

considered by the Court that the said paper writing and
every part thereof is the last Will and Testament of the said
Catherine Ray and the same is ordered to be recorded and
filed - and Thompson the said Will R. Blud and John
S. Ray Executors as aforesaid duly qualify as such by
taking the oath required by law.

J. T. Warden
Clerk

E. M.

State of North Carolina
Cumberland County

In the name of God, Amen
I, Catherine Ray, of the County and State aforesaid,
being of sound mind and memory (helped by God) do this
the thirtieth day of September in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and fifty nine, make and publish
this my last Will and Testament in the manner following
Revolving all former Wills

1st I give and bequeath to
my nephew Duncan Ray, my negro man Jim

2^d I give and bequeath to the children of my niece
the late Mrs Margaret Campbell, formerly Margaret Ray,
my negro girl Esther, to them and their legal heirs
also one bed and furniture one chest and one side
board

3^d I give and bequeath to my niece Flora
McGowan to her children after her decease my
negro girl Nancy, also one bed and furniture

4th I give and bequeath to my niece Margaret
Ray, my negro girl Isaac also one bed and
furniture and one stand of Curtains

5th I give and bequeath to my nephew Will
Ray, my negro boy Isaac

I give and bequeath to John Smith Ray my negro woman Phoebe

4th I give and bequeath to my nephew Willie R. Blue my negro girl Abby

8th I give and bequeath to my sister Flora Blue One Hundred Dollars and to each of her two daughters Sarah and Mary One Hundred Dollars, also to my nephew Duncan Blue One Hundred Dollars,

9th I give and bequeath to my nephew James Franklin Ray my negro girl Sarah Catharine

10th I give and bequeath to my brother Willie Ray my negro woman Chloa

11th I give and bequeath to my nephew Archibald Ray my negro boy Jimmy

12th I wish all my stock of Cattle hogs and sheep my household and Kitchen furniture (not mentioned above) to be sold at public sale to the highest bidder and the proceeds of the sale together with all other monies or assets on hand to be applied as follows, part to the payment of all my just debts, — part to erecting suitable monuments to my gran and that of my deceased sister Sarah and the balance to be divided into four shares, of which

my Brother will to have one, my nephew John Smith Ray to have one other fourth share, my sister Flora Blue one, and the remaining to the heirs of my sister the late Mary Margaret Blue and I hereby constitute and appoint my nephew John Smith Ray and Willie R. Blue Executors of this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I the said Catharine Ray have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal, the date above written

Signed sealed and declared in presence of us who were present at the time of signing

Duncan Shaw

Hugh McCall

Catharine Ray sealed mark

State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Cumberland County } December Term AD 1859
A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Catharine Ray deceased is exhibited in open Court by Willie R. Blue and John S. Ray the executors therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said Catharine Ray is proved by the oath and examination of Duncan Shaw and Hugh McCall the subscribing witnesses therein. It is therefore

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Cumberland County

In the Name of God Amen,
I Catherine Ray of the County and State
aforesaid being of Sound Mind and Memory
(helped he had) do this the thirtieth day of
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eight hundred and fifty nine make and publish
this my last Will and Testament in the manner
following, revoking all former Wills.

1st I give and bequeath to my Nephew Duncan
Ray my negro man Jim

2^d I give and bequeath to the children
of my Niece the late Mrs Margaret Campbell
formerly Margaret Blue my negro girl Esther
to them and their legal heirs, also one bed and
furniture and chest and one sideboard

3^d I give and bequeath to my Niece Flora
McGowan & to her children after her decease
my negro girl Nancy, also one bed & furniture

4th I give and bequeath to my Niece Margaret

Copy
Catherine Ray
at
Will

To be recorded and filed, And thereupon
the said Will of Blue and John's Ray
Execution or aforesaid duly qualified as such
by taking the oath required by Law
from the Minister
J. S. Warden
Clerk

erecting Suitable Monuments to my grave,
 and that of my deceased Sister Sarah, and the
 balance to be divided into four shares
 of which my Brother shall to have and my
 Nephew John Smith Ray to have one other
 share, my Sister Flora Blue one, and the
 remaining to the heir of my Sister the late
 Mrs Margaret Blue. And I hereby constitute
 and appoint my Nephew John Smith Ray
 and Will R Blue Executors of this my
 last Will and Testament

In Testimony whereof I the said Catharine
 Ray have to my last Will and Testament
 Set my hand and Seal the date above written
 Signed sealed & declared Catharine ^{don} Ray Sealed
 in presence of us, who Mark
 were present at the
 time of signing

Duncan Shaw

Henry McCall

State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas & Quarter
 Cumberland County } Session December Term 1859

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 and John S Ray the Executors therein named
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 Catharine Ray is proved by the oath and
 examination of Duncan Shaw and Henry
 McCall 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 Catharine Ray and the same is ordered