

Jones County Court

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September Term AD 1861. A paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Speck deceased is exhibited for probate in open Court by Lewis H. Haskins the Executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said Elizabeth Speck is proved by the oath and examination of John B. West and Lewis H. Haskins 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 Elizabeth Speck and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed. And the said Lewis H. Haskins in open Court renounces his right to qualify as such Executor.

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In the Name of God Amen I Elijah Lovet of the County of Jones and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory. And considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life do therefore make Ordain Publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testimony. That is to say First after all my lawful debts are paid together with my burial expenses discharged the residue of my estate real and personal to be disposed of as follows to wit That by my Executor purchase and erect suitable Tomb Stones for my grave also fit the graves of my three Children the same to be paid out of my Estate. The residue to be disposed of in following manner Viz I leave unto my beloved Wife Margaret all my Lands Negroes Stock Household and Kitchen Furniture during her widowhood or natural life and at her marriage or death that said Executor shall pay over either in money or property to Scott Hancock to the amount of Two Thousand Dollars as my Executor may deem proper Also that he the said Executor Rent and hire out the lands and Negroes Annually and the proceeds as well as principal to be equally divided between the lawful heirs of William and James M. Lovet at such time as they may arrive to the age of Twenty one years In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this twenty ninth day August AD One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty one

Signed & Sealed in presence

Elijah Lovet



of us

Henry Rose

Philip Rose

Jones County Court

December Term AD 1861

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Elijah Lovet deceased is exhibited for probate in open Court by Cyrus Rose the Executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said Elijah Lovet is proved by the oaths and examinations of Henry Rose and Philip Rose 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 Elijah Lovet and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed. And Cyrus Rose the Executor therein named comes into open Court and announces his right to qualify as such. At the same time Margaret Lovet widow comes into open Court and announces her dissent to said will. It is ordered by the Court that the renunciation of the Executor and the dissent of the widow be entered upon the probate and recorded upon the minutes of the Court.

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