

Pleasant Simmons will

In the name of God amen
 I Pleasant Simmons of the County of Montgomery
 and State of North Carolina being of sound mind
 and memory and considering the uncertainty
 of this frail and transitory life do therefore
 make, order 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 and personal I give bequeath and
 dispose of as follows to wit:

To my beloved wife the land and appurtenances
 situated thereon known and described as the ~~Tract~~
 Thomas Spence home tract also another tract having
 the same deced from Alexander Jordan to me in
 the County of Montgomery and State of North
 Carolina & now belonging to me during her natural
 life and after her death to belong to my daughter

Maria The, To my son Archibald the farm
 situated lying in Lenoir County, known as the John
 Common land to have and to hold after the
 death of my beloved wife, the stock of all lands
 to belong to my beloved wife after her death to
 be equally divided among my heirs then living
 the negroes to belong to my beloved wife after her
 death to be equally divided among my heirs then
 living giving Edmund his choice of three for
 Master, I give and devise all the rest of my
 residue and remainder of my real and personal
 estate to my children now living or to my children
 or their heirs that may be living at the time of my
 decease, to be equally divided between them share
 and share alike

Likewise I make constitute and appoint my said
 son Archibald and William Cagle to be executors
 of this my last will and Testament hereby Revoking
 all my former by me made, in witness whereof I have hereunto
 signed my name and affixed my seal
 The 18th day of March in the year of our Lord

One thousand eight hundred and sixty, Then
 Pleasant Simmons

The foregoing instrument was subscribed by the
 said Pleasant Simmons in his presence and witnessed
 to by him and he at the same time published in a
 decedent the above instrument as subscribed to be his
 last will and Testament and in his presence have
 signed our names as witnesses and written opposite
 our names our respective places of residence

Wm. P. Seach
 Wm. Allen Williams } Montgomery County

Montgomery County Court April Sep. 1864
 Then the foregoing will was proven by the oath
 of A. P. Seach and Allen Williams
 Subscribed by witnesses and decreed to
 be recorded J. C. Spencer clk