

did declare the said paper writing, so subscribed by him, and exhibited, to be his last will and testament, and three deponants did there upon 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 deponant further saith, that at the said time, when the said testator, subscribed his name to the said last will, as aforesaid: and at the time these deponants subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid, the said W. J. Curtis, 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 these deponants and further these deponants say not.

W. J. Morgan
Sam. B. Sadger

Sworn to severally; and
subscribed this 24th day of
February 1870.

J. E. Reed.

Judge of Probate.

State of North Carolina
Buncombe County

In the Probate Court.

To J. E. Reed, Probate Judge for the County before said
The undersigned applies to have the last Will and Testament
of Noah Morgan Dead, admitted to Probate, and shows

- 1st That Noah Morgan late a citizen Buncombe is dead; that he died on the 5th day of February, 1870.
- 2^d That he left a last will & testament, and appointed the undersigned his executors Jesse J. Morgan, and John Ammons.
- 3^d That the value of the said Noah Morgan's property, amounts to, from the best information, and belief of the undersigned, from four to five thousand dollars, of which amount about \$3,500 is real property, and about \$1,000.00 is personal property, consisting, of horses, mules, cattle, hogs, sheep, farming tools, household & kitchen furniture, and cash notes, and accounts, and money.

The names and residences of all the parties interested, are as follows: Stephen L. Morgan, Thos. C. Morgan, John C. B. Morgan, Mary S. Morgan, and that all the said parties reside in Buncombe County.

(Signed) John Ammons
J. S. Morgan.

Sworn to and subscribed
before me: This 7th day
March 1870. J. E. Reed Probate Judge for the
County of Buncombe.

Be it remembered, that on the twentieth day of May January
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
and seventy, Noah Morgan, of the County of Buncombe
and State of North Carolina do make and publish his
last will and testament in the following words, and figures
(to wit) First my body to the grave and my soul to God
is my first and greatest desire

- 2^d It is my will and desire, that all my last debts should be paid by my executors herein named out of my estate; then the balance of my estate to be divided between my beloved my & wife Mary Sufrova, and my three sons Stephen L. Thos C. & John C. B. Morgan, as follows (to wit) To my wife and youngest son — J. C. B. all all that part of my land, beginning at a certain stake

on the top of the ridge in the road south of the new Church; then a direct line eastward by to estate in the branch at the Butting place on Stephen Morgan's line then with his line south westerly up the Mountain to the corner of the fence of land east to 13 Fr 1 around then with that line westwardly to the top of the Morgan Ridge then down the same to the beginning all of which said fur. of land with all and every appertenance, I bequeath to my beloved wife Mary S. during her life time and to youngest son John C. Breckneridge, and his heirs for ever, to my son Thos. C. and his heirs for all that fur, beginning at the same place of the above and running with that line to the branch, and down the same, to J. S. Morgan's line, then with his line westerly to the top of the ridge, then with Crowders line, west to Marcus Stockton's corner, there with his line to a line of the land that J. W. Hooker lives on their with that line round to the top of the Morgan ridge, then down that ridge to the beginning with all & ever appertenance thereunto belonging except that part conveyed to the church, and Marcus, to my son Stephen D. the mill tract and the ballance of my land lying on the south with all and every appertenance thereunto belonging except the proceeds of the Grist mill, which shall be for the benefit of my family while they remain together, after that to him and his heirs forever.

3^d I will and bequeath unto my wife Mary S. one more orse saddle and bridle (the yellow mare) four Milch Cows and calves all of the house hold & kitchen furniture, with all the provisions on hand with such farming tools as she may chose with the stock of hogs and sheep to her use for ever.

4th I hereby constitute and appoint my worthy friend Reverend John Ammons and James S. Morgans, with my beloved wife Mary S. Morgan my executors and executrix to my last will and testament, with full power to collect my debts and pay out to my creditors, and for the purpose of paying my debts, they are hereby

authorized to sell any of my real estate or personal property, privately or publicly auction to raise moneys to pay all my just debts, and to pay for their trouble in the management of my affairs; then the balance if any thing remains, to be equally divided between my wife and three sons,

5th I have concluded since the first form bequeath was wrote to change and alter my second bequeath, so that my two eldest sons Stephen D. and Thos. C. should have the lot of land I bequeathed divided between them; Ste. D. Thos. C. also the land that I first bequeathed to my son J. D. should be equally divided between them S. D. & J. C. and that the proceeds of the mills both grist and saw should be held be held in common with my wife and three sons during their life time of my wife, and that the expence of keeping up the saw mills should be paid out of the proceeds of said mill.

I hereby publish and declare the fore going paper writing to be my last will and testament under my hand and seal. the 27th day January A. D. 1870. in the presence of
T. Blackstock (Signed) Noah Morgan (Seal)
J. R. Patterson.

State of North Carolina In the Probate Court
Furcombe County
A paper purporting to be the last will & testament of Noah Morgan dec^d, is exhibited before me the undersigned Judge of Probate for said County by Jesse S. Morgan, John Ammons the executors therein named and the due execution thereof by the said Noah Morgan by the said and examination of T. Blackstock and J. R. Patterson, the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn both before and say and each for him self deposes and saith that he is a subscribing witness to ~~the~~ the paper writing now shown purporting to be the last will and testament

of Noah Morgan, that the said Noah Morgan in the presence of these deponants subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as afore said, and which bears date the 27th day of January 1870. And the deponants further sayeth that the said Noah Morgan the testator aforesaid did at the time subscribing his name as afore said paper writing so subscribed by him, and exhibited to be his last will and testament, and these deponants there upon 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 deponants further sayeth that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last will as afore said and at the of the of the deponants subscribing their names thereto as attesting witnesses thereto as afore said, the said Noah Morgan 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 these deponants, and further these deponants dep. swt.

(Signed) N. Blackstock
J. R. Patterson

Sworn to and
subscribed before
me this the 2nd
day of April 1870

J. E. Reed
Judge of Probate

I, Hugh Pinner of the County of Buncombe & State of North Carolina being of sound mind and Memory; but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say

First That my Executor (herein after named) shall provide for my body a decent burial and pay all funeral expenses to gother with all my just debts, however and to whomsoever so ever owing, out of any money that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate

I give and bequeath & devise to my beloved wife Martha Pinner all my real landed property & estate consisting of several Tracts of Land adjoining & where I reside at present there being in all some three hundred and twenty acres. The said Lands are to be the Property of my said wife Martha Pinner for her use and support during her natural life, and at her death and at her death I devise and will that the said Lands & ~~personalities~~ are to be & become the property of & for the use of my two Children by my present wife Martha to wit, by name Belona and Hugh Pinner, the said Landed Property is to be jointly the Property of the aforesaid Belona & Hugh Pinner at the death of my said wife Martha, or the property of the Surviving one of said Children in case one or the other of said Children should depart this life, before these said matters I further devise that if both or either of said Children, Belona & Hugh die previous to these said matters, leaving Legitimate heirs or issue then and in that case these said ~~lands~~ Belona & Hughes' Children