The Last Will & Testament of A G Wilson Dec'd

In the name of God Amen I Albert G Wilson of the State of North Carolina Bertie County being of perfect sound mind and memory but calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed once for all to die do make and publish this my last will & testament in manner and form following to wit First I recommend my soul to God who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent christian like manner & my funeral expenses & just debts first to be paid

Item First I lend unto my beloved Niece Mary E Holliday all of my negroes say Jack Lenny Fanny Joe Lucy Lizzy Stephen Turner Virginia Simon Jack Jack Thomas and all of my notes and money and all the balance of my property whatever it may be during her life time and then to go to her child or children as the case may be but in case the Mary E Holliday should die without a child or children then in that case for the death of said Mary E Holliday I give the before mentioned and devised property to Albina Georgian Holliday and brother M. G. R. Wilson to children to be equally divided between them. I hereby appoint John S Smith my executor to this my last will & testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal December 26th 1850

A G Wilson (Seal)

Witness

A L Wilson in his own hand writing

Bertie Spring 1860 Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions of Bertie County

The within paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of A G Wilson was exhibited in open court for probate by John S Smith the executor therein named and it was duly proved upon the oaths of David Moore a witness that the said paper writing was found after his death among the valuable papers and effects of the said A G Wilson and also by E Robins Jr & Perkins and Sydney Daniel witnesses that they are each well acquainted with the hand writing of the said testator and that they verily believe that the said paper writing was executed by the said A G Wilson and that said paper writing and every part thereof is in the handwriting of the said testator, whereupon it is ordered that the same be entered of record as the last will & testament of the said A G Wilson and that the original be filed among the records of the Court at the same time John S Smith the executor therein named appeared in open court & qualified as such

M Shepperd Clerk

The Last Will & Testament of Elizabeth Evans Decd

In the Name of God Amen I Elizabeth Evans of the State of North Carolina and County of Bertie being of sound mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following viz

Item 1st I give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy Brown one Negro Woman named Pleasant one Girl named Frances and one Girl named Delia also Two Beds and Stands one Set Silver Tea Spoons one do of Table Spoons also one half of all my Bed and wearing clothes one Rocking Chair one Side Board and Draper & Sir and her heirs forever And the said Nancy Brown to contribute one half of the expenses for supporting Old Shade

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my daughter Martha Forbes one Negro boy named Cesar one Girl named Bristoline also Two Beds and Stands one half of all my bed and wearing clothes One large Chest one Set of Silver Tea Spoons and do of Table Spoons (Now in the possession of S. H. Johnson) to her and her heirs forever And the said Martha Forbes to assist one half in the support of Old Shade

Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my Two Grandsons my James Evans John Evans Gustavus Evans and Richard Evans one Negro Girl named Alcinda to them and their heirs forever

Item 4th I give to my Grandson Stephen Johnson Five Dollars in money to him and his heirs forever

Item 5th I give to my daughter Martha Forbes my Loom and Tacking and also my Buggy to her and her heirs forever

Item 6th I give to my Grand daughter Martha H Brown all my Shined ware to her and her heirs forever

Item 7th I give to my Granddaughter Mary H Forbes one Chest to her and her heirs forever

Item 8th I give to my Grand daughter Martha E Forbes one Chest to her and her heirs forever

Item 9th I furthermore desire all the remainder of my household Kitchen and dairy furniture to be equally divided between my Two daughters Nancy and Martha

Item 10th All the balance of my property of all description not herein disposed of & desire should be sold according to Law and the moneys arising from the sales thereof together with any moneys I may have on hand at my death after paying just debts and the necessary expenses of closing my estate to be divided into three equal shares and one share give to my daughter Nancy Brown one share to my daughter Martha Forbes and the other to my three Grandsons James John Gustavus and Richard Evans to them and their heirs forever

And lastly my will and desire is that my Administrator whoever he may be shall execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning thereof And I hereby revoke all wills heretofore made by me or in my name especially one made several years ago to which E C Gatlin and Amos Evans are witnesses In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 26th December 1871

Elizabeth Evans (Seal)

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of us subscribing witnesses at her request

W J Blow

J C Albritton

We have examined the within paper writing and are very decided in the opinion that it is a true copy of the will of Elizabeth Evans We were witness to the will and it was proven in Court by our oaths and was written by W J Blow whose name is here assigned

W J Blow

Jas C Albritton