

I John Phelps of the County of Washington and 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:

Item first: That my executor (whom after named) shall provide for my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends, and pay all funeral expenses, together with my just debts, however and to whomsoever owing, out of the monies that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Item Second: I lend to my negro woman Hamit during her natural life. Five acres land to be laid off to her, viz: Beginning on the Holly Neck Road in Starr or Cherrys line, thence down the Road to a point or corner so as to run parallel line with the said Cherrys line to James E. Rhodes line thence with Rhodes line to said Starr or Cherry line to include just five acres to have hold occupy and enjoy during her natural life and at her death the fee simple title to go with the balance of the tract as I shall hereafter dispose of it. I also give to the said Hamit One Sow & pigs & One Cow & calf out of the stock on hands at my death the first choice.

Item Third: I give to Thomas M. Johnston the account I hold against him for the sum of Five Hundred dollars with the interest it being money loaned him to pay for a tract of land. I also give Thomas M. Johnston the account I hold against him for the sum of Two Hundred dollars with the interest it being for the purchase of one Gray Mare I sold him.

Item Fourth: I give and bequeath to Enock Hopkins a part of the tract of land whereon I now live including all the buildings viz: Beginning on the main Road leading to Columbia at a Cedar post, thence a Southward, Course and with a ditch a Crop the middle of my farm to the woods then the same Course a straight line to Henry J. Starr or Cherry line, thence a Westwardly Course with the said line of the Holly Neck Road, thence with the various courses of said Road to Columbia Road, thence eastwardly with the said Road to the Cedar post the first mentioned Station. To

have and to hold to him his heirs and assigns in fee simple forever. Also I give the said Enock Hopkins One Horse, the first choice from my stock of Horses, also one Suggys Harness now on hand, also I give to Enock Hopkins my yoke of Oxen and Cart.

Item fifth: I give and bequeath to my nephew Henry J. Starr the balance of the tract of land that I now live on viz: Beginning on the main Road leading to Columbia, at a Cedar post the Corner of Enock Hopkins portion, thence Southwardly with the Hopkins line to the Starr or Cherry line, thence Eastwardly with said line to James E. Rhodes line, thence Northwardly with said line to the main Road, thence Westwardly to the Cedar post the first Station. To have and to hold to him the said Starr his heirs and assigns in fee simple forever. Also I give to the said Henry J. Starr One Horse the second choice from my stock of Horses.

Item sixth: I give and bequeath to Enock Hopkins and Henry J. Starr all my Household and Kitchen furniture, and all my farming utensils of every kind that is not otherwise disposed of.

Item Seventh: I give and bequeath to Mrs. J. Phelps my Grandson all the residue of my estate of every description that has not been otherwise disposed of.

Lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my Trusty-friend James A. Nelson my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will & testament according to the true intent & meaning of the same, and every part and clause thereof hereby revoking all other wills and testaments heretofore by me made and declaring them utterly void. In witness whereof I the said John Phelps do hereunto set my hand & seal this the 25th day of December A.D. 1865. John Phelps. Seal

Signed sealed and declared by said John Phelps to be his last will and testament in our presence.

Horace J. Phelps  
Yarric M. Woodley

U.S. Dist. Revenue  
Stamp Two Dollars

5000

State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions  
 Washington County } May Term 1867

Ordered that this will be recorded & filed in the Clerk's office and that the proceedings of the Superior Court be entered on the Minute Book of this Court. James W. Melson the executor comes into Court & takes the oath & is duly qualified. Test W. F. Sanderson Clk

State of North Carolina }  
 Washington County } In the Probate Court.

I James W. Melson Clerk of the Superior Court do hereby Certify that the foregoing & within is a correct copy of John Phelps will as recorded in my office given under my hand & official seal at office this the 1st day of October 1870

(Seal) (Red Stamp)

J. W. Melson Clk  
 & Probate Judge for  
 Washington County

Recorded May 25, 1929

North Carolina.

Washington County.

I Charles Dickson Gaylord, of the aforesaid County and State, being of sound mind, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will and testament:

Item One. My Executor hereinafter named, shall give my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my friends and relatives, and pay all funeral expenses together with all bills for medical attendance and supplies, out of the moneys received from my policies of insurance.

Item Two. I give and devise unto my cousin Dea Gaylord Johnston all of the property, rights in land, buildings, stock, fixtures and equipment of every kind owned by me at the time of the execution of this will, and which is known as the Chesland Filling Station. I do further give unto the said Dea Gaylord Johnston my Ford car.

Item Three. I give and bequeath to Marie Munnely Jordan after deducting the expenses directed to be paid therefrom in Item One hereof, all my policies of life insurance, which are as follows:

Policy No. 688155 issued by the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, for \$1,000.00, and on which I have borrowed from the said company about \$360.00.

Policy No. 1167625 issued by the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, for \$1,000.00, and on which I have borrowed from the said company about \$589.00.

Item Four. It is my will and desire that the property devised and bequeathed in Item One hereof to Dea Gaylord Johnston shall be treated as a trust, and that the same shall be responsible for all of the debts owing by me at the time of my death and which were contracted in the operation of the said filling station, together with any sum owing on my said car and any liens on any of said property.

My executor is directed to turn over the said property to the said Dea Gaylord Johnston immediately upon my death, and provide for the discharge of the remainder of my estate from the payment of the said debts, if possible and to let his continue