

On the Name of God Amen.

Henry Piffley

Whereas I Henry Piffley being old and infirm and calling to mind the mortality of the body and that all mankind are born to die, do make constitute and ordain this my last will and testament (to wit) First, I give and bequeath my soul into the hands of God who gave it and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent and Christian like manner, nothing doubting but I shall receive the same again at the resurrection of the just and as touching my worldly property, wherewith I have pleased God to bless me with I give and bequeath the same in the following manner (to wit) First, I will that all my just and lawful debts be paid out of my estate, as also my funeral charges, second, It is further my will, that my wife Susanah should have and keep all my property both real and personal during her natural life time, or during her own good pleasure and after her decease it is my will that whatever may be left of my property should be equally divided among my after named children with the exception of Henry my son whom I shall further name, and for the convenience of my hereafter named executors I will name what I have already given to some of them namely my son Solomon has received 20 pounds worth in property &c. and Jonathan my son has received forty three pounds and Catherine my daughter has received fifty pounds and my son Jacob has received fifty five pounds and my daughter Elizabeth Smith has received fifty four pounds and it further my will, that she shall have a piece of land at the lower end of my plantation including the old house lately occupied by D. Erby designated and bounded by several trees that are marked beginning at the road on Caggys line, thence running both East along a road by the old house and crossing the creek thence up the creek a little way and crossing back again as the marked trees will shew to the beginning supposed to be 32 acres be the same more or less it is my will she should have it whatever it may contain in those bounds for the sum of one hundred pounds, Now it is my will as aforesaid that a deduction be made by my Executors of the sums already received by some of my children so that they may all be made equal, my daughter Susanah having received nothing as yet Henry my son has received nothing as yet and as he left several years before he was of age it is my will that have two hundred dollars left than the rest of my children Salome my daughter have received nothing as yet Lydia my daughter not having received any thing Daniel my son not having received any thing the above named are all my children and whatever my widow my leave shall be divided as above directed that is to say the lands to be sold and all the other property and the proceeds thereof divided as above directed, And to execute this my last will and testament I appoint me true and faithful wife Susanah Piffley and my son in law John Smith to execute this my last will and testament nothing all other and leave this as the last, this 30th of December 1833 signed sealed and delivered in the presence of us and we in the presence of each other

Abraham Stoner

Peter Carvis

Peter Smith

Spencer Gosling

Seal

At a Court held for Roanoke County on the 20th day of June 1842, The last will & Testament of Henry Piffley deceased was proved by the oaths of Peter Carvis witness thereto and is ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of

John W. Smith and Susanah Piffley two of the last therein named who made said will & together with John Piffley and Henry M. Frantz, their security, entered into and acknowledged bonds in the penalty of \$1,000.00 conditioned as the law directly, certificate is granted them for obtaining a probate of the said will, in due form.

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Saml W. Jeter Secy

Frederick Garst

On the Name of God Amen,

I Frederick Garst of Botetourt County and State of Virginia being weak in body, but of sound mind (for which I thank God) do make and declare this my last will and Testament, hereby revoking all others which I may have made heretofore. 1st recommending my immortal spirit to the Lord who gave it, and trusting in the merits of my Bleeding Saviour for pardon and remission of all my sins, as to the worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me, I give and dispose of it in manner and form following to wit: First, I will, order and direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon as convenient after my decease, by my executors hereinafter named and appointed. 2nd I give and bequeath unto my wife, Magdalene, fifty cents for her full share of my real and personal estate besides hundreds of dollars which I have already paid her: she having left me and my house ever since the 20th day of August eighteen hundred and twenty two; that is to say, having gone away without a cause. 3rd I give and bequeath unto my oldest son Frederick, fifty cents for his full share of my real and personal estate besides confirming to him the lands and money I have already given him. 4th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Anna, the wife of Richard Gordon, fifty cents besides confirming to her such lands and other property as I have already given her. 5th I give and bequeath to my daughter Magdalene, the wife of Joseph Cahol, fifty cents for her full share of my real and personal estate, besides confirming to her such other property as I have heretofore given her. 6th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth, fifty cents for her full share of my real and personal estate, besides confirming to her the two tracts of lands lying on Lewis mill branch in this County, and other property, which I have already given her. 7th I give and bequeath unto my son Jacob, fifty cents besides confirming to him such lands and other property as I have already given him. 8th I give and bequeath unto my sons Jacob, John, Peter, George and William all my lands lying in Montgomery and Bedford Counties in this State, to wit, two lots in Springfield on the waters of the North fork of Roanoke, two acres containing a mill seat just below the lot of aforesaid a small tract joining Brillhart and others, and my share of the Purgatory Creek tract containing by estimate one hundred and forty acres, which my brother Jacob and myself hold in equal partnership in Montgomery, and four lots in Hardenville in Bedford. 9th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Anna's children and my son Jacob's children all the lands I own in Botetourt County in this State, to be equally divided among them from heirs to heirs. 10th I give and bequeath to Anna my daughter and Jacob my son whatever personal property may remain of my estate after paying debts and funeral expenses for the purpose of raising their children viz: to each one according to the number of children, provided always that my daughter Magdalene is to have my sword my walnut chest and my arm chair from and out of the personal property above named. 11th I do hereby nominate and appoint my trusty friend Christian Stout, Mayor to be my Guardian of this my last will and Testament, and my worthy and trust worthy friends Michael Miller, and George Trout Executors of this my last will and

Testament, Lastly. It is my will, that if any of my children or others to whom I have left any thing in this my last will and Testament shall attempt to break this will, they shall have no part in my estate, but the share left to them shall go with the residue of my estate. In witness whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal this 29th day of January 1839

Signed and published in the presence of

Henry A. Edmundson
John B. Logan

Five & 20 if profit fine

At a Court held for the County of Roanoke on the 19th day of September 1843.
The last will & Testament of Frederick Garet Deceased was proven by the oath of H. A. Edmundson & John B. Logan witnesses thereto and is ordered to be Recorded

A Copy Test

Sam^ll. Jeter L.C.

Fowler

I, Thomas Fowler of Botetourt County and State of Virginia, do hereby make my last will and Testament in manner and form following to wit: I desire that all my just debts be paid. Secondly I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife, Mary Fowler, all my lands called my home place and two choice Negro men and two choice Negro women and one Negro boy and all my house hold and kitchen furniture and all my plantation tools and farming utensils also one third part of my stock of horses cattle sheep and hogs also a sufficient provision to support her self and hands and stock one year which property both real and personal, she is to hold and enjoy during her life or widowhood and at her death is to be equally divided between the children of Polly Taylor that she now has or may have, so that they get one half thereof and the other half to my daughter Susanna Boon to her and to her heirs forever I give unto my daughter Polly Taylor all my lands on Black water river that I purchased of Thomas B. Greer also one Negro woman named Jane and her children Elizabeth, Eliza, Ann, and Dorellan also Negro woman Ellender and her child together with there futures increase all of which lands and negroes the said Polly Taylor is to have and enjoy during her life and at her death to be equally divided between her children Lewis, Skilton, James, and Thomas and if the said Polly Taylor should have an other child or children they are to have an equal share with the children that she now has I also give unto my daughter Susanna Boon all the negroes that is in her possession which is five with there futures increase. I give unto my grand son Lewis Taylor Skilton Taylor James Taylor & Thomas Taylor four young negroes that is now in the possession of Polly Taylor and John Boon to wit George, Eliza, with a girl and a boy to be equally divided between them and all the rest of my estate both real and personal that I have not heretofore disposed of shall be equally divided between my daughter Susanna Boon so that she get one half thereof and the other half equally between the children that my daughter Polly Taylor now has or may hereafter have taking into consideration the four negroes that I have given the said Lewis, Skilton, James and Thomas Taylor at what they may be worth when they may rise, them if I should have any money on hand at my death I desire that it may be equally divided between my wife Mary Fowler, Susanna Boon & Polly Taylor my daughters and lastly I appoint John Boon and Moses Greer, Executors to this my last will and Testament. In witness whereof I, Thomas Fowler have hereunto put my hand and seal this

29th day of March 1832

Signed sealed and acknowledged in presence of

Sam^ll. Greer
D. Warner

Thomas Fowler Dec^d

At a Court held for the County of Roanoke on the 19th day of December 1842, the last will & Testament of Thomas Fowler Deceased was proven according to law by the oath of witnesses sworn in Court & it is ordered to be Recorded & the Executors named in the said will, having appeared in Court & refused to take upon themselves the burthen of the execution thereof, on the motion of Moses Greer and Lewis Price who made oath together with John Boon & others their security entered into & acknowledged a bond in the penalty of \$500.00, so conditioned as the law directs, certificate is granted the said M. Greer & Lewis Price for obtaining letters of administration on the said deceased's estate with his will aforesaid annexed in due form.

A Copy Test

Sam^ll. Jeter L.C.

Henry Snider

In the Name of God Amen;

I Henry Snider son of the County of Roanoke and state of Virginia being sick and weak in body but of sound mind and disposing memory (for which I thank God) and calling to mind the uncertainty of human life and being desirous to dispose of my worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with. I give and bequeath the same in manner following that is to say First: I will that all my just debts and funeral expences be paid by my Executors hereafter named out of any money which may be owing to me. 2nd I give to my dearly beloved wife Catherine Snider the East end of the house I now live in embracing one room and a passage on the 1st or floor and two rooms and a passage on the upper floor together with so much of the lot equal to the width of the house back to the lands of Nathaniel Townell together with one half of the kitchen smoke house wall and other out houses on the lot I now live. I also give my wife Catherine one negro woman and her increase named Eliza also one half of my household and kitchen furniture to be selected by herself of such articles as she needs for her comfort. It is my will and desire that my wife should do with the above property what she may please to do and to have the right at her death to dispose of it as she may think proper. I also give to my wife during the term of her natural life two fields of my land lying next to the town of Salem containing about thirty acres. I also give her during her natural life one negro girl named Juda and at her death the above mentioned lands & negro girl Juda are to be sold by my Executors for the benefit of my children hereafter named or their representatives and the proceeds applied as I will direct what I may have then. I also will that my wife should have so much provision as will be sufficient to support her comfortably for twelve months after my death. Item I give to my son Henry Snider for the balance of the house I now live in not before given to my wife as above mentioned being the west end with one room on the lower floor and two rooms on the upper floor with the right and free use of the passage stairs and out doors to pass through. I also give him one half of the out houses before spoken of jointly with my wife to be fully enjoyed and used by both of them share and share alike as they are convenient and well be necessary for their comfort in the use of the property which I hereby give them. I am the 1st I hereby give