

- No 67 In the name of God, Amen! I, William French, of the County of Brunswick and State of North Carolina, be of sound disposing mind and memory, and considering the uncertainty of life do make, publish and declare the following to be and contain my Last Will and Testament. That is to say
- First - It is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid out of the first moneys that shall come into the hands of my Executor as part and parcel of my estate.
- Secondly - I have heretofore given to my son William French one hundred fifty acres of land in the County of Columbus, worth one hundred fifty dollars, and placed in his possession a negro ~~slave~~ named Friday worth four hundred dollars, and I do hereby confer the gift and devise of the said land and the said slave Friday, and do further give and bequeath to him fifty dollars in cash so as to make the amount advanced to him equal to that advanced to my son Thomas.
- Thirdly - I have given to my son John, land worth one hundred and fifty dollars, and placed in his possession a boy named Sam, I hereby confirm the said devise of land & gift of slave Sam; and also direct that one hundred dollars in cash be paid him so as to make him equal to his other brothers.
- Fourthly - I have heretofore given to my Thomas, a boy named Ben and one hundred dollars in cash. I confirm these gifts to him so as to make him equal with his other brothers.
- Fifthly - I have heretofore given to my son Sam, a negro boy named Leonard valued at four hundred dollars, and one hundred dollars in cash. I hereby confirm these gifts and direct that one hundred dollars be paid him so as to make his share equal to his other brothers.
- Sixthly - I have heretofore given to my son Solomon, a negro boy named Parish valued at four hundred dollars & cash one hundred dollars. I hereby confirm these gifts, and direct that eleven hundred dollars be paid him, so that his share may be one thousand and dollars more than his other brothers above named. I do so in consequence of his being a cripple.
- Seventhly - I have heretofore given to my son Jabez a negro boy named Beauty, valued at four hundred dollars. I confirm said gift and in addition direct that two hundred dollars be paid him in addition. I give, devise and bequeath unto my said son Jabez the plantation where I now reside known as the Green Bank containing fourteen hundred and twenty acres. I give him this plantation over and above the share of his brothers because he was living with me and because I expect him to take care of his mother should she survive me.
- Eighthly - I have heretofore given my daughter Elizabeth a negro girl named Elizabeth. I confirm said gift and

- addition direct that two hundred dollars in cash be paid her so as to make her share equal with her brothers.
- Ninthly - I direct my Executors to select from my negroes a woman of the value of four hundred dollars and to pay in cash two hundred dollars to my daughter Prudence Gore, wife of W. Gore, so as to make her share equal with the others.
- Tenthly - I have heretofore given to my daughter, Nancy Stansland, ~~wid~~ wife of Saml. B. Stansland, a negro woman named Tely, valued at four hundred dollars. I confirm said gift to my said wife & also direct that two hundred dollars be divided among her children so as to make them share equal to the others.
- Eleventhly - I give and bequeath to my daughter Eliza Gore in like manner as I have given to my daughter Prudence one negro woman to be selected by my Executors of the value of four hundred dollars & two hundred dollars in cash, so as to make her equal with her brothers & sisters.
- Twelfthly - I give and bequeath to my daughter, Patience Somerset, wife of Calvin Somerset, a negro girl named Martha & two hundred dollars in cash to make her share equal to ~~with~~ the others.
- Thirteenthly - I have heretofore given to my daughter Francis Olive Bell, wife of Samuel Bell a certain slave named Belia, valued at four hundred dollars. I confirm said gift and direct that two hundred dollars be paid her to make her share equal to her brothers and sisters.
- Fourteenthly - All the rest and residue of my property, of every kind, real and personal, I wish divided into twelve equal shares - One share ^{to be} allotted to each of my sons and daughters above named and one share to such of the children of my daughter Nancy Stansland as may be living at my death. But it is my express will and desire that should my daughter Olive die without children the share allotted to her shall be equally divided among her brothers and sisters and the children of Nancy Stansland, share and share alike.
- Fifteenthly - It is my will and I so direct and declare that the property herein specially devised and also the shares that may be allotted to my daughters and granddaughters as their proper and true shares of the residue of my estate shall be held by my Executor hereinafter named in special trust and confidence for the sole & separate use & benefit of my said daughters and granddaughters free from and not in anywise subject to the debts or contracts of them said parent or any future husband. But my Executor may alien the property to remain in possession and it is my will that the same shall

be necessary to the true execution of this clause in any case that they take the same into their own possession!

Lastly-- I hereby nominate and appoint and constitute my sons William Frink, & John Frink, Executors to this my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and declaring void all other and Testaments by me hitherto made.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 7th day of September, A.D. 1857.

William Frink. *(Sgd)*

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the Testator to be and contain his last Will and Testament in presence of us who in his presence and in the presence of each other have at his request hereunto set our names as subscribing witnesses the words "of my Executors" in the first clause interlined & crossed and same interlined in the devise to my son John on page - also the words "be paid her" on second page interlined before signing.

Joseph Stansland.

E. W. Grisett

Saml. Langdon.

And the execution of the said paper writing being duly proved in open Court by the oath of Joseph Stansland & Samuel Langdon, two of the subscribing witnesses thereto it considered by the Court that the said paper writing is the last will & testament of William Frink and sufficient in law to pass the real estate and personal property therein devised. It is therefore ordered that said Will be admitted to probate & be recorded in the Book of Wills. Whereupon William Frink & John Frink duly qualified as Executors to said Last Will and Testament.

Recorded agreeably to act of Genl. Assembly, Special Session 1908
Ratified Febr'y, 1st, 1908.

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State of North Carolina.

No. 251

In the name of God, Amen! I, Mary Jane Smith, wife of Daniel Smith, of Brunswick County, being of sound disposing mind though weak in body, and considering the uncertainty of this life, do make, publish and declare the following and no other to be and contain my last Will and Testament, that is to say - I give, devise and bequeath unto my beloved husband Daniel Smith, all the property, real and personal of every description which I may be possessed of or in any manner entitled to at the time of my death, to have and to hold, use occupy and enjoy the same so long as he remains a widower. At his marriage or death I wish the said property equally divided among my heirs at law and next of kin, according to the law of North Carolina. And I do hereby appoint my said husband Daniel Smith my Executor.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 18th day of November, A. D. 1857.

Mary Jane Smith *(Sgd)*

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the Testatrix to be her Last Will and Testament in our presence, who in her presence and in the presence of each other, do at her request hereunto set our names as subscribing witnesses.

W. G. Curtis, Saml. Langdon.

Was duly proved by the oaths of W. G. Curtis and Samuel Langdon the subscribing witnesses thereto, whereupon it is ordered that said Will be admitted to probate and recorded. Daniel Smith then duly qualified as Executor.

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