

William Gillum will & Testament

In the name of God Amen I William Gillum of
Mecklenburg County North Carolina do Make and
declare this My last will and Testament in manner and
form following First I resign My Soul into the hands of
Almighty God who gave it and My Body I commit to
the earth To be buried at the discretion of My Executors herein
after named And My worldly Estate I give and devise as fol-
lowing First I give and devise to My Nephews Joseph & Francis
Stewart four dollars each and to My four Nieces Jane Martha
Mary & Rebecca four dollars each and to the children of My
Sister Violet I give and devise to each of them ten dollars that is to
so many as may be alive at the time of My decease to be paid
to them at any time they may call for it provided they should call
for it in ten years after My decease and should they not
call for it in that time it is My will and desire that this portion
be considered as belonging to My Estate which is hereafter to be disposed
of Also I give and devise to My Nephew John Nisbet four dol-
lars three of which he has received which I paid for him and one
dollar will consequently be what he will receive Also I give and devise
to My niece Violet Nisbet eight dollars Also I give and devise to My
Sister Nancy Nisbet six dollars Also it is My will and desire

to My niece Violet Nesbit Eight dollars Also I give and desire
Sister Nancy Nesbit Six dollars Also it is My will and desire
that My Negro Man Ben be at Liberty to hire himself out
or crop with some one as he may choose bringing annually to My
Estate twenty dollars it is also My will and desire that My Said
Negro Ben be in possession of My House that I now own Said
Negro I desire to be under the protection of My Executors herein after
named Also It is My will and desire that after the five first Years
after My decease that My Negro Ben Bring to My Estate annually
ten dollars only during his life Also It is My will and desire
that My Sister Nancy Nesbit Receive Yearly for the first five
Years Eight dollars of the twenty dollars which My Negro Ben
shall Bring to My Estate and My niece Violet shall receive the
Balance Yearly during Said five Years Also It is My will and desire
that My Sister Nancy Nesbit shall receive four dollars Yearly
of the ten dollars which Said Negro shall bring to My Estate
and My niece Violet Nesbit the Balance of Said ten dollars
Yearly And I do hereby appoint My trusty friend Colston
D. Croft Executor of this My Last will and Testament and
finally it is My will and desire that all My debts and
funeral expenses be honestly paid out of My Estate
In witness whereof I have hereunto set My hand

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William Gilliam's will continued &c
and affixed my Seal this 15th day of October 1836

Signed Sealed & attested in the
presence of us who at the request
of the Testator and in his presence
and in the presence of each other
here Subscribed our names as
Witnesses hereunto

Robert Walkeup
J. B. Herrs
Saml. H. Walkeup

William Gilliam

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas & Quarter
Union County. Sep^r 1847

This instrument of writing the last will and tes-
ament of William Gilliam was produced in open Court and was
proven in due form of Law by Saml. H. Walkeup one of the
Subscribing Witnesses and ordered to be recorded

(Hugh Stewart, C. C. C.)