

October Term 1854

Declaring utterly void all other wills and Testaments by
me before made in writing whereof I the said Elizabeth Purvis
do hereunto set my hand and seal this fifth day of June
A.D. 1854.

Elizabeth x Purvis
mark

Signed sealed published and declared
by the said Elizabeth Purvis to be
her last will and Testament in the
presence of us who at her request
and in her presence to subscribe
our names as witnesses thereto
Wm G. Hyman
James Talisbury

State of North Carolina

Martin County Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Oct Term 1854 the foregoing last will and Testament of
Elizabeth Purvis was this day duly proved in open Court
by the oath of James Talisbury one of the subscribing
witnesses thereto whereupon James Talisbury Executor
therein named appeared in open Court and was duly
swear'd to exhibit that the same to record

10 Oct 1854

I Johnson Clerk

January Term 1855

In the name of God Amen. I Mary Robison of the State of
North Carolina and County of Martin being of sound mind
and memory and Considering the uncertainty of the frail
and transitory life do therefore make & claim, publish and declare
this to be my last will and Testament, that is to say first
after all my lawful debts are paid and discharged, the residue
of my estate real & personal I give bequeath and direct of as
follows to wit, To my beloved妻妻 Mary E. Lanier and her heirs
forever the interest or use of five hundred dollars during
my life without abatment, and then two hundred & fifty dollars of the
same forever and one feather bed, bedstead & furniture to her and
her heirs forever. To my beloved wife Sarah E. Robison two
hundred and fifty dollars to be paid her at my death out of
the balance of the five hundred pounds without abatment to Mary E.
Lanier or any other money in hand if given concurrent
to her, and her heirs forever. To my beloved wife Sarah
& Robertson also two hundred and fifty dollars to be paid
her out of my money or notes on hand to her and her heirs
forever. To my beloved nephew Joshua A. Robertson my negro
man Jim all my property & an fitting lands lying in Edge
Ranch, Nicasolia formerly owned by his father and purchased
by me at his sale and all the balance and residue of
my money and notes after the above mentioned bequest are paid
but supposed to be about five hundred dollars, and all
and singular the residue and remainder of my estate
and property next herein described is to him his Heirs of Minority
and should he live to be twenty one years of age to him
and his heirs forever but in case of his death before arriving
at age then and in that case I give said property to his
heirs equally between said Joshua A. Robertson Mother & Children
living at his death or to their heirs forever. Son and Slave
alike, likewise I make constable and appoint my true
and trusty friends Joseph D. Biggs and Clayborne Moore to be
executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking
all former wills by me made in Writing taken up I have hereunto
subscribed my name and affixed my Seal the 26th day
of January in the year of our Lord One thousand eight
hundred & fifty four

Mary Robertson Seal

The above written instrument was subscribed by the
said Mary Robertson in my presence and acknowledged by her to be
of us and she at the same time published and declared the above
instrument to be her last will and testament and an
instrument so subscribed to be her last will and testament and an
at the time requested and in her presence has signed our names
to it.

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at Wilmington on the day and date above written
Signed this
James Brown
Sam'l E. Moore

State of North Carolina

Brunswick County of New and Laurel Jepins
January Term 1855. The foregoing paper writing purporting to be
the last will and testament of Mary Fletcher deceased was probated
in Open Court and affirmed for probate when James Brown and
Sam'l E. Moore the subscribing witnesses thereto appeared and
proved the execution thereof in due form of Law for the purposes
whereof contained or and that the same with this probate was
recorded at the same time. Judith S. Biggs one of the executors
named in said will appears and was qualified as executor thereto
in Open Court, & is further ordered that letters testamentary issue
to her.

J. Johnson Et al

In the name of God Amen I James Brown doth in the State
of North Carolina and County of Brunswick being as well in
health as common but knowing that it is appointed
for all men etc to die to make and to have this my last
will & testament being of a sound disposing mind as
much as ever was off disposing of all my property
am enfeoff my children but the following. My wife and
etc in is that the balance of my property shall be
dispersed of as follows that is to say Dick, Davis, Isaac
Biggs & Harmon together with all my other property of money
notes and all other property of mine remaining at my
death to be equally divided between all my children by
Bridy, John, Henry, Samuel, Harriet Elizabeth, Mary and
Marina Brown and share alike without which I have
however to set my hand to now the twenty second day of
July 1846. I constitute and appoint my two sons, Bridy Brown
and John Brown executors to the my last will and testament
signed sealed pronounced and declared to be my last will
and testament in the presence of us

January Term 1855.

Henry Robins Esq.
James R. Congleton.

James Brown Et al

State of North Carolina

Martin County Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions Day
Term 1855. the foregoing paper writing purporting to be the
last will and testament of James Brown Esq^r was exhibited
in Open Court and affirmed for probate when Henry Robins
Esq^r and James R. Congleton the Subscribing witnesses
thereto appeared and proved the execution thereof in due form
of law for the purposes whereof contained or and that the
same with this probate be recorded at the same time
Bridy Brown one of the persons therein named as Executor
renounced his right to execute said will and John H. Brown
the other person named as Executor appeared and renounced
as sole executor thereto & is further ordered that letters testamentary
issue to him

J. Johnson Et al