

I Jesse Norman of the County of Washington in the State of North Carolina 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:

First I give and devise unto my beloved wife Fannie Norman the sum of One thousand dollars (\$1000) it being in law and in satisfaction of her right of dower in my lands also all the furniture in my bed room consisting of two beds wardrobe, wash stands and all one red cord that she claims also all the poultry consisting of chickens and turkeys also it is my will for her my beloved wife to remain in and with my family of children and have her board free of the proceeds of my farm should she not deem from this my last will and testament. And should she choose to remain but should she choose to leave then the right of board to cease and the one thousand dollars which I have devised to my beloved wife I wish my Executor hereinafter named to pay her off first paying my burial expenses and just debts then pay her out of the first moneys that may come in his hands.

Second, I give and devise unto my two Daughters Hettie C. Norman and Emma Littlefield all my two tracts of land containing of the farm on which I now live known as Bungle Island farm the other known as the Wilson A. Norman place unto them and their heirs in fee simple forever.

It is my will for my two Daughters H.C. Norman and Emma Littlefield to have all my personal property consisting of crop stock of all kinds my horses mules cattle and dogs sheep carts wagons buggy farming tools of all kinds and if there should be any moneys left after paying off my beloved wife then it is my will that they my two Daughters should have that together with every thing I may own whatsoever it may be.

And lastly I do constitute and appoint my son in law Henry A. Littlefield and my Daughter Hettie C. Norman my lawful executors 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 and clause thereof.

In witness I the said Jesse Norman do hereby set my hand and seal this 20 day of May A.D. 1885

Jesse Norman

Signed sealed and published and declared by the said Jesse Norman to be his last will in the presence of us who at his request subscribed our names as witnesses

Franklin Spruill, W.C. Spruill

State of North Carolina  
Washington County } In the Superior Court

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Jesse Norman dead is exhibited before me the undersigned Clerk of Superior Court for said County by H.A. Littlefield the executor therein mentioned and the due execution thereof by the said Jesse Norman by the oath and examination of Franklin Spruill and W.C. Spruill the subscribing witnesses thereof who being duly sworn do depose and say and each for himself depose and swear that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last will and testament of Jesse Norman that the said Jesse Norman in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which now shown as aforesaid and which bears date of the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 1885.

And the deponent further said that the said Jesse Norman the testator aforesaid did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing as subscribed by him and exhibited to be his last will and testament and this deponent did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said will as an attesting witness thereof and at the request and in the presence of the said testator. And this deponent further said that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid and at the time of deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereof as aforesaid the said Jesse Norman was of sound mind and memory of full age to execute a will and was not under any restraint to the knowledge or information or belief of this deponent. And further these deponents say not severally sworn and subscribed

H. Spruill  
W.C. Spruill

this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 1885  
before me,

W.S. Davenport  
Clerk Superior Court