

William Anderson's Will,

I William Anderson of the County of Brunswick & State of North Carolina being of good health & of sound mind & memory, Thanks be to God, and viewing the uncertainty of life & the certainty of death & believing that in life & health is the time to prepare for death, do this 22 day of February in the year of our Lord one Thousand Eight hundred forty two make publish & declare this my last will & testament as follows, (viz)

1st It is my will & desire that my body should be decently carried, after my death, according to the Custom of the Country, & my soul to God who gave it, is my greatest desire, & then my worldly substance & estate be disposed as herein after mentioned, in the following manner, that is, to my beloved wife Martha, my will & desire is that provided she should outlive me, she shall have all of my household & kitchen furniture, all that belong to my house & kitchen with one year provision for her self & each child that may be with her, to be hold off out of my estate by two disinterested free holders, with my dwelling house & the following piece of land which is to include the house & orchard with the spring &c. Beginning at a Branch east of the spring & marked as a corner by a Black stake, running thence North 78° West 15 poles to a Stake, thence South 7° West 30 poles, then 180 West 40 poles to a Stake, between the meeting house & Big Log, then south the road to the branch that runs down past my house, then up said branch to a point east of the house, then to the Beginning, with all my flock of poultry, all of which shall be at her expense during her natural life & at her death to be sold & divided as herein after directed, It is also my will and desire that she shall have the rents & profits of my farm that is on the South Side of Big Log known as the John Roberts place, with the privilege of fire wood & winter necessary for her support & comfort whenever she may choose to take it on any of my land.

Item 2nd It is my will & desire that all my Stock of horses Cattle & Hogs shall be sold after my death, and the proceeds thereof put out on interest during my wife's lifetime, & that she have the interest arising from the proceeds in her use & disposal so that the same be to her use & benefit.

Item 3rd, I hereby will & bequeath unto my son Albert S. Anderson the following tracts of land after my death, one tract from George W. Anderson to me for one hundred acres, & one from the same to me for Sixty nine acres, & also one tract from Janet Pinner to me for seventy five acres after his mother's death, by his paying to the rest of my Children one thousand dollars to be equally divided

