

213 Last Will & Testament of Peter Keller.

I Peter Keller of the County of Calhoun and 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 first to say, I will that there be a decent suit of burial clothes provided for as my relations see best.

2 I give & devise unto my wife Mary Ann Keller & Daniel Conrad Keller and all the my other children, all the ~~last~~ property so as to include all stock and everything on the plantation.

3 I devise my wife to keep up the plantation and help the children along.

4 I give & devise unto my son Peter James Keller thirty four acres of land to wit - beginning on a Spanish oak Daniel Little's corner & run East 25 poles to a stake, then N. 18° West 14 poles to the river to a birch 3 poles below the flat landing then up the river 80 poles to a birch Daniel C. Keller's corner, then South 31° East 102 poles to the Beginning containing thirty four acres more or less.

5 I give & devise unto Hester Idell my daughter thirty acres of land lying below next to the house lot to wit Beginning at a stake, it runs East 21 poles to a stake, thence North 12° West 174 to the river then up the river 33 poles to a rock, then South 3° East 178 poles to the Beginning containing thirty acres more or less.

6 I give and devise unto my daughter Glorinda Elanora thirty one acres of land adjoining the aforesaid lot and Daniel Little to wit Beginning

on a dogwood in Little's line and runs N. 6° East with Little's line 158 poles to the River, a chestnut then up the river 42 poles to a rock then S. 12° East 174 poles to a stake then East 11 poles to a rock, then N. 12 poles to a rock, then East 10 poles to the Beginning, containing 31 acres more or less.

6 I give & devise unto my wife Mary S. Keller the House lot her life time provided she keeps my name and also the use of the office land until the children become of age.

7 I will and authorize my wife Mary S. Keller to make deeds for my children as they become of age.

I Peter Keller declare this my Last will and Testament and revoke all former wills. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal.

Feb. 15th 1881
 Test D. M. McCreary
 Casper C. Williams
 Peter Keller
 Will.

Peter Keller Seal
 made.

North Carolina Superior Court
 Calhoun County, Sept 27 1881

The foregoing paper being purporting to be the last will and Testament of Peter Keller, Clerk, is proven by the oath and examination of D. M. McCreary and Casper C. Williams, the Subscribing witnesses, thereto.

Let the same with this Certificate and the probate in full, be recorded.
 P. J. Hays, C. C.

State of North Carolina } In the Superior Court,
Catawba County }

A Paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Peter Keller, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, R. H. Boyle, Clerk of the Superior Court for and for said County, by Myra S. Keller, the executrix thereof, named, and the due execution thereof by the said Peter Keller, is proven by the oath and affirmation of L. M. Worman, and Casper Phillips, the subscribing witnesses thereto; who being duly sworn, each depose and say, each and every for himself that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and Testament of Peter Keller.

That the said Peter Keller, in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shown aforesaid, and which bears date on the 1st day of February 1834, (as also in the presence of this deponent acknowledged the signing of the said paper writing). And the deponent further deposes that the said Peter Keller, the Testator, aforesaid, at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declared the said paper writing to be his last will and Testament, and this deponent did thereupon 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 deponent further deposes that at the said time when the said Testator subscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid, and at the time of the deponent's subscribing as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid, the said Testator was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute said will, and was not under any restraint to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent, and further these deponents say now.

Subscribed and Subscribed this } L. M. Worman Clerk
27d of Sept. 1834 } Casper Phillips Clerk

Last Will and Testament of P. C. Kunkel.

In the Name of Jesus, Amen.

North Carolina }
Catawba County } April 12 1834.

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I, P. C. Kunkel of the aforesaid County and State, being of sound mind, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and publish this my last will and Testament.

David Kunkel
& Mrs Kunkel
are Executors.

First, my executors or executors, herein after named, shall give my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my friends and relatives, and pay the funeral expenses, together with all my just debts, out of the first monies, that may come into the hands of them or whom I may appoint to execute my last will, belonging to my estate.

Second, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Rebecca, all my property, both real and personal, together with what money or notes I may have and have owing her natural life or widowhood. Should she marry again, she shall only have such portion of my property as the law allows in such cases.

Furthermore, it is my will that she shall not be disturbed or oppressed in view of obtaining a living, during her natural life time or widowhood, and therefore further provide, that in case my little farm on Lyles Creek, and my house, and lot, in the town of Concord may not fully supply her wants, and pay taxes, she is empowered by this my will to sell the tract of land on the waters of Balls Creek as a Supplement to her support, and is hereby empowered to make a good and indefeasible title to said tract of land for such purpose. This will authorize her to put my name to such deed, and seal it with my seal, as though I were living and did it myself.

Furthermore, my will is, that her death her body shall be decently buried and her last resting place be marked out suitable to her wishes, and that the expenses be paid out of what money or personal property may remain at her death.