

I Alice Dillahunt of the County of Jones and 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 hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and shall pay all funeral and Testamentary expenses together with my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part and parcel of my estate

Item I give and bequeath to my three youngest children Alice S. William W. and Benjamin F. Dillahunt for their better maintenance and education all the negroes that I now own to be equally divided between them share and share alike to them their heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath to my daughters Susan, Mariah W. Alice S. and my sons Alexander C. William W. and Benjamin F. Dillahunt each One Bed, Bedstead and Bed furniture necessary for each bed to them their heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath to my youngest son Benjamin F. Dillahunt all the negroes that I may be entitled to receive from the estate of my son John W. Dillahunt dead or in case that an actual partition or division cannot be had of said Slaves then and in that case the money arising from the sale of said Slaves which I may be entitled to receive from said estate I give to my son Benjamin F. Dillahunt to him his heirs and assigns forever

Item It is my will and desire that all my personal estate of whatever kind or nature, not heretofore disposed of consisting of House hold and Kitchen furniture Stock of every kind and crop of every description that may be on hand at my death to be sold and whatever debts to me owing to be collected by my executor and after paying all my just debts to be equally and fairly divided between my daughters Susan, Mariah W. and my son Alexander C. Dillahunt, share and share alike to them their heirs and assigns forever

Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend and brother Starkey McDaniel 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 Alice Dillahunt do hereunto set my hand and seal this 14th day of November A.D. 1861

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Alice Dillahunt to be her last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at her request & in her presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto (beginning before signing)
Wm. W. Bryan
Chas. C. Cook

Alice ^{her} Dillahunt ^{mark} 

Jones County Court
December Term A.D. 1861

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Alice Dillahunt deceased is exhibited for probate in open court by Starkey McDaniel the executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said Alice Dillahunt is proved by the oaths and examination of Wm. W. Bryan and Charles Crook 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 Alice Dillahunt and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed And thereupon the said Starkey McDaniel Executor as aforesaid duly qualifies as such by taking the oath required by law and entering into bond as required by act of Genl. Assembly at Second Extra Session A.D. 1861 Chap. 10th Sec. 20th of an act to change the jurisdiction of the Courts and the rules of pleading therein, Oranica what letters issue to him
Attest Benj. Ashew Clerk CC