

June Term 1864

The last Will and Testament of James A. Patton
Born Asheville A.C. April 30th 1861

I James A. Patton being about to go with my Company to repel our Southern enemies; and being aware of the many vicissitudes that may attend such a duty desirous of providing for my wife in case I do not return, make this my last Will & Testament ranking all other of a date. prior to this, to wit,
1st I make my Brother M. A. Patton or my friend Mr. J. L. Murray - executor of this my last Will & Testament either or both of them.

2^d It is my wish that all my debts be paid, selecting for that purpose such property as my executor may deem best after consultation with my wife, whom I wish if possible I desire followed out; and if there be any excess it is my wish that it go to my beloved wife Anna E. Patton, to wit: after my debts are paid, I will desire & bequeath all the residue of my estate, of whatever nature it may be, whether real, personal or mixed to my wife Anna E. Patton absolutely. In testimony of the truth of the above, I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my Seal, this 21st day of June 1864.

Signed & Sealed in Presence

J. M. Blair
J. R. Osborn.

James A. Patton - (Seal)

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The last Will and Testament of Benj. Carter
In the name of God Amen

I Benj. Carter of the County of Buncombe and State of North Carolina Resident of the County of South H. many Creek now in the twenty fourth year of my age but in good health and of sound and disposing memory do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament.

Imprimis I direct my body to be decently interred at the Pizah meetinghouse under the direction of my Executor to rest in the ground until with humble reliance on the mercy of God through our Lord Jesus Christ I meet it will come in the last ^{day} to the resurrection of the dead.

Touching such worldly substance as it hath pleased God to give me with my wife and heirs I follow after the