

writing witnesses thereto, and thereupon said will was ordered to be recorded as the true last will and testament of said Wm. D. Scruggs deceased.

And on motion of Wm. D. Scruggs, named in said will, as executor, he was this day permitted to qualify as executor of the estate of the said Wm. D. Scruggs, deceased, and thereupon, the said Wm. D. Scruggs, together with Annie Scruggs, his surety, who qualified as to her sufficiency, entered into and acknowledged as bond in the penalty of \$200. conditioned according to law, certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate of said will in due form, A copy. Teste:

Thos. D. Preston D.C.

M. W. Strickland

I, M. W. Strickland, in my own hand writing, knowing that it is <sup>now</sup> appointed for all men to die, do make and constitute this my last will and Testament in the year of our Lord, Eighteen hundred and ninety one, October the 16<sup>th</sup>, after all of my just debts are paid.

1<sup>st</sup> I leave to my son James T. Strickland \$250. two hundred and fifty dollars in money.

2<sup>nd</sup> I leave to my son E. T. Strickland \$200. in money two hundred and fifty dollars and he is to pay back to my estate the sum of \$329.40 three hundred and twenty nine dollars forty cents without interest the amount of a note I hold against him executed the 27<sup>th</sup> day of October 1888.

3<sup>rd</sup> I leave to my son M. C. Strickland \$200 two hundred and fifty dollars the amount of a note I hold against him and interest executed the 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 1889.

4<sup>th</sup> the balance of my estate I leave to my wife Martha T. Strickland my daughters Susan L. Norburn and Marie V. Strickland shall have all of my property of every description lands and tenements money, notes stock of all kinds farming utensils house whale and kitchen furniture, in and all and every species of property of every kind belonging to me.

5<sup>th</sup> that my wife shall have the privilege of selecting her part of the estate above mentioned one third in what ever kind of property she prefers.

6<sup>th</sup> I also desire that my daughter Susan L. Norburn shall have two thirds of her interest placed in the purchase of a home for her self and the heirs of her body and the other one third of her interest to be employed in the education of her children.

7. My daughter Marie V. Strickland interest in my estate as above stated she has the privilege

of using it as she ~~she~~ thinks proper.

I leave as Executors of my estate my sons James G. Strickland, E. P. Strickland & M. C. Strickland.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand & seal date above mentioned.

M. W. Strickland (Seal)

• Codicil

April the 20, 1893. Since writing the above I have purchased a house & Lot in Danville Va for my Daughter Susan L. Norbourn at a cost of \$1147.63 which is that much paid towards her interest in my estate as above stated which she Susan L. Norbourn is to have for a home during her life and then to the heirs of her body and the remainder of her interest to be employed in Educating her Children as above stated.

M. W. Strickland (Seal)

• Codicil

April 15, 1898

I give and bequeath to my wife Martha M. Strickland one third interest in my estate after the payment of my just debts and the special legacies to my sons James G. Strickland E. P. Strickland and M. C. Strickland of \$200<sup>00</sup> each upon the condition that she never marries again, and in the event she does marry again then this bequest shall be null and void and of no effect.

M. W. Strickland

• April 6 1900 this Codicil to my will states that I want my Daughter Mary T. Strickland to have my house & Lot Bought from James K. Turner Bought of James K. Turner at my death at the death of my self & wife.

at the death of my self & wife which is to affect the house I gave my other Daughter Susan L. Norbourn

M. W. Strickland

• At a County Court of Roanoke County. begun and held, in and for the County aforesaid, on the 20th day of August 1900.

The last will & testament of M. W. Strickland bearing date as of October 16th 1891, and the Codicils thereto annexed, bearing date respectively, as of the 20th April 1893, the 15th April 1898, and the 6th April 1900, were



July 16, 1900

Wherein it may concern  
this is to certify that I hereby decline to give  
and receive some of the executors of my father  
will, the late M. W. Strickland of Salem Co.  
M. W. Strickland

a copy. Dated: Thos. L. Preston D.C.

I hereby decline to serve as executor  
of my father's will, the late M. W. Strickland  
of Salem Co., this Aug. 24, 1900.  
J. H. Strickland

a copy. Dated: Thos. L. Preston D.C.

this day produced in Court, and the said will and the  
codicils thereto annexed, above mentioned, were proved  
according to law, by the oaths of W. D. Critz, Frank H. Chelmer  
and J. H. Duncan, three credible witnesses, who, having  
been duly sworn, depose that they are well acquainted  
with the testators hand writing, and that they verify  
believe that said will & codicils, and every part thereof  
are in the hand writing of the said M. W. Strickland  
whose name is subscribed thereto, and that the same  
were wholly written by him & by his own hand, and  
that they, the said witnesses are not interested in said  
will or codicil thereto; and it appearing further  
from the oath of J. H. Strickland, that said will & the codicils  
thereto were found among the valuable papers & effects  
of decedent, Thereupon, the said will & annexed codicils  
are ordered to be recorded as the true last will and  
testament of the said M. W. Strickland decedent.

And it appearing to the Court from their resignations  
in writing, filed with said will & codicils, which are  
ordered to be recorded therewith that M. C. Strickland, and J. H.  
Strickland, two of the Executors named therein, have  
declined to qualify as such Executors. On motion of  
E. J. Strickland, the third Executor named in said will, &  
who made oath thereto, entered into and acknowledged  
a bond in the penalty of six thousand dollars (\$6000.00)  
giving as surety upon such bond, J. H. Strickland, who,  
after qualifying as to his sufficiency, duly executed and  
acknowledged the same, Conditioned as the law directs.  
Certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate of  
said will in due form, & he is permitted to act as  
said executor.

A true copy from the records.

Dated: Thos. L. Preston D.C.

• Rowan County Court,

Georgia, Fulton Co.

Jennie O. Powell.

In the name of God, Amen,

I, Jennie O. Powell, of the County of Fulton, and state of  
Georgia, being of sound and disposing mind & memory,  
and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs while  
I have strength so to do, do make and publish this  
my last will and testament, hereby revoking all wills  
by me at any time heretofore made. And first, I commit  
my soul to God who gave it, and my body I desire to  
be buried in my lot in the Cemetery at Salem Virginia,  
by the side of my husband Jacob C. Miller, and my world-  
ly estate, I dispose of as follows:-