

Frederick McRae's Will.

In the name of God Amen. I, Frederick McRae of Montgomery County and State of North Carolina being sick and weak of body, but of sound mind, memory and understanding, considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, to the end that I may be the better prepared to leave this world, when it shall please my God to call me home, have now determined to direct what disposition shall be made of my property after my decease after after maturely considering the circumstances and conditions of all those among whom as my heirs at law or the objects of my gratitude or affection in my judgment my estate should be distributed.

I do now, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void and annulling last wills and testaments by me heretofore made.

And my will is - first, that after my decease my body shall be decently buried without any unnecessary expense, by my executor hereinafter named.

And as to the residue of my estate and property with which God has blessed me and which shall not be required for the payment of my burial expenses and the expenses in and about the execution of this will and the administration of my estate, I give, devise, and dispose thereof as follows to wit: I give and devise to my beloved wife Synda ten acres of land in the South west Corner of the Edmund DeBary tract of land her lifetime, then the above named ten acres to my son Walter to have and to hold the same to him and his heirs and assigns forever. I also give to my wife Synda the right to live and reside

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in my dwelling, where I now live so long as she may choose.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary ten acres of land in the North east Corner of the Edmund DeBary tract, to have and to hold the same to her and her executor, admors and assigns to her and their use forever.

I give and bequeath to my son Marshall all of the house tract of land on the North side of the road including my dwelling house, and houses, barns, outhouses, all my Cattle, oxen, dogs and farming implements to have and his executor, administrators and assigns forever.

I give and bequeath to my son George all of the house tract on the South side of the Road with dwelling house to have and to hold the same his executor, administrators and assigns forever.

My will and desire is that all the residue of my estate both personal and real after taking out the debts and legacies above mentioned shall be equally divided between my children below named. John, Martha, Harriett and William, each one to have and to hold the same their executor, administrators and assigns forever.

I do nominate and appoint C. F. Branton my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same, and every part and clause thereof. In witness whereof I Frederick McRae do hereunto set my hand and seal this 10th day of June 1897.

Frederick McRae (deceased)

Signed, sealed, and declared by the said Frederick McRae to be his last will and testament in the presence of ----- who at his request and in his presence do subscribe ----- as witnesses

T. B. Branton seal
J. B. Branton seal
Witnesses the signature of my executor
C. F. Branton

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of Montgomery County and State of North Carolina
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And my will is - first, that after my
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my executor hereinafter named.
And as to the residue of my estate and prop-
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then the above named ten acres to my
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in my decease, where I now live so
long as she may choose
to give and bequest to my daughter Mary
ten acres of land in the north east corner
of the Edmund DeBery tract, to have and
to hold the same to her and her executors
admins and assigns to her and their use
forever.

To give and bequeath to my son Marshall
all of the house tract of land on the North side of
the road including my dwelling house, out
houses, barns, outhouses, all my cattle, oxen, hogs
and farming implements to be held and his
executors administrators and assigns forever.
To give and bequeath to my son Joe all of the
house tract on the South side of the Road
with dwelling house to have and to hold
the same his executors, administrators and
assigns forever.

My will and desire is that all the residue of my estate both personal and real after taking out the devices and legacies above mentioned shall be equally divided be^{tw} tween my children below named. John, Martha, Harriett and William, each are to have and to hold the same their executors administrators and assigns forever.

I do nominate and appoint C. E. Sutton my lawful executor to all intents and purposes excepting this, my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same, and every part and clause thereof. In witness whereof I Frederick McRae do hereunto set my hand and seal this 10th day of June 1897.

Frederick ^{High} M. Ral ^{Chas}

Signed, sealed and declared by the
said Frederick McRae to be his
last will and testament in
the presence of ----- who at
his request and in his presence
do subscribe ----- as witness
Jas. H. McRae

T. B. Bruton seal
Jung Hiseung seal
Witness the signature
of my son
A. O. Jung
C. F. Bruton

State of North Carolina } In the Superior Court
 Montgomery County }
 A paper writing purporting to be the last will
 and testament of Frederick McRae deceased
 is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of
 the Superior Court for said County, by C. F.
 Bruton the executor therein mentioned, and
 the due execution thereof by the said Fred-
 erick McRae is proved by the oath and
 examination of J. B. Bruton, Jerry DeBary, and
 C. F. Bruton the subscribing witnesses
 that: who, being duly sworn, each depose
 and say, and each for himself depose
 and swear that he is a subscribing witness
 to the paper writing now shown him
 purporting to be the last will and
 testament of Frederick McRae, that the
 said Frederick McRae in the presence
 of this deponent, subscribed his
 name at the end of said paper
 writing, now shown as aforesaid, and
 which bear date of the tenth day of
 June 1897.

And the deponent further saith,
 that, the said Frederick McRae, the testator
 aforesaid, did, at the time of subscribing
 his name as aforesaid, declare the said
 paper writing to be subscribed by him
 and exhibited, to be his last will and
 testament and this deponent did
 thereupon subscribe his name at
 the end of said will as an attesting
 witness thereto, and at the request and in
 the presence of the said testator.

And this deponent further saith, that at
 the time when the said testator subscribed
 his name to the said last will as
 aforesaid and at the time of deponent
 subscribing his name as an attesting
 witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said
 Frederick McRae was of sound
 mind and memory of full age to
 execute a will, and was not under

any restraint to the knowledge, in-
 formation or belief of this deponent.
 And further these deponents say that
 they were sworn and subscribed
 this the 15th day of November 1897 }
 before me } C. F. Bruton (Seal)
 J. B. Bruton (Seal)
 J. D. Lewis, Clerk Superior }
 Court } Jerry DeBary (Seal)

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North Carolina } In the Superior Court
 Montgomery County } Before Clerk
 It is therefore considered and adjudged by
 the Court that the said paper writing and
 every part thereof is the last will and
 testament of Frederick McRae deceased
 and the same with the foregoing exam-
 ination and this certificate are ordered
 to be recorded and filed. This the 15th
 day of November 1897
 J. D. Lewis C. S. C.

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 Ex'r