

RECORD OF WILLS.

In the Name of God Amen"

Be it remembered that I William Young of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina being of sound and disposing mind and memory considering the uncertainty of this mortal life do make and publish this my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following. To wit I am the first I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Melvina Young - all my lands and houses with the exceptions hereafter made, also all my House hold and Kitchen furniture also my Carriage and harness, and two mules also all my farming tools of every kind, also three cows and calves and two sows and pigs, one hundred bushels of corn and one thousand pounds of pork, three thousand pounds of black fodder, also all my notes and accounts that may be in my hands or owing to me at my death.

I am the 2 I give to my son Robert D. Young one hundred acres of land known as the better land.

I am the 3. It is my wish that all the property that I have not disposed of at my death be sold and the money between James Young, James D. Young, Zibula Young and John Young, also the property I wish to my wife, Elvina Young to be equally divided between them share and share alike, as her dower or getting married of my wife.

I hereby make and ordain my wife Elvina Young Executrix of this my last Will and Testament.

In Witness Whereof I the said William Young have to this my last Will and Testament set my hand and seal the 16th of August, 1856.

William Young and

Signed sealed published and delivered by said William Young the Testator as his last Will and Testament the presence of us.

Not John Sikes.
Edmund Sikes.

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North Carolina } Court of Wills & Quarters, Sessions
Bladen County, } at, Court held Term 1856.

There was this paper writing exhibited in open Court for probate by Melvina Young the executrix therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said Testator William Young is proved, by the oath and examination of John Sikes and Edmund Sikes, the subscribing witnesses therein.

It is therefore considered by the Court, that the said paper writing and was part thereof, is the last Will and Testament of the said William Young deceased.

And the same is ordered to be recorded and filed and the said Melvina Young Executrix as aforesaid duly qualified as such by taking the oath required by Law.

Test.
J. D. Cunningham Clk

In the Name of God "Amen"

I George W. D. Law of Bladen County and State of North Carolina, being weak in body, but of sound mind and disposing memory, thanks be to God, knowing the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the day thereof, do make publish and declare my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following, that is to say.

It is my Will and desire, that my Executors herein after named, do provide for my body a decent burial at my family burying ground in Bladen County out of the proceeds of my estate.

It is my Will and desire that all the property

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which I have contracted. Since I became twenty one years of age I paid first after my burial expenses be discharged out of whatever estate I may be possessed of, or which may come into the hands of my Executors from any source, or from a settlement with my Guardian John G. McDougall.

And I hereby direct my Executors not to pay any other debt by me contracted previous to the 4th day of July 1856, at which time I became of age unless the same were contracted for necessities in support of myself and family.

I hereby revoke and declare utterly null and void all Mortgage Deeds of Trust, and assignments of property of whatever kind, made by me to any and all persons whatsoever previous to the 4th day of July 1856, except so much and such thereof as relate to my worthy friend Duncan Kelly, whom I desire my Executor out of the proceeds of my estate to save himself from any loss he may sustain, or have sustained by reason of his standing security to me.

And I particularly declare null and void and totally revoke and annul all Mortgages or deeds made to John G. McDougall, so far, as they are or were intended for his benefit and I direct and request my Executor to call him to a strict account for all property money or effects, which may have gone into his hands as my Guardian or which may have gone into his hands by virtue of any conveyance from me in trust or otherwise my intention so far as John G. McDougall and all other persons except Duncan Kelly is concerned, is to revoke and annul all Mortgages or deeds of Trust, made by me during my minority, the one to John G. McDougall and Duncan Kelly dated some time in February 1854 the other to John G. McDougall alone, dated some time in the year 1855.

After the payment of the debts herein before specified and the security of Duncan Kelly, I give all my property of whatever kind Real Personal and mixed to my beloved wife Mary Ann Bryant, during her life for her only, and at her death to my daughter.

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an infant, not yet named, to her and heirs forever.

If however my daughter should die before the termination of my this life estate, then it is my will that at the death of my wife Mary Ann Bryant, my property of every description shall go, and I hereby give it after that time, to my Sisters and brothers in equal division share and share alike, and their heirs and assigns forever.

I hereby appoint my worthy friends Duncan Kelly and John A. Richardson, my Executors to execute and carry out this my last will and Testament, hereby revoking and declaring utterly void, null and void, all former wills by me made.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand the 13th day of September A.D. 1856

Signed sealed published

and declared by the said George W. Bryant to be his last will and Testament, and witnessed by us, in his presence and in the presence of each other, and at his request on this the 13th day of September A.D. 1856,

D. M. Buie
John D. Lytle.

By W. Bryant

Clark County } Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Bladen County } at Chambers Novm 1856 -

There was this paper written exhibited in open court by Duncan Kelly and John A. Richardson. The Executors therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said Deceased.

George W. Bryant, deceased, is proved by the oath and examination of Duncan M. Buie and John D. Lytle the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and Testament of said George W. Bryant, deceased, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed. And Thompson said Duncan Kelly and John A. Richardson duly qualified as such by taking the oath required by Law.

J. D. Cunningham Clerk