

Michael Crowell: last will & testament

I Michael Crowell of the County of Hanes and State of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make & declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following: (To wit:) that is to say

First. That my executor (herein after named) shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expence together with my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing, out of the monies that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Item 1st I give and devise to my beloved wife one Thousands Dollars to be left in the hands of my executor ^{in cash} to be at interest until she wants the same and to draw interest on the whole amount only such sum as she wishes to use And all house hold and kitchen furniture as she wishes to keep and for year allowance as much of all provisions of all kinds as she wants and for her to live with our children where ever she wishes to live. If any of the afore said monies be left at the decease of my wife to be equally divided between all the heirs at law of my estate

Signed
by the
last will
of us
present
witness

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all kinds as she wants and for her to live with our child-
ren where ever she wishes to live. If any of the afore-
said money be left at the decease of my wife to be
equally divided between all the heirs at law of my estate
Item 9th I give and devise to my sons Abram H Crowell Andrew
S Crowell, John Crowell, Eli Crowell and daughter
Cynthia Keipel Manerva Henderson Mary E Glou
and Eliza Hunter the lands I now hold and all
the acreage and property of all kinds that I may
die seized and possessed of after my decease shall
be sold at public auction and the proceeds of the
same be equally divided after complying with the fore-
going items of this indenture between the aforesaid
heirs at law of my estate

And lastly - I do here by constitute and appoint
my son Abram H Crowell my lawfull executor 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 & clause
thereof here by revoking and declaring utterly void
all other wills & testaments by me made In witness
whereof I the said Michael Crowell do here

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Item 1

Item 2

Item 3

Item 4

hereunto set my hand and seal this 4th day of March
A.D. 1861 The aforesaid executor shall give good security
for the management of said estate.

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

Michael Crowell *(Seal)*

W. P. Moore

John H. Long

State of North Carolina Court of pleas & quarter sessions
Union County April Term A.D. 1865

The foregoing instrument the last will and testament of Michael
Crowell decd. was admitted to probate in due form of law

W. P. Moore

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G. E. Hoby Clerk
(Signature)

James Bivers last will & testament

State of North Carolina In the name of God, Amen.
Union County James Bivers of the State