

North Carolina
Greene County

I Gattin Pote of the aforesaid County and State being of sound mind but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last Will and Testament:-

First my Executor hereinafter named shall give my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my friends and relatives and pay all funeral expenses together with all my just debts out of the first moneys which may come into his hands belonging to my estate.

Second I give and devise to my beloved son George B. Pote all of my interest which interest is about 20 acres of land in that piece or parcel of land lying and being on the east side of Hull Road and south of the avenue leading to Joseph P. Kells beginning at where said avenue crosses said Hull Road and runs with said avenue to J. P. Kells line thence a straight line to Rainbow branch thence with the run of said branch to J. P. Kells line thence with his line to Geo. W. Jones line thence with said farm line to Hull Road thence with said Hull Road northward to the beginning said to contain one hundred and four acres Geo. B. Pote having paid for all but about twenty acres heretofore.

Third I my wishes and desire is that my son George Pote take possession of my home place where I now live containing partly two acres and described as follows viz beginning at the said avenue mentioned above and runs northward to the line of Richard C. Jones thence with his line eastward to a large black gum in the fork of Phillips and Buzzard branch thence with J. P. Kells line to the avenue leading to his house thence with said avenue to the beginning. My further desire is that he pay over to my beloved son James W. Pote the sum of one hundred dollars in four installments that is to say pay him twenty five dollars per year for four years also pay my grand son Perry Pote fifty dollars when he becomes to the age of twenty one years old, and further pay to my beloved daughter Elizabeth Edwards the sum of ten dollars and further my will and desire is that he see that my beloved wife Pinelope Pote is well taken care of and provided for during her natural life.

Fourth I give and bequeath to my beloved son James W. Pote

all of my personal property that may exist at the death of my beloved wife
Fifth I give to my beloved son Geo. B. Pote after he has complied with my wishes mentioned in item third full possession title and all interest in my home tract of land

Sixth I here declare that all property that I have given to each one of my children either personal or real heretofore and not mentioned in this my last Will and Testament shall remain theirs as I have given it

Seventh I hereby constitute and appoint my truly friend George W. Jones my lawfull executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last Will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof - hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made.

In Witness whereof I the said Gattin Pote do hereunto set my hand and seal this 12th day of June 1899

Gattin Pote (Seal)

North Carolina } In the Superior Court
Greene County } Before John R. Dail (Clerk)

In the year 1899
Gattin Pote died
at Papers Writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Gattin Pote died is exhibited in open Court for probate by Geo. W. Jones, Executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said Gattin Pote died is duly proven by oath and examination of said D. Mowbray and J. J. Mowbray subscribing Witnesses thereto and it is further shown to the satisfaction of the Court by said Witnesses that the said Gattin Pote was at the time of making said Will, of sound mind and memory of full age to execute a Will and under no restraint to their knowledge information or belief: It is therefore considered, adjudged and decreed that said proof is sufficient and according to Law and that said paper writing is and contains the last Will and Testament of Gattin Pote died, and on motion it is ordered that said Will be admitted to probate and recorded in book of wills of Greene County and as such filed as provided by Law in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of said County. It is further ordered that said Geo. W. Jones be allowed to qualify as executor as provided by Law and enter upon the discharge of the duties imposed

by said trust.

dated this the 11 day of November 1899

J. O. R. Dail Clerk
of the Superior Court

I Elizabeth A. Smith of Greene County
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
first

It is my will and desire that my Executor
hereinafter named shall provide my
body a decent burial or suitable to
the wishes of family and relations and
pay all funeral expenses together with
all my just debts howsoever and to
whomsoever owing out of the first money
that shall come into his hands as a
part or parts of my estate.

Item 1st I give and devise to my grand children
William S. Smith James S. Smith
Estelle Smith Margaret E. Smith
Elizabeth A. Smith Hewitt Smith Mary
Smith and such other children as may
be lawfully born to my son James S. Smith
my plantation lying in the lower part of
Greene County adjoining the lands of
James Albritton and others to be equally
divided among said children after the death
of my son James S. Smith. It is my
will and desire and I so direct
that after my death my son James S.
Smith take charge of my said plantation
and use it in whatever way he may deem
best for the interest of said children.

Item 2 I give and devise to my daughter
Martha E. Patrick one black slave in the

town of Rockerton to be hers absolutely forever
said lot lying on front street adjoining the
lot I now reside on.

Item 3 I give and bequeath to my daughter
Martha E. Patrick two beds and furniture
to be hers forever.

Item 4 I give and bequeath to my son James
S. Smith one bed and furniture to be
his forever.

Item 5 It is my will and desire that all the
rest and residue of my property of all
description be equally divided between
my son James S. Smith and daughter
Martha E. Patrick after taking out the
debts and bequest before made and paying
my debts funeral expenses and charges of
the settlement of my estate.

Lastly I constitute and appoint my son
James S. Smith my lawful Executor
to execute this my last will and Testament
according to the true intent and meaning
of the same hereby revoking and declaring
void all other wills and Testaments by
me heretofore made
In testimony whereof I Elizabeth A. Smith
do hereunto set my hand and seal this
the 17th day of January A.D. 1878.

Signed sealed published Elizabeth A. Smith Seal
and declared by the said
Elizabeth A. Smith to be her
last Will and Testament
before us who at her
request and in her presence
subscribed our names as
Witnesses.
W. H. Dixon
John Patrick