

In the name of God Amen I John Fox of  
 the County of Latham in the State of Virginia planter  
 being of perfect health of body and of perfect mind and  
 memory thanks be given unto God for saving unto  
 me the mortality of my body and knowing that  
 it is appointed for all men once to die, do make  
 and ordain this my last Will and Testament, that  
 is to say, Principally and first of all I give and  
 recommend my soul into the hand of Almighty  
 God that gave it, and my body I recommend to  
 the earth, to be buried at the discretion of my friend,  
 nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection,  
 shall incur the same again by the mighty power  
 of God And as touching to my worldly estate  
 that it has pleased God to let me in this life - I  
 give devise and dispose of the same in the following  
 manner and form, that is to say, I give and  
 bequeath to my dearly beloved Cousin of Africa  
 Henry Bonaparte the Estate, whom I likewise  
 constitute, make and appoint the sole Executor  
 of this my last Will and Testament - all and  
 singular my Real and Personal Estate  
 by him freely to be possessed and enjoyed - and I  
 do hereby utterly disallow, Revoke and Disannul  
 all and every other former Testaments, Wills  
 Legacies, Bequests and Executors by me in any  
 ways before named Willed and bequeathed Ratifying  
 and Confirming this and no other to be my

Last.

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Last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Ninety-five. —

Signed, sealed, published  
pronounced and declared  
by the said John Fox, by  
his Last Will and Testament  
in the presence of us, who in  
his presence and in the  
presence of each other have  
hereunto subscribed our names —



Georgia. Before me Edward White Register of  
Probate for the County of Chattooga in the State  
aforesaid appeared John Hamilton Thomas  
Hogg, James White and Benedict Bourguignon  
who being duly sworn on the holy Evangelists  
of Almighty God, saith that they were well  
acquainted with John Fox late of Little Rock  
District planter deceased, in his lifetime  
and with his hand writing and that the  
aforementioned instrument of writing purporting to  
be the last will and testament of him the  
said John Fox deceased bearing date the  
Twenty-fourth day of September 1795 is  
the proper hand writing of him the said  
John Fox deceased, to the best of their  
Belief. —

John Hamilton  
Thos. Hogg  
J. White  
B. Bourguignon.

Done at the 12<sup>th</sup> day  
of June 1797 — }

Edward White  
R. P. C. S.

To the granting of letters testamentary upon the aforesaid Will of John Rose deceased, John Rose esq. for himself & others joint lessors & the deceased by their Lawyer dyed hereto - Whereupon the matter was referred to the Judge of the Superior Court Agreeably to Law. in consequence thereof the Case was Argued before His Honor Judge New, who ordered the said Will established so far as respects the personal estate of the said Testator - and gave the following order to the Register of Probate. -

To Edward White R.O.C.B.

John Morell }  
vs. } on Lavocat.  
Henry Bouguier }

Ordered on Motion of Mr. Day of  
Council with Henry Bouquier - That  
the Will of John Rose and all the papers  
pertaining thereto be referred to the  
Register of probate of this County, and that  
Letters Testamentary issue accordingly.

Extract from the Minutes  
the 21<sup>st</sup> day of October 1797

James Bullock C.S.C.B.

Register of Probate Office  
Chatham County

October 21<sup>st</sup> 1797 - This day qualified  
Henry Bouquier as sole Executor  
of the last Will & Testament of  
the late John Rose deceased