

will<sup>ing</sup> the paper writing now in my hands<sup>ing</sup> by or  
me purporting to be the last will<sup>ing</sup> testament of  
Quincy F. Neal deceased, I verily believe is in the hand  
writing of the said Quincy F. Neal, dead, <sup>ing</sup> every part  
thereof is the genuine handwriting of Quincy F. Neal who  
will it purports to be<sup>ing</sup> the name thereto subscribed  
<sup>ing</sup> attached is the genuine signature of Quincy F. Neal,<sup>ing</sup>  
in his own handwriting.

A. L. McEwen

Sworn to<sup>ing</sup> subscribed before me May 2, 1902  
A. S. Eller, C.L.C.

Martin Hardin being duly sworn says: I am 63  
years of age <sup>ing</sup> know Quincy F. Neal for many years  
before he died in 1898 <sup>ing</sup> often saw him write <sup>ing</sup>  
sign his name <sup>ing</sup> think I know his handwriting.  
A paper writing is now shown me, purporting to be  
the last will<sup>ing</sup> testament of Quincy F. Neal, deceased  
which I verily believe is in the genuine handwriting  
of the said Quincy F. Neal <sup>ing</sup> every part thereof is in  
the handwriting of Quincy F. Neal who will it  
purports to be<sup>ing</sup> the name thereto attached <sup>ing</sup>  
subscribed is the genuine signature of Quincy F. Neal  
<sup>ing</sup> in his own handwriting.

Martin Hardin

Sworn to<sup>ing</sup> subscribed before me this May 2, 1902  
A. S. Eller, C.L.C.

North Carolina In the Superior Court  
Ashe County Before the Clerk, May 2, 1902.  
Upon the oath<sup>ing</sup> examination of Mrs. Neal,  
W. H. Hentley, A. C. McEwen <sup>ing</sup> Martin Hardin it is  
therefore considered <sup>ing</sup> adjudged that the said  
paper writing was found among the valuable  
papers of Quincy F. Neal <sup>ing</sup> every part thereof is in  
the genuine handwriting of the said Quincy F. Neal <sup>ing</sup>  
that it is the last will<sup>ing</sup> testament of Quincy F. Neal,  
deceased Let the said will together with the proce-  
<sup>ing</sup> probate be recorded.

This May 2, 1902

A. S. Eller, C.L.C.

North Carolina }  
Ashe County }

I Nancy Castle of the aforesaid County and State, being  
of sound mind, but considering the uncertainty of  
my earthly existence, do make and declare this  
my last will and testament,

First. My executor hereinafter named shall give my body a  
decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my friends and  
relations, and pay all funeral expenses, together with  
all my just debts out of the first money which may  
come into his hands belonging to my estate,

Second. I give and bequeath to my grand daughter, Bettie Smith, wife  
of James Trivett, all my personal property and money  
at my death, Bed and Bed clothing trunk and chest  
and all my wearing apparel.

Third. I hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend  
Frank Hardin my lawful executor, to all intents and  
purposes to execute this my last will and testament,  
according to the true intent and meaning of the same,  
and every part and clause thereof, hereby revoking  
and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments  
by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I the said Nancy Castle do hereunto  
set my hand and seal, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May 1902.

Nancy Castle (seal)

signed sealed, published and declared by the said Nancy  
Castle to be her last will and testament, in the  
presence of us who at her request and in her presence  
do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

Witness.

J. J. Call

Flarence Miller,

cost \$4.00 (not paid)

State of North Carolina } 25. In the Superior Court  
Ashe County }

A paper purporting to be the last will  
and testament of Nancy Castle deceased, is exhibited before  
me, the undersigned, clerk of the superior court for said

County, by Frank Hardin. The executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Nancy Castle, did, by the oath and examination of J. J. Coale and Florence Miller the subscribing witnesses, who being duly sworn both before and say, and each for himself depose and saith, that he and she is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last will and Testament of Nancy Castle dead, that the said Nancy Castle in the presence of this deponent subscribed her name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 1900, and the deponent further saith, that the said Nancy Castle the testatrix aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing her name, as aforesaid declare the said paper writing as subscribed by her and exhibited to her last will and Testament, and this deponent did thereupon subscribe his and her name at the end of said will as an attesting witness thereto, and at the request and in the presence of said testatrix, and this deponent further saith, that at the same time when the said testatrix subscribed her name, to the said last will as aforesaid, and at the time of the deponent's subscribing his and her name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said Nancy Castle, was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will, and was not under any restraint, to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent, and further that deponent's say not.

J. J. Coale  
Florence Miller.

Solemnly sworn and subscribed  
this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 1902.

A. S. Ellis, C. C. C.

Per W. B. Johnson, D. C.

North Carolina } ss. In the Superior Court.  
Ashe County }

It is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court, that the said paper writing, and every part thereof is the last will and Testament of Nancy Castle, dead. Let the said will, together with the probate be recorded and filed. This 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 1902.

A. S. Ellis,  
C. C. C.

I John H. Carson being in feeble health but of sound mind and disposing memory make this my last will and Testament in form following First I will that all my just debt and funeral expenses be paid. 2<sup>nd</sup> I will to my wife Ella H. Carson during her natural life or so long as she remains my widow the tract of land that I now live on adjoining the lands of S. Lumsford and others I also will her the use of my South Fork farm for five year after my death, I also will her the use of all my personal property so long as she lives, to use for to support herself,

3<sup>rd</sup> After my wife has the use of my South Fork farm for five year then my nephew Nathaniel Carson to have it he the said Nathaniel Carson to pay to Mary Ann Carson Martha Ellen Carson Chloa Carson and Emma Carson twenty five dollar each he the said Nathaniel Carson to be responsible for all taxes on said tract of land, he to have possession at my death of all woodlands, on said tract after my wife death I want the tract of land that I have herein willed to her sold and the proceeds to be divided as follows To Nathaniel Phipps fifty dollar Robert Phipps James Phipps Ellen Park, and John Phipps five dollar each the balance to be divided between my three brothers (twins) William Carson James Carson and Smith Carson, at my wife death if there is anything left that belongs to my estate not herein mentioned it to be sold and the proceeds given to Chloa and Mary Ann Carson and to see this will executed I appoint my wife Ella H. Carson and Nathaniel Carson my Executors This May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1900

Attest

J. L. Wyatt  
W. B. Griffith

John H. Carson

Since making the foregoing will I have changed my mind as follows that Nathaniel Carson pay to Mary Ann Carson fifty dollar instead of twenty five and that my wife have full control inside of all fenced land on my South Fork farm for the five year named in said will then at the end of said five year he the said Nathaniel Carson to have said tract with all privileges to him hers forever This March 1<sup>st</sup> 1902

John H. Carson