

Peter Testerman Will
 State of North Carolina }
 Ashe County }

I Peter Testerman of the County of Ashe and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say

1st First that my executors (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing out of the moneys that may first come into their hands as a part or parcel of my estate

2nd I give and devise to my beloved wife Nancy Testerman all my property both Personal and Real to have and to hold the same during her natural life or so long as she remains my Widow

3rd In case my wife Nancy should ever marry then a Guardian to be appointed for my children who may at the time of her marriage be under the age of 21 years and my property to be divided among my children in the following manner that is to say - to be equally divided among the following children James Marshall Ophelia Sturgill, William Eli Rasmann Testerman Nelson Jesse Roby and William all of it except what the Laws of North Carolina may allow my wife Nancy Testerman in case she should marry

4th At her death then any of my Property which she may be in Possession of except twenty dollars to be divided equally among the following children James Marshall Ophelia Sturgill William Eli Rasmann Nelson Jesse Roby and William the twenty dollars which I except to be divided equally between my sons George Testerman and Abraham Testerman it being

expressly understood that my said sons George Testerman and Abraham Testerman are not to have any thing until after the death of my wife Nancy Testerman

5th I make Salaman Blvins and Painter Blvins my executors

6th By this will and Testament I revoke all other testimony whereof I have herunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this the 12th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy eight.

Peter Testerman (seal)
 Montgomery Barker.
 Alfred Barker.
 John M Black.

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In the Probate Court
 A paper purporting to be the last will and Testament of Peter Testerman deceased is exhibited before me the undersigned Judge of Probate for said County, by Painter Blvins & Sal Blvins the Executors therein mentioned and the due execution thereof by the said Peter Testerman by the oath and examination of Montgomery Barker & Alfred Barker, the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn do depose and say and each for himself depose and say that he is a subscribing witness to the writing now shown him purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Peter Testerman deceased that the said Peter Testerman in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper-writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which bears date of the 12th day of August 1878 And the deponent further swears that the said Peter Testerman the testator aforesaid died at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper-writing so subscribed by him and exhibited to be his last will and

Testament, and this deponent did thereupon
 subscribed his name at the end of said
 Will as an attesting witness thereto, and at the
 request and in the presence of said testator
 and this deponent further deith that at the
 same time when the said testator subscribed
 his name to the said last will and as afore
 said, and at the same time of the deponent
 subscribed his name as an attesting witness
 thereto, as aforesaid the said testator
 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 his deponent and further these deponents do not

Mantgomery Parker *(Seal)*
 Alfred Barker *(Seal)*

Severally sworn ^{and} subscribed
 this 12th day of April 1879
 before me
 W. H. Lantry
 Probate Judge

Joseph Kings Will
 State of North Carolina
 Ashe County

In the name of God Amen
 I Joseph King of Laurel Township Ashe County
 North Carolina being of sound mind and
 memory and considering the uncertainty of this life
 frail and transitory life do therefore make
 ordain publish and declare this to be my
 last Will and Testament: That is first to
 say after all my lawful debts are paid and
 discharged the residue of my estate real and
 personal I give bequeath and dispose as fol-
 lows to wit To my beloved wife the land
 and appertinances situated thereon known and
 described as the old home tract lying and being
 in the County of Ashe State of North Carolina
 on the waters of the Big branch beginning on a
 beech on a point of Ridge running north thirty
 poles to a white Oak thence west eighteen poles
 to a cucumber thence north thirty four poles to a
 locust thence west one hundred and twenty three
 poles to a stake thence South sixty four poles
 to a stake thence to first station containing
 fifty Acres more or less together with all
 appertinances thereto belonging or in any wise
 appertaining I the said Joseph King do give
 bequeath to my said wife Elizabeth during her
 natural life time and after her death to be
 divided equally among their heirs as as the law
 directs in said division share and share like
 Likewise I make constitute and appoint
 John Graybeal Esq and John Pennington Esq
 to be Executors of this my last Will and Testam-
 ent In witness where of I have here unto subscr-
 bed my name and affixed my name and seal
 this 28th day of April in the year of our Lord one
 thousand eight hundred and Seventy nine
 Joseph King *(Seal)*

Signed and acknowledged
 before me April 28th day 1879
 John Pennington
 Justice of the Peace