

State of North Carolina } In Probate Court
Bladen county

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Sarah H. Carter, deceased, is exhibited before me the undersigned Judge of Probate for said county by James J. Carter the executor therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said Sarah H. Carter by the oath and examination of James Johnson and A. N. Crookmar, the subscribing witnesses thereto who being duly sworn doth depose and say, and each for himself depose and saith that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of Sarah H. Carter, that the said Sarah H. Carter in the presence of this deponent subscribed her name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which bears date of the 25th day of June 1868. And the deponent further saith that the said Sarah H. Carter the testator, aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid did declare the said paper writing so subscribed by her and exhibited to be her 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 said testator, and this deponent further saith that at the said time when the said testator subscribed her name to the said last will as aforesaid and at the time of the deponents subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid the said Sarah H. Carter 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.

Solemnly sworn and
subscribed this 8th day
of October A.D. 1875
before me.

E. Sangletary
Probate Judge

A. N. Crookmar (Seal)
James Johnson (Seal)

Wife of John M. Lennor } State of North Carolina. Bladen county.

In humble submission to the will of God, I John M. Lennor of the county of Bladen and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say

First: After my just debts and funeral expenses are paid I give and devise to my daughter Amanda Frink one hundred and seventy acres of land on south side of Bryan swamp including one tract and a piece of 50 1/2 acres and known as the old Thomas Simpson house bottom. 2nd One hundred and twenty acres part of one hundred and fifty acre tract lying side by side of the above named fifty acres. (To be the thirty acres that is to be cut off the one hundred and fifty must be divided by a line due North and South and on the west end of the said one hundred and fifty acre tract.)

Second: I give and devise to my daughter Francis M. Lennor two tracts of land containing one hundred and sixty-acre acres - 1st tract of nineteen acres lies on to the east of the above named one hundred and fifty acre tract - 2nd tract of one hundred and fifty acres lies south of all the above named lands and corners on the public road.

Third: I give and devise to my son Dennis Lennor two tracts of land lying to the west of the above named lands - 1st tract sixty-three acres 2nd tract one hundred acres lying on the swamp side together with a fraction of the above named thirty acres to make him one hundred and seventy acres.

Fourth: I give and devise to my two daughters Mary M. Lennor and Lucinda Brown two tracts of land on Grassy pond containing two hundred acres, together with the remnant of the above named thirty acres. I have previously deeded a portion

land to my son and daughter O. Lannon and
J. J. Greenman.

1st Of my perishable property I give and
bequeath to my son Dennis Lannon one
heifer, four sheep, one pair of cart wheels my
own make, one bed, cradlestead and furniture.
2nd I give and bequeath to my two daughters
Amanda Frank and Frances M. Lannon
my share with all my remaining stock of
cattle, hogs, sheep and poultry together with
all my crop of corn fodder peas rice and
potatoes with my books and farming imple-
ments with the old still kettle.

I do hereby constitute and appoint
my trust friend Jas. E. Lannon my lawful
executor to all intents and purposes to exe-
cute this my last will and testament ac-
cording to the true intent and meaning of
the same, and every part and clause
thereof hereby revoking and declaring
entirely void all wills and testaments by
me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I, the said John M.
Lannon do herewith set my hand and
this 23rd Novr. 1875.

John M. Lannon (S)

Signed, sealed, published and declared
by the said John M. Lannon 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.

Ed. D. L. Singletary
Jas. E. Kelly

State of North Carolina } ss. In the Probate Court.
Bladen County

A paper purporting to be the last will and testa-
ment of John M. Lannon, deceased, is exhibited
before me, the undersigned Judge of Probate for
said county, by Joseph E. Lannon, the executor
therein named, and the due execution thereof
by the said Jas. M. Lannon, by the oath and exam-
ination of Dennis F. Singletary and James E.
Kelly, the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being
duly sworn doth depose and say, and each
for himself deposeth and saith, that he is a
subscribing witness to the paper writing now
shown him, purporting to be the last will and
testament of John M. Lannon that the the
said John M. Lannon in the presence of this depo-
nent subscribed his name at the end of said
paper writing, which is now shown as afore-
said and which bears date of the 20th day of No-
vember 1875. And the deponent further saith that
the said John M. Lannon the testator aforesaid,
did at the time of subscribing his name as afore-
said declare the said paper writing, so subscrib-
ed 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 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 the deponent subscribing his
name as an attesting witness thereto as
aforesaid the said John M. Lannon 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.

D. L. Shingleton Seal
 Jas. E. Kelly Seal

Solemnly sworn and sub-
 scribed this 7th day of July 1876
 before me

D. L. Shingleton
 Probate Judge

State of North Carolina

Bladen County - In the Probate Court

I Joseph E. Lennon, do solemnly swear (or affirm)
 that I believe this writing to be and contain the
 last will and testament of John M. Lennon
 deceased; and that I will well and truly ex-
 ecute the same by first paying his debts and
 his legacies as far as the said estate shall ex-
 tend, or the law will charge me; and that I
 will well and faithfully execute the office of
 an executor agreeable to the trust and
 confidence reposed in me and accord-
 ing to law, so help me God.

Jos. E. Lennon

Sworn and subscribed
 before me this 7th day of July 1876
 Granter Shingleton
 Probate Judge

Will of I, John D. Russ of the county of Bladen and
 pro. D. Russ State of North Carolina, being of sound mind
 and memory do therefore make, ordain and
 declare this to be my last will and testam-
 ent. That is to say for my love to and natural
 affection for Andrew J. Meschaw, I do hereby
 give and bequeath to the said Andrew J. Me-
 schaw all the real and personal property I
 may be possessed of at my death and do
 hereby constitute and appoint said Andrew
 J. Meschaw executor of this my last will and tes-
 tament. In witness whereof I have hereunto
 subscribed my name and affixed my seal
 the eighteenth day, July in the year of our Lord one
 thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

Signed in presence
 of following witnesses

W. J. Harries
 D. J. Clarke

J. D. Russ Seal

State of North Carolina In the Probate Court.
 Bladen County

A paper purporting to be the last will and testam-
 ent of Jno. D. Russ deceased, is exhibited before
 me the undersigned Judge of Probate for said
 county, by - And the due execution thereof by the
 said Jno. D. Russ by the oath and examination
 of D. J. Clarke one of the witnesses and Jno. M.
 Benson who proves the handwriting of W. J. Harries
 the other subscribing witness thereto who being
 duly sworn doth depose and say and each
 for himself depose and say that he is a
 subscribing witness to the paper writing now
 shown him purporting to be the last will and
 testament of Jno. D. Russ that the said Jno. D. Russ
 subscribed his name at the end of said paper
 writing which is now shown as aforesaid and
 which bears date of the 18th day of July 1865.
 And the deponent further saith that he said
 Jno. D. Russ the testator aforesaid did at

the time of signing 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 and testament as aforesaid and at the time of the deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness as aforesaid the said Geo. D. Russ 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.

D. J. Clarke (Seal)
John M. Benson (Seal)
(Attest proof of signature of
J. S. H. Davis.)

Solemnly sworn and
subscribed this 1st day of
Dec. 1877 before me
E. Singletary
Judge of Probate.

John M. Lannon In humble submission to the will of God I, John M. Lannon
will of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina being
of sound mind but considering the uncertainty of my
earthly existence do make and publish this my
last will and testament in manner and form
following, that is to say

1st I give after my just debts and funeral expenses
is paid, and I devise to my daughter Amanda
Lennon One hundred and seventy five acres
of land on south side of Bryan Swamp including
one tract and a piece of fifty acres known as
the old Thomas Simpson house bottom 2^d one
hundred and twenty acres a part of a one hundred
and fifty acre tract lying side by side of the above
fifty acres, "N. 13" the thirty acres that is to be cut off
the one hundred and fifty must be divided by
a line due North and South and on the west end
of the said one hundred and fifty acre tract.

2^d I give and devise to my daughter Francis M.
Lennon two tracts of land containing one
hundred and sixty nine 1st tract of nineteen
or or to the east of the above named one
hundred and fifty acre tract. 2^d tract of one
hundred and fifty acres lies south of all the
above named lands and corners on the
public road.

3^d I give and devise to my son Dennis Lennon
two tracts of land lying west of the above named
lands 1st tract sixty three acres 2^d tract of one
hundred acres lying on the swamp side together
with a fraction of the above named thirty acres
to make him one hundred and seventy acres.

4th I give and devise to my two daughters Mary
M. Lennon and Lucinda Brown two tracts
of land on Grassy Pond containing two
hundred acres together the remnant of the
above named thirty acres. I have previously
deeded a portion of land to my son and
daughter C. Lennon and D. T. Tatum.

5th Of my perishable property I give and bequeath
to my son Dennis Lennon one half of

sheep one pair of cast sheels, my own make, one bed, bedstead and furniture.

2nd I give and bequeath two my two daughters Amanda Frank and Francis M. L. Lannon my mare, with all my remaining stock of cattle, hogs, sheep and poultry, together with all my crop of corn, feed, peas, rice and potatoes with my books and farming implements with the old still kettle.

I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend Joseph E. Lannon my lawful executor 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 wills and testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I, the said John M. Lannon do hereunto set my hand and This 22nd Nov 1875

Signed sealed, published and declared by the said John M. Lannon 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
Test D. L. Singletary
Test Jas E. Kelly

State of North Carolina } In the Probate Court
Bladen County

I paper purporting to be the last will and testament of John M. Lannon, decd, is exhibited before me the undersigned Judge of Probate for said county by Joseph E. Lannon the executor therein named and the execution thereof by the said John M. Lannon by the oath and examination of Dennis L. Singletary and James E. Kelly the subscribing witnesses thereto who being duly sworn doth depose and say and each for himself depose and saith that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now

shows him purporting to be the last will and testament of John M. Lannon that the said John M. Lannon in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which bears date of the 22nd November 1875. And the deponent further saith that the said John M. Lannon 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 said testator. And this deponent further saith that at the time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last will and testament subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid the said John M. Lannon 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.

D. L. Singletary (seal)
Jas. E. Kelly (seal)

Samuel Smith's }
Will

I Samuel Smith of the county of Bladen and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory 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, That my executor hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my friends and relations and pay all of my funeral expenses together with my just debts however and to whomsoever owing out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part and parcel of my estate. I give to Minion a one cow and calf and to my