

My Seal

Attest

John D. Craft & Son
Christopher Spake

Michael S. Craft Seal

Hosea Stroups Will

In the name of God Amen - I Hosea Stroup, of the County of Lincoln & 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 to say

1st that my executor, or executrix hereinafter named shall pay all my just debts to whomsoever owing out of any monies that they may have on hand or due me by note.

Item I give devise and Will to my wife Nancy S Stroups all my lands, horses, Cattle, Sheep and Hogs, all my notes and accounts & Bonds together with all my other property of every description and moneys during the term of her natural life or

widowhood and if she marries or at her death it is my will that all my property shall be sold and the proceeds to be equally divided among my children - And lastly, I do hereby appoint my trusty

Wills to Nov Sep 1865

friend and father Moses Strouf and my beloved wife Nancy S. Strouf
my lawful executors & Executors of this my last will and Testament
according to the intent and meaning of the same
In witness whereof I the said Moses Strouf do hereunto set
my hand & seal this 14th day of March 1865 signed sealed &
published and declared by the said Moses Strouf to be his last will
and Testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his
presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

J. B. Smith Jurat.
Mary J. Hoffman

Moses Strouf Seal