

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. 

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 Ashker

Wendy Connor

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

Then was the foregoing last Will and Testament of John Mallard deceased  
presented in Open Court Court for probate. Whereupon Ben Ashker & Wendy Connor, <sup>the persons by whom the same</sup>  
sworn upon the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God proved the same in due form of Law and  
ordered to be registered; And at the same time John J Mallard the Executor therein  
named came into Court and qualified as such. Ordered that the said testamentary copy be read.

Chas Crook 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;

First I give and devise to my sons John J. Gillet and Thomas J. Gillet their  
heirs and assigns all my lands in this State or elsewhere, to be equally divided between them  
I also give and bequeath to each of my said sons John J. Gillet and Thomas J. 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 J. Gillet and Thomas  
J. 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 there and there alike.

Item I give and bequeath to my three grand children Casper W. Wood, Council &  
Wood, and Susan 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  
of him, her or them is dying shall vest in the survivors or last survivor of them, the share  
due having no child or children living at their death the whole shall vest absolutely and  
forever in my said son Thomas J. Gillet & John J. Gillet or in those who may  
legally represent them.

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And lastly, I nominate and appoint my sons John D Gillet and Thomas P. Gillet my Executors and guardians of my grand children Casper W Wood Council of Wood and Sarah Ann Wood. And I hereby revoke any other or former Will by me heretofore made.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1853.

John D Gillet

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the testator as his last Will & Testament in our presence who at the request of said testator in his presence and in the presence of each other have become witnesses hereto

John Chace  
William Mendenhall

State of North Carolina

Jones County Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions July Term A.D. 1853

There was the foregoing Last Will and Testament of Thomas Gillet deceased presented in Open Court for probate. When the same was proved in due form of Law by the oath of William Mendenhall and John Chace the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be registered & filed. Whereupon John D Gillet and Thomas P Gillet the Executors therein named came into Court and qualified as such. Ordered that letters Testamentary issue to them

Chas. Percock Clerk C.C.

In the name of God Amen.

I Mary Henry of Jones County and State of North Carolina, seriously considering the uncertainty of life and mindful of the obligation upon every person to leave their business in order and being of sound mind and memory do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament; invoking the blessing of Almighty God that he may give me a glorious immortality beyond the grave.

First, after my decease that my body shall be decently buried and that my debts and necessary expenses paid and my Estate settled up.

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I give to my two nephews Thomas P Lee and John P Lee sons of Jonathan Lee, all the land that I now own being the land formerly own by their father and sold to William Cohen, reserving thereon a life estate to their mother Polly Lee that she may have a home and enjoy the use of the mansion house for the benefit of herself and family and that she be and her heirs is entitled to a support from said land during her natural life and at her death all right and title herein bore shall descend in fee simple to Thomas P Lee and John P Lee, to them their heirs and assigns forever to be equally divided between them.

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I give unto Polly Lee and Chester Lee my niece and nephew one Bed. Padstent and furniture. Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I give unto the five Children of my brother Jesse W Lee all the household and kitchen furniture in his possession at the time of his death to them their heirs and assigns forever.

Item 4<sup>th</sup> I give unto Benjamin Market one blanket and Bed quilt. Item 5<sup>th</sup> I give unto Eliza Letts Present wife of my Present one Bed quilt One Bandbox and Bonnet. Lastly I appoint Thomas P Lee Executor to this my last Will and Testament. given under my hand and seal this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 1853.

Mary Henry

In presence of Chas W Fry  
Wm Bander

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions January Term A.D. 1854

There was the Last Will & Testament of Mary Henry deceased presented in Open Court for probate. When the same was proved in due form of Law by the oath of Chas W Fry and Wm Bander the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be registered and filed. Whereupon Thomas P Lee the Executor therein named came into Court and qualified as such. Ordered that letters Testamentary issue to him

Chas Percock Clerk C.C.