

Last Will & Testament of Calvin Mullis dec'd.

I, Calvin Mullis of the County of Union 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 and for the purposes of this item, I do hereby direct my hereinafter named Executors to dispose of all of the Cotton gathered and ungathered, either at public or private sale as they may think best, and apply the proceeds to the herein before named purposes.

Item 2nd. I give and devise to my beloved wife Frances Mullis all of the home tract of land on which I now reside containing two hundred and three acres, be the same more or less including my residence and all out

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houses and other improvements, to have and to hold to her the said Frances Mullis for and during the term of her natural life or widowhood in satisfaction for and in lieu of her dower and thirds of and in all my real estate. Item 3rd I will and direct my Executors to expose to public sale all of the residue of my real estate not mentioned in item 2nd of this will on whatever terms they my Executors may think proper.

Item 4th. I give and bequeath to my said beloved wife Frances Mullis all of my household and kitchen furniture, tools of every description on the premises, two choice horses, two choice cows and calves, all of my sheep, hogs, and poultry, and one years allowance or a sufficiency of provisions for my family for twelve months from the time of my decease out of any and every of the provisions that may then be on hand or that may come in hand

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from the next gathering, to have and to
hold all of the foregoing described personal
property with full privilege to use and
dispose of the same during her natural
lifetime or widowhood.

Item 5th. I will that my Executors pay to W^m
M. Pusser and Huzhey Pusser One hundred
Dollars each when they arrive at the age of
twenty one years, provided they remain on
and render service as heretofore till they
or either of them arrive at the age of twenty
one years.

Item 6th. I will that my Executors provide
M^r. M. Pusser and Huzhey Pusser each
a horse worth Seventy five Dollars, on
their or either of them arriving at the
age of twenty one years or sooner if it is
apparent that they or either of them
needs them sooner.

Item 7th. I will that my hereinafter named

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~~named~~ Executors convenience collect settle and adjust all and every of my credits in any manner they may deem just and right for my debtors and to the interest of my estate.

Item 8th. I will that my Executors expose at public sale as soon as they think expedient not exceeding six months from the time of my decease all the balance of my property not otherwise disposed of to the highest bidder on whatever terms my said Executors may choose.

Item 9th. I will that my daughter L. Adeline Bancroft be paid by my said Executors (after all of the foregoing appropriations are made) the sum of One Hundred Dollars out of any moneys arising from any of my properties either real or personal.

Item 10th. I will that my said Executors pay to Lucy C. Turner in a like manner as to my daughter L. A. Bancroft mentioned in Item 9th the sum of fifty Dollars, I having

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to Lucy C. Purser in a like manner as to
my daughter L. A. Bancroft mentioned in
item 9th, the sum of fifty Dollars, I having
heretofore advanced to her property to the
amount of fifty Dollars, which will make
them equal.

Item 11th. I will that all the property real or otherwise
belonging to my estate after my beloved wife Francis
Mullis's death or widowhood be put up at public auction
by my executors and the proceeds of it or any and all other
properties either real or personal and the moneys arising
from such sale as well as all other moneys and effects be
equally divided between M^r S Mullis, M^r C Mullis Marcus
H Mullis Corine H Mullis Lydia A Bancroft Lucy C Purser
Milus C Purser Green C Purser David H Purser W^m H Purser
Hughes Purser Melly C Mullis Elizabeth A Mullis Sophia
C Boston & Mary J Mullis.

Item 13th And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my
beloved wife and companion Francis Mullis and my beloved
son Marshall S. Mullis 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 clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring
utterly void all other wills by me ~~made~~ ^{after herebefore}.

In witness whereof I the said Calvin Mullis do hereunto
set my hand and seal this the 21st day of July, ¹⁸⁸¹ Signed Sealed
published and declared by the said Calvin Mullis to be his
last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request
and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.
Jst. M. A. Austin Calvin ^{his} Mullis (Seal)
_{notary}

J. W. Griffin
C. W. Griffin

A paper purporting to be the last
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was offered in open Court by Marshal
S. Mullis & Frances Mullis the Executors
therein named, and the execution
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Mullis & Frances Mullis the Executors
therein named duly qualified as
such by taking the oath prescribed by
law. Whereupon Letters Testamentary are
issued to said Executors.

This 4th day of June 1883.

Geo. C. M. Larty, Probate Judge.

Last Will and Testament of Abram J. Secrest

State of North Carolina

County of Union 3

I Abram J Seecrest of the County and State
aforesaid being of sound mind and memory
and being conscious of my approaching end
and being desirous of making a scitible and
proper disposition of the property now in my
possession after my decease, do make and
publish this to be my last Will and Testament
viz:-

Item 1st. I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Milly Secrest all of the personal property owned by me including House hold and Kitchen furniture, stock, crop and provisions now on hand together with all debts and evidences of debt of any description whatever, and all other personal property of any other description owned by me to be used by, enjoyed and fully controlled by her the said Milly Secrest during her natural life, with full power to dispose of any article of the same as she may think fit.

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Item 2^d. I will and bequeath to my beloved grandsons W. A. B. Secrest, M. F. Secrest, and Marcus Secrest son of L. M. Secrest fifty Dollars each to be paid to them after the death of my wife Milly Secrest, if there should be any thing on hand after her death.

Item 3^d. I will and bequeath that after my death and after the death of my beloved wife Milly Secrest and after the termination of the Estate in the property hereby conveyed to her, that the balance of the property or the proceeds thereof (after paying the legacies mentioned in Item 2, of this my last Will and Testament) shall be equally distributed among my heirs at law and next of kin.

Item 4th. I hereby appoint my beloved son J. D. A. Secrest to execute this my last Will and Testament with power after the death of his

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 mother, to sell all of the property on hand after
 giving notice of said sale at public auction
 to the highest bidder for cash or upon any credit
 which he may think proper (not exceeding twelve
 months) and out of the proceeds of said sale
 to pay all of my honest debts and after paying
 the legacies to my grand-children mentioned
 in Item 2nd to distribute the residue of the proceeds
 among my heirs at law.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
 hand and affixed my seal this the 17th March
 1877.

Abram J. Secrest *Seal*

Witness: J. D. McCauley

Amos Harris

Miles S. Secrest.

A paper writing purporting to be the last Will
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 offered in open Court for probate by J. D. A.
 Secrest the Executor therein named, and the
 execution thereof duly proved by the oath
 of J. D. McCauley & Amos Harris, subscribing

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A paper writing purporting to be the last Will & Testament of Abram J. Secrest dec'd. was offered in open Court for probate by J. D. A. Secrest the Executor therein named, and the execution thereof duly proved by the oath of J. D. McCauley & Amos Harris, subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore considered by the Probate Court, that the paper writing and every part and clause thereof, is the last Will & Testament of Abram J. Secrest dec'd. and the same is ordered to be recorded & filed, And J. D. A. Secrest the Executor therein named duly qualified as such by taking the oath prescribed by law. Whereupon Letters Testamentary are issued to said Executor. This 24th day of July A.D. 1888.

Geo. C. McCarty, Probate Judge.