

North Carolina } In the Superior Court
Bladen County } January 15th 1884

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Nathan Bryan, deceased, is this day exhibited for probate by N. Carroll and the due execution thereof by the said N. Bryan is proven by the oath and examination in writing of N. Carroll and Jas. H. Gillespie the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of N. Bryan, decd., and the same is hereby ordered to be recorded and filed.

G. F. McIvlin, Clerk of
Bladen County,

Will of
John Allen

In the name of God Amen I John Allen of the county of Bladen and State of North Carolina do this day make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following: I will and ordain that at my death my wife shall have all the property I may then be possessed of until the youngest child arrives at the age of 21 years, then an equal division among the children except Simpson who is not to share in the land but will share in all other property. If my wife should marry again the division shall be made as soon as she is married, or should she die before the youngest child becomes of age then a division of property shall be made. I will and ordain that the land be so divided that my youngest child John shall have the buildings and my wife shall have a lifetime right in said lot, provided she does not marry, in which case she ceases to have any right. Further I will and ordain that should any of the children die without issue after a division of property has been made then their interest in my estate be equally divided among the other children, to them their heirs and assigns forever. I hereby constitute and appoint my wife E. P. Allen executrix of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto

set my hand and seal this the 23rd day of February one thousand eight hundred seventy-four in presence of
witnesses
John Allen (seal)

David Allen
E. M. Robeson

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A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of John Allen, deceased, is this day exhibited for probate by E. P. Allen the executrix therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said John Allen is proven by the oath and examination in writing of David Allen and E. M. Robeson the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of the said John Allen deceased and the same is hereby ordered to be recorded and filed and the said E. P. Allen the executrix therein named comes into court and duly qualifies as such executrix by taking the oath of office as required by law.

G. F. McIvlin, Clerk
Superior Court Bladen County