

In the name of God Amen

I Frederick Miller of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina being weak in health of body but of sound and disposing mind and memory do make ordain and publish this to be my last will and testament in form and substance following "Viz"

I give and bequeath to my daughter Emily R. Gause during her life the following negro slaves namely- Old John and his wife Sophia, Hannah, Edith, Israel, Robert, Jacob, Rebecca and Simmon and their increase including as well the children that have been born to the said negroes since they have been in the possession of the said Emily R. Gause, or any increase as they may hereafter have which said negroes that the said Emily R. Gause has received estimated at a value of the sum of One thousand and twenty dollars and on the death of my daughter Emily R. Gause it is my will and desire that the negroes given to her during her life shall be equally divided among and between her children.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Jane R. Payne, during her life the following negro slaves namely- Dick, Venus, Philip, Cezar, and their increase including as well the children that have been born to the said negroes since they have been in the possession of the said Jane R. Payne as any increase they may hereafter have which said negroes, the said Jane R. Payne has received estimated in value at the sum of One thousand four hundred and fifty dollars, and on the death of my daughter Jane R. Payne, it is my will and desire that the negroes given to her during her life shall be equally divided among and between her children I also give and bequeath to my daughter Jane Negro Woman "Mary" whom she has received in addition to the above described negroes, but not to be considered as any part of her distributive share of my property.

I give and bequeath, to my grandson William L. Miller during his life the following negro

slaves, namely- Peter, Friday, John, Jim, and Nancy, and their increase which said negroes the said William L. Miller has received, estimated in value at the sum of One thousand eight hundred and twenty five dollars and on the death of my son William L. Miller, it is my will and desire that the negroes given to him during his life shall be equally divided among and between his children.

I give and bequeath to my Grand son William L. Gilmore during his life the following negro slaves and their increase, namely- Sambo and his wife Lucy, and their children named Sam, Piss, Washington, Nancy and Carry, also old black's daughter, Hannah, estimated in value at the sum of One thousand eight hundred, and twenty five dollars, and on the death of my Grandson William L. Gilmore, it is my will and desire that the negroes given to him during his life shall be equally divided among and between my children viz- Emily R. Gause, Jane R. Payne and William L. Miller, provided that the said William L. Gilmore leave at his decease no children living of his own.

I give and bequeath to my son William L. Miller, during his life the lower part of my plantation known as the Lord land, estimated in value at the sum of seven hundred and twenty five dollars, and on the death of my son William L. Miller, it is my will and desire that the said land be equally divided among and between his children.

I give and desire to my Grandson William L. Gilmore during his life the residue of my Manor plantation consisting of the piece or parcel known as the Girl land, and the piece or parcel known as the Council land, estimated together in value at the sum of Eight hundred dollars, and on the death of my Grand son William L. Gilmore it is my will and desire that the last described two pieces of land shall be equally divided among my children Emily R. Gause, Jane R. Payne and William L. Miller provided that the said William L. Gilmore leave at his decease no living children.

I give and desire to my daughter Jane R. Payne

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during her life a piece or parcel of land in Cumberland County situated on Mill's Creek joining McMillan the said land containing three hundred acres more or less, which I purchased from James Sims. estimated in value at the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars and on the death of my daughter Jane. B. Byrnes it is my will and desire that the said land be equally divided among and between her children

I give and bequeath to my daughter Emily R. Gause certain monies collected by her husband Mr. J. I. Gause from Mr. Lorde, and Mr. Hill making the sum of six hundred dollars which said sum I design as two distributive shares of my landed property I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Hannah Miller. One share my Big and Starness, and all the notes remaining in my possession that are not taken for the time of negroes, Tom John Joe Minors, Hannah, and Annie.

I will and desire that the residue of my property consisting of Old Blids, Pine Dam, Rock Jack, Hunter Bull, Gold Julius, Lucy, Peter, Nick Mintham, Cate Mary Juda, Tom, Bob and Kitty together with all the rest and residue of my personal and real estate to be equally divided after first making up out of the last mentioned negroes and other property the several sums requisite to make equal. The share of each respective legatee in the division of both real and personal properties among and between my children Emily R. Gause Jane B. Byrnes and William L. Miller and William L. Gilmore, to be held and owned by them during their lives, and on their death or on the death of any of said children, Emily R. Gause Jane B. Byrnes William L. Miller and William L. Gilmore it is my will and desire that the share of said deced be equally divided among and between his or her children.

The share of William L. Gilmore going to him during his life in this last lot of property it is my will and desire on his death to be equally

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divided among and between my children Emily R. Gause Jane B. Byrnes and William L. Miller, provided the said William L. Gilmore dies without leaving children of his own at his decease.

And lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my sons William L. Miller and James A. Byrnes Executors of this my last will and Testament.

at the same time revoking all other wills made by me In witness whereof, I have set my hand and seal this the 1st day of April 1834

Signed and sealed
In presence of
John Patterson
Archd Crawford

Fredrick Miller

In the name of God Amen

I Joseph Chance of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina being weak of body but of sound and perfect mind and memory, do make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say)

In the first place I leave unto my beloved wife Mary Chance the whole of my real and personal estate during her Widowhood, if she should marry then to draw an equal share with the whole of the heirs.

I give and bequeath unto my four sons, David M. Chance, Joshua L. Chance, Joseph S. Chance, and David D. Chance, the whole of my lands.

The rest of my property to be equally divided among the whole of my heirs, only fifty dollars extraordinary to each of my six Daughters, Ann, Hester, Fanny, Bethan, Patience Chance, Norah Chance, Elizabeth Chance and Mary H. Chance, provided John Bethan husband of the above mentioned Fanny Bethan shall pay up one hundred and fifty dollars for a piece of