

Reuben Rofs Will

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In the name of God Amen I Reuben Rofs of the County of Ashe & State of North Carolina being in perfect mind & memory thanks given unto God calling unto mind the mortality of my body knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, make & ordain this my last Will & Testament. That is to say, I more especially & first of all I give & recommend my soul to almighty God that gave it & my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian Buriall at the discretion of my Executors. Nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God. And as touching such worldly estate whereunto it has pleased God to bless me in this world I give devise & dispose of the same in the following manner, & first I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Rofs fifty four acres of land during her widowhood part of the tract I now live on Beginning at the north end on a Red oak running south eighty poles to a stake then west 100 poles to a stake then North 80 poles to two white oaks. then East 100 poles to the beginning also one bed & furniture one cow & calf choice of my stock one bay mare called fly which property to be equally divided between my two youngest children at my wifes decease except the land given to my wife which is at her decease or end of her widowhood to be given to my son Washington Troy. also I give & bequeath

to my son John part of two tracts of land supposed to be sixty five acres more or less. on the south side of the North Fork of New River including said John's improvements, unto my son Thomas I give & bequeath a certain piece of land lying on the west side of the old tract part of a new survey beginning on a sugar tree on the bank of the North Fork of New River in the old line running with said line north passing the old corner until it intersects the southernmost line of my Grassy Creek tract then west to a chestnut corner of the new survey near the fork of the mill path, then west 60 poles to a Spanish oak then south 80 poles to a black gum on the north bank of North fork of New River then down the several courses of said river one hundred & seventy poles to a sugar tree Passes old line being the first station unto my son Andrew I give fifty four acres of land being part of the land I live on beginning at the Lynx sprout running north with the old line to a red oak corner then north 32 poles to a chestnut oak then east to a white oak then with the conditional line to a poplar on the north fork of New River then up the river to the beginning also one brown horse colt. unto my son Willborn I give fifty four acres of land being part of the land I live on beginning at the Lynx sprout running west up the north side of the North fork to a lye tree, in the old line then north 80 poles to a Stake.

then one hundred poles to a state then south
Eighty poles to the first station The given up
acres, Also I give to my beloved son Alfred
One hundred acres of land situate on
Grassy Creek waters of New river beginning
at Chestnut Henry Snider's corner running
west to Stoner's corner then north so as to
include 28 acres of my new 220 acre
survey & it is to be understood that if the
said Alfred dies before he arrives of age
Then the said land to belong to Wm Tray
my youngest son.

I also will & bequeath to my beloved
daughter Anna one cow & calf, two
ewes & lambs. also I will to my beloved
daughter Prudence one bed & furniture
two ewes & lambs, unto my beloved
daughter Rebecca I give one flat
wheel one bed & furniture.

It is to be understood that I wish my
young horse retained in my family
at home for the use of my wife and
little ones. unto my beloved daughter
Elizabeth I give four sheep one small
heifer, As respects the balance of my
property not named in this will
& testament, I bequeath it to my
wife & small children for their use
until the children comes of age I
also will to my first children to wit
Lavin Edward, William James Mary
Sary each twenty five cents.

Be it known that I constitute
make & ordain the sole executor of
this my last will & Testament, all
& singular my last messages and
by them fully to be possessed & en-
joyed I do hereby utterly disallow

revoked & disannulled all & every other
former. testament. will & legacy beq-
uest & Executors by me in any will
by me before named will & Testament
In witness where of I have hereunto
set my hand And seal this 8th day
of September in the year of our Lord
1820.

his
Ruben Roff
wrote

signed sealed pronounced & delivered
by the said Ruben Roff as his last
Will & Testament, in the presence of
us who in his presence & in the pres-
ence of each other have hereunto
subscribed our names.

John Baker }
John Baker } Just.
Thos. Baker }
wrote

Gely Toms
1821.