

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Fitt County November Term 1863

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Jesse S. Parker is produced and propounded for probate by James Parker Executor therein named and the said James Parker Parker and Sherrod Tison the witnesses therein named being duly sworn say that they saw the said Jesse S. Parker sign and seal and heard him publish and declare that said paper writing to be his last will and testament and at the ~~same~~ time of doing they say that the said Jesse was of sound and disposing mind and memory. They further testify that they signed the same as witnesses in his presence and at his request. It is thereupon considered by the Court that the said paper writing is and it is hereby allowed by the Court to be the last will and testament of the said Jesse S. Parker effectual to pass both real and personal estate and it is ordered that the said paper and this certificate of probate be recorded.

Geo. Dancy Clerk

I Eliza A. Graham of the County of Person and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following. That is to say: I give to my sister Sarah C. Chamberlain during her natural life all of my property both real & personal or pass both and after her death I give the same to her children to them and their heirs forever. In witness whereof I the Eliza A. Graham do declare this to be my last will and testament in presence of us signed & sealed this 20th of June 1846.

Charles Greene

W. H. Banner

Eliza A. Graham (Seal)

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There was the foregoing paper writing produced in open Court and it appearing that Chas. Greene and William H. Banner the two subscribing witnesses are both dead. L. P. Boardman, Perkins and A. C. Jordan were sworn who severally deposed that they were well acquainted with the said writing of said Greene and Banner and that their signatures to said paper were in their own proper hand writing. It was then considered by the Court that said paper writing had been duly proved to be the last will ^{and} testament of Eliza A. Graham dec'd. so made and executed as to pass both real and personal estate and it further appeared that at the time of the death of said testatrix that she resided in Fitt County. It was then ordered that said will with this certificate be recorded and filed.

Geo. Dancy Clerk

In the name of God, Amen!
I Richard Evans of the State of North Carolina and County of Pitt being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following. That is to say:
I lend my land to my beloved sisters Cornelia Nancy & Elizabeth to hold during their natural life or maidenhood. Should one or more of said sisters marry they no longer have any benefits of said land and their rights therein will end void and the unmarried ones or one of the said sisters hold the land during their lives and after ^{the death} the marriage of said sisters I leave my lands to be sold and ~~equally~~ divided between all my brothers & sisters lawful heirs to hold during their lives.

Item 1 - I give to my beloved sisters Cornelia Nancy & Elizabeth all my stock of every kind all my corn meet and crop should there be any in my lands at my death to have and to hold forever.

Item 2 - I give and bequeath all my money after my lawful debts is paid be equitably divided among my lawful brothers and sisters.

Item 3 - I give and bequeath all my household & kitchen furniture to my sisters Cornelia Nancy & Elizabeth to have and to hold forever. In presence of these witnesses I R. Evans do set my hand and seal this 19th of July 1860.

Richard Evans (Seal)

W. H. Banner
J. C. Perkins

North Carolina Fitt County September 1862

There was the within paper writing produced in open Court and proved in due form of law to be the last will and testament of Richard Evans dec'd. so made and executed as to pass both real and personal estate. Proved by the oath of Chas. Perkins one of the subscribing witnesses the other witnesses being in the State of Massachusetts. Let said will and this certificate be recorded and filed.

Geo. Dancy Ck.

The Last Will and Testament of Gold Hoyt.

I Gold Hoyt of Greenville North Carolina publish and declare my last will and testament to be as follows.

Item 1 - I give and bequeath all my property both real personal and mixed and the increase thereof to my beloved wife Martha Ann Hoyt for the term of her natural life. I furthermore give to my said wife the power to sell any of said property for the purpose of investing the same in equally profitable estate and also confer the same power on my executor herein after mentioned to be performed only with the consent of my said wife in writing.

Item 2 - After the death of my said wife I give and bequeath the aforesaid property and the increase thereof to my children Hattie A. Marshall and Mary Eliza Dancy and my grand daughter Martha Ann Sherrod, equally to be divided among them ^{children in present} share and share alike or to the surviving of them or their descendants at the death of my said wife; and if either of my said children or

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