

State of North Carolina)
 Jackson County

I J. F. Perry of the County and State aforesaid 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 I trust that my executor (herein after named) shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to wishes of my relatives and friends and pay burial expenses together with my just debts to persons and whomever owing out of ~~the~~ moneys that may first come ~~come~~ into his hands as part or parts of my estate.

Item I give and devise to Eldest son Derias Perry five dollars in money I give and devise to my wife Franky Perry the sum of Five dollars in money I give and devise to my daughter Robener Copley wife of it^r Copley the sum of Five dollars. I give and devise to my daughter Dorinda Perry the sum of Five dollars in money all of which is to be paid by my Executor within two years from ^{the time of} my death out of any moneys belonging to my estate not otherwise disposed of I give and bequeath to my son L. D. Perry the tract of land on which I now live to have and to hold to him and his heirs in fee simple for ever.

I give and bequeath to my son L. D. Perry one feather bed and bedstead, I give and bequeath to Silvester & Jesse & Benge the 3 boys I raised all that tract of land known as the Backs land to have and to hold to them and their heirs in fee simple forever, I give and bequeath to the above named boys two feather beds and bedsteads and two guns. Whereas the said boys are minors of the age of about 14 years now therefore my will and desire is that my trust friend W. T. Messick is hereby appointed and constituted Guardian of the above named boys to have and to hold the custody and guardianship both of their respective persons ^{and} Estate until the said shall severally arrive at the full age Twenty one years of age.

All my other property to be sold to carry out

the above will and if any left to be equally divided
among all my children. And lastly I do hereby
constitute and appoint my trusty friend W. F. Messick
my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to
execute this my last will and testament according
to the intent and meaning of the same and every
part and clause thereof, hereby revoking and declaring
utterly void all other wills and testaments by
me heretofore made in witness whereof I the
said J. F. Perry do hereunto set my hand and
seal. This 25 day of July, A.D. 1890.

Jessie ^{his}_{mark} Perry

Signed, sealed, published and delivered
by the said Jessy Perry to be his last
will and testament in the presence of us
who at his request and in his presence
do subscribe names as witnesses thereto

W. F. Messick
Geo. T. Messick
W. F. Messick

Codicil to the foregoing will

Whereas I J. F. Perry have made my last will and testament
in writing bearing date on the 25 day of July A.D. 1890
and have thereby sundry devise and bequests according
the then existing circumstances of my estate but which
circumstances having materially changed I do by this my
writing which I hereby declare to be a codicil to my said
will to be taken and construed as a part thereof with and
direct that the sum of one hundred dollars each be
paid to the said Silvester Benge and Jessie J. Benge be
paid heirs of the tract of land known as the Baches tract
it having been sold to I. D. Perry for the sum of \$300.
Two hundred dollars. In testimony whereof I hereunto
set my hand and seal

This 29 day of July A.D. 1890.

Jessie J. Perry

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Jessy
Perry to be a codicil or a part of his last will and testament
in presence of us who at his request and in his presence
and the presence of each other who subscribe our names
as witnesses thereto

Geo. T. Messick
W. F. Messick