

I William C. Moore of the County of Stokes 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:

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, however and to whomsoever owing, out of the monies that may first come into their hands, as a part or parcel of my Estate.

Item. I give and devise to my beloved wife Paulina Moore during her natural life or widowhood the whole of my Estate both real and personal -

Item - I give and devise to my daughter Sally A. Harris, wife of Fletcher A. Harris, one negro girl Lucy, one negro girl Caroline with their increase, one filly saddle and bridle, bed and furniture, all of which she has received -

Item - I give and devise to my daughter Eliza J. wife of Abraham Miller two negro girls known by the names of Black Sue and Yellow Sue, with their increase, one mare saddle and bridle, bed and furniture -

Item - I give and devise to my son Ruben One negro boy Manuel, One horse, bridle and saddle, one bed and furniture which he has received also the use of the tract of land on which he now lives, but he is not at liberty to sell it -

Item - I give and devise to my son William J. One negro boy Jack, One bed and furniture, which he has received - I also give to him a negro girl Millie with her increase if any, but he is not to take her into his possession until the death of his mother -

Item - I give and devise to my son Gabriel B. One negro boy Patrick, One bed and furniture.

Item - I give and devise to my daughter Paulina L. wife of E. S. Harris, two negro girls Grace and Ellen with their increase, One bed and furniture, all of which she has received -

Item - I give and devise to my son Gideon A. One negro boy Jr. bed and furniture which he has received. I also give him the plantation on which I reside after the death of my wife -

Item - I leave to my daughter Francis F. wife of John Hawking, and to the heirs of her body, two negro girls Martha and Adeline with their increase, bed and furniture, all of which she has received -

Item - I leave to my daughter Sarah D. wife of W. H. Abbotts and to the heirs of her body, One negro girl Lucy, bed and furniture, also one negro boy George which she has not received, together with the girls increase if any. After the death of my wife, my will and desire is, that the remainder of my property shall be sold by my executors, and an equal division made amongst my children - And I do hereby constitute & appoint my sons William J. Moore and Gabriel B. Moore my lawful executors, to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament. According to the true intent and meaning of the same, and every part and every clause thereof, hereby making and declaring attorney, all other wills and testaments by me hitherto made. In witness whereof I the said William C. Moore do hereunto set my hand and seal this 35th day of August A.D. 1862.

Wm. C. Moore Seal

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said W. C. Moore 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, do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

R. D. Hay.
G. E. Moore

March Term 1863.

The execution of the last will & testament of Wm. C. Moore dec'd (of which the foregoing is a true copy), was duly proved in open Court by the oaths of R. D. Hay and G. E. Moore the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded -

Jac. P. Hill C.C.C.

I John W. Chambers of the County of Stokes 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:

First. - That my Executor, (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, however and to whomsoever owing, out of the monies that may first come into his hands, as a part or parcel of my Estate -

Item: I give and devise to my beloved wife Martha Jane Chambers six negro slaves which I receive by her in Marriage to wit, Stephen, Greenland, Eliza and her three youngest Children and her increase hereafter of any in my lifetime, and also I give to my wife Martha Jane three more negro slaves, Stephen, and her youngest Child Sarah and a young woman named Margaret - Also my riding Carriage and the two carriage horses, all the house hold and kitchen furniture that I am in possession of at my residence, also one third of my Crop of Corn & fodder after paying rent - one third of my plantation tools and one third of my Stock of cattle & hogs. I also give to my wife Martha Jane all the monies which would be due her as one of the heirs of Hampton Bynum Estate, excepting enough to satisfy one note which the executors of said Bynum's Estate held against me for Two Hundred and Sixty three Dollars and Ten Cents - Also Two Thousand Dollars in Current Money to be paid by my executor at the settlement of my Estate without interest -

Item. I give and bequeath to my three Grand Children, Harry, John C and Albert Bailey Children of Ellen J. Bailey. When it comes, one by the name of Harry to Harry, Rachel to John C and Eliza to Albert Bailey, Also One Thousand Dollars to each of the said Grand Children. Harry, John C. and Albert Bailey, to be paid to them at the end of the Administration by my executor, and I appoint their Father Benjamin Bailey their Guardian of said Children, and without being bound to give security to Court for guardianship and my request is that he Benjamin Bailey, should invest the money in any manner that he thinks best for said Children.

Item - I give and bequeath to my son in law Benjamin Bailey and

300 his wife Ellen & Baile the remaining portion of my Estate consisting of my lands, negroes, Crops or every Description, that I have not heretofore disposed of, all the money due me after settling my Estate - And lastly. I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend and son in law Benjamin Bailey my lawful Executor to all intents and purposes, to execute this my last Will and testament, according to the intent and meaning of the same, and every part and Clause thereto hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made -

In witness whereof I the said John W. Chambers do hereunto set my hand and seal this 18th day of October A.D. 1862.

J.W. Chambers Seal

Signed, Sealed, published and declared by the said John W. Chambers to be his last will & testament, in the presence of us, what his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto -

R. H. McKey

Jasper W Davis Oct 18th 1862.

March Term 1863.

The execution of the last will and testament of John W. Chambers the 1st of which the foregoing is a true copy, was duly proved in Open Court by the attests of R. H. McKey and Jasper W. Davis, the Subscribing witnesses thereto and on file to be recorded -

Jas F. Hill c.c.e.

I, Sandy J. Hutchens of the County of Stokes 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,

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 money that may just come into their hands as a part of my Estate -

Item - I give and devise to my beloved wife Julia F. Hutchens All of my different tracts of land including my mansion house all out houses and other improvements with this exception, I make a new line beginning at James Hawkins North west corner a white Oak running due west to Sarah Smiths corner containing west to a corner of another tract of land for N. of said line known as the Franklin farms tract said tract I leave in the hands of my executors to rent in any way they may consider best, the effect of said land or rent to be used as a part of my money effects -

I further provide for my father David Hutchens the house where he has his for this Con and Comfort so long as he may choose to live there with the privilege of Cultivating the field round said house also the field now or of her house that he has formerly tended also the pasture that he now uses free of rent with the privilege of fire wood and timber to keep up the fence round said land -

I further provide if any of my Children should want a home after my death that they shall have the preference of that portion of land left in the hands of my executors known as a part of the Franklin farms land - I further provide that at or after the death of my beloved wife that all my different tracts of land be loted off and equally divided among my three Children Sarah Jane Martha Frances and John Wesley Hutchens giving my son John Wesley the preference of my mansion house and lot After having disposed of my Real Estate I further give and divide unto my wife Julia F. Hutchens All the Corn wheat and rye that I have on hand at my death also all the rough food on my farms, my two Cows and Calves, my flock of Sheep nine or Number One Sow and dozen goats, one Thousand lbs of pork One boy more ten years old One buggy and harness One wagon and horses, all my farming tools all my Stock of hens all my horses hald and Kitchen furniture and such as I hereinabove desribe otherwise. All this property remaining in the hands of my wife Julia F. Hutchens not disposed of for her benefit, at her death shall be equally divided between my three Children Sarah Jane Martha Frances and John Wesley Hutchens -

I give and bequeath to my eldest daughter Sarah Jane One bed, bedstead and Covering for the same -

I give and bequeath to my daughter Martha Frances One bed, bedstead and Covering for the same -

I give and bequeath to my daughters Sarah Jane and Martha Frances One side saddle to have and to keep between them -

I give to Sarah Jane and Martha Frances One Sorel Mule three years old to be sold privately by my executors and the money equally divided between them.

I give and bequeath to my son John Wesley Hutchens One Mule Colt Seven months old also all of my wood shop tools One Double barrel shot gun, One bed bedstead and Covering for the same -

I further desire that Two cows all the pork except One thousand lbs & all the brandy I have on hand at my death to be sold privately by my executors and the money to be applied as my other money effects -

I further entitle my executors to settle up all my bonds, account accounts and Money and the same to be equally divided between my wife Julia F. Hutchens and my three Children Sarah Jane Martha Frances and John Wesley Hutchens and the rest reserved by my wife if any left in her hands at or after her death to be