

hand writing - whereupon it was ordered by the Court that the said last Will and Testament be recorded, placed on file among the records of this Court.
 Given under my hand and seal this 7th day of May 1838

In the name of God Amen
 I Sanders Simmons of the State of North Carolina and County of Bladen, being of sound mind and memory, do hereby declare to you the 24th day of October in the Year of our Lord 1836, make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner following that is to say, After my death,
 First it is my Will and desire that all my last cost and charges should be paid, then, Second that my loving wife Ann Maricks should have all my stock of Cattle Horses and Dogs, and shup my Blacksmith tools, and all my Farming tools of every description all my household and kitchen furniture and I further give and bequeath unto her my Crop of all kinds, and the remainder of my personal money coming after my death.
 And I hereby make and ordain my worthy friend John Hair Jun^r Executor of my last Will and Testament
 In witness whereof I the said Sanders Simmons to this my last Will and Testament set my hand and seal, the day and year above written.

Sanders. Simmons test

Signed Sealed and Published and declared by the said Sanders Simmons The Testator as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who were present at the signing and sealing thereof.

State of North Carolina
 Bladen County

In the name of God Amen
 I Robt Bright of the state and County of said being in good health and of sound and disposing mind and memory do hereby make publish and declare this as my last will and testament in manner and form following

1st I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Roxanna Bright all my property both real and personal with privilege to sell the same for her support if required during her natural life.

2nd I leave unincumbered one head and bedding at the disposal of my wife Roxanna Bright to give to whom she may wish.

3rd I give devise and bequeath to John B Brown John Owen and David Gillespie all my property both real and personal after the death of my wife Roxanna Bright upon this special trust and confidence that they the survivors or survivor will hold all the property in trust for the sole use and benefit of my daughter Roxanna Bright wife of John Bright and the heirs of her body for and during her natural life and then for the use and benefit of such of her children as may be living at the time of her death and then their heirs and assigns forever.

4th Also it is my sincere and last wish and desire that John B Brown John Owen and David Gillespie divide the property left in this trust as follows.

After the death of my wife Roxanna Bright I give and bequeath all my property both both real and personal except twenty dollars hereafter to be disposed of to Robt Simpson the son of my wife daughter and the plantation on which I now live to William Henry to my daughter Roxanna Bright and the heirs of her body during her natural life.

And in case of the death of either of the children the whole property to be divided between the surviving children of her body
 5th I give and bequeath to Robt Simpson the son of my wife's daughter twenty dollars
 6th I give and bequeath to William Henry Bright after the death of his mother the plantation on which I live containing eighty five acres more or less and in case of his death to be equally divided between surviving children of his mother.
 I nominate constitute and appoint my wife Roxanna Bright Executor and John B Brown and John Cowan Executors of this my last will and testament
 Jan 22 1829 Robt Bright Test

Signed sealed published and declared as and for the last will and testament of the said Robt Bright in presence of us who have signed our names in the presence of said testator and in presence of each other

Edward J. Bernard.

In the name of "God Amen"
 I James Smith of Bladen County and state of North Carolina do this the 12th day of August in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven make and declare this my last will and testament as follows =

- 1st my Will is that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid by my Executors.
 - 2nd That my estate be disposed of and divided in the manner as the Laws of North Carolina direct with the exception that my wife choose the household and kitchen furniture, farming utensils and all the stock of every description what she may think necessary for her use.
 - 3rd If my wife and children that are not of age agree to a sale of my real estate in that case I give and direct that my Executors sell all or any part of my Real Estate for so much cash or give a liberal credit to enhance a value securing the said debt by Bonds and Mortgage. And the proceeds from such sale be valued as personal estate and divided accordingly.
- Lastly I do hereby make and declare my sons, Thomas Smith and John Smith Executors of this my last will and testament.

In Witness whereof I James Smith to this my said Will and Testaments set my hand and seal on the day and Year first above written

James Smith Seal

March 1st 1848 - If my bloodied Mare Caroline or her Colt should not be disposed of before my death I give to my son Thomas the aforesaid Mare and to my son John the said Colt, But should either the Mare or the Colt, be disposed of the one to whose use they are so disposed of not be considered as having been paid for the same and the other to him as directed in the further division of my estate. That Major Brown be charged with the account which I shall leave against him as shown on my Books, as money so advanced also the