

as the last will and Testament of Abel Williams decd.
and Martha E. Williams, the Executors therein named duly
Qualified as such by taking the oath as prescribed by law.
Letters Issued Testamentary to the Said Executors
James Henry P. J.

Item

Last Will and Testament of Jesse C. Griffin decd.
I Jesse C. Griffin of Union County and State of North
Carolina, being of sound mind and memory and knowing
the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death do
hereby make and establish this my last will and Testament
in manner and form hereafter described to wit;

Item First

I give my body to its mother dust and my
spirit to God who give it and out of the effects
of my Estate it is my will that my friends give my body
a decent burial suitable to their wishes.

Item Second

That my Executors pay all my burial and funeral
Expenses and all my just debts out of my effects
Coming in their hands

Item Third

I will and bequeath to my grand son Ellis L. May
my bay Horse mule and Bridle & Saddle.

Item

Last Will & Testament of Isaac C. Griffin and Continued

Item 4th I will and bequeath to my three Grand Children, Ellis L. Sarah M. & Robt L. May, all that piece of Land lying on the north side of the C. C. Ry Road bounded as follows to wit; South by C. C. Ry Road, East by Jacob C. Mullis land, North by J. C. Mullis and Mary Ann May, then South or about South to his S. A. Williams corner, then about South to a Stake in the C. C. Ry where the wagon road leading from my House to H. M. Phelps reserving the Right for my wife to have the use of all the flood land during her life time.

Item 5th I will and bequeath to my son E. W. Griffin, all my Tract of land lying on the waters of Negro Head Creek described as follows lying at a Stake in a Spring Branch, E. W. Stegalls line runs down the various courses of said stream to Negro head Creek then up the various courses of said Creek to Burton Stegalls line, then with said B. C. Stegalls line to Thomas S. Trulls line, then with Trulls line to said E. W. Stegalls line, then said to the beginning containing one hundred and fifty acres more or less, on the condition that he pay to my executors for the benefit of my poorly kind Son Samuel and Trinity five dollars, with interest from this date on the same, and that he have five years from this date to pay the same.

Item 6th I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Nancy Griffin, all my property or the residue of it, to be paid to her

from this date on the same, and that he have five years from this date to pay the same.

Item 6th I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Nancy Griffin all my property or the remainder of my property both real and personal during her life time on condition that she have no right to dispose of any of it without the consent of my Executors and that my Executors take possession of all my notes and accounts and put to sale all such personal property as she may consent to be sold, and put the money arising therefrom at least and pay the interest according from the same to her from time to time for her support. And if necessary any part of the principle and that they see that she comfortably supported during her life time.

Item 7th And lastly, in my will at the death of my wife all my property both real and personal be sold or equally divided between my body heirs each to share alike taking in consideration all advancements heretofore made to any of them of Real or personal property and for the Executors of my Will, I hereby appoint my friends S. W. Williams, & C. Austin my Executors. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 22nd July 1878.

Witness Thos. J. Stutley
John P. Rogers.

J. C. Griffin Seal

Last Will and Testament of Jesse C. Griffin Cont'd
 State of North Carolina } In the Probate
 Union County } Court.

A Paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Jesse C. Griffin dec'd. was offered for probate in open Court by C. Austin, one of the Executors therein named and the due execution thereof was duly proven by the oath of Thomas J. Huntley and John P. Rogers, the other subscribing witnesses being dead, his signature being proven by the oath of S. H. Liles.

It is therefore considered by the Probate Court, that the Paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of Jesse C. Griffin dec'd. And it is ordered that the same be recorded and filed, S. A. Williams & C. Austin, the Executors therein named, duly qualified as such by taking the oath as prescribed by Law, and letters Issued to the said Executors, 30th day of Oct 1878.

James C. Spring P. J.