

In the name of God Amen I Leonard Cheatham of
 Mecklenburg County being weak and weary in body but of sound
 mind and memory do make this my last will and testament
 to wit I bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth during her natural life
 the following negroes to wit Charles Henry Connor Uggie and
 Sabus land to my beloved wife the plantation wherein I now live
 with half the land belonging to said land also one year worn
 saddle Henry with a side saddle also ten head her choice
 my stock of cattle also ten head sheep ten head her choice of
 hay also three of one bed and furniture one black walnut
 round table half dozen best leather chairs powder three dozen
 half dozen plates my largest crop and ditch and I give
 give to my son Leonard Cheatham my dark skin I give to my
 daughter Phoebe my corner cupboard and best mottle
 white skin I give unto my son Abraham Cheatham two
 negroes to wit by name Dick and Slopney also one bed and
 furniture of the value of seven pounds ten shillings I give
 I give to my Daughter Sabetha Cheatham two negroes to
 wit a woman named Phoebe a negro boy named Jacob and
 one feather bed and furniture value seven pounds ten

shillings I leave that the land whome I now di-
may be equally divided between my sons Edward Chaatham
and James Chaatham I leave to my son Edward -
Chaatham one negro boy named Cit I leave to my son
James Chaatham one negro boy named Tony I give to my
daughter Elizabeth Chaatham one negro woman named Rebecca
I leave to my daughter Ann Chaatham one negro man
~~named Tom. It is my will and desire that the estate I have~~
but my wife Elizabeth after her decease may be equally
divided between my sons Abraham Chaatham Edward Chaatham
James Chaatham and my daughter Elizabeth Chaatham
Isabel Chaatham and Ann Chaatham It is my will & desire
that my debts shall be paid out of the remainder part of my
estate not yet mentioned and the remainder of such estate be
real and personal to be equally divided between my sons Ed-
Chaatham James Chaatham and my daughter Elizabeth
Chaatham and Ann Chaatham and it is also my will and
desire that all my land in Surinburg County to be sold
in direction of my executor and the money arising therefrom
be equally divided between my sons Edward Chaatham James

Chaatham

Chatham and my daughter Elizabeth Chatham and
Anne Chatham. I do hereby constitute and appoint Henry
Speed Edmund Chatham and James Chatham executors
of this my last will and testament In Witness whereof I
have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this fifth
day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand
seven hundred and seventy six

Signed and sealed
in presence of

Henry Speed
Godfrey Crumpton
Elizabeth T. Speed

Samuel Chatham (Jr.)

At a Court held for Mecklenburg County the 3rd day of November 1778
There well appeared by the oath of Henry Speed and Godfrey
Crumpton that before the said Verdict to be recorded and on the
petition of Samuel Chatham and James Chatham last of
his executors there in married who made oath thereto and
together with the said Henry Speed and Godfrey Crumpton
and Richard Apperson their witnesses entered into and
subscribed the following

acknowledged the same in the presence of two thousand
 persons and it was on the same date certificates were granted
 them for obtaining a patent of the said will under form
 already being received for the other executor. Thomas named to
 give in the patent whom he shall think fit and Elizabeth
 Cheatham under the alias of Edward Cheatham since the
 latter personally appeared in Court and acknowledged
 that she was wife of said will and agreed to accept the provision
 made for her by her said husband's will
 In witness whereof

John Brown Ch. Clerk.

James B. 1778 present to an order
 of the next Court of Mecklenburg County
 in the above case having first annexed
 a copy of the same with the personal
 order of the Court. Since then that has been
 brought before the Court as follows
 In Court

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