

RECORD OF WILLS.

being present to witness the same. June 14th 1853

J. A. Wooten. Seal

North Carolina
Bladen County

Court of Pleas & Quarter
Sessions August Term 1857

The foregoing paper, writing without subscribing witness purporting to be the last will and testament of John A. Wooten deceased is exhibited in open Court by Mary Wooten, one of the Executors thereof named and it is thereupon proved by the oath and examination of Shadrack Wooten and William H. Hudson, that the said will was found among the valuable papers of the said John A. Wooten after his death and it further proved by the oath and examination of these competent and credible witnesses, to wit Miss Graham, William H. Hudson and Shadrack Wooten, that they are acquainted with the hand writing of the said John A. Wooten, having often seen him write, and truly believe that the name of the said John A. Wooten subscribed to the said will itself and every part thereof are in the hand writing of the said John A. Wooten and it is further proved by the evidence of the three last mentioned witnesses that the said hand writing is generally known to the acquaintance of the said John A. Wooten.

It is therefore considered by the Court that the said paper, writing is the last will and testament of the said John A. Wooten and that the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

Attest
C. K. McMaster Clerk

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In the Name of God. Amen

I Chauncy Monroe of Bladen County and State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God do this the 12th day of January in the Year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty three make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following, that is to say my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid.

First I give and bequeath to James Monroe twenty dollars.
Second I give and bequeath to my estate Mrs Colin Malone, Hugh, David, John and Peter, the balance of my property excepted, ad. cited, and twenty dollars, one Glas one Pocket, one cutting Knife, and grind Stone, which John Monroe is to have more than the rest. Peter Monroe, is to have one Bed and Furniture, one clock more than could share with Colin, Malone, Hugh, and David. And I hereby make and ordain my worthy son Colin Monroe, Executor of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof, I the said Chauncy Monroe have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Signed Sealed published and declared by the said Chauncy Monroe, as her last will and testament in presence of us who were present at the time of signing and sealing thereof.

Test. John S. Willis
Wm Willis

Chauncy Monroe Seal
Mar 10

I Chauncy Monroe do hereby make the following devise I want my crop intended to as I would have done myself, and let the negroes, remain on the plantation to gather all the crop before they are divided.

My will and desire is that my daughter Mary G. Monroe shall have one half of all the corn and all the balance of all the crop, and forage, and all my Hogs. I publish and declare this as a part of my will and testament.

In witness whereof I hereby set my hand and seal the 30th day of April A.D. 1857.

Signed and published before
Wm Willis

Chauncy Monroe Seal