public auction till the said account shall be collected, and that the proceeds of their hire be given to them, at the time of their departure for said Colony, to be equally divided among them.

If any of my Slaves have husbands or wives living with other persons, and they should prefer remaining with them, to removing to Liberia then I direct my Executor to sell such slave or slaves, and I bequeath to such slave or slaves