

SAMUEL REID and Agnes (Kay?)

In the name of God: the twenty sixth day of April in the year one thousand and seven hundred and eighty four and in the eighth year of American Independence.

I Samuel Reid, of Rowan County, in the State of North Carolina being very infirm in body, but of perfect mind and memory, thanks to God for it, calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for men to die, do make and ordain this my last will and testament. That is to say principally and, first of all, I give and recommend my soul into the Hands of God that gave it: and my body, I commit to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my executors hereafter named, nothing doubting but that the Resurrection to receive the same again; and, as touching the Worldly Estate, wherewith it has pleased God to bless me in this life, I give and devise and dispose in the following manner and form; that is to

First, I will that my lawful executors hereafter named.

Item: I give and devise to his heirs and assignees land off the track that my and taken off the north end line, being the part of the

I give and bequeath all at the discretion of my executors for the term of time they think proper

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equally divided and given to my loving sons as followeth:

Namely, Samuel Reid, Alexander Reid, John Reid and Andrew Reid.

Item: I give and bequeath to my loving wife, Agnes Reid, an negro wench, which one she shall choose of the wenches and a third of my goods and chattels.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter, Mary Reid Hall ten pounds lawful money to be raised out of my estate.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my loving daughters: namely Margaret Reid, Jean Reid, Agnes Reid and Sarah Reid the two thirds of my movable estate to be equally divided between my last named daughters.

Item: I give and bequeath the remainder of my estate to be divided to all my four sons as my executors see fit.

Lastly, I do hereby nominate, name and ordain and appoint my brother Alexander Reid and my loving wife, Agnes Reid, executors of this my last will and testament, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this day & year & month above writ.

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Samuel Reid (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced and declared by sd Samuel Reid as his last will & Testament in presence of us the subscribers viz:

Anna Reid

John (his mark) Vicker