

Will of Elizabeth Wall

In the name of God Amen I Elizabeth Wall of Johnston County being of perfect sound mind and memory blessed be God do this 1st day of July 1856 make & publish this my last will and testament in manner as follows

First It is my will and desire that my executor herein after named have my body decently buried and pay all of my just debts.

Second I give and bequeath to my nephew John R. Wall of the property both real and personal that I may be possessed with at my death to him and his heirs forever.

And lastly I hereby constitute and appoint my said nephew John R. Wall executor to this my last will and testament &c. Signed sealed and acknowledged by the testator in presence of

us witnesses.
W. T. Robertson.
R. N. Gully.

Elizabeth Wall ^{mark} (Seal)

Johnston County Court

February Term 1857

Then was this paper writing duly proven in open court by the oath & examination of W. T. Robertson and Robert N. Gully to be the last will and testament of Elizabeth Wall and ordered to be recorded.

J. H. Kennedy clk

Will of John Batten.

State of North Carolina Johnston County.

In the name of God Amen I John Batten in consideration of the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death have thought it necessary to make this my last will & testament (viz)

I leave and bequeath to my dear wife Patience Batten all of my household & kitchen furniture during her lifetime or widowhood and then to Caroline & Nancy Batten

I also give all of my corn and pork now in hand to the said Patience Batten, Nancy Batten is to be made up equal with Caroline and then the balance of my property to be equally divided between Caroline & Nancy Batten my two youngest daughters

I also give to my wife all of my cotton and potatoes crop now on hand

I also bequeath to the said Patience Batten all of my land her natural lifetime or widowhood and after the death of my said Patience Batten or otherwise at her marriage I want my land divided equally among all of my children and for Caroline to have her proportionable part adjoining the land and where she now lives and I further request that after the death of the said Patience Batten or the marriage of the same that all of my perishable estate should be equally divided between Caroline and Nancy Batten my two youngest children

I also bequeath to wife Patience Batten all of my working tools and my fodder one cow and calf & one cow and calf to Nancy Batten. I further give to my wife one sow and pigs & to .. Batten one sow and pigs to my wife I give two ewes and lambs & all of my dry hogs to my wife Patience Batten. I further leave and bequeath to my wife Patience Batten one mare whose name is Raven with my saddle and bridle and I do further request that all my just debts should be paid & the residue of my property should be equally divided between the children I had by my first wife the above bequests & property above mentioned comprising the whole of my estate & I here acknowledge this to be my last will & testament signed sealed in the presence of us.

this August 18th 1852

John Batten ^{mark} (Seal)

A. Talton
John W. Brown