

The following sums of money, to wit,
To the heirs of my son Josiah Brittain dec'd
the sum of five dollars, to each Brittain
five dollars, to the heirs of my son
A. Brittain dec'd five dollars, to my
daughter Elizabeth Pickins, one hundred
dollars which is to include what she
has already rec'd from me by her husband
J^m Pickins & to my daughter Rachel Roberts
one hundred dollars including the sum she
has already rec'd from me by her husband
James Roberts.

3th It is my desire that the above sums of money
should be paid to the persons therein named
by my daughter Jane Swain & my son Geo. W. Brittain
equally to the different persons above named.
6th I further my will that my daughter Jane
Swain & my son Geo. W. Brittain should have
my wagon, Packsmith & farming tools of all sorts
equally between them.

7th It is my will & desire that my children should
live in peace and harmony with each other
& that they would ~~have~~ ^{live} with each other ~~as~~
& petition their maker to guide them
respectfully in the paths of duty towards each
other & all their fellow mortals on earth
& especially their duty to God in this unfriendly
world so that they may all be fit subjects
for his kingdom above. Amen.

8th It is my will & desire that I hereby constitute
and ordain my worthy friend Nehemiah
Blackstocke sole executor to this my last
will & Testament with full power & authority
to execute the same according to law. in
testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
hand & seal.

William Brittain

Signed & acknowledged
& published in the presence
of us. Moses White
N. Blackstocke

State of North Carolina } Superior Court
Buncombe County

A paper writing purporting to be the last
will & Testament of William Brittain, deceased
is exhibited for probate in open Court before me
by Goodson M. Roberts; and it is thereupon proved
by the oath and examination of Rachel Roberts that
William Brittain the testator therein and N.
Blackstocke one of the subscribing witnesses
therein are dead; and it is also proved by the oath
and examination of A. F. Summey that Moses
White the other subscribing witness therein and
said N. Blackstocke are dead. And it is further
proven by the oath and examination of the said
Rachel Roberts that she is well acquainted
with the respective hand writings of the said
William Brittain and N. Blackstocke, having
often seen them write, and that the name of
the said William Brittain subscribed to said
last will and Testament as testator therein and
the name of N. Blackstocke subscribed is a
witness thereto, are in the respective handwriting
of the said William Brittain and N. Blackstocke
and genuine; and it is also proved by the
oath and examination of A. F. Summey
that he is well acquainted with the hand
writing of the said Moses White and with the
handwriting of the said N. Blackstocke, having
often seen them write, and that the names
of the said Moses White and N. Blackstocke
subscribed as witnesses to the said last will
and testament are in the respective hand
writings of the said Moses White and N. Blackstocke.

A. F. Summey

Rachel Roberts

It is therefore considered and adjudged that the
said paper writing and every part thereof, is the
last will and testament of the said William
Brittain and the same is ordered and filed
This September 2nd A.D. 1857.
J. R. Reynolds.
Clerk of the Superior Court of Buncombe County.