

North Carolina
Nash County

I, Nancy S. Griffin
of the County and State aforesaid being of
sound mind and memory, but consider-
ing the uncertainty of life do make,
declare and publish this paper writing,
to be my last will and testament
in manner and form as following
Thus, After the death of my husband
Willie Griffin, I leave to my beloved
daughter Elizabeth W. Drake wife of
John R. Drake one fifth part of all the
land that I may die possessed of, and
after her death I give and bequeath the
same to her living children. Thus and
I intend After the death of my said
husband I leave to my daughter Lou-
ciana S. Lanier one fifth part of all the
land I may die possessed of and after
her death I give and bequeath the same
to her living children. Thus and after
the death of my said husband, I give
and bequeath I give and bequeath to
my daughters Mary Ann Griffin and
Frances C. Griffin and my son James
L. Griffin each one fifth part of all
the land I may die possessed of, with
this express understanding and in-
junction that if either of my legates
herein named shall die without leav-
ing any child or children then the
share belonging to such deceased legatee
shall go to and is hereby vested in the
child or children of the other legates
herein named, who may have birth at
the time, I hereby make constitute and
appoint my friend Wm. S. Griffin ex-
ecutor to this my last will and tes-
tament. In witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and seal this 22nd day of
April 1871-

Elizabeth Whitfield
Oliver Allen

Nancy S. Griffin

State of North Carolina
Nash County } In the Probate Court

A paper writing, purporting to be the last will
and testament of Nancy S. Griffin deceased
is exhibited before me, the undersigned
Judge of Probate for said County by W. S.
Griffin the executor therein named, and the
due execution thereof by the said Nancy S.
Griffin by the oath and examination of Eliza
A. Whitfield and Orie Allen the subscribing
witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn do de-
pose and say and each for himself depose
and say that she is a subscribing witness
to the paper writing now shown her purport-
ing to be the last will and testament of
of Nancy S. Griffin 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 22nd
day of April 1871. And the deponents further
say that the said Nancy S. Griffin the testator
aforesaid did at the time of subscribing
her name as aforesaid, declare the said
paper writing to be subscribed by her, and exhibited
to be her 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 de-
ponents further say, that at the said time when
the said testator subscribed her 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 Nancy S. Griffin was
of sound mind and memory, of full age to
execute a will, and was not under any re-
straint to the knowledge, information or belief
of these deponents

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of
Wm. S. Griffin }
Probate Judge } Eliza A. Whitfield
Orie Allen