

by me heretofore made.

signed sealed and acknowledged by the testator, who at his request and in our presence signed the same himself and requested us to subscribe our names as witnesses thereto this the second day of February AD One thousand eight hundred and sixty three 1863

In presence of

Benjamin Ashew }
 Ambrose D. Harrison }
 Rachael S. Harrison }

Amos Amoyett 

Southern County Court March Term AD 1864

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Amos Amoyett deceased is exhibited for probate in open court by Sumner & Simmons the executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said Amos Amoyett is proved by the oath and examination of Benjamin Ashew one of 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 Amos Amoyett and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed And thereupon the said Sumner & Simmons executor as aforesaid duly qualifies as such by taking the oath required by law

Attest Benjamin Ashew clk cc

In the name of God Amen

I Joseph S. Oliver of the County of Jones State of North Carolina being of sound and disposing mind & memory but knowing the uncertainty of life do make, ordain, publish and declare this to be my last Will & testament

Item first I will and direct that my executor hereinafter named shall as soon as may be convenient pay all my just debts and funeral expenses

Item second I give and devise unto my beloved mother Penelope B. Oliver and to her heirs & assigns in fee simple forever a portion of the land devised to me by my father John Oliver in his last will & testament lying & being in the County of Jones on the North side of the Road from Pollocksville to Trenton and bounded on one side by the Great River on another by the lands of Jemmy Simmons & William Hard on another by the public Road from Pollocksville to Trenton and on the other by the Mill Race It is further more my will and desire that my Executor should sell all the balance of my land wherever situated for cash or upon credit at public or private sale and distribute and divide the proceeds of sale as follows viz One third to Sumner & Simmons. One third to the children of my sister Elizabeth P. by her first husband Charles B. To viz Claudius, James C. Lema and Charles and one third to the children of Harriet B. Villet my sister viz Samuel O. & John Villet which third I give in fee simple

Item third I give and bequeath unto my beloved mother Penelope B. Oliver for and during her natural life my slave Mlick and after her death to Sumner & Simmons in fee absolutely I also give devise and bequeath to my mother Penelope B. Oliver her executor administrator and assigns One half of all my other negro slaves The valuation of each one with a view to arrive at the half of their joint value in the division to be made by at least three disinterested parties and I will and direct that my Executor shall have the remaining half of my negro slaves valued and divided into three parts according to value and I give and bequeath one third of said half to Sumner & Simmons. One third to the children of my sister Elizabeth P. by her first husband Charles B. To viz Claudius, James C. Lema & Charles B. to them in fee simple

absolute as tenants in common and the remaining third to Samuel O & John T Gillett
 in fee as tenants in common they being the children of my sister Harriet O Gillett
 Item fourth I give and bequeath unto my mother Penelope O Olive one fourth of all my
 other personal movable & mixed property of whatsoever character & whatsoever situate to her
 her executors administrators & assigns forever. One fourth to Fannifield & Simmons his
 executors, administrators and assigns forever. One fourth to Claudius, James O, Laura &
 sister Elizabeth P. by her first husband Charles O Fay and the remaining fourth to the
 children of my sister Harriet O Gillett as tenants in common viz Samuel O & John T
 Gillett to them and their executors administrators & assigns
 Item I nominate constitute and appoint Fannifield & Simmons executor to this my last
 will & testament in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 16th
 day of October A.D. 1863

Signed sealed published & declared by the testator

Joseph O Olive

(Seal)

Joseph O Olive his last will and testament in our
 presence to which in his presence and at his request
 we have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses

Samuel Beeton
 J. Loftin

Sealed county court December Term 1863

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament
 of Joseph O Olive deceased is exhibited for probate in open court by Fannifield &
 Simmons the executor therein named and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court
 that the subscribing witnesses thereto Samuel Beeton and J. Loftin are in the
 military service beyond the limits of the State, whereupon proof of the handwriting
 of the said witnesses is made upon the oath and examination of John Loftin who
 testifies he is acquainted with their writing having often seen them write and that
 the names of the said Samuel Beeton and J. Loftin subscribed as witnesses to
 said will is in their hand writing. 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 Joseph O Olive and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed. And thereupon
 the said F. & S. Simmons executor as aforesaid duly qualifies as such by taking
 the oath required by law

Attest Benj. Ashaw Clerk

In the name of God Amen I Joseph Hay of the County of Jones and State of South
 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 executors (hereafter named) shall provide for my body a decent
 Burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends and pay all funeral expenses to-
 gether with my just debts hereunto and to whomsoever owing out of the moneys that may
 come into their hands as a part or parcel of my estate

Item I give and devise to my three sons James Emory Hay, George Hay, and Kestis Hay all
 of this tract of land whereon I now live to be equally divided among the three to have and to hold
 to them and their heirs in fee simple forever

Item My will and desire is that my two negroes Benjamin and Olive be sold by my executors on
 a credit of six months and the due out they bring to be equally divided among my three sons
 in fee simple forever

Item My will and desire is that all the residue of my estate after taking out the debts and legacies
 above mentioned shall be sold and the debts owing to me collected and if there should be any
 surplus over and above the payment of debts, expenses and legacies that such surplus shall be
 equally divided and be paid over to my three sons in equal proportion share and share alike