

Will and Signatures thereto are drawn by the oaths of Albert G. Read and Henry E. Blair to be wholly in the handwriting of said W. D. Sims, and therupon the said paper is ordered to be recorded as his last Will & Testament. Had a witness of David J. Read the encounter therin named, she made oath thereto, and acknowledged a Bond (the said Will set again security) in the penalty of \$75.00 with condition according to law, he is appointed Executor of the said W. D. Sims, d. 3  
Date John Littrell

Moses Nelsons. Being somewhat advanced in years, and in my body health, I do make my last Will & Testament - I will & bequeath to my sister Matilda Preston my horse and Buggy. To my nieces Matilda Lunsford and Jessie Lunsford and my nephews Samuel Lunsford each three hundred dollars a piece. To my nephew Charles Lunsford ten dollars. To my nephew Samuel Nelson Three Hundred Dollars. To my niece Ann Nelson three hundred dollars. To my nephew Presby Nelson two hundred dollars. To my nephew James Nelson two hundred dollars. To my nephew Davidridge Nelson two hundred dollars. To my niece Sarah Lunsford three hundred dollars. To my niece Fannie A. Lunsford three hundred dollars. To my niece Mrs. H. Holly, Samuel Lunsford three hundred dollars. To my niece Anna Maria Lunsford three hundred dollars. To my nephew John Lunsford Three hundred dollars. To my sister Elizabeth Lunsford four hundred dollars. To my Nephew Charles J. Preston four hundred dollars. To my nephew Messy Preston four hundred dollars. To my sister Matilda Preston fifty dollars. To John H. Holly One hundred dollars. To my brother Abram Nelson five dollars, and to each of Abram Nelson's children five dollars a piece; and the remainder after paying my just debts to be equally divided between my two sisters Matilda Preston and Elizabeth Lunsford. I appoint William B. Preston and John H. Smith my Executors. The money that I will to my nieces Matilda Lunsford and Jessie Lunsford and my nephews Samuel Lunsford, to be managed by William B. Preston and John H. Smith, and paid over for their benefit when needed. I appoint my Executor without security. Given under my hand the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June 1857.

Witnesses

Jam. W. Holly

Gepp Richardson

John H. Smith

Moses Nelsons

At Roanoke October Court 1857  
This last Will and Testament of Moses Nelson, d. 3, was produced in Court and proved according to law by the oaths of John H. Smith and Gepp Richardson, subscriber thereto. It is ordered to be recorded.

John Littrell

I, John Littrell being weak and failing in health but of sound mind and disposing memory, do make and deliver the following to be my last Will and Testament, and hereby declare all other Wills and Testaments made heretofore by me - that is to say - It is my will and desire that my wife Catharine shall have during her life all my Property whether real or personal to be used by her in such manner as she shall desire to make her comfortable. And it is also my will and desire that my wife Catharine shall at her death, or at any time that she may think fit during her life, make such disposition of the Property whether real or personal as to her may seem right and proper. Do testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October 1857.

Signed & Acknowledged in the presence of the following witness,

Chas L. Snyder

Abner J. Goodwin

At Roanoke November Court 1857

The last Will and Testament of John Littrell deceased on this day produced in Court and proved according to law by the oaths of Chas L. Snyder and Abner J. Goodwin subscriber being witness thereto, and is ordered to be recorded.

A Copy from the Record of County Court  
Tutor John Hunter C.

Elijah McLeanahan

In the name of God, amen. I, Elijah McLeanahan of the County of Roanoke and State of Virginia, do make & publish my last Will and Testament, hereby declaring this and none other to be my last Will and Testament. Item 1<sup>d</sup>. It is my will and desire that my Executor hereafter named pay all my just debts and funeral expenses out of any and the first money that he can command from my Estate.

Item 2<sup>d</sup>. I give to my daughter Catharine, now Johnson, Jones a Negro girl by name Judith which my wife gave to her before her decease but did not get taken away by her. I also give to my said daughter a small Negro boy by the name of Austin which she has had in possession some time past. These two negroes are independent of my Remaining Estate.

Item 3<sup>d</sup>. I give to my daughter Jane, wife of Rev. James A. Lewis, the two Negroes, Betsy and Bob which they now have in possession with their increase, to her and her heirs. But I will that should my said daughter and her husband wish to return the said two Negroes, to my Estate at my decease, I then direct that my Executrix pay the said two Negroes in with my other Negroes for division or sell them to good masters and pay to my said daughter a fair cash sum for them in a reasonable time. These two negroes together with \$1000 in Cash which I gave to my daughter shortly after her marriage, is not