The last will & Testament of James Davis Decd

Greenville June 3rd 1858.

I James Davis of the Town of Greenville State of North Carolina being of Sound mind & memory do make this my last will & testament hereby revoking all others heretofore made.

1st I require that my Executor pay all my just debts especially a note I owe Cesar a Slave for $148.

2nd I give to my Sons Thomas C Davis James Davis & Joseph Davis all my estate real and personal to be so divided as they may think best to do with the express understanding that my executor pay annually during her natural life to my Sister Prudence Davis Seventy five Dollars from any income arising from my estate and no division to take place until Satisfactory provisions be made to her to Secure the Said Sum of Seventy five Dollars annually.

3rd I hereby Constitute & appoint my Son James Davis Executor of this my last will and testament

J Davis (Seal)

This paper writing dated Greenville June 3d 1857 was offered by James Davis the executor therein named for probate in open Court as the last will and Testament of James Davis, decd and duly proved by the oaths of James Murray - James C Albritton and Stephen F Johnson three Credible witnesses who being Sworn Severally Said that they were well acquainted with the hand writing of the Said Testator and that they verily believe this paper writing and every part thereof including the Signature thereto to be the handwriting of the Said James Davis decd, Ordered by the Court upon the Said testimony that this paper be recorded and filed, On motion Executor qualified

H Sheppard Clerk

The Last Will & Testament of Manoel Flake Deceased

I Manoel Flake of the County of Pitt and State of North Carolina being of Sound disposing mind and memory but Considering the uncertainty of my earthly existance do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following first that my executor hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial Suitable to the wishes of my friends and relations and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts to whomsoever owing out of the money that may first Come into his hands as a part of my estate

Item 1st I give to my Son Amos Flake and daughter Lydia Everell fifty cents each to them and their heirs forever,

Item 2nd I give to my Grand Son John L Sul me feather bed and furniture to him and his heirs forever,

Item 3 I give to my Daughter Sempy Flake the South side of my tract of land whereon I now live begining at the Cady field Gap or where it formerly has been on the road near David Hodges field running a Straight Course so as to strike the middle of the William Sul field to my upper line thence with my upper line & South line to the beginning I also give to my Daughter Sempy Flake all my Crop if Corn rent Corn not excepted all my Stock of every kind

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household and Kitchen furniture of every description to her and her heirs forever, except the feather bed given to my Grand Son

Item 4 I give to my Daughter Martha Sul fifty cents to her and her lawful heirs begotten of her body forever,

Item 5 I give to my Son John C Flake all the balance of my tract of land which I have not disposed of to him and his heirs forever,

I do hereby Constitute and appoint my trusty friend Adam Fleming my lawful executor in witness whereof I the Said Manoel Flake do hereunto Set my hand and Seal this 31st October 1854

Manoel his + mark Flake (Seal)

Signed Sealed published and declared by the Said Manoel Flake to be his last will and testament in presence of us who at his request in his presence and in the presence of each other all Subscribed our names as witnesses thereto

Wm Shivers
David House

State of North Carolina, Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Pitt County, February Term 1858

Then was the within paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Manoel Flake decd exhibited in open Court for probate and proved by the oaths of William Shivers and David House the Subscribing witnesses thereto, It is therefore Considered by the Court that this paper writing and every part thereof is the last will & testament of the Said Manoel Flake and the Same is ordered to be recorded

Attest H Sheppard Clerk

The Last Will & Testament of Richard H Lewis Decd

North Carolina
Pitt County

I Richard H Lewis of the County of Pitt and State of North Carolina being of Sound mind and memory, do make ordain and publish the following as my last Will and Testament viz.

1st I wish my Executors hereinafter named to pay off and discharge all of my debts and funeral expenses and to have erected over my grave and my Daughter Ann's Suitable monuments or tomb stones,

I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Martha E Lewis all the negroes I acquired by my marriage with her together with all their increase including negro man Richmond Sent to Alabama, I also give and bequeath unto her a negro Girl named Lovey I purchased of Dr Blount (Daughter of my Carpenter Ned) I also give and bequeath unto my Said wife Martha E Lewis all the Stock of every kind I own in Pitt County, viz. All the Horses, Mules, Cattle, sheep, Hogs &c Also all the crop in Pitt County owned by me whether gathered or Growing including the Turpentine, Brandy, Wine & other liquors and all the provisions, farming utensils and Household and Kitchen furniture including my Iron Safe, Except Such furniture as may hereafter be named, also my Carriages and buggies and all of my books with a request that she will give to my Son Troy H Lewis and my Daughter Mary H Lewis Such books as they may want,

I also give and bequeath unto my wife Martha E Lewis the Sum of Twenty five thousand Dollars ($25000) to bear interest from the day of my death untill paid

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