

Will of }
Neil Buie } I, Neil Buie 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
to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form
following, that is to say:

First I give and devise to my son Daniel twenty
acres of land to be laid off, and set apart to him
adjoining the tract I conveyed to him by deed to
him and to hold to him and his heirs in fee sim-
ple forever.

Secondly I give and devise to my son Albert thirty acres
of land to be laid off to him adjoining that tract of
land by me conveyed to him to him and to hold to
him and his heirs in fee simple forever.

Thirdly I give and devise to my son Monroe and my grand
daughters and Stephens B. Buie's daughters begotten by
my daughter Celia, all of my Powell tract of land
situate in or around the Big Bay in the aforesaid county,
containing one hundred and forty acres more or
less, to be divided equally share and share alike,
between the two, to him and to hold the same to
them and their heirs in fee simple forever.

Fourthly I give and devise to my daughters Flora and
Frances all of the tract or tracts of land on which
I live containing my farm and mansion house,
not otherwise devised or conveyed, to them and to
hold to them and their heirs in fee simple forever.

Fifthly I give and bequeath to the aforesaid daughters
Flora and Frances all of my household and kitchen
furniture, together with all of my stock of cattle and
sheep, all to them and their heirs and, at their
disposal in fee simple for ever.

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty
friend John A. Edwards my lawful executor.

this my last Will and Testament according
to the true intent and meaning of the same
and every part, and clause thereof.
In witness whereof, I the said Neil Buie
do hereunto set my hand and seal this
the 11th day of May Anno Domini 1880

Neil Buie (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and declared
by the said Neil Buie 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

L. J. Carroll.
N. C. Clark.

State of North Carolina }
Bladen County } Probate of Will.
A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament
of Neil Buie, deceased, is exhibited before me
the undersigned Judge of Probate for Bladen
county, by J. A. Edwards, the executor therein named,
and the due execution thereof by the said Neil
Buie, by the oath and examination of L. J. Carroll
and N. C. Clark, who being duly sworn doth
depone any say, and each for himself de-
poseth and saith that he is a subscribing
witness to the paper writing now shown him
purporting to be the last will and testament
of Neil Buie, in presence of this deponent.
The said Neil Buie subscribed his name at the
end of said paper writing, which is now shown
as aforesaid and which bears date of the 11th
day of May 1880. And the deponent further saith
that said Neil Buie, the testator aforesaid, did
at the time of subscribing his name aforesaid,
declare the said paper writing as aforesaid,
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 my 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 subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid, the said Neil Burt 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.

Given to and subscribed }
before me this 7th day of } L. J. Carroll.
June 1880 } D. C. Clark.

E. J. Ingletary
Judge of Probate

Will of
Matthew W. Byrd

Thus my last will and testament made this the twenty first day of October in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy five. At my death I bequeath my soul to God who gave it. I bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah the place wherein I now lie containing one hundred and forty acres of land and all the improvements thereon with all the stock consisting of hogs cattle, horses, sheep, in fact all stock that I am possessed of at my decease to have and during her lifetime with household and kitchen furniture and farming implements. I bequeath to my daughter Catharine Elizabeth the home tract of land at the death of my wife Sarah, containing one hundred and forty acres of land, also one hundred and seventeen and a half acres known as the Cromartie land, also fifty acres on the south side of the house tract running into Dary Gam, also fifty acres adjoining the above on the west side of Dary Gam.

I bequeath to my grandson William Richardson McBride one hundred acres of land known as the Swamp place in the Dary Gam also fifty acres adjoining the above and the Jones land, also one hundred acres patented by P. W. McBride and adjoining the Cromartie tract lying in and on Cypress creek. I give and bequeath to my granddaughter Ella Frances McBride one hundred acres of land on the Horse Pen Branch known as the Margaret Henry land. I give and bequeath six hundred and forty acres of land patented by myself and Nicholson West and lying on Cypress creek one half to my daughter Catharine Elizabeth and the other half to my grandchildren William Richardson and Ella Frances McBride to sell or divide as they may see proper.

At the death of my wife Sarah I leave all the perishable property consisting of horses, hogs, cattle, sheep, all household and farming implements to be divided one half to