

Joseph Cook

State of North Carolina  
Yadkin County

I Joseph Cook of Yadkin County in said State  
being of sound mind and memory considering the  
uncertainty of life, and certainty of death, do make  
this my last will & testament in the name and form  
following:- First that my Executor herein after provide  
for my body a decent burial.  
Second, that all of my just debts be paid, My property  
first that Ellen T. Davis my daughter, and James W. Cook  
my son, have all my real estate that I am signed  
with at my death and that one shall not sell his  
or her part without the consent of the other one,  
Third - that Sarah A. Willard Emma L Godfrey and  
Charles J. Cook, have one dollar each, and that  
Ellen T. Davis' James W. Cook have all my personal  
property, consisting of household and kitchen furniture  
farming tools and tools of mechanical and every kind  
Share 4 and my son J.W. Cook is hereby appointed Executor  
of this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I set my hand and affix my seal,

This 2<sup>d</sup> day of June 1814

Witnesses of Allard  
J. F. Myers

Joseph Cook Seal

State of North Carolina In the Superior Court  
Yadkin County

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and  
testament of Joseph Cook deceased is exhibited before  
me the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court of said  
county, by J. W. Cook the Executor therin mentioned, and  
the due execution thereof by the said Joseph Cook, by  
the both and examination of J. Howard and J. F. Myers  
the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn  
both deponed and say, and each for himself deponeth  
and saith that he is a subscribing witness to the  
paper now shown him, purporting to be the last  
will and testament of Joseph Cook

that the said Joseph Cook in the presence of the deponents  
subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing and  
now shows as follows, and which bears date of the  
25<sup>th</sup> day of December 1813.

But the deponent further saith, That the said Joseph Cook  
the testator of said will did at the time of subscribing his  
name as aforesaid, value the said paper writing so  
highly by his own estimate to be his last will and  
testament, and the deponent did thereupon subscribe his name  
at the end of said will, as and attesting return therby, and  
at the request and in the presence of said testator  
subscribe his name to the said last will as aforesaid and  
at the time of the aforesaid subscribing his name he was  
attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid the said Joseph Cook  
was of a sound mind and memory, of full age to execute  
a will, and was not under any restraint, to the knowledge  
information or belief of this deponent, and further this  
deponent saith not.

Given under my hand and seal  
At the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court  
This 2<sup>d</sup> day of May 1814

J. L. Cross Esq.

Notary Public  
Yadkin County 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 Joseph Cook  
deceased, Set the said will together with the probate  
to record and file,

This 3<sup>d</sup> day of May 1814

J. L. Cross

Clerk of the Superior Court

William Allen and  
his wife }  
and children }  
of the County of }  
Fayette County }

I William Allen 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,

that my corporal remains shall give my  
body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my  
relations, and pay all my just debts and funeral  
expenses out of the first monies coming into my  
hands, belonging to my estate,

and I give and bequeath to my nine children to wit  
J H Allen, Wm Allen, James A Allen, Solomon Allen,  
Joseph A Allen, Lou, Bryant, Florence Wilhelmina, Rose  
Shengart, and Sarah Nash, all of my personal property  
and real estate that I own at my death, equal  
property and land, to be sold, and divided, the  
money and all solvent credits, due me at my death  
to be collected and divided between my nine children  
and all other property of whatsoever to be sold  
and divided equally among my nine children.

I hereby constitute and appoint my son Wm Allen my  
sole executor to all intents and purposes to execute  
this my last will and testament according to the true  
intents and meaning of the same, and leave post and  
claw thereof, hereby revoking and declining entirely said  
all other wills and testaments by me hitherto made  
and I hereby appoint Wm Allen - Sarah Nash Trustee, and  
her post of any estate shall be held by the Trustees Wm Allen  
and his post of any estate shall be held by the Trustees Wm Allen  
and he paid to her just as she need it for her daily support  
but not paid to her as a widow once, but just as she  
needs it it shall be paid to her.

in witness whereof I said William Allen do swear  
at my hand and seal,

This 18<sup>th</sup> day of Nov 1907      William Allen  
Signed sealed and published and  
Declar'd by the said William Allen to be his last

will and testament, in the presence of me who at his  
req'nt and in his presence do subscribe our names  
as witnesses thereto,

E B Kistel,

Witness

Date of last will and

Yellow County On the Superior Court

In paper writing purporting to be the last will and  
testament of William Allen Swear'd is exhibited  
before me the undersigned Clerk of the Superior Court  
for said County by Wm Allen the testator therin written  
and the subscription therof by the said William Allen  
by the oath and examination of E B Kistel & H M Cason the  
subscribing witnesses thereto, who bring before me  
with deposit and say, and cash for himself \$400.00 and  
with that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing  
now shown him, purporting to be the last will and testament  
of William Allen, that the said William Allen in the  
presence of this deponent subscribe his name at the end  
of said paper writing now shown as aforesaid, and  
which bears date of the 18<sup>th</sup> day of Nov 1907.

And the deponent further saith, that the said William  
Allen 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 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 said testator  
and the deponent further saith, that at the sometime  
when the said testator subscribed his name to the said  
last will as aforesaid, and at the time of the deponent's  
subscribing their names as an attesting or an attesting  
witness thereto, so aforesaid, the said William Allen  
was of sound mind and memory, of full age to  
execute a will, but was not under any restraint  
to the knowledge, information or belief of this deponent,  
and further these deponents say nothing  
Sincerely sworn and subscribed E B Kistel  
to before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of Dec 1907      H M Cason