

said paper-writing was of full age and sound mind to execute a will, now therefore the said paper-writing and every part thereof is adjudged to be the last will and testament of the said William Gray deceased; and it is ordered that said Testamentary be issued to Sarah F. Gray and James E. Moore the Executors therein named, who qualified as such by taking the oath of office prescribed by law.

At office in Williamslow, N.C.,

This 15th day of May, 1879,

H. T. Crawford,
Probate Judge.

North Carolina,

Martin County,

I, R. J. Deel, Clerk of the Superior Court of the aforesaid County, do hereby certify that the foregoing, annexed four (4) sheets of paper-writing, is a true and perfect copy of the last will and testament of William Gray deceased together with the Probate thereof, as is of record in this office, in the Book # 3, Beginning at page 165.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court

This 2nd day of May, 1919.

(Seal)

R. J. Deel,
Clerk Superior Court.

Be it remembered that J. T. E. Allen in Parting himself in the State of North Carolina being in sound mind and memory blessed by the Lord for the same do make and publish this my last will and testament,

I give to my wife Maggie B. Allen the household when on her husband's side, farming utensils, horses, hogs, and cattle, hedges, and cash, I also give her the rents of the old tract land in the swamp field, also rents of the piece that comes in between Stewart Harris land, and the piece I am giving to Jimmie. I also want the undivided land sold that for a division that lays next to the Danvers and it being equally divided between my and her children, thus being names for her to look after, I want this part paid over to my wife for them and the piece next to the station, I want sold and divided the same as above,

I also give my wife all the notes, acct. and mortgages that I hold. The household and kitchen furniture, also her widowhood, and thus, be equally divided among the children I give to my son Remy Allen 30 acres of land adjoining J. P. Saltstewart and Jimmie Allen.

I give to my son Jimmie Allen 30 acres adjoining Remy Allen on the northward lands undivided in the north west side of the Norfacs and Southern Rail Road, Beginning, at the N. S. Rightaway running with a line known as the Green Leaf Line north to west to a marked gum in the Colins line, thus with the Colins line north east to the Jesse Martin corner a cross, thus south east down Runps River to the N. and S. Rightaway, thus with the rightaway to the beginning. I give all my right title and interest

To my daughter Ella Allen 5 acres of land next to Clayton land.

To my daughter Ruth a 1/4 interest in the remainder of the land next to Green Leaf line.

To my daughter Mary a 1/4 interest the same as Ruth adjoining Ruth.

To my daughter Fannie a 1/4 interest as the same above adjoining Mary.

To my daughter Edith a 1/4 interest as the rest above

adjoining Fannie,

To my daughter Maggie a 1/6 interest as above adjoining Estell.

To my daughter Catharine a 1/6 interest as above adjoining Maggie,

The piece of land lying between Jimmie's 20 acres and Stewart Harris land to be divided in 3 equal parts - after the widowhood of my wife, 1/3 to Jimmie, 1/3 to Remley, 1/3 to Mattie. And after the widowhood of my wife the home place to go over to my daughter Mattie.

And I make my wife Executor to the Will and H. J. Hodges second Executor.

This the 20th day of March 1917.

Thomas E. Allen, (Seal)

On the 20th of March 1917. Thos. E. Allen who is personally known to us duly signed the foregoing instrument in our presence and in the presence of each of us and at said time duly declared and published the same as his last Will and Testament when we in his presence and in the presence of each of us and at his request duly subscribed our names here as witnesses to such last Will and Testament.

Ovis R. Sparrow (Seal)

Geo. H. Mifson (Seal)

Charlie M. Manning (Seal)

State of North Carolina
Beaufort County

In the Superior Court,

A paper purporting to be the last will and Testament of Thos. E. Allen deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, by H. J. Hodges one of the executors therein mentioned and the due execution thereof by the said Thomas E. Allen, was duly proven by the oath and examination of Ovis R. Sparrow and Charlie M. Manning two of the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn each depose and say and each for himself depose and say that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Thomas E. Allen that the said Thomas E. Allen in the presence

of this deponent subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which bears date of the 20th day of March 1917.

And this deponent further saith that the said Thomas E. Allen 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 the said Will as an attesting witness thereto, and at the request and in the presence of said testator. And this deponent further saith that at the same 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, as aforesaid the said Thomas E. Allen was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a Will and was not under any restraint to his knowledge, information, or belief of this deponent; and further these deponents say not.

Ovis R. Sparrow

Charlie M. Manning

Solemnly sworn and subscribed this 4th day of June 1917, before me,

Geo. A. Paul

Clerk Superior Court

North Carolina
Beaufort County

In the Superior Court,

It is therefore considered and adjudged by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last Will and Testament of Thomas E. Allen deceased. Let the said Will together with the probate be recorded and filed.

This 4th day of June 1917,

Geo. A. Paul

Clerk Superior Court,

over,