

August 1833.

This 24th day April 1833.

N.B. I do give my wife and bed
to as her own to do with as she thinks
proper
Test Wm Spaww.
Carroll's Spanio.

James H. Fort
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Was duly proven in open Court by the Oath of William Spaww a subscribing
witness thereto and recorded. Benjamin Elliott one of the Clerks there in name
came in to open Court and was duly sworn as such.

January 1834

The last will and Testament of Rachel Hawkins
In the name of God Amen I Rachel Hawkins widow of Robert Hawkins Dead
of the County of Buncombe and State of North Carolina being sick and weak in body
though of sound and perfect mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of human
nature and knowing that all the living must die being desirous to settle and dis-
pose of my worldly treasure which I may be possessed of my death do make ordain and
constitute this my last will and testament First I give my soul to almighty God who
gave it and my body to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Ex-
ecutor And as to the worldly substance with which God hath been pleased to bless me I
give and bequeath in the following manner Whereas my beloved friend Jacob Martin
of the County of Buncombe promises and agrees in case of my decease to adopt my three
children James Marcus, Harriet Jane and Robert into his family and raise and
school them in a decent manner I give and bequeath my Estate or property consist-
ing of five head of Cattle one mare three head of sheep and seven head of hogs and
all my other property or interest except my two beds and household furniture I
direct to be kept by my said Friend Jacob Martin untill my daughter Harriet
Jane shall arrive to the years of discretion in law and then to be delivered over
to her for her use and enjoyment I direct that my worthy friend Jacob Martin
shall have all debts due and owing to me the better to enable him so to raise
and school my said three children as before mutually agreed to and directed
and do further give and bequeath to my said friend Jacob Martin all and every
interest which may be coming to me either real or personal for the purpose
before mentioned I hereby constitute my said friend Jacob Martin my
sole Executor of this my last will and testament In witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 27th day of August 1833
Attest James Dudgeon
Executor qualified 7th of January
1834 in open Court

Rachel ^{pro} Hawkins
in test

N. Carolina, January Session 1834 The foregoing will was duly proven in open
Buncombe County Court by the oath of James Dudgeon a subscribing witness thereto and
ordered to be recorded Buncombe Co. NC Wills 1831 to 1868
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