

North Carolina In the Superior Court, February 7, 1855,
 Wayne County A paper writing purporting to be the last
 Will and Testament of Adam Wilcox is exhibited for Probate
 in this Court by William A. Darden one of the Subscribing witnesses
 and the due execution by the said W. A. Darden is proven by the
 oath and examination of J. N. Williams and John Hay the
 Subscribing witnesses thereto. It is considered and adjudged
 by the Court that the said paper writing and every part
 thereof is the last Will and Testament of the said
 Adam Wilcox and the same is ordered to be recorded & filed
 and J. N. Williams qualified as Admin^r of said W. A. Darden
 with the Will annexed

D. A. Patrick C.S.C.

Last Will
 &
 Testament of
 Adam Wilcox

In the name of God Amen
 I, Adam Wilcox of the County of Wayne and State of North
 Carolina, being weak in body and perfectly conscious accord-
 ing to course of human events, that time with me is short,
 but of sound mind and disposing judgment; do hereby
 make and ordain, this to be my last Will and Testament
 hereby revoking all others heretofore by me made, in
 manner and form as follows, to wit:

Item 1st

I desire that my execution hereof shall
 at soon after my death shall occur, at practically provide
 for my remains & decent burial, and pay for the same
 out of any money that may proceed from my estate
 together with all of my just debts to whomsoever owing
 provided however that my desire is that the note
 which Rufus C. D. Beaman holds against me shall be
 paid with less interest; and nothing more, as other-
 wise all I ever promised to pay him

Item 2nd

I give and bequeath unto William A. Darden the sum
 of two hundred and fifty dollars out of the proceeds of
 the sale of my land, to him and his heirs forever

Item 3rd

I give and bequeath unto Nancy Hay (wife of Vessley
 Hay) Nancy Whitley wife of John Henry Whitley and
 Ed. Wheeler (wife of William Wheeler) all of my
 household and kitchen furniture of every description to
 be divided equally, share and share alike

Item 4th

The residue of my estate (excepting one acre of land
 including the family burying ground) I give and
 bequeath unto Vessley Hay, John Henry Whitley,

William Wheeler and Frank Wheeler, to be equally divided
 between them, share and share alike, to them and their heirs
 and assigns forever
 And lastly I hereby constitute and appoint my worthy
 friend William A. Darden, as executor of this my last Will
 and Testament to enforce and execute the same, according to
 the true intent and meaning thereof, Signed with my hand
 and sealed in presence of W. A. Darden at my request Signed of their
 names as witnesses hereto, this 14th day of May A. D. 1853,
 Adam Wilcox (Seal)
 W. A. Darden

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The above entering made before signing
 J. P. Spight
 P. A. Byrum

State of North Carolina, } S.S. In the Probate Court
 of Wayne County,
 A paper purporting to be the last Will & Testament of Adam
 Wilcox declared, is exhibited before me, the undersigned
 Judge of Probate for said County, by W. A. Darden the
 executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof
 by the said Adam Wilcox by the oath and examination
 of J. P. Spight & P. A. Byrum the Subscribing witnesses thereto
 who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for
 himself depose and say, that he is a Subscribing
 witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to
 be the last Will and Testament of Adam Wilcox, that the
 said Adam Wilcox, in the presence of this deponent, subscribed
 his name at the end of said paper writing, which is now
 shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 14th day
 of May 1853. And the deponent further saith, that the
 said Adam Wilcox the testator aforesaid, did, at the
 time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the
 said paper writing to be his last Will and Testament, and the 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 said testator, and this deponent
 further saith, that at the said time when the said testator
 subscribed his name to the said last Will as aforesaid,
 and at the time of deponent subscribing his name as an
 attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said Adam
 Wilcox was of sound mind and memory of full
 age to execute a Will, and was not under any restriction
 to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent

And further these deponents say, that
J. P. Spight (Seal)
P. A. Byrum (Seal)

Solely sworn and Subscribed
this 30th day of Sept. 1883,
J. W. Patrick Probate Judge

North Carolina, In the Probate Court
Grenoe County } September 30th 1883.
A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament
of Adam Miller, dec'd is exhibited for Probate in open Court
by W. A. Darden the executor therein named, and the due
execution thereof by the said Adam Miller is proven by the
oral and examination of J. P. Spight and P. A. Byrum
the subscribing witnesses thereto.
It is certified by the Court and adjudged that the
said paper writing is the last will and testament of the
said Adam Miller, and the same is ordered to be recorded
and filed, and therefore the said W. A. Darden qualified
as executor of said will of said Adam Miller by taking the
oath required by law.
J. W. Patrick Probate Judge

Last Will & Testament of Sarah H. Brantton
North Carolina, I, Sarah H. Brantton, being of sound
Grenoe County } mind and memory and considering the
uncertainty of my earthly existence, do hereby make and
declare this to be my last will and testament in manner
and to the following

Item 1st I give and devise that my executor hereinafter appointed
shall after my death provide for me a decess burial and
out of the first money coming into his hands pay my funeral
expenses, and all my just debts to whomsoever owing.
Item 2nd I will and devise that after my death, and death of my
husband Bowden Brantton that my step son George B.
Brantton who I have raised I have great affection for
shall have and hold to him and his heirs in fee simple forever
all my real estate inherited from my father Samuel
K. Brantton, where I now live & all real estate that I
may acquire before my death either by purchase or dec't,
also all my just and proper of every kind and description
subject to the following exceptions only to wit: I reserve to
my father's family the family burying ground near the
house with rights to bury the dead, also the right to cut
over the ground to said burying ground for the purpose

of burying the dead, and keeping the same in repair
(and that I do hereby constitute my husband Bowden
Brantton my executor to this my last will and testament
in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
in the presence of witnesses, this Aug. 30th 1883,
Sallie H. Brantton (Seal)

Witness
Theo. Edwards
Elijah T. Crawford.

State of North Carolina
Grenoe County } J. P. In the Superior Court
A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament
of Sarah H. Brantton deceased, is exhibited before me, the
undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court, for said County, by
Bowden Brantton the executor therein named, and the due
execution thereof by the said Sarah H. Brantton by the oath
and examination of Theo. Edwards and Elijah T. Crawford
the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn,
doth depose and say, and each for himself the oaths and swear
that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing
now shown him purporting to be the last will & testament of
Sarah H. Brantton that the said Sarah H. Brantton in
the presence of this deponent, subscribe her name at the end
of said paper writing, which is now shown as aforesaid,
and which bears date of the 30th day of August, 1883,
and the deponent further saith, that the said Sarah
H. Brantton the testator aforesaid, did, at the time of
subscribing her name as aforesaid, declare the said paper
writing to be subscribed by her and exhibited to be her
last will and testament, and this deponent did then
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 the deponent further saith,
that at the said time when the said testator subscribed
her name to the said last will as aforesaid and at the
time of deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting
witness thereto, at aforesaid, the said Sarah H. Brantton
was of sound mind and memory, of full age & capable
to will, and was not under any delusion or the knowledge
influence or belief of this deponent.
And further these deponents say, that
I solemnly sworn & subscribed at the 30th day of August, 1883 before me Theo. Edwards
Elijah T. Crawford (Seal)