

George
North County

I John W. Brown of said county do make and to
Test. It is my will and testament
together with whole estate remain unbroken and the annual income
of it be turned over to my wife for the support of the family and the
education of the children. But of whom any child come of age or
marriage such child may have its portion under this will. I desire
and direct that my executors above two executors and such child
one, which three shall appraise my estate, and allot to each child
two thirds of its part considering my wife and each child as one
who shall be provided for as hereafter directed; and I desire the same
child may come of age or marry and receive the portion - But any
child by me during my life, upon claiming its portion under the
above provision, is to account for such advancement as a part
of its portion.

Second. It is my will and desire that my wife be at liberty with
the consent of any other one of my executors to sell any part of my
estate and remove the proceeds on other property which she may
think best for the interest of the family. And I direct my execu-
tors to execute her wishes in this regard.

Third. I invest my executors with full power to mortgage or other-
wise pledge as they may think best, any part of my estate for the
purpose of ~~paying~~ raising money to pay my debts due at my death, or
debts substituted for them, and to sell at either public or private
sale for this purpose, any part of estate at such times and upon
such terms and conditions as they may think best, and in short to
have as full a discretion in the management of my estate for the pur-
pose of raising & paying my debts as I would have were I then in
life. Nor is any child to have an allotment under the first clause
of this will until my estate is so far disencumbered of debts that
my executors may make it without prejudice to the remainder of the
estate or the unappointed children. But as I do not wish any of my
children postponed of this allotment as above mentioned, by reason of
debts which may be provided for without keeping them out of their parts,
and yet as such debts may fall disproportionately heavy upon the
unappointed children, now should it so happen that more of my
debts should be thrown upon one child than another under the

same arrangement they are all to be as if made at the final or
 even brought forward.

At the death of my wife I desire that all the children
 receive her separate portion in full, that is to say the children
 who have grown the two thirds to one share the remaining third
 of their portions, but charges proportionably with any debt not be
 fore provided for, which may have fallen upon the estate after they
 have their two thirds, and the other children to receive their portion
 in full my wife part of course to go as she or the two may direct
 after her death.

Further I thank my wife express the authority already given her to
 sell any part of my property and consent to her. I recommend to
 her to take the consent of my retained friends Augustus B. Longstreet
 and William Hall in all measure of that kind, not only as to the
 property to be disposed of and the mode of disposition, but also as to the
 most advantageous investment, and I advise her in all things to
 follow their counsel. I also recommend to my executors generally
 to apply to them for any counsel either legal or common of which
 they may stand in need.

Further it is my will and desire that my married daughter Ann B.
 have an equal share of my estate with my other children during
 her natural life. If she should be without issue, I direct that her por-
 tion be equally divided among the other legatees.

I constitute and appoint my brother-in-law John W.
 Graves as my John B. Graves and my wife Martha H. Graves executors
 and execution of this my last will and testament -
 In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand & seal this
 eighth day of August in the year of our Lord 1852

John W. Graves (Seal)

Signed sealed & delivered
 in presence of

J. W. Harris
 Wm S. Lonsford

Admitted to record September Term 1852

Wm D. Luskie
 Clerk

Sept Term 1852

The within last will and testament of John W. Graves having been
 shown in common form at this regular term in open court upon the
 oath of William S. Lonsford, ordered that the same be admitted to
 record

Wm D. Luskie

Clerk