Will of Thomas Gregory

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Devised May __, 1882.

North Carolina Harnett County

The following is a recital in the petition of W. H. Gregory Petitioner to restore on record the last will and testament of Thos. Gregory Decd. and is declared to contain the contents of said destroyed will. (See orders and decrees for order)

I Thomas Gregory of the aforesaid County and State being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my worldly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament.

First, 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 my just debts out of the first moneys which may come into his hands belonging to my estate.

I give and devise to my beloved children to wit. Mary A. Denning, Jno N. Gregory, M. W. Gregory, Rebecca Hayes, Tobitha Dorman, Sarah C. Stephenson, Martha Weeks, Alex Gregory, Susan Wooddell, Louisa M. Stephenson, and Nancy L. Pollard all my personal property to be divided equally among them.

I give and devise to my son W. H. Gregory and his heirs in fee simple one tract of land in Grove Township Harnett County adjoining the lands of Jno. N. Gregory and others containing one hundred acres more or less, it being the land which I purchased of Peter Godwin. It is my will and desire that my son W. H. Gregory care for and sustain my beloved wife Polly Gregory during her natural life. I hereby constitute and appoint John N. Gregory 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 and clause thereof, hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I the said Thomas Gregory hereunto set my hand and seal this day of May 1882.

Thomas (+) Gregory

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Thos. Gregory to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

S. R. Wilson W. H. Adams