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Will of
William King, dec'd

State of North Carolina

Bladen County

I William King of the county and State aforesaid being in feeble health of body but of sound mind and understanding do make this my last will and testament in witness and form following I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary King all my property both real and personal at my death during her natural then at her death my will and desire is that all my land on the east side of Cape Fear river be sold and all my just debts be paid and my grandchildren J. King Elizabeth D. King and Martha D. King heirs of E. B. King deceased, and wife Francis H. King be paid each fifty dollars and their mother Francis H. King be paid fifty cents and the remainder of any to be equally divided among my four children. Then the land on the west side of said river I wish divided equally among my other children William A. King, Adeline Kennedy and Lucy B. Brantly, the perishable property to be equally divided among my four children and lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my eldest son William A. King my lawful executor this my last will and testament in witness whereof I the said William King do hereunto set my hand and seal this 5th day of July 1853

W. M. King (Seal)

Signed, sealed and declared by the said William King 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

John C. Daniel
John B. Love
Thomas S. Evans

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I give unto my son Marsden King one-fourth of my land on the west side of Cape Fear river including the forty acres on which he now lives which he already has a deed for

Thomas S. Evans
John B. Love

William King (Seal)

North Carolina

Bladen County

Superior Court

November 30th 1853.

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of William King deceased, is exhibited for probate in open court by William A. King in whose hands the said will was lodged for safekeeping by the said deceased and the due execution thereof by the said William King is proved by the oath and examination of John C. Daniel and Thomas S. Evans 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 William King and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed

C. F. Melvin C. J.

North Carolina
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William A. King, the executor named in the last will and testament of William King, deceased, comes into open court and duly qualifies as such by taking the oath of office as executor as required by law.

C. F. Melvin C. J.