

State of North Carolina } In the name of God amen
Union County } I Jackson Simpson being
of sound mind & memory considering the uncertainty
of life & the certainty of death do make this my last will
& testament in manner & form as follows (viz)
Item, 1st I will to my beloved wife Elizabeth Simpson all
my plantation whereon I now live including all the
crop stock household & kitchen furniture including farming
tools that may be on hand at the time of my death to be hers during
her natural life.

Item 2nd I will that my wife Elizabeth Simpson shall have
my cotton gin Buggys wagons carts & all other property
pertaining to the plantation & also three hundred dollars in
money during her ~~life time~~

Item 3rd I will to my son Marcus B. Simpson seven hun-
dred dollars in land & other effects heretofore received.

Item 4th I will to my son Hampton W. Simpson seven
hundred dollars in land & other effects heretofore received
and if anything more on his part on final settlement
to be equally divided between his children.

Item 5th I will to my son Geo. W. Simpson seven hundred
dollars in land & other effects heretofore received.

Item 6th I will to my son John M. Simpson seven
hundred dollars in land & effects heretofore received.

& Testament in manner & form as follows (V13)

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Item 2nd I will that my wife Elizabeth Simpson shall have my cotton gin Buggys wagons carts & all other property pertaining to the plantation & also three hundred dollars in money during her ~~life~~ lifetime

Item 3rd I will to my son Marcus B. Simpson Seven hundred dollars in land & other effects heretofore received.

Item 4th I will to my son Houghton W. Simpson Seven hundred dollars in land & other effects heretofore received and if anything more on his part on final settlement to be equally divided between his children.

Item 5th I will to my son Geo. W. Simpson Seven hundred dollars in land & other effects heretofore received.

Item 6th I will to my son John M. Simpson Seven hundred dollars in land & effects heretofore received.

Item 7th I will to my daughter Mary Ann Brewer the following tract of land subdivided from the Home place mentioned in item 1st (V13) Beginning a Lake in the

old line where said crosses Negrohead Creek
above the ford then down the various of said creek
to the mouth of my Spring branch then up said
~~Spring~~ branch to the first hollow about three
hundred yards below my Spring then with
said hollow to the head of said hollow then due
west to the belt line then with my various lines
to Richardson's Creek then up said creek passing
the mouth Negrohead Creek to my old corner on
said creek then with the different lines of my land
to the beginning. Containing about two hundred
& fifty acres by estimation valued at four hundred
dollars on her part.

Item 8th I will to my daughter Elizabeth Hamilton
the following tract of land, being the balance of
the ~~same~~ place mentioned in item 1st (viz) Beginning
at a Stake Jones Godwins corner on the bank of
Negrohead Creek & runs down said creek with
the old line to Negrohead Creek then with said
Creek to the mouth of my Spring branch then up
said branch then said branch to the mouth of the hollow
where Mary Ann Brewers corner about three hundred
yards below the Spring then up said hollow to the
head of said hollow.

erect to the mouth of my Spring branch then up ~~the~~
said branch then said branch to the mouth of the hollow
where Mary Ann Brewers corners about three hundred
yards below the Spring then up said hollow to the
head of said hollow then due east to a stake in the
back line Mary Ann Brewers corners then with the
various old lines to the beginning containing about
three hundred ~~acres~~ by estimation valued at
seven hundred dollars on her part during life time
and ^{at} her death to be equally divided among her bodily heirs
Item 9th I do hereby appoint & constitute my wife Elizabeth
Simpson my true & lawful executrix to the this my
last will & testament to collect all dues belonging
to my estate & pay out as hereafter directed.

Item 10th I will that my executrix heretofore appointed shall
collect all dues due my estate & pay over to Mary Ann Brewer
three hundred dollars to make equal the rest of my children
& then to divide the remainder of my estate equally
among all my children share & share alike except
H. N. Simpsons part to be paid to his heirs equally between
them

Item 11th do here appoint George W. Simpson & Marcus
B. Simpson my executors to this my last
will & Testament to carry out the true

intent & meaning of the same should my first executrix refuse to ~~qualify~~ or die before fully executing the same.

Item 12th I will that my executrix & executors shall have power to collect & pay out as heretofore directed with the proving of this will or going to the expense the law requires & to have compensation for their services.

Item 13th I further will that if any of my children shall comply or contest my will I will that their interest in said will shall be void & of no effect and that their share ~~there~~ shall be equally divided among the rest of my heirs heretofore mentioned. Signed under my hand.

This the 23 of October 1878.

Jackson Simpson ^{per} Seal

J. W. Smith
S. B. Brewer

State of North Carolina } Jackson Simpson being ^{Still} of Union County } Sound mind & memory desiring to make some change in my last will & to give some directions to my executrix & executors do make ~~the same~~ the following amendment or codicil to my last will & testament that is to say, I Any lands which I may own at my death not heretofore disposed of I direct my ^{sell or} ~~executors~~ ^{convey} on receipt of purchase

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of I direct my ~~executors~~ ^{several} executors on receipt of purchase
money & also to sell my Bond Stock either privately or
publicly as she or they may deem best and the money
arising from such sales together with money arising
from any other source be equally divided among my
children & heirs as above mentioned in items ~~1st & 2nd~~

2nd. I will that all property on hands, wagons, stock
&c. with my wife Elizabeth ~~does not think~~ she
will need shall be sold & the money divided as above
directed. 3rd I desire that my executors invest the
share due my son W. W. Simpson's children in a tract
of land where my said son may ~~live~~ and have the
title made to some trusty person in trust for my said
son W. W. Simpson for & during his natural life and at
his death to go to his children, so that my said son
may have a home as long as he lives. This 13th June 1886.

Test C. W. Simpson
Test M. L. Flow

Jonathan Simpson

A paper writing purporting to be the last will & testament of Jackson ^{Simpson} dec'd was offered in open court by Elizabeth Simpson the executrix therein named and the execution thereof duly proven by the oaths of J. W. Smith & S. R. Brewer ~~the~~ subscribing witnesses to the will & C. H. Simpson & M. L. ~~Flora~~ the subscribing witnesses to the amendment or codicil. It is therefore considered by the Probate Court that ^{any} paper writing every part & clause thereof is the last will & testament of Jackson Simpson dec'd and the same is ordered to be recorded & filed. Elizabeth Simpson being the executrix therein named duly qualified by taking the oath prescribed by law.

Lettres issued for the executrix above named.

Done 9th day of May 1883, Geo. C. McLarty P. J.

Last Will & Testament of Calvin Mullis dec'd.

I, Calvin Mullis of the County of Union and