

Last Will and Testament of G. S. Hamilton.

State of North Carolina }
Union County. }

I Griffin S. Hamilton of the County and State aforesaid 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.

Item I.

That my Executor (hereinafter named) provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends and Pay all of my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing.

Item II.

I give and devise to my beloved wife Louisa Hamilton all of my home tract of Land on which I now live supposed to contain two hundred and thirty five acres and bounded as follows, viz. on the North by the lands of A. Helms on the East by the Edwards tract of my lands on the South by the Thomas Ross lands and on the West by W. G. Long and others Lands and also another tract adjoining the above named tract on the North on the East and South by the Jennima Ross Dower Lands, and supposed to contain thirty three acres during her natural lifetime I also give unto her during her natural lifetime all of my household and kitchen furniture all of my Horses and Mules, all of my Cattle sheep Hogs poultry and other live Stock all of my Waggons, carts Buggies and vehicles of all kinds, all of my Farming Blacksmith Carpenter and other

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Item I

Item III

I give unto my Daughter Sarah E. now intermarried to a C Davis all of the property heretofore put into her possession (both real and personal) by me and Estimated by me to be worth Eight hundred dollars which is to be her full distributive share of my Estate both Real and personal

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Item III

I give unto my Son William A. Hamilton all of the property both Real and Personal heretofore put into his possession by me as his full distributive share of all my property both Real and Personal and Estimated by me to be worth Eight hundred dollars.

Item V

I will that my Son Marshal N. Hamilton have all the property both

Real and Personal heretofore put into his possession by me as his full distributive share of all of my Estate both Real and personal, and Estimated by me to be worth Eight hundred dollars.

Item VI

I give unto my Daughter Margaret E. now intermarried to William D. Liles that tract of Land The Edwards land or the portion thereof lying North of the College Road and also the portion of the same tract West of the Gold Mine Road and adjoining the College Road and supposed to contain One hundred and twenty five acres and all of the personal property heretofore put into her possession by me and supposed to be worth Six hundred dollars.

Item VII

I give unto my son James T. Hamilton the tract of Land known as the Ellis Godwin tract on negrohead Creek and bounded on the North by the lands of Lafayette Staton on the East by P A Helms on the South by H M Houston on the West by the Sarah L Garbrough Tract and supposed to contain One hundred and Sixty acres also all of the personal property heretofore put into his possession by me and Estimated by me to be worth four hundred dollars.

Item VIII

I Give unto my Son Joseph E Hamilton the 1st a Tract of Land Bounded on the South by the lands of H M Houston on the West by the same on the North by D N Liles on the East by an Eight acre tract lot bot from J H Griffin by me, and supposed to contain Eighty five acres, also a second Tract which adjoins the 1st described tract on the West, and on the North by the lands of D N Liles and on the East and South by the Ellis Godwin Tract and supposed to contain Eight acres and

same on the North of D N Liles on the East of an eight acre tract in
lot from J N Griffin by me, and supposed to contain Eighty five acres,
also a second Tract which adjoins the 1st described tract on the West,
and on the North by the lands of D N Liles and on the East and South
by the Ellis Godwin Tract and supposed to contain Eight acres and
also all of the Personal property heretofore put into his possession by
me and Estimated by me to be worth Seven hundred dollars.

Item I X

I give unto my Daughter Mittie Hamilton all of the Lemima Ross
Tract of Land Except that portion of it disposed of in item one of this will
which is bounded as follows on the North by my home Tract referred to in
Item one of this Will, on the East by the Thomas Ross Lands on the South by the
M. H. Hamilton Lands on the West by the Home lands and supposed to contain
Sixty Seven acres and also all of the portion of the Dower lands of Sarah
Hamilton dec^d allotted to me in the division of said dower Lands which
is bounded on the North by the Joseph E Griffin Land on the East by the Jas. H.
Hamilton lot of said Dower Lands on the West by Will Yorkes land this lot is sup-
posed to contain Seventy Eight acres and Valued by me at Six hundred and fifty Dollars.

Item X

I give Unto my Daughter Lula D. now intermarried to Marcus L. Sinclair
all of the remainder of the Edwards Tract of Land that is the portion lying
South of the College Road and West of the Gold mine Road that portion
of said Tract lying West of the Gold mine Road and adjoins the lands of
J N Griffin Thomas Ross and others and supposed to contain One
hundred and thirty acres and also all of the Personal Property heretofore
put into her possession by me and estimated by me to be worth Six hundred dollars.

Item **XI**

Last Will and Testament of G. S. Hamilton, continued
 I Give Unto my Son Stanley E. Hamilton all of the Lands here-
 inbefore devised to my beloved Wife Louisa Hamilton after her
 death all of Which Lands are fully described in Item one of this
 Will, and Estimated by me to be worth Eight hundred dollars.

Item **XII**

I Will that after the death of my beloved Wife Louisa Hamilton
 that all of my personal property be put up and sold at Public
 auction for cash after due notice of such sale by my hereinafter
 named Executors and that the proceeds of such sale be distributed
 as follows, that is to say that if during my Wifes lifetime she shall
 not be able to Equalize the advances of the following named of my
 children Viz. Martha E. Siles, James T. Hamilton Joseph E. Hamilton
 Mittie C. Hamilton Lula D. Sinclair Stanley E. Hamilton then and
 in that case my Executors are to Endeavor to distribute the proceeds
 of such sale in such a manner as to give Each one of said deficients
 a fair and proportionate part and in case there should then
 remain a surplus that is to be Equally divided between the Six
 hereinbefore mentioned children in this item

Item **XIII**

I hereby constitute and appoint my Sons William A. Hamilton
 and James T. Hamilton my lawful Executors to Execut and
 carry out any and all of the provisions of this my last Will
 and Testament to all intents and purposes.

In witness whereof I the said Griffin S. Hamilton do hereunto set my
 hand and seal this the fifth day of March A.D. 1891.

G. S. Hamilton

and James T. Hamilton my lawful Executors to Execute and carry out any and all of the provisions of this my last Will and Testament to all intents and purposes.

In witness whereof I the said Griffin S. Hamilton do hereunto set my hand and seal this the fifth day of March A.D. 1891.

G. S. Hamilton Seal

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Griffin S. Hamilton 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

W. A. Austin

A. R. Edwards

Item

State of North Carolina,

Union County. S.S. In the Superior Court.

A paper purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of G. S. Hamilton deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned Clerk of Court for said County, by W. A. Hamilton & J. T. Hamilton the executors therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said G. S. Hamilton is proven by the oath and examination of W. A. Austin & A. R. Edwards the subscribing witnesses thereto; who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, each for himself, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper-writing now shown him, purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of G. S. Hamilton; that the said G. S. Hamilton in his presence subscribed his name at the end of said paper-writing and which bears date of

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the 5th day of March 1891, that the said G S Hamilton did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper-writing to be his Last Will and Testament, and that he did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said Will as an attesting witness thereto and at the request and in the presence of the said testator; that at the time the said testator subscribed his name to the said Last Will as aforesaid, and at the time he subscribed his name as a witness thereto, the said G S Hamilton was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a Will, and was not under any restraint to the knowledge, information or belief of the deponent. It is therefore adjudged that the said paper-writing and every part and clause thereof is the Last Will and Testament of G S Hamilton, and ordered that the same be recorded and that Letters Testamentary be issued to W A Hamilton and J D Hamilton the Executors therein named, who thereupon take the oath required by law and Letters Testamentary are issued to them. This 19th day of March 1891.

F H Wolfe, c. s. c.