

In the name of God. Amen.

I, Joseph Stanaland, of the County of Brunswick, and State of North Carolina being weak in body but of sound mind, memory and understanding, praise be God for the same, but Considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following:

Item 1st
I give, devise and bequeath to my beloved wife Martha a life time interest in the lands heretofore deeded to my daughter Mary C. Lennon wife of J.P. Lennon, Martha C. Gore, wife of Mrs. C. Gore, and that portion hereinafter bequeathed to my Grand-daughter Catharine C. Stanaland, wife of Daniel Stanaland, together with all my household effects of whatsoever name or nature, consisting of Bed, Bedding, Clothing, Library, Books, Machines, Clocks, Cooking utensils and many other things too tedious to mention, to be used and peculiarly enjoyed by her during her natural life, and after her death, the same, I desire to be equally divided by sale, if my Executor hereinafter appointed finds necessary, between my two daughters viz; Mary C. Lennon and Martha C. Gore, and my Grand-daughter Catharine C. Stanaland.

Item 2nd
I give to my beloved daughter Mary C. Lennon, wife of Francis P. Lennon all that portion of land heretofore conveyed to her by me, together with a one half interest of the remaining portion of my unconveyed land, after two hundred (200) acres is laid off of the Westward end of my said land adjoining land deeded to Dr. D.B. McMillow 10th day of September 1897 to my grand-daughter Catharine C. Stanaland, all subject to the life time right of my beloved wife.

Item 3rd
I give to my beloved daughter, Martha C. Gore all that tract of land heretofore deeded to her from me together with a one half, 1/2, interest of the remaining portion of my unconveyed land after the above mentioned (200) two hundred acres is laid off for my Grand-daughter Catharine C. Stanaland adjoining lands of the said Dr. D.B. McMillow subject to said life time right of my wife Martha.

Item 4th
I give to my beloved grand-daughter Catharine C. Stanaland, wife of Daniel Stanaland two hundred (200) acres of land off of the westward end of my land adjoining lands conveyed to Dr. D.B. McMillow 10th day of September 1897, the same to be located by my Executor herein after named, at the expense of the donee and subject to the life time right of my wife Martha. And my further will and desire is that my son-in-law F.P. Lennon shall have all my carpenter and farming tools also my double barrel shot gun exclusively for his own use, and that he as soon may be practicable after my death by public sale, if necessary, sell the Horse or mule, as the case may be, of which I am possessed or may be possessed at the time, together with all my live stock.

Consisting of Hogs, Cattle &c, also my buggy and apply the proceeds to my just debts, if any, after first paying the necessary expenses of carrying this last Will and Testament into effect. And lastly I do hereby appoint my friend Frank P. Lennon my lawful Executor to carry this my last Will and Testament into effect with all its intents and meanings of the same and every part and clause thereof hereby revoking all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made in witness whereof, I the said Joseph Stanaland do here unto set my hand and seal this 13th day of September 1897.

Joseph Stanaland (seal)

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Joseph Stanaland to be his last Will and Testament, in presence of us who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

J. H. Clemonson
Mrs. H. Mintz

Witnessed: