

North Carolina Greene County.

I, Daniel Artis of Greene County & State of North Carolina do hereby make and declare this to be my last Will and Testament.

I hereby direct that my Executor herein after named shall out of the first Monies coming into his hands pay all my just debts and funeral expenses. and I do hereby devise my property as follows:

Item 1 I devise and devise to my daughter Clara Edwards the wife of Henry Edwards, my interest in the tract of land on which Henry Edwards my daughter's husband lived which was purchased from Ororo Cobb, my interest in said land being one hundred & seventy two dollars & which I advanced to the said Henry Edwards to aid him in paying for said lands, if however on the division and valuation of my other lands to the other children herein after named it should be found that my said interest in the said lands is not on equal portion then the more valuable share shall pay over to my said daughter Clara per cent/cent as it is found necessary to make her share equal to the other shares in value if on the other hand her said share should prove to be the most valuable then my said daughter shall pay over an amount sufficient to make the share given to them equal with her.

Item 2 I devise and devise to my son Henry one fourth interest of all my personal estate to him & to his heirs in fee simple forever.

Item 3 I devise and devise to grand children the children of my son Gabriel Artis deceased, as follows, Anna Paul & H. Frank Artis, Lela & Cordis- Madison Artis, Marcus Artis, Ernest Artis, Dicy Bates and Hannah Artis one fourth of my estate to them & their heirs in fee simple forever, they to share & share alike.

Item 4 I devise and devise to grand children, Joseph P. D. Paul, Maria Edwards and Clara Paul children of my daughter Priscilla Thompson dec'd one fourth of my estate they to share & share alike in same to them and their heirs in fee simple forever.

It is my will and desire to divide my property

equally between my children and direct that the same shall be assessed to them as heretofore provided but I do hereby give and devise to my daughter Maria Swinson wife of Jesse Swinson the sum of fifty dollars to be paid to her in cash and I do hereby direct that the said sum of fifty dollars shall be a charge upon each of said shares of land as heretofore devised & that to pay each shall shall pay to the said Maria Swinson or her heirs the sum of two or one half dollars.

I do hereby constitute and appoint my grand son Isaac James my Executor to this my last Will and Testament directing him to have the said lands devised by me divided between my said children & their heirs in accordance with this my last will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I hereat set my hand and seal this Jan 14th 1905

Daniel ^{this} _{mark} Artis *[Signature]*

We the undersigned do hereby sign this instrument as witnesses at the request of Daniel Artis that we signed this same in his presence and in the presence of each other the same being declared by him as his last will & Testament.

Witnesses This Edwards
H. S. Prantham

State of North Carolina } S. S. In the Superior Court,
Greene County

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Daniel Artis deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County by Isaac James, the executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Daniel Artis by the oath and affirmation of Thos Edwards, H. S. Prantham, the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn, both 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 Daniel Artis that the said Daniel Artis

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 14 day of Jan, 1905.

And the Deponent further saith that the said Daniel Actis the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid before the said paper writing so subscribed by him, and which is 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 said testator. And this deponent further saith, that at the same time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid, and at the time of the deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said Daniel Actis was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will, and was not under any restraint, to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent: And further these deponents say not.

Thos. Edwards

M. S. Wauwham

Solely sworn and subscribed,
this 21 day of March 1905, before me.

John R. Dail

Clerk Superior Court.

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This is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of Daniel Actis deceased, let the said Will, together with the probate be recorded and filed.

This 21 day of March, 1905

John R. Dail

Clerk Superior Court

I Susan Turvey of the County of Greene and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my posterity, existence do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say First: That Executive (hereafter named) shall provide for my body, a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts known and to whomsoever owing out of the money that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Item I give and devise to my beloved daughter Louisa M. Rouse the wife of L. H. Rouse two beds and furniture one side Board one for and I care my wish is to have and to hold to her and her heirs in fee simple forever.

Item I give and devise to my beloved daughter Sarah M. Rouse the wife of George W. Rouse two beds and furniture one while I live my wish is to have and to hold to her and her heirs in fee simple forever.

Item I give and devise to my beloved daughter Joseph T. Taylor two beds and furniture my wish is for her to have and to hold to her and her heirs in fee simple forever.

Item I give and devise to my beloved daughter Louisa M. Rouse the wife of L. H. Rouse one hundred and fifty acres of land and bounded in the end of the tract whereon I now live, do also include my mansion house all out houses and other improvements to have and to hold to her and her heirs in fee simple forever my wish is if she wishes to sell said tract of land she has the power so to do this said tract of land is bounded as follows beginning at the Public Road at the end of the avenue in John Paterson's line and run said road to S. H. Edwards line and runs with S. H. Edwards line to Kelly Miller's line Item I leave to my daughter Sarah M. Rouse the wife of George W. Rouse one hundred and forty acres of land more or less my wish and desire is that if my daughter don't Rouse a son