

RECORD OF WILLS.

In the Name of God. "Amen"

I Priscilla Harvey of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following, To-wit:

- 1st It is my will and desire that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid
 - 2^d I give and bequeath to the Methodist Church and thirty dollars, said amount to be paid out of a note I hold against Thomas J. Storman for medicinal purposes
 - 3^d I give and bequeath to Thomas J. Storman one half part of a note I hold against him the said Thomas J. Storman.
 - 4th I give and bequeath the residue or balance of said note I have against the said Thomas J. Storman after paying the aforementioned legacies, to the children of my nephew Simon Storman share and share alike
 - 5th I give and bequeath to Thomas J. Storman and Duncan Cormack, in trust for the use and benefit of a negro woman Mary, that belongs to said Storman and also a woman belonging to the heirs of Col. Jas. D. McKay, all my wearing apparel and bed and furniture together with what other perishable property I may have at the time of my death, except the note I have already bequeathed.
- I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint Thos. J. Storman, and D. Cormack, Executors to this my last will and testament, this 26th day of December 1855.
- Test. Priscilla Harvey
- David Lewis }
D. Cormack }
- North Carolina }
Bladen County. } Court of Pleas & Quarter Session
August Term 1861-

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I James Ervin Planters of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory do make and declare this to be my last will and testament as follows:

- First That my executors to this will to be enacted hereafter shall provide for my body after death, a decent burial according to the wishes of my friends and relations and pay all funeral expenses, and also my just debts and of the first moneys that will come into his hands, as a part and parcel of my estate.
- Second I give and devise unto my beloved wife Zephia Ervin, one Bed, Bedstead and its necessary furniture, one chest and cards her choice
- I am aware that she is incapable of managing a farm and I desire her to live with my son in Law Henry Miller, and his wife and I bequeath also to her the negro woman Hannah to wait on her and also one of the remaining negro slaves, I now own to be chosen by my son in Law Henry Miller, and to be employed by the said Miller, in consideration of his supporting his Mother in Law, to have the said slave during his natural life, and at her death if the said slave are living, I wish them and their increase to be equally divided among my children to share and share alike my daughter Zephia excepted.
- Third I give and devise to my children the balance of my negroes my stock of cattle, Hogs and sheep, and my Beds, to them all to share and share alike my daughter Zephia excepted.
- Fourth I desire that my mare Buggy plantation tools the residue of my estate that I do not dispose of in this will be sold and the moneys obtained be equally divided to all my children Zephia excepted, share and share alike -
- Fifth I have heretofore conveyed by deeds of gift to all my children except my son William James the portions of my Real Estate I desire them to have as near equal as possible.
- For my son David I paid to Charles Rogers for two hundred and thirty acres of land which

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Conveyed by the said Bryan directly to the said David
 which I am said makes him equal to my other children
 to my son William James I desire all that lands that I
 may own in the County of Bladen at the time of my
 death. I may here after execute to him a deed of Gift for
 the same I desire him to have.

Lastly I do constitute and appoint my friends John
 A. McDowell and Herman Robinson Executors of
 this my last Will and Testament. Revoking
 all or any will made by me previous to this date.

In witness Whereof I James Cross do hereby set
 my hand and seal this the 23^d day of June A.D. 1864

Signed Sealed Published
 and declared by the said
 James Cross. to be his last
 Will and Testament. in the
 presence of us who at his
 request and in his presence
 do subscribe our names as
 witnesses thereto.

J. H. Lusk
 T. J. Atmore.

North Carolina }
 Bladen County } Court of Peace & Quarter
 Sessions. February Term 1864

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testa-
 ment of James Cross. dec'd. is offered for probate in
 open Court and the due execution thereof is proven by the
 examination and oath of the subscribing witnesses Thos
 J. H. Lusk and Thomas J. Atmore. It is therefore
 ordered by the Court that this paper writing and every
 part and parcel thereof be declared to be the last will
 and Testament of James Cross and it is ordered to be
 recorded. Whereupon Dr. H. Robinson is duly qual-
 ified as Executor. by taking the oath of office. John
 A. McDowell renouncing the appointment of Executor by
 named as Executor herein.

D. Blue Clerk

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State of North Carolina }
 Bladen County }

+ In the Name of God "Amen"

I John McKay of the County of Bladen and State of
 North Carolina being met of body but of sound and dis-
 posing mind memory and understanding. Considering
 the uncertainty of death and the uncertainty of the time
 thereof. to the end that I may be better prepared to
 leave this world. when it shall please my God. to call me
 hence I am now determined to direct what disposition
 shall be made of my property after my decease and
 after maturely considering the circumstances and proba-
 bility of all those among whom as my heirs at Law. or
 the objects of my gratitude or affection in my judgment
 my Estate should be distributed. +

I do make publish and declare this my last will and
 Testament Revoking and making null and void
 all former last wills and Testaments by me heretofore
 made.

And my Will is first after my decease my body
 shall be decently buried without ostentation or unnecessary
 expense. And that my just debts and funeral charges
 shall be paid by my Executors herein after named.

And as to the residue of my estate and property
 with which God hath blessed me and shall not be requi-
 red for the payment of my debts funeral charges
 and the expenses in and about the execution of this
 my Will and the administration of my estate.

I give devise and dispose thereof as follows
 to-wit.

I give and devise to my son John McKay or his
 heirs the sum of two hundred to be paid to him or the
 within six months after my decease by my Executors here-
 inafter named. to hold the same to him or heirs.

I give and bequeath to my niece Ann Clark the wife
 of John K. Clark and the heirs of her body all my
 Negroes. namely One Negro woman by the name of
 Leah and her children namely Angeline and
 and one Negro boy by the name of Henry
 in case of them should there be any