

that the said John Barnes was in the presence of his deponent inscribing his name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which bears date of 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 1873 and the deponent further saith that the said John Barnes the testator aforesaid died at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing so inscribed by him and exhibited to be his last Will and Testament and this deponent did therupon 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 of the deponent inscribing when the said testator inscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid and at the time of the deponent inscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid the said John Barnes was of sound mind and memory of full age execute a will and does not make any restraint to the knowledge information or belief of this deponent and further these deponents say not signed sealed and delivered in the presence of

Robert George

John Land <sup>Witness</sup>  
Thomas C. Land <sup>Witness</sup>  
John Barnes <sup>Testator</sup>

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I Sallie Ann Arrington being bound in mind but weak and feeble of body makes this my last will and Testament Article 1<sup>st</sup> I wish all my just debts paid Article 2<sup>d</sup> I other wise to give unto my son Thomas A. Arrington one bed and unto my son Peter A. Arrington one bed and to my grand daughter Elizabeth Arrington one bed Article 3<sup>d</sup> I bind any of my bodily heirs bring any claims against my estate I do not wish it to be paid except a note or claim held by my Grand daughter in Law Anna J. Arrington for the use of my grand daughter Elizabeth for fifty seven dollars and from 1863 Article 4<sup>d</sup> I bind the rest of my estate both real and personal I wish to be divided between my son Thomas A. Arrington Peter A. Arrington the two sons of my son John A. Arrington deceased and the daughters of my son Robert A. Arrington deceased Equally Article 5<sup>th</sup> I appoint my friends and nephews J.A. Drake and my son Peter A. Arrington my executors and wish them to carry out the provisions of this will faithfully witness

J. A. Arrington

J. A. Drake  
M. E. Drake  
Lydia A. Smith

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A paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Sallie Anne Arrington deceased is exhibited before me the undersigned Judge of Probate for said County by J. A. Drake one of the executors herein named and the execution thereof by the said J. A. Drake M. E. Drake & Lydia A. Smith by the

oath and examination of J A Drake  
and Peyton M Smith the subscribing witness  
as there the king Only I sworn doth depose  
and say and each for himself deposeth  
and saith that he is a subscribing witness  
to the paper writing now shewen him pur-  
porting to be the last will and testament  
of Sallie Anne Arrington that the Said  
Sallie Anne Arrington in the presence  
of this deponent subscribed his name  
at the end of said paper writing which  
is now shewen as aforesaid and which bears  
date of the 2nd day of March 1875 and  
the deponent further saith that the Said  
Sallie Anne Arrington the testator aforesaid  
died 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 this deponent did then upon subscribe  
his name at the end of said will as  
an attesting witness then to and at the  
request and in the presence of the said  
testator and this deponent further saith  
that at the time of the deponent's  
subscribing his name as an attesting  
witness thereto as aforesaid the said  
Sallie Anne Arrington was of sound  
minde and memory of full age to  
execute a will and was not under  
any restraint to the knowledge inform-  
ation or belief of this deponent and  
further saith these deponents say not  
Signed said and delivered in the presence  
of Benj M Lonsky

Probate Judge

J A. Drake Seals  
Peyton Smith Seal

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In the name of god ame  
I Mathew Edwards of the county of Wash and  
State of North Carolina being of sound  
and memory and knowing the uncertainty of my  
earthly existence do publish this as my last will  
and testament in manner and form as follows to  
wit I loan to my wife Elean during her natural  
life the whole of my estate of every description  
both real and personal and at her death I will and  
direct that my whole Estate shall be divided into  
two equal parts or shares one share of which  
being one third of my whole estate I loan to  
my daughter Turpy wife of James A Gayden  
during her life and at her death I give and bequeath  
the same to her children and their heirs to be  
equally divided between them and share  
alike One share being one third part of  
my estate I loan to my grandson Mathew  
Ellen during his life and at his death I  
give and bequeath the same to his children &  
their heirs to be equally divided between them  
share and share alike The remaining share  
being one third part of my whole estate I loan  
to my grand daughter Elizabeth Ellen during  
her life and at her death I give and bequeath  
the same to her children and their heirs to be  
equally divided between them share and  
share alike In the event of the death of my  
wife or either of my grand children Mathew  
or Elizabeth without leaving issue him or  
her surviving in that case it is my will  
and desire that the share to which such  
deceased child would have been entitled  
to if living shall be equally divided be-  
tween the survivors & the children of  
my daughter Turpy and in the event  
of the death of both grand children  
Mathew and Elizabeth without leaving  
issue from them and in that case  
I give and bequeath the whole of my estate  
both real and personal to the children of my