

Record of Wills

Item 1st William Colours of the County of Bladen
being now in good health and sound
Mind - And Seeing the necessity to direct the
disposition of My Property after my death.
Do Make and declare this my last Will
and Testament hereby revoking all former
Wills dispositions or directions as to my
property.

Item 2nd I will and direct that all my debts be fully
paid.

Item 3rd It is my will and desire that all property of
every character real and personal, Money
and Choses in action shall belong to
My wife Stacy and her daughter Mary Jane
Davidson wife of Samuel W. Davidson for
jointly during the lifetime of My wife and
at the death of My said wife to remain the
property of My daughter Jane and her
children in fee simple.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and declared the same
this 1st day of March 1874.

William Colours

Signed and countersigned
in the presence of each other
and in the presence of the
testator and at his request
on the above day above written,

A. J. Doverson
H. H. Doverson

State of North Carolina to the Superior Court
Bladen County May the 14th 1885.

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament
of William Colours deceased is exhibited for Probate in an open
Court by S. W. Davidson for one of the heirs of testator William
Colours and the due examination thereof is duly pronounced
and examination of A. J. Doverson and H. H.
Doverson the subscribers thereto. It is therefore
concluded by the Court that the said paper purporting and purport
thereof to be the last Will and Testament of the said William Colours does
not contain any clause to be deemed a valid Will and is rejected.

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In the name of God Amen

I Robert Reed, of the County of Cherokee and State
of North Carolina Being in good bodily health and of
sound mind and desiring to make and manage
calling to mind the frailty and uncertainty of human
life, and being desirous of settling my worldly
affairs and directing how the Estate with which it
has pleased God to bless me shall be disposed of after
my decease while I have strength and capacity so to
do, do make and publish this my last Will and
Testament, hereby revoking all making null
and void all other last Wills and Testaments by
me heretofore made.

My Will is that all my just debts and funeral
charges shall by my Executor hereafter named
be paid out of my Estate as soon after my decease
as shall by them found convenient.

I give devise and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth
all my household and Station
furniture, and the Mansions or dwelling
House together with all the land and Tenements
and all live Stock of which I am or may be
possessed to have and to hold for and during her
natural life.

I give devise and bequeath to my Son Robert
Reed and his wife the following lands to wit
tract No 66 in district No 8 - tract No 63 - in district
No 8. also tract No 59 - in district No 8, all being in
the County of Cherokee and State of North Carolina
except so much of the Mineral as herein after
bequeathed to others.

I give devise and bequeath as follows to my
sons Samuel Reed, John Reed, Elbert Reed and
Robert Henderson Reed and John S. Reed and
to my Daughters Nancy Carolina Roach
Elvira Elizabeth Salina and Mary Jane each
and every one of them an equal share and
Interest in and to all mines and minerals
appertaining to the above lots of Land.
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal the 3rd day of October in the year

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attn
John R. Semmens
P.C. Marshburn
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Sigina R. Reed Esq

The above Instrument of one sheet was at
the date thereof: declared to us by the Testator
Robert Reed to be his last Will and Testament
and was subscribed by him in the
presence of each of us and we at his
request signed our names hereto attesting
thereof.

John R. Semmens
P.C. Marshburn

I do hereby appoint John Reed as my
Executor and authorize him to dispose of
my Estate in accordance with the foregoing
Will. No writing other of the above named Signers
my name and set my Seal the day
above written,

R. Reed Esq

State of North Carolina, In the Superior Court
Charlotte County 3 June the 30th 1885
A paper writing purporting to be the last
Will and Testament of R. Reed deceased
is exhibited for Probate in open Court by
R. H. Reed, one of the heirs at law of said
R. Reed deceased and the due execution thereof
is duly proved by the oath and examination
of John R. Semmens and P.C. Marshburn the
Subscribing witnesses. It is moreover by the
Court that the said paper writing and every
part thereof is the last will and testament
of the said R. Reed deceased, and the same
is ordered to be recorded and filed.

Witness for C. A. Riley Clerk of our said Court
at office in Murphy the date above written.

J. C. Riley C. L.

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In the Superior Court of the County
of Napa, State of California

In the Matter of 3
the Estate

of Charles M. Welchcock
Decedent

To the Honorable the Superior Court
of the County of Napa,
State of California,

The Petition of John A. Stanley and
John W. Wise of the City and County of
San Francisco in the state of California
respectfully shows;

That Charles M. Welchcock died
on or about the third day of April 1885,
at Carmichael, nearest Helena in the County
of Napa State of California.

That the said decedent at the time of his
death was a resident of the County of Napa
in said State of California and left estate
in said County and elsewhere consisting
of real, ~~and~~ personal property.

That the probable value and character of
the said property are as follows & valued
Real estate situated in the County of Napa
and in the City and County of San Francisco
State of California and in the State of Texas,
Olive and North California, that the exact description
and value of said Real estate is at present
unknown to your Petitioners; that the character
and value of the personal estate of said decedent
is unknown to your Petitioners; that the total
estate of said estate known to the best of your
Petitioners information and belief does not exceed
in value the sum of three hundred thousand
dollars. That said decedent left a Will bearing
date the twenty fourth day of August 1884
with two Codicils thereto, dated respectively
the twentieth day of March 1884 and the