

Mulikah & White the eastern place before mentioned after it has been rented long enough to get the twenty five dollars before mentioned. And I will to my youngest daughter Valer Ann Donstock wife of A. L. Compton the eastern place before mentioned after it has been rented long enough to pay the twenty five dollars before mentioned. And I will to my son Amariah Phelps his note that I now hold against him to be his part in my estate both real and personal said note to be delivered to him by my executor.

I give to my beloved wife Evelin Phelps all my personal property house and Kitchen Furniture for her maintenance during her life time, the to be sold and to be equally divided between my heirs.

And I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend Alex Armstrong my lawful 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 part and every clause thereof of hereby reciting and declaring utterly void all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I the said Micajah Phelps do here unto set my Hand and seal this the 18 day of Sept AD 1878

Signed sealed published and declared  
by the said Micajah Phelps to be his last  
will and Testament in presence of us who at  
his request in his presence and in his presence  
speak other do subscribe our names as  
witnesses

Alex Armstrong  
L C Durburgh

*Micajah X Phelps Esq*

State of North Carolina In the Probate Court

Washington County

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of Micajah Phelps deceased is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Judge of Probate for said County by Alexander Armstrong the Executor herein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said Micajah Phelps, by the oaths and examination of Alexander Armstrong and Levi H Durburgh the Subscribing witnesses thereto: Who being duly sworn did depose and say and each furtherwise deposes and saith, that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the last will and testament of Micajah Phelps. That the said Micajah Phelps in the presence of this deponent, subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, which bears date of the 18th day of September 1878.

And the Deponent further saith, that the said Micajah Phelps, the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing so subscribed by him, and

exhibited, to be his Last Will And Testament, and this deponent did then upon subscribe his name at the end of said Will as an attesting witness thereto, and at the request of the said Testator And this deponent further saith that at the time when the said Testator subscribed his name to the said last Will as aforesaid, and at the time of the deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, aforesaid, the said Micajah Phelps was of sound mind and memory of full age before a Will, and was not under any restraint to the knowledge information or belief of this deponent. And further these deponents say not.

Alex Armstrong  
*Sig*  
Severely sworn and subscribed this the  
23 day of April 1879 before me

Levi H Durburgh

*McMahon Judge*

It is therefore Considered And Ordained that the said paper writing and every part therof is the last Will And Testament of the said Micajah Phelps. And that the same as such will be Recorded this the 23 day of April 1879 *McMahon Probate Judge*

Alex Armstrong the Executor herein named formerly appeared, took and subscribed to the oaths prescribed by law for the qualifications of an executor & the same is placed on file with his application for Letters Testamentary which opens to him with a copy of the will annexed, April 23 1879  
*McMahon Probate Judge*

State of North Carolina  
Washington County

In the name of God Amen. I James Watson being this day in sound mind and perfect memory thank God for the same do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament leaving a devise to distribute my property as follows. I the aforesaid James Watson do give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Rosella Watson One Third of my Lands adjoining Pittsford and others her life time or widowhood. And then the hole rest aforesaid to my beloved son Levin Watson to him to have his life time and then to his heirs for ever but the aforesaid Levin Watson is not to sell his life time right on the aforesaid land. Also I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Rosella Watson and my two children Mary J Gaskin and Levin Watson all my stock cattle, hogs, sheep, and bees to be equally divided with the three to have and to do as they please with. Also I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Rosella Watson and my two children Mary J Gaskin and Levin Watson my house hold and kitchen furniture and farming utensils to be equally divided with the three for them to have and do as they please with after my decease. I James Watson do desire all my just

Debt and Burlying Charges and funeral Expenses to be paid so I James H. do make and Ordain this to be my last will and Testament by ordaining, That my Friend Alfred Jackson my Executor to this my last will and Testament in manner, I do before said James Watson do Remonite set my hand and seal the eighth Day of July in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Seventy Eight.

James H. Watson  
notary

Witness  
Haley Moore  
J. A. Moore

State of North Carolina

Washington County In the Probate Court.

A paper purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of James Watson deceased exhibited before me, the undersigned, Judge of Probate for said County, by Alfred Jackson Executor herein mentioned, and the due examination therof by the said James Watson by the oath and examination of Haley Moore and Joseph A. Moore the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, we each for himself deponeth and witnesseth that he is a subscriber thereto to the paper now shown him, purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of James Watson that the said James Watson in the presence of the deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid, and did so on the date of the 8th day of July 1878.

And the deponent further saith, that the said James Watson the testator aforesaid did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing to be his Last Will and Testament, and the 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 the deponent further saith that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last will aforesaid, and at the time of the deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid the said James Watson was of sound mind and memory of full age to execute a will, and was not under any restraint to the knowledge, information or belief of the deponent. And further these deponents say not.

Seriously sworn to before me this 4th day of August 1879 before me H. S. Gurganus  
Probate Judge

Haley Moore Seal  
Joseph A. Moore Seal

It is therefore Considered and adjudged that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and Testament of the said James Watson deceased. That the said will as such shall be probated on the 4th day of August 1879.

J. H. McLean, Notary

I John M. Gurganus of the County of Washington and State of North Carolina do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following: By giving and bequeath to my dear son H. S. Gurganus, H. S. Gurganus my son, A. Gurganus and E. B. Gurganus the Ranch of Ranch Land known as Battle entry four hundred acres more or less be equally divided among them, I give and bequeath to my dear son E. B. Gurganus my home, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife the house and land wherein I now live to her and to hold for life time and at her death I give and bequeath the said house and land to my dearest E. B. Gurganus. All the rest and residue of my estate goods and chattels stock house kitchen furniture I give and bequeath to my dear beloved wife Prudence Gurganus for her special benefit.

I nominate and appoint E. B. Gurganus and H. S. Gurganus my executors of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other and former wills by me at any time heretofore made in writing whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 1st day of August in the year of our Lord 1878 Signed Sealed in presence of

Alfred Jackson  
Haley Moore

John M. Gurganus

Washington County In the Probate Court.

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of John M. Gurganus, is exhibited before me the undersigned Judge of Probate, in and for said County by Henry S. Gurganus one of the Executors herein named. And it is therefore proved by the oath and examination of Charles Lasham that Bay M. Walker and Carter A. Walker the Subscribing witnesses both live beyond the state. And it is further proved by the oath and examination of the said Charles Lasham and Josy Auburn that they are well acquainted with the hand writing of the said Bay M. Walker and Carter A. Walker having often seen them write. And that the names of the said Bay M. Walker and Carter A. Walker subscribed as witnesses to said will is on the proper hand writing of the said B. M. Walker & C. A. Walker. And the said Lasham & Josy Auburn further states that they believe the signature of the testator John M. Gurganus as signed at the end of said paper writing is on the proper hand writing of said Jno M. Gurganus.

It is therefore Considered and adjudged that said paper writing, and every part thereof, is the last will and Testament of the said John M. Gurganus and the same shall be recorded as such this the 23rd day of August 1879.

H. S. Gurganus appears before me and subscribed to the oaths pronounced for his qualification by law as Executor of his application for letters Testamentary to open a letter Testamentary issued to said H. S. Gurganus. - E. B. Gurganus having filed his written return on the 23rd day of August 1879.

J. H. McLean, Judge