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willed by
Royal Writ
of July 1867
test.

W. H. H. H.

My live sons, Samuel and James, my Tract of Land containing 896
Acres to be equally divided between them, according to quantity and qual-
ity. Samuel is to have the Old Mansion House; In case they can not
Make a division, they are to select three respectable and intelligent men
to divide it for them, to them and their heirs forever. - Fourthly
I devise and bequeath unto my son Samuel one Negro woman named
Esther, and all her increase, also one Negro boy named Henry, all my
Stock of Horses, Cattle, Hogs, and Sheep also all my farming utensils
of every description with all my Horse gear, to him and his heirs forever
Also to my son Samuel and my grand son George Crawford all
my House hold and Kitchen furniture of every description to them
and their heirs forever. Fifth I devise and bequeath unto my grand
son George Crawford one Negro woman named Adeline, with all her
increase that she may have hereafter, to him and his heirs forever.
Sixth I paid One hundred dollars for my daughter Mary Gordon
which I bequeath to her heirs it being her portion of my estate which I in-
tended for her to have and no more. - Seventh I devise and bequeath unto
my daughter Jane Lebetter Ten dollars, and to my daughter Ann
Weyers Five dollars to be paid to them or their heirs in one year after my
decease. - It is my will and desire, that all my Stock of grain and
hay, of whatever kind on hand at the time of my decease, is to go to
my son Samuel and my large family Wills and every thing else not
herebefore disposed of, to him and his heirs forever. Also all Notes, bonds,
and accounts due me at the time of my decease I give to my son Samuel
and his heirs forever. And lastly I constitute and appoint my two
sons Samuel and James Crawford and Benjamin Heyerd executors
of this my last will and testament revoking all other heretofore made
by me - In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and af-
fixed my Seal this sixth day of January in the year of our Lord One thou-
sand Eight hundred and fifty four.

Signed Sealed

and acknowledged

in presence of us

Chas. Armstrong

James E. Day

Samuel Hofanger

James ^{his} Crawford ^{Seal}
W. H. H.

At Roanoke November Court 1862

The last Will and Testament of James Crawford Sen. de-
ceased was this day produced in Court and proved according to law
by the Oaths of Chas. Armstrong and Samuel Hofanger subscribing
witnesses thereto, and is ordered to be recorded.

Test. St. Johnston Clerk

Elizabeth Johnston, D. Elizabeth Johnston of the County of Roanoke and State of Virginia
being of sound and disposing mind do make this my last will and testament
revoking all previous wills. Item 1st I will that my funeral expenses, and
all my just debts be paid by my executors out of the first money which they receive
from my estate. - Item 2nd I will that all my Estate both real and personal
be sold, and do hereby cloth and empower my Executors with full and complete
authority to enable them to dispose of my real estate in such a way as they may
deem most advantageous, I do also empower them to make such a deed for the
same. I will that my Executors do reserve a portion of ground sufficient for
a family burying ground, and also that a way of acup be reserved to the same
and also do request my Executors to secure said burying ground for the purpose a-
bove mentioned. Item 3rd I will that my Negroes be allowed the privilege of
selecting their Master or mistress, and that they be sold at valuation or appraisement
Item 4th I will that \$15000 Fifteen thousand dollars be held and secured by
my Executors as an interest fund for the benefit of my son John wife and a
few Children, the intent to be paid them annually, for their support, and as
each one of the Children arrives at the age of 21 Years, then my Executors pay
to them their proportionate share \$2500 Two thousand five hundred dollars
reserving an equal share for the support of their mother, and should any of
these Children in my Executors opinion be incapacitated to manage, or likely
to spend this legacy, I wish my Executors to secure said legacy allowing them
the intent annually. Item 5 I will and bequeath to each of my son William
son (then) John, James, and Thomas the sum of \$2000 Two thousand dollars
Item 6th I will that \$2000 Two thousand dollars be held and secured by my
Executors for the benefit (of my grand daughter) Eliza H. Segaw and her
Children and that the intent be paid her annually. Item 7th I will to
my grand son David L. Winks the sum of \$2000 Two thousand dollars
Item 8th I will that \$2000 Two thousand dollars be held and secured
by my Executors for the benefit of Elizabeth W. Sen and Children and that
the intent shall accrue directly to her during her life. Item 9th I will
that \$500 Five hundred dollars be paid my grand son John H. Johnston
son of John W. Johnston dead the same being in compliance of a bequest
made by his Grand father, and I believe, he will then have received more
than his namesake, having been supported and educated in part from
the Estate. Item 10th I will and bequeath to the Presbyterian Church at Roanoke
the sum of \$1000 One thousand dollars and that my Executors do pay
the same over to the proper persons appointed by said Church to receive
the same. - Item 11th I will that my son Joseph H. Johnston be released both
now and forever from the force and obligation of a Bond which he exe-
cuted in qualifying as Executor of his Father's Estate and do hereby certify
that he has never received any portion of said Estate in his hands and
that he was prevented by my influence. Item 12th After all my specific
legacies have been paid, reserved or secured as the several provisions
mentioned may require, I will the entire balance of Estate to my Executors
and that they do invest the same in western lands, or in such other way
as they deem most advantageous and profitable, and do also empower
them with full and complete authority to manage and control the same
requiring of them that if within the term of two years (after my death)
any of my Children should be unfortunate and require help I

wish my Executors to aid and assist them, in such a way as they may think best. I also include Eliza H. Logan and David C. Shanks as entitles the above provision instead of their Mother Susan W. Shanks and at the expiration of ten years should the investment or funds prove to have increased in a profitable ratio, I will that my Executors do divide the same as they may think best. Item 13th. I will and appoint Joseph H. Johnston, George H. Johnston and David C. Shanks as my Executors and having the utmost Confidence in them it is my request that the Court require no Security of them. Witness my hand & Seal this 2nd day of Sept. 1856

D. O. White
G. H. Shanks

Elizabeth Johnston

At Hancock August Court 1862

The last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Johnston deceased was this day produced in Court and proved in part by the oath of George W. Shanks one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. The hand writing of Chilion O. White the other subscribing witness thereto (who is dead) was also proved by the Oaths of the said George W. Shanks & St. Johnston and thereupon the said Will is admitted to record

Test. St. Johnston Clerk

Michael Miller. In the name of God, Amen. I, Michael Miller of the County of Hancock being at this time in good health and of sound mind and memory get feeling the uncertainty of life and being desirous of making some disposition of my Estate before I die, I do hereby make this my last Will and Testament first of all I give to my ^{dear} Theresa all the goods and all the property she brought with her when she came here with me, and secondly it is my Will that my Executors or shall give my wife One thousand dollars in Cash she should survive me and I also give her the half of my house when we live in her life time. Thirdly I give to my son George H. Miller and my daughter Sallie Miller the plantation wherein we live containing four hundred ^{acres} and I give it to them and their heirs forever second it is my will that any thing the rest or want at my sale they can take at the appraisement. Fourthly it is my will that the growing crop of wheat or corn that is sown or planted George and Sallie above named shall have one half of the growing crop after it is made and it is finished. Fourthly it is my will that George and Sallie shall furnish and cut the fire wood ready to burn they shall also pasture and winter one Cow and one horse for my wife Theresa, I shall charge them forty dollars per acre and if the fifth part do not come to as much as the plantation they are not to pay it out until after the death of my wife Theresa. I also give her one third of the garden to plant and sow and she is to have two barrels of flour and two barrels of corn from the plantation every year as long as she lives also two hundred weight of Bacon. Fifthly it is my will and desire that my River Plantation containing two hundred and thirty six acres be sold by my Executors or shall make to the purchaser a deed of conveyance for the same one half down the month

after sale and the remainder in four annual payments. I wish and direct my Executors to sell a small tract of wood land containing thirty six acres adjoining my home plantation to be sold upon the same conditions as the other and they shall take security of the purchaser and alien on the land above named. Fifthly it is my desire that my Executors receive ten per cent for selling and collecting the money for the land for their trouble in regard to the same. In regard to the sale may be made privately or publicly as my Executors may deem best. Sixthly it is my will that Antoinette and Nancy his wife shall stay in the plantation that George and Sallie shall have them at a le molleration price is also my will that all my negroes shall be valued to themselves and ready divided. It is my wish that Harriet, Leodomus, Asa Ellen and Jimmie and Dayton, Charles and Vena and Archer shall have the privilege of choosing their Master or Mistress. It is my desire that my daughter Sallie shall have Vena and a good horse Sallie without any charge for staying at home so long and making house so long for me. Eighth. it is my will that all the money, land, and the sale of the land shall be equally divided between Sallie, Hannah, Jack, Leannor, Edmund, and John. I wish to make my children as equal as possible. Ninth. it is my wish that my son George and Sallie is to keep up the Grandsons and if any one of them wish, will to sell they can purchase from each other but not sell to a stranger the price is not to charge more than forty dollars per acre. Tenth. to make my dear children as equal as I can, all my money and my personal property will be divided among the six to make all equal only Hannah, I shall only leave it to her, George and Sallie my home plantation and I have given Sallie all the house and furniture in what is called the back room and charged in my book. Tenth. It is to be understood that all my advancement by me to my children are to be accounted for. For the same having been charged to them by note. I have the note of most of them. It is my will that one sixth part of money that will be coming to my daughter Hannah. I leave it to her it shall be paid out in land and she shall have the use of it her natural life and after her death it shall be equally divided among her children. I also have an Academy of land on all the funeral property it can be found in the Clerk's office I forgot to mention that I also give my dearest girl Anna to my wife to wait on her, her life time and after her death, and after her death she will fall back, entirely and solely constituted and appoint my son Jacob and George Executors of my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all others, declaring this to be my last will and Testament and Sallie if any of my heirs is not satisfied he or she shall be cut off with one hundred dollars. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set and first my seal this 25 day of May 1861

Signed, sealed and acknowledged in our presence who then together by the Testator
Jacob Miller
H. A. Holland
Peter Sherry

Michael Miller

At Hancock May Court 1862
This last Will and Testament of Michael Miller dec^d was produced in Court and proved according to law by the Oaths of Jacob Miller and H. A. Holland subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded

Test. St. Johnston Clerk