

**Will, NC, Northampton, Mathias Bryan 1866**

In the name of God Amen.

I **MATHIAS BRYAN** of Northampton County and state of North Carolina, being in sound mind and disposing memory to make publish and declare this my last will and testament in Manner and form following, viz.

ITEM I give and bequeath to **SARAH J. BRYAN** twelve hundred dollars.

ITEM after my just debts is paid I give and bequeath to **MARY, ANNA, JAMES, WILLIAM, JUNIUS, KINDRED, ADELIA, FRANCIS** and **HENRIETTA EVANS** the remainder of my estate and **MARTHA A. EVANS** their mother is to be supported out of the said property during her life.

ITEM I hereby nominate and appoint my trusty friend **A. J. HARRELL** my lawful executor of this my last will and testament to all intents and purposes to execute every part and clause thereof.

Hereby revoking and declaring utterly avoid all other wills and Testaments heretofore by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed to my name and I fixed my seal this 3rd day of March 1866.

**MATHIAS BRYAN** {seal his X mark}

The above written instrument was subscribed by said **MATHIAS BRYAN** in our presence and acknowledged by him to each of us and he at the same time published and declared the above instrument so subscribe to be his last will and testament and we have the testator's request and in his presence have signed our names as Witnesses here to this 3rd day of March 1866.

**ROBERT OUTLAND**  
**C. G. C. MOORE**

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Court of pleas and quarter sessions

March term A. D. 1866

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of **MATHIAS BRYAN** deceased is exhibited for probate in open court by **A. J. HARRELL**, his executor therein named, and due execution thereof by the said **MATHIAS BRYAN** is proved by the oath and examination of **C. G. C. MOORE** and **ROBERT OUTLAND** the subscribing witnesses. It is therefore considered by the court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of the said **MATHIAS BRYAN** and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed and therefore the said **A. J. HARRELL** executor as aforesaid, duly qualifies as such by taking the oath required by law, and is appearing to the satisfaction of the court that the xxx value of said estate is not more than six thousand dollars, this probate is stamped to the amount of three dollars according to law.

Test **N. R. ODOM**, c.c.c.