

last will and testament in the presence of us who at her request and in her presence do subscribe our names as witness thereto.  
Madison Sikes  
Edmund Sikes

State of North Carolina, court of pleas and quarter session  
Nash County, session Feb. term 1845

The foregoing instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Mildred Bass was duly proven in open court by the oath of Madison and Edmund Sikes the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Attest F.M. Taylor, C.C.C.

and is recorded. Attest F.M. Taylor, C.C.C.

In the Name of God Amen. I, <sup>John</sup> Murray Sen. of Nash county and State of North Carolina being sick and weak in body but of sound mind and disposing memory do this constitute and ordain this my last will and testament in manner form following viz, 1st. I give my soul to God who gave it to me my body to the earth to be buried in a plain decent manner at the discretion of my family and friends.

2nd. Give and bequeath to my beloved son John Murray Jun. all my stock of cattle hogs and sheep all my beds and furniture together with all my household and kitchen furniture and all my farming and plantation utensils to him and his heirs forever.

my will and desire is that after my decease there shall be enough of said property if left be sold to the amount of ten dollars to be equally divided between my other five children say Burnel Murray, Vincent Murray, Polley Mary, Absolom Murray, and Elizabeth Holland and I do hereby these presents make void and revoke all other wills made by me heretofore in witness of the same I do hereunto set my hand and seal this the 8th day of January, and in the year of our lord 1845.

signed sealed and delivered  
in presence of us  
A. B. B. Baines Sen.

John Murray (Seal)  
mark.

Burkley Cone.  
State of North Carolina, court of pleas and quarter session  
Nash County Feb. Term 1845

The foregoing instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Jno Murray Sr deceased was duly proven in open court by the oath of Burkley Cone and ordered to be recorded.

Attest F.M. Taylor, C.C.C.

and is recorded. Attest F.M. Taylor, C.C.C.

Georgia  
Thomas County }

In the Name of God Amen.

I William Ferrell being weak in body but sound of mind and memory and knowing that all men has once to die, I bequeath my soul to God who gave it and my body I resign to the Tomb to be buried by my Executors in a decent manner. I appoint John M. Ferrell and Alsey Strickland of the State and County aforesaid my executors in the State of Georgia and David M. Deen, Isaley Ferrell of the State of North Carolina Nash County. I wish my old tract tract of land to remain in the possession of my wife during her widowhood and then to be equally divided between the next to oldest children being a son and daughter, I wish money enough raised from my property that is belonging to my estate and given to the two youngest children to make them share equal to the others that has the land, I wish my children to have six small negroes and let them be drawn for; the negroes is at my place in North Carolina. I wish my wife to have two negroe women Brigot and Rhoda and also one negro woman and two children her name is Mourning. If she is not redeemed by Westly W. W. Poland and if she is, the money is to be given to her in place of the negro. I wish my Executors here to employ such counsel for the speedy collection of the money that is due me in Georgia and Florida as in their judgment the several cases may require after the money is all collected that can be and all my just debts is paid, I wish the money that is left after paying all my just debts to be equally divided between my wife and children.

August 26, 1842.

William Ferrell

Signed in presents of Wm. W. Abbott.

Joseph Wm. Lea, Joseph Barker.

Court of ordinary of said county. September Term 1842.

Georgia, Thomas County.

Personally appeared in open Court Joseph Wm. Lea and Joseph Barker, who being duly sworn depose and saith that they saw Alsey Strickland sign this instrument hereunto annexed in the presence of and by the express directions of William Ferrell (the testator) and that William Ferrell and that William Ferrell did publish and declare this writing annexed as aforesaid to be and contain his last will and testament and that they signed the same as witness in the presence of the testator and that he was at the time of publishing and declaring the same to be his last will and testament of sound disposing mind and memory and that he executed the same freely and without compulsion so far as they know or believe and that William W. Abbott signed the same as a witness also in the presence of the testator. Sworn to and subscribed before us this 5 Sept. 1842.

Joseph Wm. Lea  
Joseph Barker

Duncan Ray J. J. C.  
Thomas H. Gatlin J. J. C.  
Bernice Lawton J. J. C.