

of five dollars to be paid to her by my executors. Item - I give and devise to Matilda Jane Walker, Jemima Ann, Matthew Robert, Elijah William and John Christopher Sebastian children of my daughter Mary Ann Sebastian wife of Elijah Sebastian the sum of five dollars to be paid by my executrix their father Elijah Sebastian.

Item - I give and devise to my beloved wife Jemima Mason all of my lands in Carter County, all of my negroes and their increase, namely Esther, Famer, Alexander, John, Am Curtis and Mary, my entire stock of horses, cattle and sheep, and hogs, all my carts, wagons, buggy and harness - all my farming implements such as ploughs, hoes, axes, spades, shovels, forks of every description, all of my household and kitchen furniture of every kind, my stock of bees and honey, all of my crop, harvested and growing at the time of my death, all provisions that shall be on hand at my death - also my Geese and all kinds of poultry - all notes and accounts that may be due me at my death. To have and to hold, but of sound and disposing mind and memory to her the said Jemima Mason, her heirs and assigns in fee simple forever.

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife Jemima Mason my lawful executrix, to all intents and purposes, to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same in every part and clause thereof.

In witness whereof I the said Matthew Mason do unto it my hand and seal this 19th day of October A.D. 1862 signed & sealed in presence of us

Philip Koone
George Wood Koone

North Carolina Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
Carter County February Term A.D. 1862.

The foregoing paper writing, purporting to be last will and testament of Matthew Mason deceased, is exhibited for probate in open Court, Jemima Mason, the executrix therein named, & the due execution thereof, by the said Matthew Mason, is proved by the oaths and examination Philip Koone and George Wood Koone, the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore ordered by the Court, that the said paper writing and every part thereof, is the last will and testament of said Matthew Mason, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed. And whereupon the said Jemima Mason, Executrix as aforesaid, duly qualified such, by taking the oath required by law.

Jno. Rumley C.C.

I, Arson Shadwick of the County of Carter and State of North Carolina, being sick and infirm of body but of sound and disposing mind and memory to her the said Jemima Mason, her heirs and assigns in fee simple forever.

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint, in manner and form following, that is to say, my executors hereinafter named, shall provide for my body a decent burial, suitable to the uses of my relations and friends, and pay all funeral expenses, together with my just debts howsoever to whomsoever owing, out of the money that may first come into their hands as a part or parcel of my estate. —

My will and desire is that all my estate real and personal, consisting of the house

and land wherein I now live, together with the personal representation forever. I bought of Zion F. Mackins, and the improvements thereon, all my slaves, stock of all kinds, household furniture, boat, buggy &c. &c. remain the possession of my beloved wife Elizabeth, to be used by her at her discretion for her support & maintenance, during her natural life, and upon her death my will and desire is that it be left

of as follows, to wit: Item, I give and devise to my son Anson Chadruck, the house and land on the Trails that I now dwell, with all the improvements thereon of Zion F. Mackins as a deed from said husband to myself bearing date the 5th. day of October A.D. 1861. will make more fully appear. Also one negro woman slave named Sylvia (which

with the advancements heretofore made by me he will make him a fair and equitable distribution, according to the value of my personal estate to be his and at his disposal, absolutely free of my estate (if any) after the death of my wife; Item, I give and devise to my daughter Emily the taking out the aforesaid slaves and legacies, a right to one half of the house and land which shall be equally divided among all my children, I now live to secure to her a home as long as she remains single: but should she marry, a division of my estate (if any) after the death of my wife, My will and desire is that all the residue to be his and at his disposal, absolutely free of my estate (if any) after the death of my wife;

Item, I give and devise to my said daughter Emily two sons Sarah and Samuel, and my sons in law Richard Leffers & George W. Gaskill, my lawful negro girl to be hers and at her disposal absolutely executors to all intents and purposes to execute this will and testament, according to the true intent and meaning thereof, hereby revoking and Item, I give and devise to my daughter Mary declar ing utterly void all other wills and testaments wife of Richard Leffers, one negro girl named

Mimosa with her increase, also of my negro girl Julia should have another child, I give and direct do hereunto set my hand and seal this the said child to my said daughter Mary S. sixteenth day of December A.D. 1861.

also one bed, bedstead and furniture, to her

Item. I give and devise to my daughter Sarah J. Gaskill, one negro woman named Julia, with her increase (except the child hereinbefore mentioned that I have given to my daughter Mary) Also a negro boy (child of said Julia) named Frederick, also one bed, bedstead and furniture to her and her personal representatives forever.

Item. I give and devise to my son Samuel, at death of his mother, the house and land wherein I now dwell, with all the improvements thereon excepting the right hereinbefore devised to my daughter Emily as long as she lives or remains single, or during her single life) Also one negro man named Donum, also one bed, bedstead and furniture, to him and his personal representatives forever.

Item. My will and desire is that all the residue to be his and at his disposal, absolutely free of my estate (if any) after the death of my wife; Item, I give and devise to my daughter Emily the taking out the aforesaid slaves and legacies, a right to one half of the house and land which shall be equally divided among all my children, I now live to secure to her a home as long as she remains single: but should she marry, a division of my estate (if any) after the death of my wife,

it is to go to my son Anson as herein after provided. And lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint I also give and devise to my said daughter Emily two sons Sarah and Samuel, and my sons in law Richard Leffers & George W. Gaskill, my lawful negro girl to be hers and at her disposal absolutely executors to all intents and purposes to execute this will and testament, according to the true intent and meaning thereof, hereby revoking and Item, I give and devise to my daughter Mary declar ing utterly void all other wills and testaments wife of Richard Leffers, one negro girl named

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Anson Chadruck. - Seal

Signed, sealed, published and declared by
Anson Chadwick to be his last will and testament
presence of us, who at his request, and in his power
to subscribe our names thereto.

The word Emeline, in the 25th line of the first page
interlined before signed.

Samuel Leffers.

Alfred H. Chadwick

North Carolina 3 Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Chatham County, 3 February Term A.D. 1862.

The foregoing paper writing, purporting
to be the last will and testament of Anson Chadwick deceased, is exhibited for probate in
Court by Richard Leffers, one of the executors
named, and the due execution thereof, by the
Anson Chadwick, is pronounced by the oaths and
affirmation of Samuel Leffers and Alfred H.
Chadwick, the subscribing witnesses thereto.

It is therefore considered by the court, that
said paper writing, and every part thereof,
is the last will and testament of the said Anson
Chadwick, and the same is ordered to be
recorded and filed. Richard Leffers
executor as aforesaid, qualifies as such
Taking the oath required by law.

Jas. Rumley C.C. in Jane Clegg fifty cents.

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Burton ^{by} Hardesty, being in sound and perfect
mind and memory (blessed be God) do this the 12th day
of April in the year of Our Lord 1861 make and
publish this my last will and testament, in the manner
following, that is to say, I take this opportunity
of dividing my property which God hath blessed
me with among my children in the following
manner viz:

1st. I give and bequeath to my son Joseph
Hardesty, the land where he now lives which I have
given him a deed for. I also give a tract on Good
luck called the Jonas Land containing two hundred
and acres and also my new patent on the
land of Oyster Creek adjoining the lands of
my son-in-law Harry Howell, containing fifty acres to him and
his heirs.

2nd. I give and bequeath to my son-in-law
Nathan Stanton one negro woman named Dry
and all her children during his lifetime which is
now in his possession. And then at his death
my grand children viz: Mr. P. Stanton, Bur-
rington, Nathan, Joseph D. Stanton, Mary F. Stanton,
Robert B. Stanton and Jonathan Stanton Jr.

to Benjamin F. Stanton fifty cents and the
rest to Jane Clegg fifty cents.

I also bequest that the negro girl Sharlet be
left to my grand daughter Mary F. Stanton on the
day of her marriage, and the balance of said ne-
gro to be equally divided among the above named
and their increase from this date all except Benja-
min F. Stanton and Jane Clegg's heirs which I give
fifty cents each to them and their heirs forever.

3d. I give and bequeath to my son Micajah
only one negro woman named Renda and her