

In the name of God - Amen!

I Isaac Northrop, of the town of Wilmington, in the State of North Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make ordain and publish this to be my last Will and Testament,

First I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as can conveniently be done; and to that end I authorise and empower my executor and executors hereinafter named to sell any portion of my estate, real and personal, in such way and upon such terms as may be deemed most advantageous; and in their discretion to make the proceeds of any real estate so sold, the primary fund for the payment of my debts to the exoneration of the personal estate.

Second - I give, devise and bequeath all the rest and residuum of my estate of every kind, and wheresoever situate, after the payment of my debts, to my beloved wife Susan until my youngest living child shall arrive at full age, or marry, in order to enable her to live in comfort, and maintain and educate my younger children; and upon the arrival at full age, or marriage, of my youngest living child, as aforesaid, then I give one third of all the said residue of my estate real and personal, to my said wife Susan, absolutely; and the other two thirds to be divided among all of my children in such a way that the shares of all shall be equal, except my daughter Caroline Carr, whose share shall be less in value by one thousand dollars than the shares of my other children.

Third - In case my wife should die before the arrival at full age, or marriage, of my youngest living child, then upon her death, I give, devise, and bequeath the whole of my estate, real and personal, after payment of my debts, to my executor hereinafter named, until the arrival at full age, or marriage, of my youngest living child; in trust, however, during the period aforesaid, to apply the annual income, rents and profits of said, to the comfortable and genteel support, maintenance and education of my minor children who are ^{un}married; and if the income of my estate shall be more than sufficient for the support and education of my minor unmarried children, then all such surplus income beyond what is requisite for that purpose, shall, during the period aforesaid, be annually divided equally among all my children; and upon the arrival at full age, or marriage, of my youngest living child, I give the whole of my

said estate to be equally divided among all of my children, except my daughter Caroline Carr, whose share shall be one thousand dollars less in value than the shares of my other children, as before declared.

Fourth. If any of my children shall die before the division of estate as directed in the two preceding clauses, the issue of each and any child so dying (if such issue be living at the time of said division) shall represent their parent, and take the share of my estate which such parent would have taken if living.

Sixthly - I constitute and appoint my wife Susan and my son Samuel to be Executors and Executrix of this my Will.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Twenty Third day of July, A.D. 1859, signed, published and declared by the testator as his last Will, in the presence of us, who in his presence and the presence of each other, and at his request, have subscribed the same as witnesses.

Isaac Northrop Seal

J. A. Taylor
H. J. Vann

State of North Carolina

New Hanover County Court, December Term 1862.

This paper writing, purporting to be and contains the last Will and testament of Isaac Northrop deceased, is exhibited in open Court by Samuel Northrop, the Executor therein named and offered for probate; and the due execution of the same by the said Isaac Northrop, was proved by the oath and examination of John A. Taylor and H. J. Vann both the subscribing witnesses thereto, and it is considered by the Court that the said paper writing is the last Will and Testament of Isaac Northrop, in every respect, and sufficient to convey the bequests therein made. It is ordered that the same be recorded and filed. At the same time, Samuel Northrop, the Executor therein named appeared in open Court, and was duly qualified as such, by taking the oath required by Law.

Teste
Samuel P. Printing Clerk
for P. Hood & Deft. Clerk.