

I John Mallard of the County of Sons 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 executors or executors (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, however and to whomsoever owing, out of the money that may first come into their hands as a part or parcel of my Estate. —

Item. I give and devise to my beloved wife Anna Mallard all my lands and improvements containing about two hundred and fifty acres, together with all my Horses, Cattle, Stock of Hogs and all other Stock not specially herein named, except such as I shall hereinafter give to my other children to her the said Anna Mallard during her natural life or widowhood in satisfaction for and in view of her dower and thirds of and in all my real Estate. —

Item. I give and devise to my eldest daughter Frances Ann Pollock, wife of Huddy Pollock the sum of One Dollar, which sum, together with the advancements she had from me at the time of her marriage, and sundry small advancements since that time will make a full shalby me intended for her to her, her heirs in fee simple forever. —

Item. I give and devise to my eldest son Hn. A. Mallard one Chestnut Sow & Mare about eight or ten years old, also all the Cattle that I have heretofore put in his possession to him, his heirs in fee simple forever. —

Item. I give and devise to my daughter Susan Harrison wife of John E. Harrison one Heifer Cow white hided colour, together with the advancements by me made to her at the time of her marriage and sundry advancements since that time will amount to the share by me intended for her, to her and her heirs in fee simple forever. —

Item. I give and devise to my son John D. Mallard all my lands after the decease of myself and wife Anna Mallard, also one Sow & Mare about seven years old and all the stock of Cattle, Horses Hogs Sheep &c together with all provisions that may be at hand at the time of the death of my wife Anna Mallard, after paying all just debts and funeral expenses that may then be necessary, to him and his heirs in fee simple forever. —

Item. I give and devise to my youngest daughter Isobel Mallard (single woman) one Feather Bed and furniture her choiced, one Heifer Cow to her and her heirs in fee simple forever. —

Item. My will and desire is that all the residue of my estate, together with all Household and Kitchen furniture, and also the parts of sets of Silver Spoons after the death of my beloved wife Anna Mallard, shall then descend to my son John D. Mallard and all debts of any to me owing or money of any, and papers of value shall then descend to my said son John D. Mallard as full and parcel of my estate, to him his heirs in fee simple forever. —

Item. My will and desire is that my son John D. Mallard shall continue to reside with and provide a comfortable maintenance for my wife during her natural life or widowhood, in consideration of the bequests by me made in the foregoing items.

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trust friend and beloved son John D. Mallard 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 any part and clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other Wills and Testaments by me made heretofore —

In witness whereof I the said John Mallard do hereunto set my hand and seal this
the eleventh day of February A.D. 1851.
Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said
John Mallard to be his last Will and Testament in the
presence of us, who at his request and in his presence do sub-
scribe our names as witnesses thereto
Benjamin Ashurst
Wandy O'Connor

John Mallard. *(Seal)*

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Jones County May Term A.D. 1853.

That was the foregoing last Will and Testament of John Mallard deceased
presented in Open Court Court for probate. Whereupon Bay Ashurst & Wandy O'Connor, being solemnly
sworn upon the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God pronounced the same in due form of Law and
ordered to be registered; And at the same time John D. Mallard the Executor thereto
named came into Court and qualified as such. Ordered that like testamentary fees to him.

Chas. Brock Clerk &c.

In the name of God Amen!

I Thomas Gillet of the County of Jones and State
of North Carolina, being of sound mind disposing mind and memory, do make
publish and declare my last Will and Testament in manner and form following:
Imprimis I give and bequeath to my sons John D. Gillet and Thomas Gillet their
heirs and assigns all my lands in this State or elsewhere, to be equally divided between them
between them and bequeath to each of my said sons John D. Gillet and Thomas Gillet
and their executors and administrators, one third of my negro slaves and their future
increase. And I further give & bequeath to my said sons John D. Gillet and Thomas
D. Gillet and their executors and administrators all my stock of Cattle, Horses, Hogs,
Sheep with my household and Kitchen furniture and farming tools, to be equally divided
between my said sons share and share alike.

Item I give and bequeath to my three grand children Casper W. Wood, Council &
Wood, and Laura Ann Wood and their executors and administrators the re-
maining third part of my negro slaves & their future increase, to be equally di-
vided between them, provided always, if any one or more of my said grand children
shall die and leave no child or children living at the time of such death, the slaves
of him, her or them so dying shall rest in the survivors or last survivor of them, and if all should
die leaving no child or children living at their death the whole shall rest absolutely and
forever in any said son Thomas D. Gillet & John D. Gillet or in those who may
legally represent them.

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