

Probate of Wallace Andrews' will

State of North Carolina, Martin County, October Term 1865

The within paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Wallace Andrews was exhibited in open Court, for Probate and the same executed thereto by the Oath of J. A. Manning one of the Subscribing witnesses. It was considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof was the last will and testament of said Wallace Andrews, and it is ordered by the Court to be recorded with this probate & filed. Whereupon J. B. E. Andrews, and J. A. Manning Executors named in said will, renounced, whereupon Attorney Andrews, Ex pro diversis nomine qualiter as such

James J. Sherrod's Will

- State of North Carolina, Martin County, I James J. Sherrod of the before named County, State do make and declare the following my last will and testament having my mind and sense, as well as I ever did at the time wheneth-
- 1st I give unto my son Archibald Sherrod my Wardrobe, one Bed & furniture, one trunk, one double Barrel Gun, two small looking Glasses, one Harth rug, one half of the tract of land whereon I now live to be divided equally, near as can be so for my daughter to have the other half with the House attached to her part
- 2nd I give unto my daughter Mary Robert Sherrod one Broom one Piume, one Bed & furniture, one Harth rug, one half of the tract of land I live on as described above and in this event that either should die before they arrive of age or have a lawful heir of the body the other shall heir his or her estate of every kind which I have given them or shall hereafter give
- 3rd I wish all my Estate of every kind that I have possession of or may belong to me sold & after paying all my just debts, equally divided between my son Archibald Sherrod and my daughter Mary Robert Sherrod and in the event of my death shortly, I wish my brother Joseph G. A. Parker to take my children home
- 4th I do hereby appoint my friend Bryant Bennett Executor to this my last will and testament. Witness my Hand and Seal this 14th day of Sept. 1865. Signed sealed in presence of J. J. Harnell } J. J. Sherrod
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Probate of James J. Sherrod's will

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of James J. Sherrod was exhibited in open Court and offered for probate by Bryant Bennett and the due execution thereof proved by the Oath of J. J. Harnell. Whereupon the Court doth declare that said paper writing every part and clause thereof is the last will and testament of the said James J. Sherrod. It is ordered that the same be recorded & filed.

Crish Martin's Will

In the name of God Amen: I Crish Martin of the County of Martin and State of North Carolina, being of sound disposing mind and memory do make, publish and declare this to be my and contain my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say -

First I desire that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid by my Executor (hereinafter named) out of the first moneys that come into his hands as part or parcel of my estate

Secondly - I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Roxelana and my four children by her viz Crish, Milley, Thomas and Mary Elizabeth all my property and estate of every kind & description which I own to them & their heirs forever

Lastly I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my friend James H. Ellis my Executor to this my last will & testament - hereby revoking all other wills or testaments by me heretofore made

In testimony whereof I the said Crish Martin do hereunto set my hand and seal this 14th day of Sept. 1865

Crish Martin (Signature)

Signed sealed and declared by the said Crish Martin to be his last will and testament in presence of us who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as witnesses

J. R. Spurrell

Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions October Term 1865

The foregoing paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Crish Martin is exhibited for probate in open Court by Jas. H. Ellis in the Executor therein named, and the due execution thereof proved by J. R. Spurrell a Subscribing witness thereto. It is then and considered by the Court that the said paper writing and every part and clause thereof is the last will & testament of the said Crish Martin and the same is ordered to be recorded & filed. Whereupon the said Jas. H. Ellis my Executor as aforesaid duly qualified as such by taking the Oath & giving the Law