

I, D.A.T. Ricks, of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina, do make and declare this my last will and testament, in manner and form following hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore made. I desire that my body be decently but not expensively buried. I desire that all my just debts (which are but few) be paid, I give and bequeath to my only son Augustus H. Ricks the tract of land on which I now live with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging, all my horses and mules, cattle and hogs, one wagon and all the farming tools of every description, all of my household and kitchen furniture, except such as hereafter may be disposed of and all the crop of every description that may be on the farm except the crop of cotton and one third part of the bed and bedstead that I may own which legacy I consider over one third part of my estate under the conditions that he provides for my wife (his mother) Frances A. Ricks during her life, and if she Francis A. Ricks should be the longest liver then I desire her to take charge of the farm and provide for the lawful heirs of my sons A. H. Ricks during her life time, and after death all the above named property to belong to the lawful heirs of his body and the payment to my executors therein after named the sum of two thousand dollars A. Ricks, all the interest I own in the tract of land known as the "Sage" tract for which she already has a deed of sale, and all interest in the tract of land called to my wife by her father Nathaniel Harrison give and bequeath to my daughter Anne Rosell Ricks, one piano bureau and one third part of all the household and kitchen furniture that I own, and one half of my Bynum Plantation mill and all the appurtenances thereunto belonging to have and to hold the said property forever. I give to my daughter Laura F. Taylor, (wife of W.C. Taylor) one bureau, bed, bedstead and furniture which she has taken away, and one third part of all the furniture household (less that which she has received) and one half of the Bynum plantation to have and to hold the same forever. Then I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann Rosell Ricks the sum of twenty two hundred and fifty dollars in cash, and fifty dollars in cash. I give and bequeath to my son A.H. Ricks, my buggy and harness. The rest and residue of my estate I desire to be equally divided between my two daughters Ann Rosell Ricks and Laura Frances Taylor. I have an interest in a tract of land on the south side of Tar River not far from Yorks bridge which interest I have conveyed, the contract I have no idea will ever be complied with, that land I give to my son A.H. Ricks, I do hereby nominate and appoint my son A.H. Ricks, and my brother George Ricks, my executors to this my last will and testament. Intestimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 8th day of June 1871.

D.A.T. Ricks, (Seal)

J.A. Drake
Bennie Parker
R.H. Marriott
State of North Carolina, in the probate court,
Nash County

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of D.A.T. Ricks deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Judge of Probate for said county by Augustus H. Ricks and G. Ricks Sr., the executors therein named and the due execution thereof by the said D.A.T. Ricks by the oath and examination of Dr. John A. Drake and Dr. R.H. Marriott, the subscribing witnesses thereto who being duly sworn, do depose and say, and each for himself depose and saith, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of D.A.T. Ricks, that the said D.A.T. Ricks, in the presence of these deponents subscribed their names at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 8th day of June, 1871. And the deponents further saith that the said D.A.T. Ricks the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing so subscribed by him and exhibited to be his last will and testament and these deponents did thereupon subscribe their names at the end of said will as attesting witnesses thereto, and at the request and in the presence of the said testator. And these deponents further saith, that at the said time when the said testator subscribing his name to the said last will and aforesaid, at the time of the deponents subscribing their names as attesting witnesses thereto, as aforesaid, the said D.A.T. Ricks 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 these deponents and further these deponents say not signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of

J.A. Drake (Seal)
R.H. Marriott (Seal)

J.P. Jenkins, Probate Judge.

I Primmy Sanders of the County of Nash 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 hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with all my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing out of the monies that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved sister Cally Sanders one hundred and fifty acres of land which is known as the "Glen Sanders" place and marked off by metes and bounds and includes the dwelling house and out buildings where I now live formerly owned by Sign Sanders to have and to hold to her the said Cally Sanders in fee simple. Item I give and bequeath to my beloved sister Cally Sanders six head of cattle, five head of hogs and all my household and kitchen furniture all to be her own if she stays with me and takes care of me the remainder of my life. And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend Bartly C. Strickland 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 hereby declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I the said Primmy Sanders do hereunto set my hand and seal this 20th day of June A.D. 1869.

Primmy Sanders (Seal)

signed, sealed and published and declared by the said Primmy Sanders to be her last will and testament in presence of us who after request and in presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

H.H. Medlin,
Sarah Benton.

State of North Carolina, Nash County In the Probate court.

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Primmy Sanders, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned judge of Probate for said County by Bart C. Strickland the executor therein named, and the execution thereof by the said Primmy Sanders, by the oath and examination of H.H. Medlin and Sarah Benton the subscribing witnesses thereto who being duly sworn do depose and say and each for himself depose and saith, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last will and testament of Primmy Sanders, that the said Primmy Sanders, in the presence of this deponent subscribed her name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which bears date of the 20th day of June, 1869. And the deponent further saith, that the said Primmy Sanders the testator aforesaid did at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing so subscribed by her and exhibited to be her last will and testament and this deponent did thereupon subscribe their names 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 their name to the said last will as aforesaid, and at the time of the deponents subscribing their names as attesting witnesses thereto as aforesaid, the said Primmy Sanders 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 the deponents and further these deponents say not signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of J.P. Jenkins, Probate Judge.

A.H. Medlin (Seal)

Sarah Benton (Seal)

In the Name of God Amen. I Mary Barnes, (widow of James T. Barnes) of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina do make, ordain and declare this my last will and testament. Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Louisa C. Barnes, sixty acres of land which is to embrace the homestead and be laid off adjoining the lands of Jos. J. Barnes and T.P. Westray, to her, her heirs and assigns forever. Item I give and bequeath to my son Joseph J. Barnes, one bed, bedstead and furniture. Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary E.T. Barnes, wife of Robert Barnes, one bed, bedstead and furniture. Item I give and bequeath to my son Joshua B. Barnes, one bed, bedstead and furniture. Item: After the sixty acres of land embracing the homestead is cut off for my daughter Eliza C. it is my direction that the balance of my land be equally divided between my following children viz: Frances Benton (wife of Jno. Martin) Joseph J. Barnes, Mary E.T. Barnes, (wife of Robt. Barnes) and Joshua B. Barnes. I hereby nominate and appoint my son Joseph J. Barnes, to be sole executor to this my last will and testament. This the 11th day of November 1867.

Witness

Redman Bunn
D. Trevathan

Mary Barnes (Seal)
x her mark.

State of North Carolina, Nash county. In the Probate court.

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Mary Barnes, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Judge of Probate for said county by Joseph J. Barnes, the executor thereon named, and the due execution thereof by the said Mary Barnes, by the oath and examination of the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn do depose and say, and each for himself depose and

I, D.A.T. Ricks, of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina, do make and declare this my last will and testament, in manner and form following: I desire that all my just debts (which are but few) be paid, I give bequeath to my only son Augustus H. Ricks the tract of land on which I now live with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging, all my horses and mules, all my household and kitchen furniture, except such as hereafter may be disposed of and all the crop of every description that may be on the farm, except the crop of cotton and one third part all the beds and bedding under the conditions that he provides for my wife (his mother) Frances A. Ricks during her life, and if she Francis A. Ricks should be the longest liver then I desire her to take charge of the farm and provide for the lawful heirs of my sons A. H. Ricks during her life time, and after death all the above named property to belong to the lawful heirs of his body and one and two years after my death. I give and bequeath to my wife Frances A. Ricks, all the interest down (if any) in the tract of land known as the "One" tract for which she already has a deed of sale, and all interest in the tract of land willed to my wife by her father Nathaniel Harrison, give and bequeath to my daughter Anne Rosell Ricks, one piano bureau and one third part of all the household and kitchen furniture that I own, and one half of my Bynum Plantation mill and all the appurtenances thereunto belonging to have and to hold the said property forever. I give to my daughter F. Taylor, (wife of W.C. Taylor) one bureau, bed, bedstead and furniture which she has taken away, and one third part of all my furniture household (less that which she has received) and one half of the Bynum plantation to have and to hold the same forever. Then I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann Rosell Ricks the sum of twenty two hundred and fifty dollars in cash, and the same amount to my daughter Laura F. Taylor (twenty two hundred and fifty dollars in cash). I give and bequeath to my son A.H. Ricks, my buggy and harness. The rest to wit: Ann Rosell Ricks and Laura Frances Taylor. Have an interest in a tract of land on the south side of Tar River not far from Yorks bridge which interest I have conveyed, the contract I have no idea will ever be complied with, that land I give to my son A.H. Ricks, I do hereby nominate and appoint my son A.H. Ricks, and my brother George Ricks, my executors to this my last will and testament. Intestimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 8th day of June 1871.

J.A. Drake
Minnie Parker
R.H. Marriott
State of North Carolina, in the probate court,
Nash County.

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of D.A.T. Ricks deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Judge of Probate for said county by Augustus H. Ricks and G. Ricks Sr., the executors therein named and the due execution thereof by the said D.A.T. Ricks by the oath and examination of Dr. John A. Drake and Dr. R.H. Marriott the subscribing witnesses thereto who being duly sworn, do depose and say, and each for himself depose and say, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of D.A.T. Ricks, that the said D.A.T. Ricks, in the presence of these deponents subscribed their names at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 8th day of June, 1871. And the deponents further saith that the said D.A.T. Ricks the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing so subscribed by him and exhibited to be his last will and testament and these deponents did thereupon subscribe their names at the end of said will as, attesting witnesses thereto, and at the request and in the presence of the said testator. And there deponents further saith, that at the said time when the said testator subscribing his name to the said last will and testament, at the time of the deponents subscribing their names as attesting witnesses thereto, as aforesaid, the said D.A.T. Ricks 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 these deponents and further these deponents say not. signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of

J.P. Jenkins, Probate Judge.

J.A. Drake (Seal)
R.H. Marriott (Seal)

D.A.T. Ricks, (Seal)

I Primmy Sanders of the County of Nash 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 hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with all my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing out of the monies that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate. Item I give and devise to my beloved sister Cally Sanders one hundred and fifty acres of land which is known as the Sign Sanders place and marked off by metes and bounds and includes the dwelling house and out buildings where I now live formerly owned by Sign Sanders to have and to hold to her the said Cally Sanders in fee simple. Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved sister Cally Sanders six head of cattle, five head of hogs and all my household and kitchen furniture all to be her own if she stays with me and takes care of me the remainder of my life. And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend Bartly C. Strickland 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 hereby declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I the said Primmy Sanders have hereunto set my hand and seal this 20th day of June A.D. 1869.

Primmy Sanders (Seal)
signed, sealed and published and declared by the said Primmy Sanders to be her last will and testament in presence of us who after request and in her presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

H.H. Medlin,
Sarah Benton.

State of North Carolina, Nash County In the Probate court.

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H.H. Medlin (Seal)
Sarah Benton (Seal)

In the Name of God Amen. I Mary Barnes, (widow of James T. Barnes) of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina do make and declare this my last will and testament. Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Louisa C. Barnes, sixty acres of land which is to embrace the homestead and be laid off adjoining the lands of Jos. J. Barnes and T.F. Westry, to her, her heirs and assigns forever. I also give her one bed, bedstead and furniture. Item I give and bequeath to my son Joseph J. Barnes, 1 bed, bedstead, and furniture. Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary E.T. Barnes, wife of Robert Barnes, one bed, bedstead and furniture. Item I give and bequeath to my son Joshua B. Barnes, one bed, bedstead and furniture. Item: After the sixty acres of land embracing the homestead is cut off for my daughter Eliza C. it is my direction that the balance of my land be equally divided between my following children viz: Frances Benton (wife of Jno. Merton) Joseph J. Barnes, Mary E.T. Barnes, (wife of Robt. Barnes) and Joshua B. Barnes, thereby nominate and appoint my son Joseph J. Barnes, to be sole executor to this my last will and testament. This the 11th day of November 1867.

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