

Margaret Harris' Will

I Margaret Harris of the County of Martin and State of North 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 Executor (herein after named) shall provide for my body decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expenses, together with my just debts hereafter and to whomsoever owing out of the money, that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate. I give and devise to my beloved son Joseph Harris all my lands, which I now live, containing thirty one & a half acres more or less, bounded as follows: Beginning at a corner in Zachariah Harris' line, running thence along Benjamin Robbins' line to Wm B Perry's line to James Williams' line thence along his line to Zachariah Harris' line, thence along his line to the beginning, being and including all my land with all the improvements, and appurtenances therunto belonging to have and to hold to him the said Joseph Harris, his heirs, Executors, and Assigns forever; also I give and devise to my beloved son Joseph Harris all of my House hold & Kitchen furniture of all and every description whatsoever that I may possess to have and to hold to him the said Joseph Harris his heirs, Assigns forever. I give and devise to my beloved daughter Elizabeth (wife of Dawson Cutler) Fifty cents in money to be paid to her by my Executor (hereafter named) within two years after my decease to have & to hold to her said Elizabeth forever - I give and devise to my beloved daughter Mary (now wife of Humphrey Griffin) Fifty cents to be paid in money to her by my Executor (hereafter named) within two years after my decease to have & to hold to her said Mary Griffin her own use & benefit forever - And Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved son Joseph Harris my lawful Executor to all intents & purposes to execute this my last will & testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part & clause thereof, revoking and declaring null and void all other wills and testamentary by me heretofore made in witness whereof I the said Margaret Harris do hereunto set my hand and seal this 13th day of February A.D. 1856

Signed, sealed, published
and delivered by the said
Margaret Harris in presence
of us

John Short

Abraham Lee

Margaret Harris (Sig)
mark

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Probate of Margaret Harris' Will

Martin County Court Octr Term 1864

The foregoing paper writing, purporting to be the last will & testament of Margaret Harris, was exhibited in open Court for Probate, and the due execution proved by the Oath of John S Short one of the subscribing witnesses, thereto - whereupon Joseph Harris Executor therein named came into open Court and qualified as such - Ordered that the will and probate be recorded

Warren Begg's Will

In the name of God. Amen:

I Warren Begg of the County of Martin and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind & Memory do make & ordain this my last Will & Testament -

First I desire that all my debt should be paid out of my personal estate and the remainder of any I find with my beloved wife Penelope during her natural life and at her death I give the same to my children, share and share alike, to them & their heirs forever in my children, share and share alike, to them & their heirs forever -

Second I give and bequeath to my wife also one feather bed & furniture her choice, one trunk and one chest

Third I find to my wife Penelope the land whereon I now live being about six & a half acres more or less in the term of her natural life and at her death I give the same to my son John B. Begg, to be equally divided between them & their heirs forever -

Fourth I nominate & appoint as executor to this my last will & testament my friend Washington B. Hassel & hereby, fully, authorize him to carry out the provisions of the same, this 26th day Decr 1856

Signed, sealed & delivered in presence of
us in the presence of each other

Thodore Hassel
Jno B Begg

State of North Carolina) Court PTJ Sessions
Martin County) 1 July Term 1866

The foregoing paper writing to be the last will & testament of Warren Begg deceased was produced in open Court & proved in due form of law by the Oath of Jno B Begg one of the subscribing witnesses thereto who also proved the death of the other subscribing witness - It is ordered that the same be recorded. C.B. Hassel
the Executor therein named, appeared in open Court and renounced his right to qualify as Executor

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