

I Thomas Colaway of the County of Ashe and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and disposing memory do make my last will and declare this to be my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say

I will that my body receive a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my family and friends and that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid out of the first money coming into the hands of my Executor hereinafter named

I will and bequeath to my two sons George W. Colaway and Wiley N. Colaway all the lands included in my home tract wherein I now live containing about two hundred acres to be equally divided in value between the two

I will and devise that all the personal property I may be possessed of at my death be equally divided between my two sons George W. and Wiley N. and my daughter Jane Colaway share and share alike

I will and devise that my daughter Jane Colaway have an angle support and a home on the home tract which I bequeath to my sons Geo. W. & Wiley N. Colaway while she remains single and in case she never marries then during her natural life

In case my sons Geo. W. & Wiley N. Colaway should sell the lands I have bequeathed to them (that is the home tract) before the marriage or death of my daughter Jane Colaway then and in that case they shall pay to her the sum of two hundred dollars to be paid out of the moneys arising from such sale

I will that my two sons Geo. W. & Wiley N. Colaway pay to my daughter Ellen Bruce wife of G. W. Bruce the sum of two hundred dollars the same to be paid out of the proceeds of the sale of the lands I have bequeathed to them if the said lands should be sold within five years after my death

If they should not sell the same within that time then they are to pay to her the aforesaid sum two hundred dollars in cash

I will that my son Shade Colaway of Burke County Colorado pay to my daughter Ellen Bruce wife of G. W. Bruce and Jane Colaway the sum of fifty two dollars each to be paid out of the proceeds of the lands I have heretofore deeded to him and out heretofore mentioned in this will if sold within five years after my death if not to be paid in cash

I hereby constitute and appoint my son Wiley N. Colaway my Exr. to this my last will and Testament to execute the same to all intents and purposes therein named hereby revoking all other wills heretofore by me made In Testimony I the said Thomas J. Colaway have hereunto set my hand and seal in the presence of the subscribing witnesses this the 18th day of April A.D. 1885—

Witness
W. H. Gentry
W. W. Gentry

State of North Carolina Ashe County

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Thomas Colaway as is exhibited before me the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court for said County by Wiley N. Colaway the Exr. therein mentioned and the said executor thereof by the said Thomas Colaway by the oath and examination of W. H. Gentry & W. W. Gentry 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 paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and Testament of Thomas Colaway as is that the said Thomas Colaway 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 18th April 1885— And the deponent further sayeth that the said Thomas Colaway the Testator aforesaid

did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing to be subscribed by him and exhibited to be his last will and testament and this defendant did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said will as an attesting witness thereto and at the request and in the presence of the said testator. And this defendant further says that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid and at the time of the defendant subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid the said Thomas Colman was of sound mind and memory of full age to execute a will and was not under any restraint to the knowledge, opinion or belief of this defendant and further these defendants sayeth not

Henry Swann and W. H. Gentry Esq.
 subscribed this 7th day W. H. Gentry Esq.
 of Sept. 1885 before me
 J. M. Dickson C.S.C.

Last will and testament of Jacob Rooms.

North Carolina Dec. 24th 1886.

Ashe County In the name of God Amen.

I Jacob Rooms being weak of body but of sound mind and disposing memory and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life and the certainty of death, and that I may be better prepared touching my worldly affairs when God shall call me hence, I make, ordain, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament annulling and making void all and writings in the nature of wills by me heretofore made. My will is that after my decease my body shall have a decent Christian burial without parade or unnecessary expence, and that the expence of the same with all my just debts be paid by my executor.

My will is that my beloved wife Alva Rooms shall have her dower in the lands where I now live during her natural life, to be allotted to her by Commissioners appointed for that purpose, my will is that the dower of my beloved wife after her death be sold and divided equally among all my heirs. My will is that the lands on which I now live not included in the dower of my wife be sold at public sale and the proceeds thereof be equally divided between my three daughters to wit Amanda Burket & Catherine Long & Malinda Dickson. My will is that all my personal property that I may be possessed of at my death be sold at public sale and that the proceeds thereof be equally divided between my wife Alva Rooms and my three daughters heretofore named share and share alike. My will is that my son John Rooms have the lands heretofore given to him by me and which he now has in possession. My will is that my son Hamilton Rooms have the lands heretofore given to him by me and for which he holds a deed made by me to him and the boundary of which are fully set forth in said deed. My will is that my undivided household and kitchen furniture be sold at public sale and the proceeds equally divided among my three daughters. And I appoint my trusty friend J. L. Colvard to execute this my last will and testament. Witness my hand and seal. If Alva survives after I am gone this house is no more her home nor dower here.

Jacob Rooms

Went J. L. Woodside
 J. P. Reeves
 State of North Carolina SS. In the Probate Court.

Ashe County A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Jacob Rooms deceased is exhibited before me the undersigned Judge of Probate for said County, by the executors there mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Jacob Rooms by oath and examination of J. P. Reeves & J. L. Woodside the