

Robt, County, North Carolina, July 16th 1858.

I Prudence M. Reid, being of sound mind, knowing the uncertainty of human life and wishing to arrange and dispose of my worldly affairs, do make and declare my last will and testament to be as follows:

That after all my just and lawful debts are paid, my grand daughter Julia F. Reid, daughter of my son Anthony, is to have my negro girl Ruth to her and her heirs forever and I also wish her to have a neat bedstead and furniture. My negro girl and bedstead with its furniture I intend my grand daughter Julia to have above my other grand children, as an extra gift from me, because I think she is worthy to have it. After all my lawful and just debts are paid and my grand daughter Julia has received her negro girl Ruth and bedstead with its furniture, as above stated, then it is my will and desire that all my real and personal estate be divided into two equal shares, one moiety of which I wish my son William to have and enjoy for his life and after his death to be equally divided among all his children to hold to them and their heirs forever. The other moiety I wish my son Pinkney to have and enjoy for his life after his death to be equally divided among all his children including Julia to have to them and their heirs forever. Now it is my will and intention, the right and title to the moiety of my property in which my son William has an estate for his life shall be in his children and after his death I wish to be equally divided among his then living children the said moiety, and if any of his children be dead leaving issue, the said issue shall be entitled to the share which their parent would have received, had he or she been living and it is also my will and intention that the right and title to the moiety of my property in which my son Pinkney has an estate for his life shall be in his children and after his death, I wish it to be equally divided among all his children then living including Julia (if alive) and if any of his children be dead leaving issue, the said issue shall be entitled to the share which their parent would have received, had he or she been living, to have to them and their heirs forever. It is my will and desire that my friend Charles Duncan be my Executor.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed seal the day date first above written.

Witness

Saml. Seals

Robert Wall

Prudence M. Reid (Seal)
Mark

December Term 1864.

The execution of the last will & testament of Prudence M. Reid, of which the foregoing is a true copy, was duly proved in open Court by the oaths of Saml. Seals & Robert Wall subscribing witnesses, and ordered to be recorded.

John F. Hill, c. c.

In the name of God amen. I Thomas Welch of the County of Stokes and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but weak in body and knowing the uncertainty of life do make and declare the following to be my last will and testament: First I wish all my just debts to be paid out of my estate and the remainder of my property both real and personal to be held by my Sisters Rebecca Welch, Elizabeth Flinchum and my niece Minnie M. Flinchum. I desire them to hold all my Estate in common without making any division of the same during their joint lives and upon the death of either of them then the survivor, to hold the same no division is to be made until the last survivor dies, as I intend the land for them a home, in witness whereof I have set my hand and affixed my seal. December 14th 1864.

Test

J. P. Taylor
W. W. McCaulley

Thomas Welch (Seal)
Mark

December Term 1864.

The execution of the last will and testament of Thomas Welch, of which the foregoing is a true copy, was duly proved in open Court by the oaths of J. P. Taylor & W. W. McCaulley the subscribing witnesses, and ordered to be recorded.

John F. Hill, c. c.