share as their parent if living would have taken and in the event of the death of said Susan without having disposed of the same by deed or will and without leaving children a issue living at her death then to her next of kin

5th I give to my daughter Mary B. Cooper the following slaves - Samson Vincent Redding - Becky - Margaret - Ellen - Barbara and her children and good bonds to the amount of five thousand dollars to the sole and separate use of my said daughter Mary during her life with the power to dispose of the same either by deed or by will and if she should die without having disposed of the same by deed or will then to such children as she may have living at her death and in the event of the death of any child of hers during her life leaving issue living at her death such issue to represent their parent and to take such share as their parent if living would have taken and in the event of the death of the said Mary with having disposed of the same by deed or will and without leaving children or issue living at her death then to her next of kin

6th I bequeath all my furniture to my two daughters Susan & Mary

7th the following slaves to wit - Old Becky - Morine - Mary & her children now in the possession of Mr Thomas H. Blount I give to her for her life and after her death to her son William - H Blount

8th It is my will that the issue of such slaves as I have specifically disposed of in my will and which may be born after the date of my will and before my death shall go to the legatees to whom I have respectively bequeathed the said slaves

9th All the rest and residue and remainder of my estate and effects whatsoever and wheresoever and of what nature and kind soever that I am possessed of or entitled to and not herein before disposed of I give and bequeath to my two daughters Ann & Olivia to be equally divided between them

I nominate and appoint my son William Grimes my Executor

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 13th day of June 1859

Signed sealed published and declared in presence of
D. B. Pugh
R. S. Donnell

Bryan Grimes (Seal)

State of No Carolina
Pitt County

Pitt County Court
August Term 1860

The foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Bryan Grimes Deceased is produced in Court and duly proved by the oaths of David B. Pugh and Richard S. Donnell the subscribing witnesses thereto. The Court declares said Writing to be the last Will and testament of said Bryan Grimes and the same to be recorded. William Grimes the executor named in said will duly qualifies as such by taking the oath required by law

Henry Skinner Clk

See deeds of gift

Error

In the name of God Amen. I Simon Keel of the county of Pitt and State of North Carolina being low in health but of sound disposing mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament and form following viz

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandson Saml. F. Keel one tract or parcel of land on the South Side of Tar River and bounded as follows Beginning at a Gum on Moses line to the heirs of Mrs Lucy Satterthwaites line thence with their line to an agreed line between Simon Keel and Stephen Hamilton thence with the said agreed line to Gum and from the Gum to first and from thence to the beginning containing forty acres more or less to him and his heirs forever

Item 2d I give to my beloved wife Penny Keel all of my Stock consisting of Cows, Hogs & Horses also all of my household and kitchen furniture to her and her heirs forever

Item 3d I lend to my beloved wife Penny Keel the land and plantation whereon I now live during her natural life

Item 4th I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Penny Keel negro woman and her youngest child named Louisa to her and her heirs forever - I also lend her the following negroes viz Olivia and Eliza during her natural life and after her death I lend the aforesaid negroes Olivia and Eliza to my daughter Nancy Moore during her natural life & after her death I give the aforesaid negroes to the children of the aforesaid Nancy Moore to them and their heirs forever

Item 5th I give to my beloved Penny Keel all of my Corn, Bacon, peas and fodder all the poultry of every description

Item 6th I give to my daughter Margaret Kersaul wife of Reuben Kersaul five Dollars to her and her heirs forever

Lastly I nominate constitute and appoint my beloved wife Penelope Keel my whole and sole Executrix of this my last will and testament revoking all other or former wills by me heretofore made In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 25 day of February 1841

Simon his + mark Keel

Signed sealed published and declared to be the last will and testament of the aforesaid Simon Keel in the presence of us
Blount Spier
John Bagley

Penny Keel Executrix

Reuben his + mark Kersaul
Beardsley Thomas his + mark Jones Roach Bedford Hen Sison Bryant Adams Kiffin Brown Josiah Barnett, N. D. Moore John Griffin William Wallace John R. Washington & Robert Robertson who being sworn & examined say that they find the paper writing offered is the last will and testament of Simon Keel and sufficient to pass both real and personal estate on motion Penny Keel Executrix was qualified to said will ordered by the court that letters testamentary issue to the said Penny Keel and the said will and testament be adjudged the last will and testament of Simon Keel and be recorded

Attest Archabald Parker Clk

The jury in this case having found the 1st 2nd 3rd & 6th 7th issues in the affirmative
and that the contents of the will are as set forth in the petition it is adjudged
and declared by the court that Simon Keel died leaving a last will and
testament and that the same was duly admitted to probate and
that the record of said will was destroyed by fire and that the contents of said will
were and are as follows to wit
In the name of God Amen I Simon Keel of the county of Pitt and
State of North Carolina being low in health but of sound disposing
mind memory and memory do make and ordain this my last will
and testament in manner and form following viz
Item I give and bequeath unto my brother Sam. F. Keel one
tract or parcel of land on the north side of Tar River and bounded
as follows Beginning at a gum in Rodgers line to the mouth of
Third field Southwards line then with that line to an agreed line
between Simon Keel and Stephen Hemington then with the said agreed
line to a gum and from thence to
the beginning containing forty acres more or less to him and his heirs
forever
Item 2nd I give to my beloved wife Penny Keel all of my stock consisting
of horses hogs and sheep also all of my household and kitchen
furniture to her and her heirs forever
Item 3rd I lend to my beloved wife Penny Keel the land & plantation whereon
I now live during her natural life
Item 4th I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Penny Keel negro
woman Amey and her youngest child named Louisa to her and
her heirs forever I also lend her the following negroes
(viz) Chris and Hugh during her natural life and after her death I
lend the aforesaid negroes Chris and Hugh to my daughter Nancy
Moore during her natural life and after her death I give the
aforesaid negroes to the children of the aforesaid Nancy Moore
to them and their heirs forever
Item 5th After the death of my beloved wife Penny Keel I give the land and
plantation whereon I now live to my grand children Benj Keel
Martha Keel and Samuel Keel to them and their heirs forever
Item 6th I give to my beloved wife Penny Keel all my corn bacon pork and
fodder all the poultry of any description
Item 7 I give to my daughter Margaret Kinsaul wife of Reuben Kinsaul five
dollars to her and her heirs forever
Lastly I nominate constitute and appoint my beloved wife Penelope Keel my
whole and sole executrix of this my last will and testament revoking
all other or former wills by me heretofore made in testimony whereof
I have unto set my hand and seal this 22 day of Febry 1844
Signed sealed and published
and declared to be the last
will and testament of the aforesaid
Simon his mark Keel (Seal)
in presence of us Blount Spier & John Hugh
And it is ordered by the court that this adjudication and declaration be recorded as the
last will and testament of Simon Keel and it is ordered that one half of the costs
be paid by the petitioner one fourth by Penelope Keel and the other fourth by
the other defendants Kinsaul and wife excepted

In the name of God Amen
State of North Carolina Pitt County I Titus C. Allen of the County and
State above mentioned I do make declare and publish this my last will
and testament in manner and form as follows to wit
Item 1st I wish my executor hereinafter named to provide interment for my
body suitable to wishes of my friends and relations and pay the
expenses of the same out of the first monies that may come into his
hands belonging to my estate
Item 2nd I give my dearly beloved wife Nancy a years allowance for herself
and family and all the remainder of my estate personal and real
to be sold by my executor on such credits as he may think advisable
and at any time after my death he may think proper
Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my wife all of my household and kitchen
furniture and my grey horse bay and buggy and one third of
the proceeds of my land during her natural life with which she is
at liberty to buy a homestead for herself but at her death the homestead
so purchased if purchased and if it is not purchased the money is to
be divided between my children
Item 4th It is my will and desire that the proceeds of the sale of my personal
Estate shall be equally divided between my wife and children
each and every one sharing alike
Item 5th I leave my friend Elias J. Blount ~~executor to execute this my last will~~
and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same
given under my hand and seal this the 7 day of March 1860
in presence of
R. K. Hountree
Alexander Carr
Titus his mark Allen (Seal)

North Carolina } May Term County Court 1860
Pitt County }
This paper writing purporting to be the last will and
testament of Titus C. Allen deceased was offered for probate by the
executor Elias J. Blount and duly proved by the oaths of R. K.
Hountree and Alexander Carr the two subscribing witnesses thereto who
testified that they saw the testator sign said paper writing at the request of
said testator and in his presence and that he published and declared
the same to be his last will and testament and that at the time
of said done he was of sound and disposing mind and memory and
that at the same time the said paper writing was read to the said
testator the court adjudges the same to be the last will and testament
of Titus C. Allen and orders and directs the said writing to be recorded
and the original to be filed among the records of the court and at
the same time Elias J. Blount the executor named therein was
duly qualified
Attest H. Shepard Clk