

thing, I can, and have not mentioned or disposed of in some other way-

My Executor will buy for my son Nathaniel Burwell a Cold Watch, such an one as Mr Warwick bought for Charles <sup>Jr</sup> Burwell, and present the same to my son in my name and tell him he will have as much as he will know what to do with. I give my Watch to my Grandson Nathaniel Burwell - I give to my said Grandson all my Silver (a small matter) -

My Executor will pay Mrs Lucy A. Bowyer, regularly, in January and July, Sixty Dollars, the amount of her annuity (One Hundred and Twenty Dollars) Given under my hand and Seal this twenty eighth day of January 1862.

N. Burwell

At Roanoke August Court 1866.

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Nathaniel Burwell deceased, was produced in Court this day and there being no subscribing witnesses thereto, H. A. Edmundson and Bernard Pitzer were sworn, and severally made oath that they are well acquainted with the Testator's handwriting, and truly believe the said writing and the name thereto subscribed to be wholly written by the Testator's own hand.

Whereupon the said paper is ordered to be recorded as the true last Will and Testament of the said Nathaniel Burwell deceased. And on the motion of Charles W. Burwell the Executor therein named, who made oath thereto, and acknowledged a Bond (the said Will not requiring security) in the penalty of \$10,000 with condition according to law he is appointed Executor of the said Nathaniel Burwell deceased.

A Copy from the records of Court.

Teste

Hon. McCauley Clerk.

In the name of God, Amen: I, Joseph Moore of the County of Roanoke & State of Virginia being old and afflicted, but of sound mind and memory do make & constitute this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, viz: Item first - I desire that all my just debts of every kind and nature be paid out of my Estate as soon as practicable after my death -

Item It is my will and desire that my beloved wife Mary Moore have the use of all my property of every kind and description without taking an Inventory or having it appraised

so long as she lives, provided, however I desire that she should pay out of my Estate such legacies as is hereafter specified, viz: To Virginia P. Pass one young heifer about eighteen month old & to Mansfield M. Moore one young heifer of the same age & to Cephas H. Moore & to Esprit S. Moore & to Benjamin F. Moore & to Agnes C. Moore to each of them one heifer of about specified & to each of them the four last named one feather bed corresponding in value to the beds given the other children. And at the death of my said beloved wife It is my desire that all my estate left by her both real & perishable may be equally divided amongst all her children & their heirs. And I hereby appoint my two sons W. D. Moore & M. H. Moore my Executors to carry this my last Will into effect without their giving any security to the Court - Given under my hand & Seal this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 1863.

Joseph Moore

At Roanoke County Court, September Term 1866.

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Joseph Moore deceased was this day produced in Court and it was proved by the oaths of Wm Woods and Peter Surfact that they are acquainted with the handwriting of the said Joseph Moore, and that the said paper and the signature thereto are wholly in his handwriting. And thereupon the said paper is admitted to record as his last Will and Testament.

And on the motion of Napoleon S. Moore one of the Executors therein named, (H. M. Moore the other Executor named therein having declined to qualify as Executor), who made oath thereto, (no security being required by the Will), entered into and acknowledged a Bond in the penalty of \$300, conditioned according to law, the said Napoleon S. Moore is permitted to qualify as Executor of Joseph Moore deceased.

A Copy from the records of Court.

Hon. McCauley Clerk.

David Burkitt

I, David Burkitt of the County of Roanoke in the State of Virginia, do make the following as my last Will & Testament.

- 1<sup>st</sup> I direct that all of my just debts be paid.
2. After the payment of my debts and burial expenses, it is my Will that my land be sold by my Executor hereafter named, so soon as my son Peyton D. Burkitt arrives at lawful age which will be in January 1867 - and out of the proceeds of sale, that my said Executor pay to my wife Nancy Burkitt a child's <sup>part</sup> or sixth thereof and likewise a sixth part to each of my five children or their heirs - viz: Mary E. Muse, Jane H. Martin, Catharine W. Ony, Frances H. Shober, and Peyton D. Burkitt. It is also my will that my little personal property be sold by my Executor, and the proceeds applied to the payment of my debts. The

personal property may be sold as soon after my decease as my Executor may choose.

I hereby appoint Samuel H. C. Greenwood the Executor of this my last Will & Testament and empower him to convey my tract of land to the purchaser, when the purchase money is all paid.

Witness my hand, <sup>and</sup> seal this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March 1864.

Witness  
J. Johnston  
G. B. Fitzgerald  
David Burket 

At Roanoke County Court August Term 1866. The last Will and Testament of David Burket dec'd was this day produced in Court and proved according to law by the oaths of J. Johnston and G. B. Fitzgerald subscribing witnesses thereto and the admission to record of said Will is continued until next Court for the payment of the U. S. stamp tax.

And at Roanoke February Court 1867.

The last will and Testament of David Burket dec'd was this day again produced in Court and the U. S. stamp tax thereon having been paid the same is ordered to be admitted to record. And Samuel H. C. Greenwood the Executor named therein having declined to qualify as such, and the motion of John W. Muse who made oath thereto, and together with Samuel H. C. Greenwood his security, entered into and acknowledged a Bond in the penalty of two hundred dollars conditioned according to law, the said John W. Muse is appointed administrator with the will annexed of David Burket dec'd.

A copy from the records of Court.  
Teste

W<sup>m</sup> M. Cauley Clerk.

Emeline Sowers I Emaline Sowers of the County of Roanoke & State of Virginia do make this Writing as and for my last Will & Testament hereby revoking all other writings, which I may have heretofore executed as Testamentary Papers. I give to my Husband John A. Sowers, should he survive me, during his natural life all the property, which I may own at my death, real, mixed & personal, wherever situated to be used & enjoyed by him during his life & without accountability for any loss or depreciation thereof by use, natural decay or the death of animals.

At the death of my said Husband (he surviving me) I give all my Land & real property wherever situated to my two youngest Daughters Emma & Lizzie, to be equally divided between them in kind or else to be sold by a Decree of a Court of Equity should it be to the interest of my said Daughters so to do & the proceeds of sale divided between them.

I also give to each of my said two Daughters a good bedstead & bed with sufficient & usual bedding, a good piece of carpeting & a set of chairs out of my Household Furniture to be delivered to them at the death of my said Husband or by him during his life should he think proper to do so.

The rest of my personal property I give to equally to my sons & the Descendants of such of them as may be dead, to be divided between them at the death of my said Husband.

If at any time during his life my said Husband should think it proper and advisable to surrender the whole or any portion of my property to my Children as is herein directed after his death, he is fully authorized to do so, taking care to have a suitable Guardian appointed by the Court to hold the property of such of the Children as may be Minors.

If furthermore, at any time and for any reason he should think it advisable to change the form & kind of investment of my property, he is fully authorized to do so by sale or exchange or in any other manner to hold the proceeds of sale or exchange as herein provided for the property itself, taking the use & profits to himself during his life and at his death to descend to my Children as I have directed. In the event of a sale of my property, he is empowered to reinvest the proceeds of such sale as he may think best.

He will take care to keep accurate & full statements & accounts so that the proceeds of the sale of my Land & realty or the subject of its re-investment or of its exchange or of any other disposition which is made of it shall descend & go to my said two Daughters Emma & Lizzie & that the proceeds or re-investment or exchange of the personalty shall go to my sons, except the bed, bedstead, bedding, carpeting & chairs which I give my said two Daughters, which shall be furnished them either out of such as I may own at my death or from the proceeds of the sale or exchange of the personal property. To prevent all misapprehension I declare my purpose to be to provide for my Husband during his life - that after his death my property shall go to my Children as hereinbefore directed, that the proceeds of the sale of the Land & realty or of its exchange in whatever form it may be placed or invested, shall go as the Land & realty itself would have done & the same as to the personal property the proceeds of the sale or exchange of which, or whatever it may be re-invested in to go as I have directed for the personalty itself, should it remain in kind at the death of my Husband.

I appoint my <sup>said</sup> Husband John A. Sowers my Executor.

Acknowledged before us

& in the presence of each other  
as the Will of Mrs Emaline Sowers.

W<sup>m</sup> Watts  
Ananias May

Emeline Sowers.

At Roanoke County Court February Term 1867.

The last Will and Testament of Mrs Emaline Sowers deceased was this day produced in Court and proved according to law by the oaths of William Watts and Ananias May subscribing witnesses thereto and thereupon admitted to record. And on the motion of J. A. Sowers the Executor therein named who made oath thereto and together with J. T. Terry and J. M. Ferguson his securities entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of four thousand dollars conditioned according to law, the said J. A. Sowers is permitted to qualify as Executor of Emeline Sowers deceased.

A copy from the records of Court. Teste

W<sup>m</sup> M. Cauley Clerk.