

State of North Carolina }
County of Montgomery }

I, Martin Gills of said County State
knowing the uncertainty of the time when I shall
depart this life and desiring to arrange my temporal
affairs while I am in sound mind do make and
declare this to be my last will and testament in
manus and form following -

Item 1st

In consideration of the care and services ren-
dered by my beloved daughter Quey M. Reynolds
to myself and my beloved wife now deceased, I
give and devise to her and her heirs forever the
One hundred & six acre tract on the South West
side of Cedar Creek, the same brought from my
father's Estate to have and to hold forever.

Item 2^d

In consideration of the love and affection
which I have for my son Robert N. Gills as well
as the long and valued services rendered to me &
his deceased mother and to be rendered until my
death, I give devise and bequeath to my said son
his heirs and assigns forever my home place where
I now reside including one hundred and twenty
five acres, also the fifty acre tract known as
the "Gills" tract adjoining Nancy Ann McLanahan
& Jacob Jordan and also all the personal property
which I may own or be entitled to at my death
of whatever kind or character except one Milch
Cow and one half interest in my household
and kitchen furniture which I give and
bequeath to my beloved daughter Quey M.
Reynolds.

Item 3^d

That my Executor hereinafter named
shall within three years after my death collect
from my son Robert N. Gills out of the prop-
erty hereby bequeathed to my said son Robert N.
Gills the sum of fifteen dollars which shall
be distributed by him equally between my other
beloved children, to wit - Jno N Gills, Dr Gills,
Mr J Gills, Eliza S. wife of A D Jordan, Mary
Frances, wife of J C Meunier, Louisa C. wife
of D M Hunsucker, as their part and share of
my Estate.

Item 4.

It is my Will and desire that my Executor
shall pay any debts I may own at my death
by a sale of such personal property as shall
be necessary together with the expenses of my
burial unless my son Robert N. Gills shall
do so and to provide for a decent burial suitable
to the wishes of my children.

Item 5.

I do hereby make constitute and appoint
my beloved son John N Gills to be my Executor
to execute this my last will and testament -
according to the true intent and purposes
thereof.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my
hand and affix my seal. This the 5th day of
April 1897.

Martin Gills Seal

Will of
Martin Gills

Signed and sealed by the
testator in the presence of each
of us as witnesses thence at his
request and declared by him
to be his last will and testament
D A Meunier Seal
J B McLanahan Seal

State of North Carolina } s.s. In the Superior Court.
Montgomery County }

A paper writing purporting to be the
last will and testament of Martin Gills, dead
is exhibited before me the undersigned Clerk of
the Superior Court for said County by R. N.
Gills a devisee named in said will, the Ex-
ecutor therein mentioned having failed to admit
said will to probate, and the due execution
thereof by the said R N Gills is proved by
the oath and examination of D A Meunier
and J B McLanahan, the subscribing witnesses
therein, who being duly sworn doth depose and
say, and each for himself depose and swear
that he is a subscribing witness to the paper
writing now shown purporting to be the last
will and testament of Martin Gills that the
said Martin Gills in the presence of this
deponent subscribed his name at the end

of said paper writing now shown as aforesaid and which bears date of the 5th day of April 1897.

And the deponent further saith that the said Martin Gillis the testator aforesaid did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing 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 said time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last Will as aforesaid and at the time of deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid the said Martin Gillis was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a Will, and was not under any restraint to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent. And further these deponents say not.

D A Munn (Seal)
W B McKellic (Seal)

Solemnly sworn and
subscribed this 24th day
of June 1899. before me
C A Armstrong
C. S.

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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 Martin Gillis, deceased, and the same with the foregoing examinations and this certificate are ordered to be recorded and filed. This 14th day of July 1899

C A Armstrong
Clerk Superior Court

State of North Carolina }
Montgomery County }

I Cassandra Thayer being in my right mind do make this my last Will and Testament

- i My Executor hereinafter named shall give my body a decent burial -
- ii. Estelle Thayer, our chest, our bedstead and clothing, our worked shirt, our side saddle.
- iii. Maria Thayer. Our worked shirt, our bureau 2 tables with contents -
- iv. Martha Betha Thayer, our bed and head and clothing for same, our trunk, our other chest and cooking vessels -

Item. My son, all other property that may be found belonging to me after my death I appoint for my Executor W G Davis.

Signed this 20th day of April 1899.
Cassandra Thayer
mark

Witness.
W G Davis
R N Kearns

State of North Carolina } s. s. I the Superior Court.
Montgomery County }

A paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Cassandra Thayer, deceased is exhibited before me, the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court for said County by W G Davis the executor therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Cassandra Thayer is proved by the oath and examination of W G Davis and R N Kearns namumation of W G Davis and R N Kearns the subscribing witnesses thereto. who being duly sworn, doth depose and say and each for himself depose and saith that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Cassandra Thayer, that the said Cassandra Thayer in the presence of this deponent subscribed her name at the end of said paper writing now shown as aforesaid.

Will of
Cassandra Thayer

Will of
Martin Gillis