

date, and all the balance of my perishable estate be sold on a credit of six months with interest from date, and all the balance of my negroes not otherwise disposed of, to be sold on a credit of twelve months with interest from date. And all the proceeds arising from the sales of my said estate not otherwise disposed of, to be equally divided between all my living children.

Item 18th I hereby confirm all the gifts of property heretofore made to my children. And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my son Blake Williford and my friend William H. Hines, my lawfull executors to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause there of, hereby revoking and declaring utterly null and void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I the said ~~Muddy~~ Williford do hereunto set my hand and seal this 23 day of August in the year of our Lord eight hundred

forty six.

signed, sealed and published and declared by the said Muddy Williford to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other who at his request subscribed our names as witnesses the day and date above written.

As Williford

William T. Dortch

State of North Carolina, Nash county court Nov. term 1846

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Muddy Williford was offered for probate by the executors therein named and duly proven by the oath of H. Williford and William T. Dortch the subscribing witnesses thereto and is ordered to be recorded.

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

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

and is recorded.

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In the Name of God Amen. I Harriett Adeline Drake of Nash County and State of North Carolina being diseased in body but of sound and disposing mind and memory do this fifth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty six, make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following viz: I give and bequeath to my sister Eliza Harris the sum of Five hundred and Fifty dollars. The remainder of my estate after paying my just debts I give and bequeath to my sisters the aforesaid Eliza Harris and Mary T. Rawls one third part of said remainder, to each, and the other third part of said remainder I give and bequeath to the children of my sister Mourning Screws to be equally divided between them. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal,

signed, sealed and acknowledged in presence of Sarah B. Short Jno. Arrington

Harriett A. Drake (Seal)

State of North Carolina Nash county court of pleas and quarter session Nov. term 1846

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of H. A. Drake was offered for probate and duly proven by the oath of Jno. Arrington one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and is ordered to be recorded.

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

and is recorded.

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

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In the Name of God Amen. I Wright Stephen Batchelor of the county of Nash and State of North Carolina, being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God do this fifth day of August in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty five do make publish this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say:

Item: I lend to my beloved wife Charity Batchelor my tract of land whereon I now live here life time widow hood and then to give it to my beloved son Hardy D. Batchelor to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I lend my negro woman Fanny to my beloved wife Charity her life time widowhood and then to my son Hardy D. Batchelor to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I gave unto my two beloved sons Abel Batchelor and Nathan Wright Batchelor one hundred and eighty four acres of land the tract where the said Nathan Wright Batchelor now lives to be equally divided between the two.

Item: I lend all the ballance of my property to my beloved wife ~~time~~ widowhood all that are indoors and out doors. Item: My will and desire is that all the parrishable property that I lent to my wife to be sold and equally divided between Abel Batchelor, James Batchelor, Susan Ferrys children, Polly Cones children, Nathan Wright Batchelor, ~~Anna~~ Batchelor and Hardy Davis Batchelor to them and their heirs forever after her death

Item: I do hereby and appoint my trusty sons Abel Batchelor and Hardy Davis Batchelor as executors to this my last will and testament and revoking all other wills heretofore made. Signed and sealed in the

presence thereof

Witness
Herrett Manning
William R. Hackley
Fridgen Manning

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Wright Stephen Batchelor (Seal)

State of North Carolina court of pleas and quarter session Nash county. Nov. term 1845

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Wright Stephen Batchelor was duly proven in open court on oath of Fridgen Manning one of 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.