

I, James E. Kelly of the county of Bladen and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind, and foremory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say

1st That my executors (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives, and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing out of the money that may first come into their hands as a part and parcel of my estate.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Caroline P. Kelly ninety acres of land to be laid off on the northeast of my lands and joining the lands of John N. Kelly and Daniel L. Singletary from the sum of Horse pen Swamp to the lands of the Button Lumber Company, to have and to hold to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Caroline P. Kelly the balance of my land together with all of my personal property of all kind and every description to have and to hold during her natural life.

Item My will and desire is that after the death of my said wife that my sons E. Ernest A. Kelly, Dennis H. Kelly, George W. Kelly, and my daughters Mary A. Kelly, Lucy J. Ashley, Eliza L. Davis, Elizabeth P. Kelly and Catharine A. Kelly to have equal shares of my land as near as can be, to have and to hold to them their heirs and assigns forever.

Item That my will and desire is that my sons E. A. Kelly, D. F. Kelly, & G. W. Kelly, and my daughters Mary A. Kelly, E. C. Kelly, and C. A. Kelly shall have one bed, bedstead and furniture each to make them equal with the others to whom I have advanced certain articles.

Item My will and desire is that all the residue of my estate after taking out the debts and legacies above mentioned shall be equally divided among my my heirs, to wit: A. J. Kelly, W. C.

E. A. D. F. G. W. M. A. E. C. and E. A. Kelly and Lucy J. Ashley, and E. L. Davis share and share alike to them and each and every of them their executors administrators, and assigns absolutely forever. And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my sons A. J. Kelly, and J. N. Kelly my lawful executors to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament, according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Jas E. Kelly 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. Witness

E. W. Williams
George W. Jones

State of North Carolina } In the Superior Court
Bladen County

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of James E. Kelly, deceased, is exhibited to me the undersigned Clerk of Court for said county by A. J. Kelly and J. N. Kelly, the executors therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said James E. Kelly by the oath and examination of E. W. Williams and George W. Jones the subscribing witnesses thereto who being duly sworn doth depose and say and each for himself depose and swear that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of Jas E. Kelly that the said James E. Kelly in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which was

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date of the 12th day of September 1892; and the deponent further saith that the said James E. Kelly, the testator aforesaid did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing so subscribed by him and exhibited to be his last will and testament, and this deponent did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said will as an attesting witness thereto and at the request and in the presence of the said testator. And this deponent further saith that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid and at the time of deponents subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid, the said James E. Kelly was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will and was not under any restraint to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent. And further these deponents say not.

L. W. Willigms (Seal)
George W. Jones (Seal)

Personally sworn and
subscribed this 24th
day Octo. 1892 before
me Geo. F. Molin, C. S. C.

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In the name of God Amen
I Christopher Sanders of the County of Bladen and Province of North Carolina being very sick and weak in body or imperfect health of body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God. Calling unto mind the Mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament that is to say principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it, and my body to I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God.

And as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

First

That all my lawful debts be paid out of my estate also I give and bequeath to my well beloved wife Sarah Sanders third part of my estate.

Item

I will also that all my lands be equally divided between my two sons Thomas Sanders and Christopher Sanders.

Item

I give and bequeath to my son Thomas two cows.

Item

I give and bequeath to my son Christopher Sanders two cows.

Item

I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Sanders two cows.

Item

I give and bequeath to my daughter Hannah Sanders two cows.

Item

I give and bequeath to my daughter Eliza Sanders one horse.

Item

I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Sanders two cows.

Item

I will also that my two sons Thomas Sanders and Christopher Sanders each to have one tract of land.

Likewise I ordain this my last will and