

Will of Welthy Earp.

I Welthy Earp of the County of Johnston & 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- That my executor herein after named shall provide for my body a decent funeral suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts however and to whomsoever owing out of the money that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Item 1 I give to my first-son Wm. S. Earp all of the property which I have put in his possession as his equal share of my estate which he is to have in my will to have and to hold to him and his heirs in fee simple forever. I also give to my son Wm. S. Earp five dollars to be paid to him in money out of my estate.

Item 2 I give and devise to my son Gaston R. Earp all of the property which I have put in his possession as his equal share of my estate which he is to have and to hold him and his heirs in fee simple forever. I also give to my son Gaston R. Earp two dollars in money to be paid him out of my estate.

Item 3 I give and bequeath to my two beloved sons Harris Earp & Addison Earp one feather bed and steed and bed clothing a piece of counter with all the balance of my household property and kitchen furniture and all the corn and bacon & such on hand and all the growing crop and I give and devise to my son Harris Earp one small colt twelve months old the first day of May 1860 known by the name of Bob also one red heifer with a white face two years old this sheep. I also give and devise to my son Addison Earp one bay horse eight-years old. I give and devise to my son Addison Earp one red and white pided cow & calf & one blue sow shoat my will and devise is for the balance of my cows of every description to be sold to pay my debts my. My devise is for the residue of the money left after paying my debts if any to be equally divided between my two sons Harris and Addison Earp. My devise is that all the stock of hogs to be equally divided between my two sons Harris & Addison Earp and also they are to have all the poultry of every description that is on hand. I also give and bequeath unto my two sons

Harris & Addison Earp one tract of land known as the Bell land containing one hundred & fifty acres which is my will and devise for them to equally divide between their two selves either by selling of it or keeping it they shall see cause to sell the above tract of land they then shall equally divide the money received for said land.

I also give my two sons Harris & Addison Earp one saddle and bridle I also give to my two sons one of each and all my working tools of every description. I also give to my son Harris Earp one rifle gun which he is in possession of. My will is that all of my stock of sheep shall be equally divided between my four sons William S, Gaston R, Harris & Addison Earp and lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved son William S. Earp my lawful 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 Welthy Earp do hereunto set my hand and seal this the 7th day of May A.D. 1860.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Welthy Earp to be her last-will and testament in the presence of us who at her request and in her presence do subscribe our names as witnesses

these to: Witnesses
J. W. Robertson
H. Johnston

Welthy Earp
make Seal

State of N. Carolina } Court of Pleas & Quarter
Johnston County } Session August Term 1860

This paper writing purporting to be the last-will and testament of Welthy Earp deceased is exhibited for probate in open court by William S. Earp the executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said Welthy Earp is proved by the oath and examination of J. W. Robertson & H. Johnston the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore considered by the court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last-will and testament of the said Welthy Earp and the same is ordered to be recorded & filed. And thereupon the said William S. Earp executor as aforesaid duly qualified as such by taking the oath required by law.

Wit Thomas D. Shread C.C.