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Said the aforesaid parties said that the said W. J. W. C. Clancy the testator aforesaid did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid to the said paper writing so subscribed by him and intended 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 thereto and at the request and in the presence of the said testator. And this deponent further saith, 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 subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid the said W. J. W. C. Clancy was of sound mind & memory of free age to execute a will and was not under any restraint to the knowledge information or belief of the deponent. And further this deponent say not.

Dawson Lee  
Lewis Garrett

*(Signature)*  
*(Signature)*

Surely sworn and subscribed  
this 10<sup>th</sup> day of April 1888,  
before me,

The J. Marquis  
Clerk Superior Court.

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- In the name of God. Amen. I Frederick Spruill of the County of Washington in the state of North Carolina being of sound disposing mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will & Testament hereby revoking all other wills herefore made.
- First I desire to direct my remains to be buried in a decent and Christian manner at the discretion of my Executor and Executrix hereinafter to be appointed.
- Second I direct that my just debts be paid by my said Executor and Executrix in such manner as is legal and as they may think best for all concerned in my estate.
- Third I lend to my beloved wife Mary E. Spruill for and during her life of widowhood the following property viz. my tract of land wherein I live also all of my cattle horses, hogs, sheep, farming animals of every kind, also all my household and kitchen furniture, &c. and during her life of widowhood as aforesaid I will to direct that my said wife shall cultivate the land or cause the same to be done, to enable her to provide food & raiment for my children & she to keep them free from expense, my said wife shall have right to make sales of such portion of the crops & stock as shall be necessary to purchase such things as shall be necessary for her support & family.
- Fourth I give & devise unto my children in common the tract of land wherein I live to be taken in possession at the death of my said wife, to them their heirs & assigns forever.
- Fifth I direct that the movable property mentioned in the third item of this will, shall go to my children equally at the death of my said wife.
- Sixth I will to direct that if my said wife shall marry again that a sale of all the property herein mentioned shall take place & the proceeds to be divided between each of my children & my said wife.
- Seventh I nominate & appoint my Brother James J. Spruill Executor to my wife Mary E. Spruill Executrix to this my last will & Testament.
- This 5<sup>th</sup> day of May 1889  
(Signed) Frederick Spruill *(Signature)*
- Witness  
C. G. Lewis  
James Hartshorn
- North Carolina On the Superior Court  
Washington County

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Frederick Spruill deceased is exhibited for probate by E. R. Scoville of the legatees therein named, also is therupon sworn by the oath and examination of Richard Taitton that C. J. Lewis & James Taitton the subscribing witnesses thereto be dead and it is further sworn by the oath and examination of the said Richard Taitton that he is well acquainted with the hand writing of C. J. Lewis and James Taitton having often seen them write, and that the names of the said C. J. Lewis and James Taitton subscribed as witnesses to the said will is in the hand writing of the said C. J. Lewis & James Taitton. It is therefore considered by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of the said Frederick Spruill and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

(signed) A. Taitton

Swear and Subscribed  
to before me Nov-16<sup>th</sup> 1855  
Tho J. Norman  
Ch. S. Prob't

North Carolina  
Washington County

I William Hall of the County of Washington and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and disposing memory, but in view of the uncertainty of life, do make, publish and declare this my last will and Testament, in words and figures as follows, that is to say,

Item first

I desire that my executors hereinafter named shall pay all just and legal debts that I may owe at my death.

Item second

I will, devise and bequeath to my son William Henry Hall, the following real and personal property, to wit three tracts of land in said County and State known respectively as the Hounds Place, the Galcher Place and the Harris tract of land, which are fully described in deeds made to me and duly recorded in said County, and reference is hereby made to said deeds for a full description thereof, to have and to hold to my said son William Henry Hall for and during the term of his natural life and then to his legal heirs. I do also bequeath to my said son, one mule named Jack, and all my farrowing utensils of our description.

Item third

I will and devise to my daughter Emma Bell Hall, four lots in the Town of Plymouth, known in the plat of said Town as lots numbers 13, 18-42 & 43. Also all my right title and interest in a lot in said Town of Plymouth, on water street, and where J. H. Norman and E. A. Carter are now engaged in mercantile business, to have and to hold all of said lots, together with the buildings and improvements thereunto belonging to her and her heirs in fee simple.

Item fourth

I will and bequeath to my daughter Emma Bell Hall one bed and my best bedstead.

Item fifth

I will and bequeath to my daughter Alexina Hall and my son William Henry Hall, equally, my house hold and kitchen furniture except the bed and bedstead mentioned in item fourth of my will.

Item sixth

I will and bequeath to my wife Deborah C. Hall, two cows and calves to be selected by her from my stock of cattle.