

RECORD OF WILLS.

one Large Chest. One Swan Cupboard. One Large Basin
one White Bed. one Large Churn the pictures of the
beds. Rants. Firs and Roof. to be divided between Omer
and Stephen Blackwell. One Smoothing Iron. to W. J.
Blackwell. those quite.

I give to my son P. R. Blackwell three quite
and one flr dogs. if my son Omer does not get
back from Virginia his part goes to Stephen Blackwell
to my son W. J. Blackwell. fifty cents to be paid by
Stephen Blackwell out of his portion

I give to my grand daughter Juicy Blackwell
all of my homespun dresses. one bed and three
five dresses. Two pair of stockings one box.

I give to my son P. R. Blackwells wife one dress
two pair of stockings. to my son W. J. Blackwells
wife one dress two pair stockings. to my son Omer wife
one dress two pair stockings.

I give to my sister Julia Omer. six. one new calico
dresses. one Cape of the same. one cap and one coat. for her
Burying dress.

The balance that I have not given away. it is my
wish that it may be equally divided between my sons.
W. J. Stephen and Omer Blackwell. after three quite-apins
for Omer and Stephen Blackwell.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my
name and affixed my seal. this the 28th day of March
in the Year of Our Lord One thousand Eight hundred
and forty four.

In presence of
R. P. Melvin
Martha Benson

Elizabeth Blackwell

North Carolina
Bladen County

Court of Pleas & Quarter Session
May Term 1864.

A Paper writing purporting to be the last will and
testament of Elizabeth Blackwell. deceased. is exhibited
to the Court by Robert P. Melvin. and the due execution
of said last Elizabeth Blackwell is proved by

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the oath and examination of R. P. Melvin. one of the
subscribing witnesses thereto

It is therefore considered by the Court that the said
Paper writing and every part thereof. is the last will
and Testament of Elizabeth Blackwell. and the same
is ordered to be recorded and filed.

Attest

P. Blue Clerk.

per H. F. Cunningham D.C.

In the Name of God "Amen"

I, Lewis. Thompson of the County of Bladen and
State of North Carolina do hereby make and declare this
instrument of writing to be my last will and testament
as follows.

I want my Executor to pay my just debt and funeral
expenses as soon as possible.

I give and bequeath to my son William R. Thompson
Three hundred acres of land that is to say I want it
adjoin Jew. Singletary. Storms. H. F. Wilburn and Aaron
Hesters lines and to include my Grindling at Rome plant-
ation. to him and his heirs. but in case my said son should
die without issue. then said lands shall go to my
grand children William J. and Mary Ann Thompson to them
and their heirs forever.

I give and bequeath to my grand children William
J. Thompson and his sister Mary A. Thompson the
balance of my lands be the same more or less to
them and their heirs forever. in fee simple.

My grand daughter Elizabeth Ann Monroe I leave but
nothing by will as I have already given her eighty acres of
land by deed as her part in full.

I further give my said son W. R. Thompson one bed
it's necessary furniture and the balance of my
be it much or little except two beds and their
which two beds I leave to my said grand children

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and Mary Ann Thompson

I hereby make as former. Myself or mine will and wish
I appoint my son William R. Thompson, Executor to
this will. to execute the same, to all intents and purposes
I publish and declare this to be my last will and
testament. This the 5th day of January 1844.

In Presence of
C. Monroe } Lewis Thompson
John T. Dutton }
witness

North Carolina }
Bladen County } Court of Magistrate James
May Term 1844

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament
of Lewis Thompson deceased, is exhibited for probate in
open Court by William R. Thompson the Executor there
named. and the due execution thereof, by the said
Lewis Thompson, is proved by the oath and examination
of Colin Monroe, and John T. Dutton, the subscribing
witnesses thereto.

It is therefore considered by the Court that the
said paper writing and every part thereof is the last
will and testament of the said Lewis Thompson, and the
same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

And thereupon the said William R. Thompson
Executor as aforesaid duly qualifies as such by
taking the oath required by Law.

And enters into bond in the sum of One thousand
dollars with Abraham Dove as security. Thence,

Attest

W. R. C. C.

Dr. F. F. Cummings D.C.

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In the Name of God. Amen

I, James Robert 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.

First It is my will and desire that all of my just debt be
paid out of the moneys that may first come into the
hands of my Executors herein after mentioned or regards.

Then I give and devise to my beloved wife Eliza Robert
all of my Real and Personal estate whereunto it may be
together with all of my household and kitchen furniture
and also her choice of all of my stock, during her
widowhood, and that she shall keep my children as well
her, and give them an education out of the proceeds of
my property or estate.

Then It is my will and desire should my wife Eliza marry
that my estate shall be equally divided between my wife
Eliza and all of my children, or should either of my
children marry, or the oldest come of age that my estate
shall be equally divided between my wife and my
children.

Then It is my will and desire should it become necessary to
sell any of my estate, to pay debt, that my Executors herein
after named shall sell part or all of my best land, cheap
I will leave it to their own judgment to sell any part of my
Real or Personal estate, to pay debt.

And Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my
trusty, Companion and faithful friends Eliza Robert
and Thomas D. McDowell and John A. McDowell, my
Executors to all intents and purposes. Though should
any of my Negroes misbehave in any manner or
form, whatever, towards my beloved wife Eliza it is
my last will and desire that she shall have full
power, to sell and send of any of my slaves that they
behave - towards her.

In witness whereof I the said James Robert
do hereunto set my hand and seal this the 20th
April A.D. 1844.

James Robert