

I Britton Langdon of the County of Johnston 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 First that my Executor hereinafter mentioned, shall provide for my body a decent burial and pay all expences together with my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing out of the first monies that may come in to his hands as a part or a parcel of my Estate.

Item I give and devise to my beloved wife Wineford H. Two beds bedstids and necessary furniture for Two beds and all other bed clothing that may be on hand and all furniture belonging to my Mansion House and also all kitchen furniture during her natural life or widow hood and after her death to be sold and divided among all my bodily Heirs shere and shere alike

Item I give and devise to my son Carrel Langdon one Dollar in money

Item I give and devise to my son Caswell Langdon one Dollar in money

Item I give and devise to son Zachariah Langdon one Dollar in money

Item I give and devise to son Britton Heirs Edith A Langdon and Joseph M Langdon Two Dollars each in money

Item I give and devise to son M D Langdon one Dollar in money

Item I give and devise to my son Major J. Langdon my entire interest and title in black smith shop together with my farming utencels and implements

Item I give and devise to son Major J. Langdon Two heifer Earlings and also my entire stocks of Hogs and sheep that may be on hand at my Deceased and also the crop growing or other wise and the provisions that may be on hand at my deceased

Item I give and devise to my Daughter Casandia Bingham Thirty three and one third acres of land according to measurement lying on the north side of Horse pen branch adjoining the lands of James A. Smith M D Langdon and others

Item I give and devise to Daughter Rhoda harper Wife of John R Harper one Dollar in money

Item I give and devise to my Daughter Nancy E Parish wife of Birt Parish one Dollar in money

Item I give and devise to my Wife Wineford H one choice cow and calf

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty son Carrel Langdon my lawful Executor to all intents and purposes to Execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part clause there of here by revoking and declaring utter void all other wills and testaments by me here to fore made

In witness whereof I the said Britton Langdon do here unto set my hand and Seal This the 15 day of August A. D. 1874

Bretin Langdon {Seal}

Item my request is for my Executor after my deceased to sell all the property that I may leave that is not mentioned in my will pay all expences of the same and all my other debts and what money that may be on hand if any to be equally divided among my lawful Heirs and all share and share alike.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Britton Langdon to be his last will and testament in the presents of us
who at his request in his presents do subscribe our
names as witnesses thereunto

James A. Smith
James H. Clifton

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JOHNSTON COUNTY---IN THE PROBATE COURT,

January 29, 1876.

In the Matter of the Will of

Bretton Langdon, Deceased.

Certificate of Probate

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of *Bretton Langdon* Deceased, is exhibited for Probate, before me, *J. H. Shell* ~~P. T. MISSEY~~, Judge of Probate for said County, by *Carroll Langdon*, the Executor, therein named; and thereupon *James A. Smith* and *James O. Blifton* the subscribing witnesses thereto, being duly sworn, each deposed and said:

That they are, each a subscribing witness to said will, and that the said *Bretton Langdon* subscribed the same in each of their presence. They further said that the said *Bretton Langdon* at the time of subscribing the same declared the said writing to contain his last will and testament, and they did each thereupon, at the request and in the presence of the said testator, subscribe their name as an attesting witness thereto. And further, that at the time of the subscribing aforesaid, the said *Bretton Langdon* was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will, and under no restraint to their knowledge or belief.

THEREUPON, It is adjudged by the Court, that the said paper writing and every part thereof, is the last will and testament of the said *Bretton Langdon*, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed.

AND THEREUPON, *Carroll Langdon*, Executor as aforesaid, is duly qualified as such.

J. H. Shell
Probate Judge.