

RECORD OF WILLS.

being duly sworn doth depose and say and each for himself doth 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 A. J. Barnhill, that the said A. J. Barnhill in presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown aforesaid and which bears date of the 1st day of December 1882 and the deponent further saith that the said A. J. Barnhill, the testator, aforesaid did at the time of subscribing his name aforesaid, declare that 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 his request and in the presence of said testator.

Said this deponent further saith that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid and the time of the deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid the said A. J. Barnhill 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.

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this 24th day
of March 1883.
G. F. Melvin
Judge of Probate

(Signed) S. J. Bordeau
M. N. Barnhill



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Will of
J. R. Kemp

I Joseph R. Kemp 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 to wit:

First, I give and devise one hundred acres of land more or less, being a part of the McDougald land, and adjoining the lands of B. F. Kemp, deceased, and David Clark to be divided into five equal shares and one share thereof to be allotted to each of my children Elizabeth Buie, Eliza A. Kemp, Emma I. Kemp, Jane Y. McCall and the children of B. F. Kemp, deceased, Joseph R. Kemp, A. Flora C. Isaac R. Lora H. and A. J. Kemp their heirs and assigns.

Second, it is my will and desire that the forty eight acres of land adjoining the lands of Archd Campbell, deceased, W. J. McRay deed, and Emma I. Kemp deed, be sold and the proceeds of said sale be equally divided between my children Mary A. McDonald and James I. Kemp, their executors, administrators or assigns share and share alike equally.

Third, I give and devise unto Fanny Kemp her heirs and assigns forty acres of land adjoining the above forty eight acres of land.

In witness whereof I, the said Joseph R. Kemp do hereunto set my hand and seal this 30th day of August A.D. 1882.

Signed, sealed, published, and declared by the said Joseph R. Kemp 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.

Witnesses

I Q. Nye
Register

(signed) Joseph R. Kemp

North Carolina
Bladen County

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Joseph R. Kemp, deceased, is exhibited to me.

The undersigned Judge of Probate for Bladen county by Rufus Register, one of the subscribing witnesses, and the due execution thereof by the oath and examination of J. D. Nye and Rufus Register who being duly sworn doth depose and say and each for himself do soath and saith that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of Joseph R. Kemp, decd. that he said Joseph R. Kemp in 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 30th August 1862 And this deponent further saith that the said Joseph R. Kemp, the testator aforesaid did at the time of subscribing his name 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 his 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 the time of the deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid the said Joseph R. Kemp 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 sworn to and subscribed before me this 8 day of May 1863.

G. F. Melvin
Judge of Probate

(Signed) J. D. Nye
Rufus Register

Will of
William James
McKeithan

I William James McKeithan 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 executors hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expenses, together with my just debts and erect a suitable tombstone at my burial place costing at least fifty dollars and shall erect at the burial places of my father, mother, brother and two sisters suitable tombstones to each costing at least not less than ten dollars each. I give and devise unto my beloved sister Matilda McKay her heirs and assigns my Traddicks Ferry plantation lying on Cape Fear River and below Turnbull creek containing one thousand acres more or less provided nevertheless that my said sister shall allow Sandy, Gady and Vance McKay to reside on the said lands until each arrives at the age of fifteen years and during the said period of time to furnish them food and to give to each of them three suits of clothes yearly if needed, and at the same time they are to aid her with their labor in farming and keeping the plantation in repair.

I give and devise unto my nephews J. L. McKay, W. J. McKay, A. S. McKay and A. H. McKay their heirs and assigns all my lands and all my interest in the lands owned by W. J. Parker and myself situated on the northeast side of Cape Fear river lying on Colly White Lake and Turnbull creek share and share alike. I give and devise unto my beloved sister Matilda McKay her heirs and assigns one half of all my lands situated on the northeast side of Cape Fear river lying on and near Hammonds creek. I give and devise unto my nephews J. L. McKay, W. J. McKay, A. S. McKay and A. H. McKay their heirs and assigns one half of all my lands situated on the northwest side of Cape Fear river lying and near Hammonds Creek share and share alike.