

Martin County - In the Probate Court:
 In the Matter of the Will of } Before H. T. Crawford,
 William Gray, } Probate Judge.

Sarah Gray being sworn, deposes and says:

That William Gray late of said County is dead having first made & published his last Will & Testament; and that Sarah Gray and James E. Moore are the executors named therein.

Further, that the property of the said William Gray consisting of lands, stocks, notes of which the much larger part is land is worth about \$6000⁰⁰, as far as can be ascertained at the date of this application, and that Sarah F. Gray, Mary G. Fagan, H. S. Fagan, Charles C. Fagan, Joseph N. Fagan, Montford S. Fagan, William G. Gaylord, and William J. P. Gray, all of whom live in Martin County, Wm. N. Fagan and Montford S. Fagan, are minors & live with their mother, Mary G. Fagan, and are without Guardians, and William J. P. Gray is a minor living with the applicant his mother one of the parties entitled under said Will to the said property.

Signed Sarah F. Gray.

Sworn to & subscribed before me.

This May 15-1879.

H. T. Crawford,

Probate Judge.

In the name of God amen. I William Gray of the County of Martin and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory do make and publish this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other Wills by me at any time made and devised.

I bequeath unto my wife Sarah F. Gray during her widowhood or life one half of my house tract of land including the buildings. I also give and devise unto my wife Sarah F. Gray in fee the land purchased by me of Alfred R. Rogerson and wife.

I give and devise unto my daughter Mary G. Fagan the land where she is now living that I purchased of S. C. Gayther, I also give her the said Mary G. Fagan the lands that I purchased N. B. Fagan executor or Administrator of Thomas Lacy to her and her heirs forever.

I give to my Grandson William L. Fagan a small piece of land lying between the two above mentioned I purchased of S. C. Gayther.

I give and devise unto my four Grand-sons, William L. Fagan, Charles C. Fagan, Joseph N. Fagan, Montford S. Fagan, all the lands that formerly belonged to Thomas Gray deceased that lie between Hitch's Creek and Wolf Pt Branch to be equally divided between them.

I give and devise to my Grandson William G. Gaylord the back half of land for and his natural life, remain in fee to such children or the issue of such as may survive him. I also give to my Grandson William G. Gaylord my father's land in Washington County that I purchased of J. M. Gray as the next item above.

and give and devise unto my son William J. P. Gray all of my estate that I have not hitherto above willed away that is to say all of my land, money, and notes and interest, household and kitchen furniture, crop, stock and provisions whether held by deed or mortgage or otherwise and the land bequeathed to his mother in fee forever.

Written with my own hand, this 20th day of March 1878. Should there any just debts be left unpaid equally according to each one's part.

I hereby nominate and appoint my wife Sarah F. Gray and James E. Moore as Executors this my will

Witness my hand and seal

Signed William Gray (and)

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The foregoing and annexed paper-writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of William Gray deceased being returned to the undersigned Judge of Probate for Martin County, for probate, and it appearing from the oath and examinations and affidavits of James E. Moore, C. B. Hassell and John L. Ward, that the said paper-writing was found among the valuable papers & effects of the said William Gray deceased and that it together with the signature thereto is wholly in the handwriting of the said William Gray deceased and that said William Gray at the date of the

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 after the said will 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. Peel, 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 Will 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. Peel,

Clerk Superior Court.

Be it remembered that J. T. E. Allen in Parting friendship 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, buggy, and cash. I also give her the rents of the old house 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 money for her to live 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 Rummy Allen 30 acres of land adjoining J. R. Seltzer's and Jimmie Allen.

I give to my son Jimmie Allen 30 acres adjoining Rummy Allen on the north side lands undivided in the north west side of the Harpers and Southern Rail Road, Beginning, at the N. E. Rightaway running with a line known as the Green Leaf Line north to west to a marked gum in the White line, then with the Collins line north east to the Hosa Martin corner a cross, then south east down Runps River to the N. and S. Rightaway, then 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 1/6 interest in the remainder of the land next to Green Leaf line.

To my daughter Mary a 1/6 interest the same as Ruth adjoining Ruth.

To my daughter Fannie a 1/6 interest as the same above adjoining Mary.

To my daughter Edith a 1/6 interest as the rest above