

Whereupon it is considered by the Court that
the said Land will and Testaments of Mary
Lilbourn be Recorded and filed according to
law And the said App. Hester and J. H. Lilbourn
do hereby own according to law as Executors
C. H. P. O. A. S.

State of N. C.
Henderson County
Jan 11 1873

I Margaret Lanning of the County and
State above doth make my last will and
testament Being Severely afflicted and of
sound mind doth hereby appoint Geo. W. Hester
of the County & State above mentioned my Executor
to carry out my wishes - First I will my Soul to
God who gave it 2nd that my just Debts be
paid out of my outside property viz. Corn Stock &c.
that they be sold for the same purpose

3rd That Merinda Linner a person now nursing
and taking care of me shall have my Household
furniture consisting of two beds & other things in the
house - And then what is left of my Estate to
be equally divided between George & John Lanning
Sons of my deceased Brother Signed sealed and
delivered in presence of

Daniel Taylor Margaret Lanning
mark mark

Wm. L. Clayton

State of North Carolina In the Probate Court
Henderson County

A paper writing purporting to be the last
will and testament of Margaret Lanning

exhibited before me the undersigned Judge. Noted
in and for the County above mentioned by me W.
Hobbs the Executor herein named and the one execution
thereof by the said Margaret Lanning by the oath and
examination of W. L. Clayton and David Taylor
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 Margaret Lanning. That the said
Margaret Lanning in the presence of this deponent did
subscribe her name at the end of said paper
writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which
bears date on the 11th day of Jan 1873 (or this in
the presence of this deponent this acknowledge the
signing of said writing) and the deponent further said
that the said Margaret Lanning the Testatrix aforesaid did
at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid
declare the said paper writing as subscribed by her
and exhibited to be her 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 in the presence of the said
Testatrix subscribed his name to the said last will
as aforesaid and these deponents further said that
at the said time when the said Testatrix subscribed her
name to the said last will as aforesaid and at the
time of the deponent subscribing his name as an attes-
ting witness thereto as aforesaid the said Margaret Lanning
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 that
deponents say not

W. L. Clayton

Wm. J. Blythe

Daniel Taylor

Sincerely sworn and subscribed
this 17th January 1873

E. M. Rice
Probate Judge

Whom it is intended by the said deed to endow
and maintain and support of said Margaret Lanning
the said and said according to law
and the said S. R. Potter now duly sworn
according to law in Execution and Letter
Testamentary issued

In the name of the Father and of the Son and
of the Holy Ghost Amen

I Daniel Blake of the County of Henderson
and State of North Carolina being in full health
and sound and disposing mind and memory
and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs
which I have strength and capacity to do, do
make and publish this my last will and Testament
- hereby amate and appoint my son
G. R. Blake and my friend B. C. Puttee of Charlotte
South Carolina and the survivors of them Executors and
agents of this my last will and Testament and
I desire and request that no bond or security be required
of my said Executors and they be allowed to qualify
without giving the same. I hereby give and devise
and the said G. R. Blake and B. C. Puttee and
their heirs and the heirs of the survivors of them all my
estate with personal or real, and wherever situated whether
in North Carolina South Carolina Georgia or elsewhere
with power to sell and convey my said estate
whole or my said estate and to share and
divide the same as they may think fit in the manner
following to wit I do give all my just debts including
the twenty five thousand dollars intended to be secured to
my wife by marriage contract and all my money
claims of Administration and what she left and
things are paid them to stand possessed of all the remainder
of said estate to all the same and divide the proceeds thereof into
three equal shares and to divide the same and pay the same
as follows to wit One share to be given absolutely and
unconditionally to my son G. R. Blake and to my daughter Mary
R. Blake Two shares to be held in trust by my said
Executors or such trustees or trustee as they or either of them
may appoint with power to my trustees or trustee