

W. M. Cook
M. S. Munnally
John McCauley

At Roanoke November Court 1848, The last Will and Testament of Henry Brubaker dead, was this day produced in Court, and proved by the oaths of William M. Cook, and Mason S. Munnally, and on the motion of John Brubaker and Christian Warty, the Executors therein named, who made oath thereto, and together with Joel Brubaker and John Carst, their securities, entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of \$18,000 with condition according to law, certificate is granted them for obtaining a probat of the said Will in due form

A Copy from the Record of Court, Etc. St. Johnstone

Shepard

In the name of God Amen; I Michael Speards of the County of Roanoke, being frail & weak in body but of sound mind and memory for which I thank God, and calling to mind the uncertainty of human life & being desirous to dispose of such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless me with, I give and bequeath the same in manner following viz. Item 1st I desire my burials & funeral expenses to be paid, Item 2nd I desire all my just debts to be paid, Item 3rd I desire my wife Barbara Speards to have one third of all my real and personal estate during her natural life and possession of my mansion house and at her death to go back to my children as shall be hereafter named, I also give to my wife one carriage and harness one bearow one bed one saddle one cupboard with the furniture thereto belonging one set of silver spoons as a present; Item 4th I desire all my children to have an equal share of real and personal estate, as some have already received a part and it is my desire to make them all equal. Item 5th My Daughter Catharine Nichol has received ten hundred and thirty dollars, the land which I bought in Tennessee formerly belonging to Nichol her husband I give the house and property on the land to my daughter but the land I give to my grandsons Dewey and John I also give to Negro to my daughter to have and to hold during her life named Elias and Susan; 6th My daughter Elizabeth Even has already received five hundred & thirty eight dollars I also give her a Negro man named Stephen; Item 7th My son John Speards has received Twelve hundred and seventy seven dollars; Item 8th My daughter Susan Brown has received seven hundred and thirty seven dollars I also made trustee of my grandson Speards Brown to buy land for me in the Mispoura which land together with a Negro girl Matilda I give to my daughter Susan; Item 9th My daughter Mary Thomas has received one thousand and seventy two dollars I also give to my daughter Mary one Negro boy named Jim; Item 10th I think it best at my decease that my mill and ten acres of the lower part of my mountain barony be sold, Item 11th It is my desire that all the Negroes that I may have at my decease shall be divided that they shall be equal but none is to be sold out of the different families to which they may be allotted; Item 12th I appoint my son John Speards and Elias Thomas my executors

of this my last Will and Testament; in witness whereof I have hereto set my hand & affixed my seal this 28th day of December one thousand eight hundred & forty three

Witness
Robert Lewis
Samuel Phillips
Richard H. Phillips

Michael Speards (read)

At Roanoke January Court 1849; The last Will and Testament of Michael Speards dead was this day produced in Court, and proved by the oaths of Robert Lewis and Richard H. Phillips, subscribing witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded, and on the motion of John Speards & Elias Thomas, the Executors therein named, who made oath thereto and together with Benjamin Harris, Robert Lewis and James McCauley their securities, entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of \$8,000 conditioned as the law directs, a certificate is granted them for obtaining a probat of the same in due form

A Copy from the records of Court
Etc. St. Johnstone

Paul Thresher

In the name of God Amen; I Paul Thresher of the County of Roanoke and State of Virginia, being feeble in body but of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament. My soul I resign in the hands of my Creator who gave it and my body to the earth from whence it was taken to be buried in a decent & Christian like manner; First I desire that all my just be paid and also my funeral charges; Second, I give unto my beloved wife Sally Thresher the lands on which I now reside together with all my personal property of every kind during her natural life, third I give to George Daylong or Susan Daylong two hundred dollars exclusive of an equal division of the rest of my brothers & sisters - Fourth, I give to Paul Threshor son of Eldebeck Threshor two hundred dollars as a legacy; Fifth I give to Paul Threshor son to John Threshor two hundred dollars as a legacy; Sixth I give to Polly Short two hundred dollars as a legacy; Seventh, I direct my land & all of personal estate to be equally divided amongst all my brothers & sisters by sales of the property; Lastly I do hereby appoint my beloved wife Sally Thresher as my sole executrix without any security being required of her by the Court of Roanoke County as witness whereof I have hereto set my hand & affixed my seal this 20th day of November 1848
sign & acknowledged in presence of
Levi J. McKelley
Wm. Muse
Jesse Short
John Threshor

Paul Thresher (read)

At Roanoke January Court 1849; The last Will and Testament of Paul Thresher dead was this day produced in Court, & proved by the oaths of William Muse and Jesse Short, subscribing

witnesses thereto, and is ordered to be recorded, And on the Motion of Sarah Thrasher, the Executrix therein named, who made oath there, and entered into and acknowledges a bond in the penalty of \$400, conditioned as the Law directs, Certificate is granted her for obtaining a probate of the same in due form. It appearing to the Court that the said Executrix, by the said will, is not required to give any security for the due & faithful administration of said Estate.

A Copy from the Records of Court
Forte

J. Johnston

Ja. C. Langhorne

I James C. Langhorne being sick and weak in body but of sound mind, memory and understanding and considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and to the end that I may be the better prepared to leave this world, whenever it shall please God to call me home do therefore make and declare this my last will and testament that is to say in the first place having rendered certain services to the firm of N. & P. Dick of New Orleans, I only wish to be remunerated for the services rendered and any property in my hands or possession over and above a fair and just equivalent for my services I wish retained to them. Secondly I do give and bequeath to my mother Catherine Langhorne and to her heirs forever all my estate both real and personal either now in my possession or which may hereafter come into the possession of my Administrators or Executors and do hereby appoint my father William Langhorne trustee to carry into effect the above. I hereby appoint Henry A. Taylor and G. W. Miller Executors of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I, James C. Langhorne have to this my will consisting of one sheet of paper, set my hands and seal this third day of July Eighteen hundred and forty one signed,

signed sealed, published and declared by the above mentioned James C. Langhorne as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto signed,
Geo. Taylor
H. W. Reese
Henry S. Key

James C. Langhorne

Orphans Court for Marengo County at a term thereof held at the Court house in Linden on Tuesday the 3 day of August 1841, the foregoing instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of James C. Langhorne deceased having been produced for probate at a former term of this Court, and this day being set for hearing said application, this day came Henry A. Taylor and G. W. Miller who were appointed Executors under said instrument and moved that the same be admitted to probate, and H. W. Reese, one of the subscribing witnesses to said instrument being sworn upon,

sath says that he was present and saw the said James C. Langhorne deceased sign or cause to be signed for him the instrument aforesaid, and that he with the other subscribing witnesses Geo. Taylor, Key and Henry S. Key signed the same as witnesses in the presence of said deceased, that said deceased then and there published said instrument as his last will and testament revoking all other and former by him made and that said deceased was at the time of signing and publishing said instrument was of sound and disposing understanding, It is therefore ordered that said instrument be received as the last will and testament of James C. Langhorne, and as such be entered of record (signed)

The State of Alabama
Marengo County

J. A. Young
Judge of Marengo County Court

I Thomas J. Woolf, Clerk of the County Court of said County do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the last will and testament of the late James C. Langhorne deceased, together with the probate thereof, as appears to me of record in said Court in the testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office at Linden this 6th day of July A.D. 1848
Thos. J. Woolf, Clerk

I, James A. Young, presiding judge of the County & Orphans Court of the County of Marengo in the State of Alabama do hereby certify that Thomas J. Woolf, whose signature appears to the foregoing certificate, is and was at the date thereof Clerk of the County and Orphans Court of the County aforesaid and that his said certificate is in due form of Law and entitled to full faith and credit.

Given under my hands and seal this the Eighth day of July A.D. 1848

J. A. Young
Judge of the County & Orphans Court
Marengo Co.

At Roanoke April Court 1849, A Certified Copy of the Last Will and Testament of James C. Langhorne dec^d. who died in Alabama, and which has been duly admitted to records in the County & Orphans Court of the County of Marengo in the State of Alabama, was this day produced to in Court, and together with the certificates thereto attached, admitted to records in this Court.

Forte.

J. Johnston

The Roberson

July the 23rd 1849. Linden Roanoke Co Va.

I Thomas Robinson of the County of Roanoke and State of Virginia, now being of sound mind, but of extreme weakness of body, strength and knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to die, and as it is a common practice in this our beloved country of liberty and equal rights it is my desire in my last moments of a worldly nature to lay the foundation of peace and unity amongst my beloved family by writing this my last will and Testament and if I shall see in making an equal divide amongst my dear family, I sincerely hope that my God and saviour will pardon and forgive all human and