

sons. It is my will /that respecting the land given to my son David off of the entry before mentioned/ that a straight line shall be run from said pond or beginning so as to strike the aforementioned branch at the mouth of an hollow at the upper side of an old patch on said branch, my meaning is that my son David shall have all the land in said entry on this south side of said branch and east of said line.

In full trust and confidence I do nominate and appoint my son-in-laws John McCaleb and John McCurdy executors to this my last will and testament. Signed and sealed the day and year first written in the presence of

Thos. Carothers.  
William Houston

William McCree

Probated Apr. sess. 1815.

#### Will of George Misenheimer.

In the name of God, Amen. I, George Misenheimer, Senior, of Cabarrus County, North Carolina, being weak in body and loe in health but of perfect mind and memory/ Blessed be God/ do this 5th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-two, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, in manner following that is to say-

1st- It is my wish after my decease that my body should be put to the earth from whence it was taken in a decent Christian burial, the expenses to be paid out of my estate by my executors.

2nd- It is my wish that all my just debts should be paid out of my estate by my executors.

3rd- I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Sarah, my plantation whereon I now live during her lifetime or while she keeps my name together with all such personal property as she wants to keep. If she should marry again after my decease all the property real and personal shall fall back to my children and sold by my executors at public vendue and the money arising out of the sale shall be equally divided amongst all my children.

4th- It is my desire that all such property as my beloved wife, Sarah, does not want to keep after my decease for her own use shall be sold at public vendue to the highest bidder by my executors and the money arising out of such sales shall be equally divided amongst all my children and likewise all my notes and money if any left, accounts of any descriptions which I may leave at my death shall be equally divided amongst all my children share and share alike.

5th- It is my desire that after my wifes death, Sarah, or her marriage that my plantation where I have given her together with all such personal property or she may keep of mine after my death should be sold at public vendue to the highest bidder by my executors and the money arising out of the sale shall be equally divided amongst all my children.

And lastly I make and ordain my beloved sons, Jacob and George Mosen-

heimer, executors of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have signed, sealed published declared this my last will and testament, In the presence of us who saw him sign.

C. Melshor  
John F. Dry.

George Misenheimer seal

Probated July sess. 1824.

#### Will of Seth Hudson.

Under a due sense of mortality, I Seth Hudson of the county of Cabarrus and State of North Carolina, do, this nineteenth day of May eighteen hundred and twenty make this my last will and testament.

I will to my wife, Fanny, all my estate during life or widowhood under the following restrictions.

It is my will that my estate real and personal shall be equally divided amongst sons and daughters at the decease or marriage of my wife Fanny.

It is my will that my wife Fanny may divide with my children in part of their dividend as they may severally need or come of legal age.

In full trust and confidence I do appoint my wife, Fanny sole executor to this my will and testament.

Signed and sealed the day and year first written in presence of us.

William Houston  
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his  
Seth Hudson seal  
mark

Probated April sess. 1822

#### Will of John Hall

In the name of God, Amen. I, John Hall of the state of North Carolina and county of Cabarrus being now in a perfect and sound state of mind and calling to mind the uncertainty of this transitory life I do here make this my last will and testament. First I recommend my soul to God who gave it and my body to be buried in a decent and Christianable manner.

2nd- As touching such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with, I will dispose of the same in the following manner.

1st- I will all my just debts to be paid out of my estate.

2nd- I will all that tract of land whereon I now live reserving the maintenance of my beloved wife, Mary, and my two daughters, Esther and Margeret to my son, John Hall, also a bed with its furniture and all my farming utensils I also will to him my cross cut saw and all my carpenter tools also I further will to my son, John Hall all the crop which may be raising or raised on my farm at the time of my decease excepting the maintenance of my wife and two daughters as above mentioned also I further more will to my son John the half of my stock of hogs which is marked with a crop off the right and a hole in t

the left also two year old steer black and white also a yearling brinnel steer marked as above mentioned.

3rd- I will to my beloved wife, Mary her maintenance off my land also I will to her two beds with their furniture and a large pennal walnut chest, also a side saddle and a spinning wheel a check reel and a sett of spools, and a pair of fire irons also a cow and calf, the cow is white and red with a yearling heifer also I further will her all my stock of sheep except one ewe and lamb, also the half of my stock of hogs all marked with the aforesaid mark. I further will to her the half of my flock of geese also my dresser and half of the dresser furniture and half of the kitchen furniture also half dozen chairs.

4th- I will to my daughter, Esther Hall, her maintenance of my land, also two beds with their furnituere and a walnut bureau a side saddle and bridle, also a spinning wheel and the half of my dresser and kitchen furniture also a three year old heifer, yellow and white also the half of my flock of geese also I further will to her all that part of property which I lent to my daughter Elizabeth Benson and my son-in-law, Thomas B. Benson which consists of two beds with their furniture also a walnut bureau and a side saddle a spinning wheel and a large pot and dresser furniture which consists of a half dozen delf plates and a half dozen of tea cups and saucers a large Japan server and a half dozen of white mugs a gilt sugar canister and also the price of a bay mare which I lent to my daughter Elizabeth Benson and to my son-in-law Thomas B. Benson which they sold for a price and I caused it to be collected for me the price of said mare, out of which price I will eighty dollars to my daughter, Esther.

5th- I will to my daughter, Elizabeth Benson and my son-in-law, Thomas B. Benson the above excepted ewe and lamb out of my flock of sheep.

6th- I will to my son, Hugh Hall, one bed and furniture also two hundred and fifty seven dollars which he has received of me.

7th- I will to my daughter, Margeret Her Maintenance of my land.

8th- All my property on my premises not here to fore mentioned or devised I consider to be my son Johns own property. I will that my son John be my executor in this my last will and testament.

Note. That if my daughter, Esther should marry she shall have no further maintenance of the land above mentioned.

Signed and sealed this 28th day of Sept. 1821  
in the presence of  
David Luckey  
Greeniss Hall

Probated Oct. sess. 1821.

Will of Robert Hope.

In the name of God, Amen. This thirteenth of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eight- I, Robert Hope, of the county of Cabarrus and State of North Carolina being ~~in~~ a sick and low condition of body

but of sound mind and memory, Blessed be God, and being apprehensive that my dissolution may be drawing nigh I do hereby make and ordain this my last will and testament in the manner and form following, viz- First I recommend my soul to God who gave it and my body to the earth to be interred in a decent and Christian manner at the discretion of my executors and as touching such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless me in this life I will and dispose of it in the following manner, viz- all my just debts and funeral expenses to be fully paid.

And to Catherine Hope, my beloved wife, I will and bequeath during her natural life the use of ~~the~~ old track of land I live on except as hereafter willed to my son, Abner Hope and John Hope and also I will to her use all my negroes except Bine, during her natural life for her support and I also will and bequeath to her disposal three of her choice of the horse creatures and the onehalf of the cow creatures after taking out two for beef and all my stock of hogs and sheep and poultry and all my grain and hay and crop in the ground of every sort and the large wagon and gears and the stage wagon and gears and all the farming tools and smith tools and all the household and kitchen furniture and bedding and her wearing aparel and saddle and bridle and all my books and wearing aparel except as will be hereafter willed.

2nd- To my son, James Hope after what I have already gave off to him, I will and bequeath to him my best suit of clothes and new great coat.

3rd- To my daughter Margeret Alexander, I bequeath all that I have already gave off to her.

4th- To my son, Abner Hope, I will and bequeath one hundred acres of land off my old track that I live on, on the east side of Clarks Crick to be divided off to him, beginning at a hickory at the red bank of said crick and running thence to a hickory on Josiah Gilmores line, thence with said line to take in the improvements where said Abner Hope lives and to enclose said one hundred acres of land also four acres of the best meadow land on my old track joining James Allisons land and land enough for a raod to the same, and all other property that I have already gave off to him.

5th- To my son Alison Hope I will and bequeath all <sup>that</sup> tract of land I purchased from James Doherty on Astins /Ashton/ run and all the other property that I have already gave off to him.

6th- To my daughter Catherine Crawford I will and bequeath all that I have already gave off to her.

7th- To my son Thomas Hope I will and bequeath all that tract of land I purchased from Moses Meek and also all that he has already got given off to him.

8th- To my son John Hope, I will and bequeath all that tract of land I purchased from William Houston and all that part of the old tract that I live on, on the sid of the branch next that tract running down said branch to Clarks Crick and down sd crick as far as my land goes and the horse creatures