

Will Docket June 1867

This is the last Will and Testament of Wm Goodlake of the County of Buncombe and State of North Carolina

I direct my Executors herein after named to pay all debts Justly due and owing from me within a reasonable time

I devise to my beloved wife Margaret the house and lot on which I now reside in the town of Asheville including the use of the large State lotuate on the lot adjoining the said lot on the south for the term of her natural life for the use comfortable & convenient support of herself and my infant children Sarah, Ellen, & John Pinkney

I also give and devise to my said wife for the term of her natural life for the use comfortable & convenient support of herself and my said children the farm situate in said County adjoining lands of James C Davidson, Jacob Canale & Jerry Whit. I also give and bequeath to my said wife all my household and Kitchen furniture of every kind substance for the term of her natural life for the use comfortable & convenient support of herself and my said children. I also give and bequeath to my said wife for the like term and for the like purpose, Two Horses, Two Cows, One Don and two horse Waggons & harness and 1 buggy & harness (if such property is on hand) all to be of her own choice, I also give to her all my sheep for like term and purpose

I give and devise to my Daughter Sarah the remainder in part of the house & lot on which I now reside and also the lot adjoining the said lot on the south and this includes the whole of the same except that portion thereof set apart and marked off for the purposes of the Blacksmith Shop and the Carriage repair work Shop. I give and devise to my daughter Ellen Eugene the house & lot adjacent and south of the house & lot on which I now reside except the use of the large State lotuate thereon during the life of my said wife but at her death the use and full property in the same shall pass to my said Daughter

I give and devise to my son John Pinkney my Blacksmith Shop & Tools and my Carriage Shop and tools and the lot on which they are now situate as the same is now marked off & defined and also the house and lot situate on Church Street situate north of and adjoining the lot devised to my daughter Ellen. I give and devise to my said Daughter Ellen and Sarah, and my said son John Pinkney the remainder in fee of the piece situate in said County adjoining lands of J C Davidson and others

Long ago I provided for my son Thomas W Goodlake (now deceased) more amply than I am now able to provide for my other children and when I make no provision here for his surviving family I cannot in justice to my other children do so. Several years ago I bequeathed my son George and his wife eighteen months, for this I claim that he is fairly due & I have paid him fifty Dollars. I paid a Grand Jurymen against a conspiracy to pay him and he has received fifty Dollars and more and I now give and bequeath to him the further sum of three hundred Dollars. I give him the Debt due for the board and the money due

I give and bequeath to my said Daughters Ellen & Sarah and my said son John Pinkney, Each the Sum of three hundred Dollars ~~But~~ the interest that may accrue on the same must be paid annually to their mother if she be living until said children respectively attain the age of twenty one years for the additional support and Education of said children. But if either or both of said Daughters should marry before she or they attain the age of twenty one years then the said sum to each may be paid to her according to law. At the death of my wife I direct my Executor to sell all my personal property I have herein bequeathed to her including the income of the same which may be at that time and divide the proceeds Equally among my Daughters Ellen, Sarah and my son John Pinkney. I direct my Executor herein after named to collect all my debts rights and credits due to me, and to sell all the real estate of my property both real and personal including my farm in Mecklenburg County known as the Davidson farm and turn the whole into a Cash fund and after paying the legacies &c herein before provided to provide the balance of such fund (if any) Equally among my said wife and my said Daughters Ellen & Sarah and my said son John Pinkney but the interest accruing on that part of such fund as may be due to my said last named children I direct to be paid to my said wife (annually for the further support of (if needed) of my said children and I direct the rents and profits (real) to be paid to my wife annually (if need be) for the further support and Education of my said children and their mother made comfortable, and said children as well educated as their means will allow. I request my wife to allow her step father and his mother to remain on the farm by James Davidson and aid her in the Superintendence and Cultivation of the same they might be of material advantage to her.

I appoint my friend Thomas W. Atkin the Guardian of the Estate of my said Children Ellen, Sarah & John Pinkney. I appoint my said wife the guardian of the persons of my said last named children. I do make void, Constitute and appoint Thomas W. Atkin Executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made at any time heretofore made and do declare this to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof, I the said Thomas Goodlake have hereunto set my hand and seal the fourth day of February AD 1866. Thomas Goodlake

The foregoing paper writing was signed and sealed by the above named Thomas Goodlake, and by him published and declared as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names in his presence and at his request and in the presence of each other.

A. W. Cummings
C. Studer

State of North Carolina, Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions June term 1867
Buncombe County, The Execution of the above will was duly
proven by the aforesaid Thomas Goodlake, and by the following witnesses: William Goodlake, James Davidson, and Samuel Davidson. Given under my hand and seal of said Court the 11th day of June 1867.