

I shall be entitled at the time of my decease to be equally divided between my mother Sarah Stancill and my sister Mary D. Stancill (by will of their own choosing) to have and to hold the same to them and their executors administrators and assigns to them and their heirs forever, And I do nominate and appoint my uncle Willie Stancill to be the executor of this my last will and testament, my testimony whereof I the said Jesse Stancill have here subscribed my name and affixed my seal this twenty fifth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty three.

Jesse Stancill

My said uncle Jesse Stancill to be his last will and testament in presence of us who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as witnesses hereinafter the presence of each other.

Richard C. Jones

W. B. Barker

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions

Pitt County November Term 1863

There as the within and foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Jesse R. Stancill duly exhibited in open court for probate by Wiley Stancill the executor therein named and Richd C. Jones and W. B. Barker the subscribing witnesses thereto being duly sworn testified that they heard Jesse R. Stancill declare it to be and that he published it as his last will and testament in their presence that he was at the time thereof of sound and disposing mind and memory and that they signed the said paper as witnesses in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other. The said paper writing is thereupon admitted to probate and the same and every part thereof is considered by the Court to be and contain the last will and testament of the said Jesse R. Stancill and sufficient to pass both real & personal estate. The same is ordered to be recorded & filed & the said Wiley Stancill executor as aforesaid duly qualified by taking the oath required by law & giving bond in the sum of Twenty thousand dollars with Henry Stancill & Thos. Stancill as sureties.

G. A. Dancy Clerk

I William Lawrence Pollard of the County of Pitt and State of North Carolina being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and declare this to be my last will and Testament in manner and form as follows.

Item 1 After the payment of all my just debts it is my wish that my wife Elizabeth Jane Pollard shall hold use possess and have undisputed control over all my property of every kind and description and the proceeds and profits of every arising therefrom so long as she remains unmarried and should she continue unmarried to hold and use the same during her lifetime. Now if by the marriage with this testator my said wife shall give <sup>birth</sup> to a lawful child or children then and in that case I give and bequeath all my property of every kind to such child or children.

The property to revert immediately on the remarriage or death of my said wife and in case there is no such lawful child or children I give and bequeath after the remarriage or death of my said wife Elizabeth Jane, all my property of every kind and description to my beloved brother James A. Pollard. In testimony whereof I the said William Lawrence Pollard have to this my last Will and Testament hereunto set my hand and seal. This 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 1862

W. L. Pollard

W. M. B. Brown

W. S. Bullock

William L. Pollard

Seal

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There was a paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of William L. Pollard brought into Court by his Father Benjamin Pollard and offered for probate when the due execution thereof was proved in due form of Law by the oath of W. M. B. Brown one of the subscribing witnesses and the other witness W. S. Bullock being dead his hand writing was proved by the oath of said W. M. B. Brown. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said last will & Testament be recorded.

G. A. Dancy Clerk

I Robert Tugwell of the County of Pitt 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. That my executor (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my friends (if it can be consistently done) according to the wishes of my friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts howsoever and to howsoever owing out of moneys that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate. Item I leave to my beloved wife Delpha the tract of land where I now live with all of the improvements thereto belonging during her widowhood or natural life and at her death or marrying again I then give it to my child Caroline Tugwell and to her heirs in fee simple forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my said beloved wife Delpha all of my household & kitchen furniture during her widowhood or natural life and at her death to go to my Daughter Caroline and to her heirs in fee simple forever.

Item I leave to my beloved wife Delpha all the balance of my estate consisting of money & notes during her term of natural life or widowhood and in case of her marrying again I give it to my daughter Caroline and her heirs forever.

Item It is my wish and desire that all of the residue of my estate (if any) shall be sold by my executor, if not sufficient to pay all of my just debts and expenses, shall collect out of my notes and pay them.

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