

This paper writing purporting to be the last will Testament of John H Lassiter is exhibited in open Court and offered for probate and is duly proven by the Oath of Wm Larkins one of the subscribing witnesses, Charles and as such Court ordered by the Court to be & contain the last will & Testament of John H Lassiter and sufficient to convey the bequeaths therein made

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I Meander Murray of the County of New Hanover and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say

First- That my executors hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing out of the moneys that may first come into their hands as a part or parcel of my estate

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I give and bequeath to my son James M Murray and my daughter Susan Murray the tract of Land whereon I now live including the plantation and Houses together with all the appurtenances belonging to said tract for their joint occupancy and enjoyment and in the event of the death of either to the survivor

I give and bequeath to my son James M Murray One Yoke of Oxen and two Carts all my Stock of hogs and all my Crop of all kinds of which I may be possessed at the time of my decease

I give and bequeath to my daughter Susan Murray my horse and riding Chair also all the Household and Kitchen furniture of which I may be possessor at the time of my decease to be hers and at her disposal absolutely forever

I give and bequeath to my son Aaron William Murray my Negro man Colled little Jim to be his and at his disposal absolutely forever

I give and bequeath to my son Guilford S Murray my Negro woman ^{named} Thersey to be his and at his disposal absolutely forever

My desire & will is that my Stock of Cattle (except the Oxen mentioned in a foregoing bequest) be equally

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas and Quarter
New Hanover County Sessions March Term 1856

The foregoing paper containing is propounded for probate by Patrick Murphy Executor therein named and it appearing to the Court that both the subscribing witnesses are deceased Patrick Murphy the executor being duly sworn proves the said last will & Testament to be in his said Murphy's handwriting signed by him for the testatrix in the presence of the witnesses by her directions that she was of sound and disposing Mind. It is therefore considered by the Court and adjudged that the foregoing is the last will & Testament of said Margaret Robinson deceased and sufficient to pass her estate and it is ordered to be recorded. The said Executor is qualified

Wm

S. R. Bunting Clerk

I John N. Lassiter of the County of New Hanover State of North Carolina being feeble in body but of sound Mind and Memory do hereby make and declare this instrument of writing as my last will & Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me at any time heretofore made in manner & form following

- 1st. It is my will & desire that all my Just debts shall be paid out of the first Monies that may come into the hands of my Executors hereafter named
- 2^d. I give to each of my sisters & Mother at my death the sum of Fifty Cents each and no more
- 3^d. I give and bequeath all the balance of the property both real & personal that I may possess at my death to my beloved wife Elizabeth Lassiter at her full disposal to do as she pleases with

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth Lassiter Executor to this my last will & Testament in the year 1856. 9th January.

Signed & sealed in the presence of the Testator & at his request & in the presence of each other

W. S. Larkins
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J. N. Lassiter (Seal)