

Last Will & Testament of William Mack

I William Mack of the County of Ashe and State of North Carolina being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and declare this my last will and testament

- 1st I will that all my just debts be paid
- 2nd That my beloved wife Betsy Ann have free and peaceable possession of all my land which I own possess during her life except what I have heretofore decided to my son Foster ~~that my son Foster have my Bay mare and all my farming implements. And further I will that my wife Betsy Ann have all my household & kitchen furniture except my first wife's bed clothing them I want divided among my first children~~

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 8th day Dec. 1885

William Mack
Mack

W. H. Witherspoon
J. A. Speake
witness

North Carolina } In Superior Court
Ashe County }

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of William Mack deceased is exhibited before me the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court for said County by Betsy Ann Mack and the due execution thereof by the said William Mack by the oath and examination of W. H. Witherspoon & J. A. Speake the subscribing witnesses thereto who being duly sworn each depose and each for himself depose and say that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown purporting to be the last will and testament of William Mack dec. that the said William Mack 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 8th day Dec. 1885

And these deponents further say that the said William Mack the testator aforesaid did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing to be subscribed by him and admitted to be his last will and testament

and this deponent 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 deponent and this deponent further say that at the said time when the testator subscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid and at the time of the deponent subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid the said William Mack 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 these deponents say that

W. H. Witherspoon (witness)

Sworn before and subscribed

J. A. Speake (witness)

this 1st day March 1886

J. M. Bickum C. C.