

To be recorded - Test of Delham C. C. C.

In the Name of God Amen Benjamin Sykes of the
County of Greenville being in perfect Tranquillity of mind do make
and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form
following (that is to say) Inprimis - I lend to my loving wife
Alice Sykes during her natural life the land and plantation whereon
I now live also five Negroes (to wit) Little James and great James,
Dick and old Sarah and Tab with their increase also the choice
of my Horses one feather bed and furniture one fourth part of my
stock of cattle and hogs and one half of my plantation utensils
and one third part of my grain of all kinds one chest one trunk
one Table six sitting chairs all my knives and forks and
crackery ware of all kinds and immediately after her death my
will

(20) It is that the Estate lent my said wife the land and plantation
and three Negroes little James and great James and old Sarah ex-
cepted, may be equally divided amongst all my children to
them and their heirs forever. — Item I give and bequeath to
my Son William Sykes seven Negroes (to wit James, Sarah,
Jamez, Kate, Mary, George and Sal with their increase to him
and his heirs forever. — Item I give and bequeath to my son
John Sykes one tract of Land beginning at the mouth of a branch
at the Beaver pond creek thence up the branch to the piney
meadow thence across the piney meadow by a line of cypress trees
to the prong of a small branch and down the said prong to the
main branch thence down the main branch to the low grounds
of the Cattail creek thence a direct course to the said creek thence
up the said creek to a corner oak on the said John Sykes's thence
along his line to a branch on John Sykes's line thence up the
branch on Sykes's line to a corner pine from thence to a
corner pine on Francis Duncan's and from thence to a

branch on Lifsey's line to a corner pine from thence to a
corner pine on Francis Lancey's and along Lancey's line to
the Beginning also one other tract Beginning on his own
line on the North side of the cattail creek and along a Chopst
line to the head of a branch and down the branch to fountains
creek and up the said creek to the Mouth of the Gum branch
and up the said branch to a corner maple on his own line
thence across the branch along his line to the Beginning also
seven Negroes (to wit) Major, Hannah, Jacob, Isaac, Jack
Elijah and Lillah to him and his heirs forever. — Item I give
and bequeath to my son Benjamin Sykes the Land and Plantation
lent my wife immediately after her death also all the Land that
I purchased of Jesse Jordan and Samuel Clark which was
conveyed to me by deeds recorded in Greensville Court reference
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(to wit) Simon, Boston, Wincy, Sal, and Lileton also his

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I purchased of Jesse Jordan and Samuel Clark which was
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(to wit) Simon, Boston, Wincy, Sal, and Littleton also his
mare and colt that is called his, also Ten choice head of my
cattle Ten head of sheep and four of my Dogs Two feather
beds

21) Beds and furniture and one Walnut Table to him and his heirs forever
Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Massey the Negroes that
she carried with her to the Waxaws together with their increase to her and
heirs of her body, all but the Negro boy Isham and him the said
Isham I give and bequeath to my Grandson Benjamin Massey to
him and his heirs forever also I give and bequeath to my daughter
Mary Massey one feather bed and furniture to her and her heirs
forever Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Julianna Crump
seven Negroes (to wit) Lucy, Beck, Lacey, George, Isham, Aggy &
Nelson to her and heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath to my
daughter Charlotte Mitchell two Negroes (to wit) Patience and
Harvey also one hundred pounds cash to her and her heirs forever.
Item I leave to my loving wife Alice Sykes one Negroe Girl by name
of Chaney during her natural life and immediately after her death
I give and bequeath to my Grand daughter Rebeckah Mitchell the
Negroe Girl lent my wife by name of Chaney to her and her heirs

forever and Lastly I constitute and appoint my sons William Sykes
John Sykes, and Benjamin Sykes Executors of this my last Will
and Testament, revoking all other Wills by me heretofore made or
Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Twenty
third day of November one thousand eight hundred.

Signed sealed published and
delivered in presence of
James Monroe Weather

^{his} Benjamin F. Sykes (L.S.)
mark

Isaac Fox, James ^{his} Cogdon
mark

Greenville January Court 1801. This Will was proved according
to Law by James Monroe Weather and Isaac Fox testifies thereto
and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of Benjamin Sykes
one of the Executors named therein who made oath thereto and
with John Sykes and Richard Crump his securities acknowledged
bond in the penalty of Ten thousand Dollars with condition
as the Law directs certificate is granted him for obtaining
of

and witnesses, appearing all over said will of the testator made on
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Test. D. Delham C. C.