

Jones

In the name of God Amen I Michael of Bedford County Tenn. with of

Will & Body but of perfect mind and memory calling to mind that it was appointed for
all men one to die & to be judged according to the manner and

proceedings of all men in hopes to receive the full assurance of Salvation and

I body I recommend to the dust to be buried in a Christian and decent manner

at the discretion of my Executors and for my Temporal Estate as God has ben

pleased to bestow on me I give and dispose of in manner and form following

In the first place my will and desire is that all my funeral Charges and all my

other just debts to be paid and what is then remaining I give and dispose of in

manner & form following Item I give to my son George Jones one Shilling

Item I give to my son Michael Jones one Shilling Item I give to my son Walter

Jones one Shilling Item I give and bequeath part of the said tract of land

whereon I now live to Samuel Leason my son in Law Beginning the dividing line

between people on Thompsons side in the north part of the bay road in the

of the Branch thence across the river and so for a raft line on Wood for

line and bounded as follows Long the said line to Morris Corner Thence Long

Caldwells Line to Thompsons Corner Thence long the said line to the dividing line

Item I give and bequeath to my wife Mary Jones my truly and well beloved wife the land whereon I now live

and with all my stock of Horses Cattle sheep & Hogs with my Beds & all other household

furniture and plantation utensils to her during her natural life and after her death

where on I now live to James Leason my son in Law Beginning the division of
a Corner of the Thompsons Land in the north part of the Township of the
of the Branch thence across the river to a fence and a line on Wood
line and bounded as follows: Long the said line to Morris Corner Thence to
Caldwells Line to Thompsons Corner Thence long the said line to the dwelling
I then I send to Ann Jones my truly and well beloved Wife the land whereon she now lives
and with all my stock of Horses & cattle sheep & Hogg with my Beads & all other household
Furniture and plantation utensils to her during her natural life and after her decease
to be sold and divided Equally amongst my six youngest Children that is to say James
Lucy, Erasmus, Dudley, Daniel, Custania and my desire is that my Executors be-
fore mentioned should keep my beloved Wife and Jones in peaceful possession on the
Land with all stocks & now possess after paying my funeral Charges and just debts during
her natural life and at her decease my land to be sold and the proceeds thereof
Equally amongst the above named six Children I do hereby revoke all other Wills by me
and do hereby constitute and Ordain this to be my last Will and Testament In Witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand Seal this fifteenth day of May in the Year of our
Christ One Thousand seven hundred & Eighty.

Michael Jones

In presence of us

Charles Houlden

John Swinn

J. de Bannar

I do appoint Joshua Morris Publice

James and James Leason Executors

to this my last Will and Testament

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At a Court held for Bedford County the 21st day of January 1781
 The last Will and Testament of Michael Jones deceased was proved by the Oaths
 of Charles Hunsberry and Jacob Banner Witnesses thereto subscribed and ordered to be
 recorded and on the petition of Sublius Jones one of the Executors therein named
 who made Oath thereto Certificate is granted him for obtaining probate
 in due form giving security whereupon he together with Charles Coburn and
 Edward Robinson his Guaranties entered into and acknowledged their
 Bond in the penalty of Two hundred Thousand pounds for the said Executors
 due and faithful Administration of the said decedents Estate and performance
 of his Will. Liberty being reserved to the other Executors named in the said Will
 to join in the probate when they shall think fit. Teste
 J. Steptoe Clk

Beard

Agreeable to an Order of Bedford Court the subscribers being first sworn have
 Appraised the Slaves and personal Estate of John Beard Dec^d as follows Viz

Will Op.

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Sam a Negrow Boy

Apprais

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Jacob a Negrow Boy

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Walt a Negrow Girl

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