

North Carolina
Greene County

I - H. R. Bryan being of sound mind but in feeble health do make public and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows to wit:

Item Ist It is my will and desire that my executor herein appointed shall give to my body a decent burial, and shall pay my funeral expenses, and all my just debts, to whomsoever owing out of the first money which may come into his hands belonging to my estate,

Item IInd Having heretofore made some advancement to my daughter Ellen, E. Darden, wife of A. D. Darden, it is my desire that she shall not account for the same and that my executor shall pay to her the further sum of five hundred dollars

Item IIIrd As I have already heretofore advanced to my son H. R. Bryan Jr. more than his equal share of my estate and as he is now indebted to my estate for such sum, I direct my executor to forgive and remit to the said H. R. Bryan Jr. of the amount which he owes me the sum of five hundred dollars.

Item IVth I give and bequeath unto my daughter Nell, wife of H. R. Morgan, one feather bed, and the sum of two thousand dollars in money.

V. I give and bequeath unto my son James L. Bryan the sum of two thousand dollars in money in trust, to invest the same securely and pay the interest on said sum annually unto my daughter Minnie, S. wife of E. L. Leach, during the term of her natural life and at her death to pay the principal sum to such child or children of the said Minnie as she may leave surviving her. But if the said Minnie shall die leaving no children surviving her, then I direct my executor to divide said sum equally between my children or the representatives as such as may be dead. And I also give and bequeath unto my said daughter Minnie one feather bed

Item Vth I give devise and bequeath unto my son James L. Bryan, my home tract of land and crops growing thereon at my death, and all my household and kitchen furniture and all the rest and residue of my property and estate of every kind and description whatsoever

the same may be found at my death, after paying the debts and legacies above provided for. To have and to hold the same to the said James L. Bryan and his heirs in fee simple forever.

Witness VIIth

I hereby nominate my son James L. Bryan my true and lawful executor to take charge of all my property and effects at my death and to carry with effect the provisions of this my last will and testament according to the true meaning and intent thereof. I hereby revoking and declaring utterly void, all other wills, and testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 27th day of June A.D. 1899.
Signed sealed published and declared by the said H. R. Bryan to be his last will and testament in our presence, who at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other subscribed our names as witnesses thereto.

Jos. E. Woodard
W. D. Chesee

North Carolina } In the Superior Court
Greene County }

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of H. R. Bryan deceased, is exhibited before me the undersigned, clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by J. L. Bryan and the executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said H. R. Bryan Jr. is proved by the oath and examination of John E. Woodard, and W. D. Chesee the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn do depose and say each for himself, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of H. R. Bryan deceased that the said H. R. Bryan Jr. in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the said paper writing now shown as aforesaid and which bears date of the 27th day of

June 1873. and the defendant Jurators said that the said H. R. Bryan Sr. the Testator aforesaid did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing so subscribed by him and exhibited, to be his last will and testament, and this defendant did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said will as an attending witness thereto, and at the request and in the presence of the said Testator, and this defendant Jurators said that at the same time when the said Testator subscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid and at the time of defendant subscribing his name thereto, as aforesaid, the said H. R. Bryan Sr. was of sound mind and memory of full age to execute a will, and was not under any restraint to the knowledge of information or belief of this defendant and Jurators these defendants say not.

Jno. E. Woodcock

H. D. Spencer

Marshall Brown and
subscribed before me
this the 27th day of June
1873. J. R. Blount J. C. C.

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It is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of H. R. Bryan Sr. deceased, and the same with the foregoing examination and this certificate are ordered to be recorded and filed this the 27th day of June 1873.

J. R. Blount

Clerk Superior Court

Greene County,
North Carolina }

I John Walton of the County of Greene and State of North Carolina, being of Sound mind and disposing memory, do make, publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament as follows.

1st I desire that my executor shall provide a decent burial for my body, and pay all funeral expenses together with all my just debts out of such funds as shall come to his hands.

2nd

I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Susan Harper one Bed, Bed stand and furniture

3rd

I loan to my daughter Mary Susan Harper during her natural life one half of all my real estate, and after her death my will and desire is that the land so loaned to said Mary Susan Harper shall be equally divided between my two grand sons William Gray & Jno. Franklin Walton to them & their heirs in fee simple forever.

4th

My will and desire is that my executor shall have no sale of my personal property but shall keep it all together and work my lands with the stock on my farm except the land loaned to my daughter Mary Susan and the proceeds of the farm together with my stock and other personal property shall be used for the benefit of herself and my two grand sons William Gray & Jno. Franklin Walton when they arrive at the age of twenty one years share & share alike

5th

I give and bequeath all the balance of my real estate to my two grand sons William Gray & Jno. Franklin Walton to them & their heirs absolutely forever to be worked and superintended and rents collected by my executor until they shall arrive at the age of twenty one.

And lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my daughter in law Mary A. Walton my lawful executor to execute this my last Will and Testament, and I hereby revoke all Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal, this 10th day of March 1876 Signed