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Emanuel Helms
Will.
Nov. 26th 1856

Last will & Testament of Emanuel Helms

State of North Carolina

Union County

I Emanuel Helms of the County of Union & State of North Carolina, being of sound mind & memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make & declare this my last will & Testament in manner & 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 & friends, & pay all funeral expenses, together with my just debts, howsoever & to whomsoever owing, out of the money that may first come into his hands as a part & parcel of my estate.

Item the 1st I give & devise to my beloved wife Polly Helms Two hundred & seven acres of land, the tract whereon I now live, including my Mansion House, all out houses & other improvements, to have & to hold to her, for & during the term of her natural life, together with all my stock of horses cows sheep & hogs, & all my household & kitchen furniture, farming tools, blacksmith tools, in short, all my personal property, of any description, to have & to hold to her the said Polly Helms for & during the term of her natural life.

Item the Second, I give & devise to my youngest son Archibald Helms, all this tract of land whereon I now live, except the life estate of my wife, devised in a former item of this my will, to have & to hold to him & his heirs in fee simple forever.

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Item the Third, My will & desire is, that all the residue of my estate, shall be sold after the death of my wife, by my Executors hereinafter appointed, for her sole benefit of my son Aaron Helms, & the proceeds thereof to be deposited in the hands of my son Copeland Helms for safe keeping, who is hereby constituted & appointed my son Aarons Guardian to deal out the said estate, as need may require.

Item the Fourth, It is my will & desire, that in case my son Aaron should die before his sisters, or at his death, then the proceeds arising from the sale of my personal property shall be equally divided amongst all my daughters.

Item the fifth, It is my will & desire that my son Copeland Noah, Joshua, & Samuel Helms keep the lands that I heretofore given them together with the personal property, I put them in possession of by way of advancement as their full share of my estate.

And lastly, I do hereby constitute & appoint my trusty son Copeland Helms my lawful Executor to all

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intents & purposes to execute this my last will & Testament
according to the true intent & meaning of the same, & every part
& clause thereof, hereby revoking & declaring utterly void all
other wills & Testaments by me heretofore made

In testimony whereof I the said Emanuel Helms
do hereunto set my hand & seal this the 26th day of November
A. D. 1856.

(Signed) Emanuel Helms (Seal)

Signed sealed published & declared
by the said Emanuel Helms to be his last
will & Testament, in the presence of us
who at his request and in his presence
do subscribe our names as witnesses
thereto

W^m H. Simpson / Quat
Samuel Prepon / Quat

~~State~~ of North Carolina
Union County

} This 31st day of October
A. D. 1874. Then was the foregoing paper writing purporting to be
the last will & Testament of Emanuel Helms offered for probate by
Archibald Helms a devisee interested therein & duly proven by the oath
of W^m H. Simpson & Samuel Prepon the subscribing witnesses thereto
& ordered to be recorded & thereupon, on the sixth day of Nov^r 1874,
Leopold Helms the Executor therein named, appeared & duly qual-

the last will & testament of Samuel Helms offered for probate by Archibald Helms a devisee interested therein & duly proven by the oath of Wm H. Simpson & Samuel Prepon the subscribing witnesses thereof & ordered to be recorded & thereupon, on the sixth day of Nov^r 1874, Leopold Helms the Executor therein named, appeared & duly qualified as Executor thereof

J. H. Walkeup, Probate Judge

Burton Lancy
Will.
Dec^r 28th 1869.

Burton Lancy. Last will and Testament
In the name of God Amen.

I. Burton Lancy
of the county of Union and State of North Carolina.
Being of sound mind and memory and considering
the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life, do here-
fore make ordain publish and declare this to be my
last Will and Testament; That is to say. First: after
all my lawful debts are paid and discharged, the
residue of my Estate real and personal I give bequeath
and dispose of as follows: To Wit: To my beloved Wife, the
Land and appertanances situated thereon, it being part
of the tract known as the Russel Rogers tract on which
I now reside Including Two Hundred and fifty nine
(259) Acres, during her life and at her death to the