

J. & McKee, Senr? one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore considered by the Court that the said paper writing, and every part thereof, is the last will and testament of the said Smiley Ashe, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

And therefore the said William M. Phipps executor aforesaid, duly qualifies as such, by taking the oath required by law.

Teste

R. B. Wood Jr. Clerk.

Registered Jan. 20th 1868.

Wood

Clerk.

State of North Carolina
County of New Hanover

In the name of God Amen - I, John Rocks of the County and State above written, being of sound and disposing mind and memory but conscious of the uncertainty of life, do make and publish this my last will and testament - First - I direct that my body be decently interred and my funeral expenses be paid out of the first money that shall come into the hands of my executor - Also I direct that my debts be paid out of the estate as soon after my decease as possible - Also I hereby give and bequeath unto my wife Ann - all my estate, consisting of lands, stock of every description, household and kitchen furniture, farming utensils, and all other things which I may be possessed of - to well give or bequeath to whom she pleases - Also it is my wish that my son John P. Rocks, shall have fifty acres land, so as to include the houses where he now lives, and the cleared land on the branch adjoining the lands of N. R. Croome after the decease of my wife - Also - I appoint my esteemed wife Executor to this my last will and testament -

In Witness whereof I the said John Rocks testator to this my last will and testament, set my hand and seal in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty six - January 30th 1866

Teste

C. Alderman

John B. Croome

John Rocks (Seal)

Registered March 20th 1868

Wood Clerk

This paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of John Rocks deceased is exhibited for probate in open Court by Ann Rocks, the executrix therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said John Rocks is proved by the oath of C. Alderman and John B. Croome, the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore considered by the Court, that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of the said John Rocks, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed - And therefore the said Ann Rocks executrix aforesaid, duly qualifies as such, by taking the oath required by law - Teste R. B. Wood Jr. Clerk.