

William Cox Will April 1st 1878:

Item 1st

I William Cox of The State of North Carolina and The County of Ashe are being of Sound mind and disposing memory do make this and declare this to be my last will and testament First of all I will and bequeath by Soul unto God Who give it and my body to a decent Christian burial. The manner of which I leave to my surviving friends and as regards my property both Real and Personal 1st My will is that all my Just debts be paid 2nd My will is that my Sons Sons (viz) Joshua Cox and Levi Cox have all The Lands that I am now Possessed of on The South Side of Gramburg Creek. To have and to hold as their own Right and property and The 3rd My will is that my Son Ison have all The Land on The North Side of The Creek that is not otherwise disposed of and 4th My will is that my Son John Cox have fifty dollars in money to make him equal with them and my will is that my son Joseph Cox have one hundred and fifty dollars in money to make him equal and also. My son Eli Cox to have one hundred and fifty dollars in money to make him equal with the rest and my will also is that William Cox my grand son (viz) David Cox Lawful heir have to The Amount of four hundred dollars to make him equal and my will is that Each one of The Three boys (viz) Joshua Cox Levi Cox and Ison Cox have a certain tract of Land supposed to be fifty acres Lying on the waters of Piney fork of Gramburg Creek to have and to divide Equal between them selves and my will is that they Joshua Cox and Levi Cox and Ison Cox pay the amount above named to John Cox. My son Eli Cox and William Cox and that Each one of the three boys (viz) Joshua Cox Levi Cox and Ison Cox pay

William Cox Will, continued

In Proportion to the amount and value of the Land that is here set forth in my will and as regards my Personal Property my will is that my daughter Obidia Sturgill heirs have to the amount of five dollars out of my Personal Property to be equally divided between them and my will is that my daughter Nancy Stamper heirs have to the amount of five dollars out of my Personal Property to be equally divided between them then my will is that my daughter (viz) Jane Wooddie and Margaret Wooddie have the Proceeds of the remainder of my Personal property and my will is that my Executor commission fees be taken out of The proceeds of my Personal property and Last of all my will is that my trusty friend William B. Peavis be appointed my Executor and to see that The provisions of this will is carried out in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affix my Seal This the 31st day of December 1877 Signed Sealed in the Presence of Attest

Geo Peavis
L. H. Doughden
L. C. Miller

William Cox (C)

Codicil to the within will made. This the 9th day of January A.D. 1878 By Wm. Cox. My will is that in addition to what is already set forth in my will to my son Ison Cox I will that he have 1 certain Sided Gate of oxen & also one wagon that I am now Possessed of and also my son Levi Cox have one set Blacksmith tools that I am Possessed of and then I will that The remainder of my Personal Property be sold and that my two daughters (viz) Jane Wooddie and Margaret Wooddie have one of them two hundred dollars and The remainder of my Personal Property or the Proceeds thereof my will is that it be given to heirs of my daughter (viz) Nancy Stamper in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal This the 31st day of January A.D. 1878 Written in the Presence of

Wm. B. Peavis
L. H. Doughden
L. C. Miller

Probate. To William Cox. Will

State of North Carolina } In the Probate Court
 Ashe County } February 1st 1878 -
 a paper purporting to be the Last Will and
 Testament of William Cox deceased before me
 the undersigned Judge of Probate for Said
 County by W. B. Reaves the Executor therein
 mentioned and the due Execution thereof by the
 Said William Cox by the oath and
 Examination of John Reaves S. H. Doughden
 & J. C. Miller the Subscribing Witnesses
 there to who being duly sworn doth depose
 and say and each for him self depose
 and say that he is a Subscribing Witness
 to the paper writing now shown him pur-
 porting to be the Last will and Testament
 of William Cox. That the Said William Cox
 in the Presence of this deponents Subscribed
 his name at the End of Said Paper writing
 which is now shown as aforesaid and
 which bears date of the 31st Day of Dec^r 1877
 and the deponents further oath that the said
 William Cox 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 deponents did
 thereupon Subscribe their names at the End
 of Said will as attesting witnesses thereto
 and at the Request and in the Presence
 of the Said Testator and these deponents
 further oath that at the Said time when
 when the Said Testator Subscribed his name
 to the Said Last will as aforesaid &
 at the time of the deponents Subscribing
 their names as attesting witnesses thereto
 as aforesaid the Said William Cox was
 of Sound Mind and Deposing in memory
 of full age to Execute a will and was
 not under any restraint to the knowledge
 Information or belief of this deponents and
 further these deponents say not

W. B. Reaves
 S. H. Doughden
 J. C. Miller

Subscribed & sworn to and
 signed by me this 1st day of
 February 1878
 Geo. W. Roy
 Probate Judge

The Last Will and Testament of Silas Latham

of the County of Ashe and State of North
 Carolina
 I Silas Latham considering the uncertainty of
 this mortal life and being of Sound Mind
 and memory do make and publish this my
 Last will and Testament in manner and form
 following that is to say I give and bequeath
 unto my nephew James Latham all of
 my Lands and Tenements Situated and
 Lying on North Fork of New River and
 bounded by the lands of George Fries and
 Nancy Gilly Samuel C. Jones and the river
 I do further give and devise unto Said
 James Latham all of my freehold Estate
 whatsoever also all of my Personal Estate
 Goods and chattels of what kind and
 nature soever to hold to him the Said
 James Latham his heirs and assigns for ever
 I hereby appoint James Latham Sole Executor
 of this my last will and Testament in
 witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
 and Seal this the thirteenth day of March in
 the year of our Lord one thousand eight
 hundred and seventy two

Silas Latham (S.D.)
 mark

The above instrument consisting of one
 sheet was now here subscribed by Silas Latham
 the testator in the Presence of each of us
 and was at the same time declared by
 him to be his last will and Testament
 and we at his Request signed our names
 hereto as attesting witnesses

Heram. E. Squires } residing in the County of Ashe
 John M. Riley } residing in the County of Ashe
 Wm. Maxwell } acknowledged State of North Carolina
 before me this day May 1874