

Eli Joyner". Whereupon it is considered by the Court that the said paper writing bearing date the 24th day of July 1855 be established and the same is ordered to be recorded as the last will and testament of the said Eli Joyner de^d. and by consent of parties it is ordered that the proponent Jane Joyner and the contestants each pay their own costs. and by consent of parties the paper marked A. filed in the case and in the following words and figures

Whereas a suit is now pending in the Circuit Court of Southampton County with regard to the probate of the will of Eli Joyner de^d. in which Jane Joyner is the proponent and Margaret Hundley Edward Joyner and Nancy his wife & Jason E & Wm. F. Rowe grand children of the Testator are contestants. and whereas the parties being desirous of ending said controversy, being members of the same family and to save further costs of litigation & have by & through the undersigned their several counsel settled and compromised the said controversy upon the following terms and conditions. Viz. First, that the jury by the advice & consent of said counsel shall declare the said paper writing bearing date 24th July 1855 to be the last will and testament of Eli Joyner de^d. 2^d that the said Jane Joyner shall receive from the representatives of the said Eli Joyner de^d the sum of three hundred and twenty dollars out of the hire & rents of Negroes & Land of said deceased in lieu of her life interest in said negroes & land and that the said land and negroes be sold as soon as may be convenient and the proceeds of same be divided into four parts, one of which parts shall be allotted to Jane Joyner during her life and at her death to the children of Edward Joyner - one part thereof to be allotted to Margaret Hundley one part to Edward Joyner & Nancy his wife and the remaining part to Jason E & Wm. F. Rowe. And the chattel estate money to be divided also into four parts. one of which parts will be paid over to Jane Joyner, one part to Margaret Hundley, one part to Edward Joyner & Nancy his wife and the remaining part to Jason E & Wm. F. Rowe. And as to the costs of the said suit it is further agreed that the said proponent Jane Joyner shall pay her costs and the contestants their costs; and this shall be entered of record & be forever binding on the parties. Witness our hands & seals this 4th of May 1859. Robt H. Whitfield Counsel for Jane Joyner & children of Edward Joyner - W. W. Boff & C. W. Maffenberg Counsel for Margaret Hundley & others contestants - is ordered to be spread upon the record in this case. And Levi Hundley the Executor named in the said last Will and Testament being dead on the motion of Arrington Gardner who made oath and together with John H. Davis and Jeremiah E. Joyner, his survivors (who justified on oath as to their sufficiency) entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of five thousand dollars conditioned according to law, certificate is granted the said Arrington Gardner for obtaining letters of administration on the said decedent's estate, with his will aforesaid annexed in due form

Teste

J. R. Edwards Secy

The Estate of Simon Murfee de^d.

In Account with James M. Murfee his executor.

		Dr	Cr	Int.
1857 Oct 19	By balance due Estate by last report of Commissioner Howard		206 85	12 92
" Dec 4	To paid Gilliam Edwards appor.	1 00		
" " "	" " " Simon Watts adv: of W. Watts de ^d ?	17 28		
" " "	By sale of Bond (omitted)		3 00	
" " "	" " " Vinegar (")		50	
" " "	Interest on same & date			14
1858 June 9	To paid Edward C. Crumpler ac ^t .	10 06		
" " 15	" " A. W. Anseluit	25 53		
" " 18	" " A. B. Cook	16 95		
" " "	" " H. S. Howard	12 50		