

D. F. Stricklin

of the County of Jones and State of North Carolina, seriously considering the uncertainty of life, and mindful of the obligation upon every person, to leave their affairs in order, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following: I nominate, It is my desire that my Executor, herein after named should liquidate and pay all my just debts, I should I die leaving any, but I am now clear of debt, and do not expect to leave any unpaid at my death.

Item, In consideration of my friend and relative John P. H. Lee supporting and taking care of me, during my life time, and recently, burying me, after my death, without any charge for the same, I give to him my said friend and relative John P. H. Lee, all my lands and improvements thereon, in the County of Jones aforesaid where I now live with the said John P. H. Lee, also all my furniture that I now own, or may own at my death, to him the said John P. H. Lee, his heirs and assigns forever.

Item, I give to my great grand daughter Catharine Ann Alexander all my notes, or the net proceeds thereof, and also, what cash I may have on hand, at my death, provided she, the said Catharine Ann Alexander, may be living at my death or if dead may have a child or children living at my death, and she or her child or children within one year may be seen and does within a reasonable time, establish their right and title to said funds, consistent with the laws then in force, free and clear of all difficulty attending the receipt of the same. In the said Catharine Ann Alexander being a Native, and when I heard from her last a Citizen of Philadelphia Penn. otherwise I give the said funds to my friend and relative John P. H. Lee.

I nominate and appoint my friend Oliver Barron, Executor to this my last will and testament, with full power.

In Testimony whereof I do hereunto set my hand and seal this the 14th day of September A. D. 1865

In presence of,

My word recited interlined above the first line on the second page of this instrument was inserted before the execution of the instrument.

Parabola Stricklin Seal

H. A. White

Mary & Leckley

R. Barron

Witnessed and signed

I make and ordain the following item as a
 my last will and testament as set forth above, viz

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I give to my above named great grand daughter Catharine Ann
Alexander, one of my feather beds, and half of my bed clothes
to her, her trunks and trunks, which said feather bed and bed clothes
were included in my above last will. Among the furniture, which I
gave my friend and relative J. D. Dec.

September 28th A.D. 1865.

Martha Stricklin Dec.

In presence of
H. A. White
Mary E. Lecky
R. Barron

W. J. Dillamore

June County Court of Texas and
Quarter Session Dec. Term 1865
A paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament
of Martha Stricklin Dec. is exhibited for probate in open Court
by R. Barron the Executor therein named and the due execution there-
of by the said Martha Stricklin is proved by the oath and examination of H. A. White
and Mary E. Lecky 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 Martha Stricklin, and the same is ordered
to be recorded and filed, and thereupon the said R. Barron
Executor as aforesaid, duly qualified as such by taking the oath
required by law. Ordered that atty. Testamentary issue to him
W. J. Dillamore, Clerk C.