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The last Will and Testament of Anthony Rakes of Franklin County  
 Made the 10<sup>th</sup> day of August 1823

Anthony Rakes  
 The tract of Land in which David Rakes resides and all the  
 personal property on the same to be divided equally between David  
 Rakes and Elizabeth Rakes. The tract of Land on which the said deceased  
 resided at his death and all the personal estate upon the same to be  
 allotted to Nancy Rakes during her life afterwards to be equally  
 divided between Carter, Lewis, William and Polly Rakes the  
 children of the deceased

Witness

David Rakes

Jacob Seymour

At a Court held for Franklin County at the Courthouse the 6<sup>th</sup> day  
 of January 1823

This Remodeled Will of Anthony Rakes deceased, was exhibited  
 into Court, and proved by the oath of David Rakes and Jacob  
 Seymour the Witnesses here subscribed and ordered to be recorded

Jesse Galt Clerk C. J. C.

In the name of God Amos I Benjamin Severney of the County of  
 Franklin and State of Virginia being very weak in body but of perfect  
 mind and memory thanks be given unto God, calling unto mind the  
 Mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men  
 once to die, do make ordain this my last Will and Testament and  
 as touching such worldly estate whereunto it has pleased God to bless me in  
 this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner  
 and form

first I give and bequeath as much of my personally property  
 as will discharge all my just and lawful Debts

then I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Severney my dearly and  
 beloved Wife all my real and personal <sup>property</sup> to be for her benefit during  
 her life or Widow hood if the said Elizabeth Severney should marry  
 the said estate is to be the personally part is to be equally divided  
 between Joel and Jonathan Severney the land at the Death or the  
 Marriage of their Mother is to be divided between Joel and  
 Jonathan Severney Joel Severney is to have the upper part of the said Land  
 lying on the north side of the said tract the dividing line between  
 Joel and Jonathan Severney is to begin at the level towards the hollow  
 field on a chestnut tree and thence from the Chestnut north east  
 and South West from the same

then I give unto Rebecca the wife of William