

In the name of God Amen, I, Nathaniel Sherrida of
Hickory County, State of North Carolina, do make this my
Last Will & Testament, hereby revoking and making void all other
Wills by me made--

"I Give to my Brother Robert Washington Smith of Calverton Va my
all my Estate both real & personal to him his Heirs & Assigns
in Trust for the uses & purposes herein after mentioned, and for
no other use purpose or intent whatsoever - I direct that
all my Just debts be paid as soon as may be after my
Decease - I Give & bequeath to the said Robert Washington
Smith my Cloaths & wearing apparel of every kind
I Give & bequeath to my Sister Sally Henderson Vassar Hunt
and an Orphan ~~Robert~~ ~~Smith~~ ~~to the~~ two years after my
Death. Trustee shall act upon the instructions of this my
Will, I also give to him a pair of Silver Mount Candelsticks a
pair of Brads mounted Gold Bells and a pair of Silver mount
ed Brads & a box with quill pen, pen holder & ink.

I give to my Sister Jane Foster my Mahogany Table and
 Side Board— I Give my Niece Sally & her mother a pair of
 my Mother's Pillows & a pair of my Mother's and one set with another
 that is to say with two pair of Sheets one set of Muschets two
 set Coverlets with 13 other pillows cases & one woman's
 saddle and one Dozen Silver Tea Spoons— I give to
 Fanny Alexander Esq; a pair of my Sister's in the same
 I Give to one Beth Farnham in the same manner
 as that given to Sally Alexander Esq; a pair of
 to purchase a Saddle. I also give her one Dozen of
 Tea Spoons— I give to Nathaniel Washington Alexander
 George Child of my Brother William L. Alexander
 Esq; one thousand acres of Land lying on the State of
 Georgia in the Georgia river which I desire my
 Father to sell him for that sum & at most, in the name
 of the said Nathaniel Washington Alexander, but if the
 said Father cannot sell it for that sum or by any
 means at all I give it to my said Sister

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my said Heir shall enter upon the Execution of my Will provided it shall be ascertained within that period that said tract of Land cannot be identified and the same will be lost to my said Heir.

Whereas I am sole Executor & Trustee of the last Will and Testament of my Brother William Alexander Deceased & have endeavored honestly and faithfully to discharge the solemn Trust reposed in me, but in paying his debts may have received evidence thereof which are not strictly Legal though I have not paid any which I do not believe to be just and which he would have discharged himself if he had been living. In order therefore to prevent any dispute hereafter & to avoid litigation I do give and acquit to Lawson Henderson Alexander & Sarah Caroline Alexander Children of my Brother William Alexander the sum of One Thousand Dollars each upon the Express Condition that they admit all the vouchers or evidence of the payment of Debts which I now have in my possession or the possession of my Agents or which I may have at the time of my death whether said payments have been made by myself or Agent Joseph Morris of Lincoln County whom I have entrusted with the management of my said Brothers Estate to a considerable extent and if either the said Lawson Henderson or Alexander or Sarah Caroline Alexander should disturb or attempt to disturb the Settlement which I have made by myself or my Agents said Estate that the Legacy hereby intended to be given of One Thousand Dollars to each of them shall be null & void as to the person so impeaching or attempting to impeach the Validity of my conduct as Trustee and Executor thereof being myself perfectly satisfied that Justice has been done to them in the discharge of my official duty.

Testament of my Brother William Alexander Deceased & have
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though I have not paid any which I do not believe to
be just, and which he would have discharged himself if
he had been living. In order therefore to prevent any
dispute hereafter & to avoid litigation I do give and
bequeath to Lawson Henderson & Alexander & Sarah Caroline
Alexander children of my Brother William Alexander
the sum of one thousand Dollars each upon the express
condition that they admit all the vouchers or evidence
of the payment of debts which I now have in my pos-
session or the possession of my agents or which I now
have at the time of my death whether said payments have
been made by myself or agent Joseph Morris of Lincoln
county whom I have entrusted with the management
of my said Brothers Estate to a considerable extent and if
either the said Lawson Henderson or Alexander or Sarah
Caroline Alexander should disturb or attempt to disturb
the settlement which I have made by myself or my agent
of said Estate that the Legacy hereby intended to be
given of one thousand Dollars to each of them shall
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tempting to impeach the validity of my conduct as
Executor and Executor Admorsed being myself perfectly
satisfied that justice has been done to them in the discharge
of my official duty —

I give to Joseph Morris of Lincoln county one hundred
dollars in consideration of the assistance he has rendered
me in the managing of my brother William's estate —

I give to Elizabeth Henderson my Secretary —

I give to Mary Elizabeth Henderson widow of William B. Henderson
my Secretary —

I Give to Sarah Caroline Alexander six Silver Table Spoons.
Forks, five Tea Spoons one Silver Soup Ladle one pair of
Silver Sugar Tongs, also six Silver Table Spoons and T. . . .
which latter articles are of the estate of my Brother . . .
The remainder of my Estate both real and personal I
desire to be Equally divided between Sally Alexander
Fanny Alexander, Julius Alexander, Richard Alexander
Nathaniel Hammonson Alexander, Lawson Henderson Alex-
ander and Sarah Caroline Alexander Children of my Bro-
ther William L. Alexander and William Alexander. Seem-
ing in the opinion of my Trustee it would be more, on the
Legatee Benefit herein mentioned he is requested to keep
my Negroes on the Land which I own in the vicinity of
Charlotte and work them on it to the best advantage &
in case the Negroes should be so kept together or should
be sold or otherwise disposed of I desire that Lawson
Henderson Alexander & Sarah Caroline Alexander may
be at Liberty to take as many as may be on hand when
they become at full age respectively; they paying to the
Children of William L. Alexander or to their Represen-
tatives what upon a fair Valuation they may be deemed to
be worth. I do hereby constitute & appoint Robert . . .
Smith sole executor of the now last Will and Testament of my
said full and complete power and authority to execute the same
in such manner as he may Judge most for the benefit
of those concerned. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand & affixed my seal this 27th day of January 1844
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & eight
Witness

Attest & Seal }
William L. Alexander }
William L. Alexander }