

I, Elijah W. Pigott, of the County of Carteret, State of North Carolina, being of sound and perfect mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare my last will and testament, in manner and following that is to say:

First, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Rebecca, a negro girl named Sallie, aged about four years, all my household and kitchen furniture, and all other articles of personal property (except the sum of \$1000) to her and her administrators or executors, absolutely, forever.

Second, I loan to my said wife Rebecca, during her natural life, the following named slaves to wit; Sarah, Louis, Mary Pinkham and Wm Henry, and their increase, for her use and support, and five shares of Bank Stock in the Bank of Washington at C., likewise for her use and support; and my will and desire is that after the death of my said wife Rebecca, the slaves so loaned, with their increase, and the bank stock so loaned, shall be equally divided among my children Rebecca, Edwin, Mary Jane, Isabelle and Angelina. Provided however, that if my son Levi Woodbury, shall, before the time of such division shall be made, pay to me my estate or to the executors I shall hereinafter appoint, a certain debt (principes and interest) due me by him, that is to say a certain judgment rendered by the County Court of Carteret at August Term 1858, in favor of the administrator of William Leecraft deceased, against my son Levi Woodbury and myself, which I have paid, with lawful interest thereon, the same being a debt of his own, to which I was out

then and in that case, my will and desire is that said slaves Sarah, Louis, Mary Pinkham and Wm Henry, and their increase, shall be divided equally between all my children, to wit, Rebecca, Edwin, Levi Woodbury, Mary Jane, Isabelle and Angelina, to be held by them in severalty, to them, their executors and administrators absolutely, forever.

Third, My will and desire is that my executors, hereinafter named, sell my interest in the plantation called Angelina, and apply the proceeds to the payment of my debts; and after the settlement of my estate, whatever money may remain for distribution, I wish to be paid out as follows: to wit, to my wife Rebecca the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars, and to my six children, in equal shares, the residue.

Fourth, I give and devise all my real estate in the County of Carteret and elsewhere to my said children Rebecca, Edwin, Levi W., Mary Jane, Isabelle and Angelina, and their heirs in fee simple forever.

Fifth, I hereby appoint my son Levi W. Pigott, and my friend James Rumley, Executors of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day of September A.D. 1859.

E. W. Pigott (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Elijah W. Pigott, to be his last will and testament, in the presence of us, who attest the same in the presence of each other.

W. C. King
Jos. F. Hyson.

Carters County Court, Feby. Term A. D. 1859.
 The foregoing paper writing purporting to be
 last will and testament of Elijah W. Pigott
 is exhibited for probate in open Court by James
 Ray, one of the executors therein named, and the
 execution thereof by the said Elijah W. Pigott
 proved by the oaths and examination of William
 C. King and Joseph F. Styron, the subscribing
 witnesses thereto. It is therefore considered
 by the Court, that the said paper writing
 and every part thereof, is the last will and
 testament of the said Elijah W. Pigott, and
 the same is ordered to be recorded and
 filed. And thereupon James Ramsey
 as aforesaid, qualifies as such by taking the
 oaths required by law.

James Ramsey, Clerk

Now all persons by these presents that I
 Taylor Senr. of Carters County, and North
 Carolina being weak of body but of sound mind
 and memory do make and depose this
 last will and testament.

First I give and bequeath to my son
 J. Taylor the Westernmost portion of my land
 by a large cherry tree North and South to the
 front and back lines including the house
 also one feather bed and furniture together
 with others an equal share in my stock
 horses cattle and hogs crop &c.

Secondly. I give and bequeath all the
 due of my home lands to my other three
 children with me Joseph Taylor Mary Ann Taylor
 and Anne J. Taylor, to share in equal

proportions amongst them together with an
 equal portion with others here named of all
 my stock of horses, cattle and hogs also one
 bed and furniture to each. Together with the
 privilege of all the rest of the furniture to
 keep ^{house} with. Thirdly I give and bequeath
 to my son Edward Taylor Twenty four
 acres of land lying in the fork of Adams
 Branch together with an equal share in
 my stock of horses, cattle and hogs —
 Fourthly, I give to my daughter Rebecca
 Smith five dollars to finish some of my
 former bequest.

Fifthly I give to my daughter Elizabeth
 Guthrie Twenty five cents moneys to be paid
 by my executors when convenient.

Sixthly I ordain and appoint John T.
 Taylor and Joseph Taylor executors to this
 my last will and testament. September
 9th. 1859.

Joseph Taylor ^{his} mark Dead
 Signed in the presence of
 Eli S. Elliott
 Cicero C. Taylor

Carters County Court, May Term A. D. 1860.

The within paper writing, purporting to be the
 last will and testament of Joseph Taylor Senr.
 is exhibited for probate in open Court by Joseph
 Taylor one of the executors therein named, and
 the due execution thereof, by the said Joseph Taylor
 Senr. is proved by the oaths and examination
 of Eli S. Elliott and Cicero C. Taylor the subscri-
 ving witnesses thereto. It is therefore considered
 by the Court that the said paper writing is the last
 will and testament of Joseph Taylor Senr. aforesaid,
 and the same is ordered to be recorded and
 filed. And thereupon Joseph Taylor Executor as
 aforesaid, qualifies as such by taking the oaths re-
 quired by law.

James Ramsey, Clerk