

I, Agent Heath 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 publish 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 burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts hereunto and to whomsoever owing out of the monies that may first come into his hands as a part and parcel of my estate

Item I give and devise to my nephew Joel A Heath all the lands I own to wit the plantation on which I now live and the two plantations on Bear Creek known as the Joseph Phem plantation and the John Heath plantation including the mansion house, all out houses, Mills and other improvements of every kind and description whatsoever to him during his natural life and at his death to be equally divided among his children

Item I also give and devise to my nephew Joel A Heath all the residue and remainder of my estate of every kind and description whatsoever including my debts owing to me, stock of cattle and money on hand to him and his heirs forever

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my nephew and trusty friend Joel A Heath 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 Agent Heath do hereunto set my hand and seal this 16th day of November A.D. 1866

Signed, sealed published and declared by the said Agent Heath 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 thereto  
 John C. Horton  
 Isaac Huggins

Agent <sup>he</sup> Heath Seal  
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Jones County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions  
 December Term A.D. 1866

A paper writing purporting to be the last Will and testament of Agent Heath deceased is exhibited for probate in open court by Joel A Heath the Executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said Agent Heath is proved by the oath and examination of John C. Horton one of the subscribing witnesses thereto It is therefore considered by the court that the said paper writing and same is ordered to be recorded and filed and thereupon the said Joel A Heath appears as aforesaid duly qualified as such by taking the oath required by law

Attest Benj. Asher Clerk CC