

In the name of god Amen.

I Samuel Maulden in the County of Eastern in the State of North Carolina, Being weak in Body but in perfect mind and meaning thanks Be to god Calling out Mind the mortality of my body and knowing that I am appointed for all men once to Die, Do make testament and ordain this my Last will and Testament in manner and form as follows - first I Commit my soul into the hands of the almighty god who gave it to me, and my Body I recommend to the Earth to be Buried in Decent Christian Like manner 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 who gave it to me, and as touching my worldly Estate wherewith God hath blessed me with in this life I give and Dispose of as follows After paying all my Lawful Debts. -

I Give unto my Beloved Wife Mary Maulden, during her widowhood Thirty Acres of Land and the manner here of the plantation until the year Eighteen hundred when she to have the use of all the utensils in the house until the Expiration of the said time, Likewise she is and it is my Desire for her to have all my stock of every kind until the Expiration of the above Term of years.

I Give and bequit to my Loving Wife Best Bed in the house with Bedstead and Furniture thereunto belong.

I Give and bequit to my son Joseph forty nine Acres of Land and in Case of his mother Death before the year Eighteen hundred he is to enjoy her part of the Land with Land Lyes to the Eastward andward of Mulberry Branch Beginning at a pine Daniel Willistons Line and running Eastward to Samuel Kestons Line.

I Give to my Son-in-law Christopher Howling until the year Eighteen hundred, Eighty nine Acres of Land which belongs to my son Peter after the year Eighteen hundred which Land is to be peaceably given up to him after the above mentioned term and the above mentioned Howling is not to Rent Leave or give Liberty to any person to pilage or Cut wood thereon which Land Lyes as follows running from the above mentioned pine Willistons line to a gum in Mulberry Branch and running said line to a pine near the head of Mulberry Branch in the Eastward side of said Branch, from thence to a pine, to the Eastward and

around of Brimley Branch from said pine running corner of the manner then to three marker pines standing pretty close together and from the three surveying pines to my son-in-law.

I Give the remaining part of my Land I give to my Son-in-law Christopher Howling which is Eighty nine Acres.

and in Case of the Death of my son Peter before he comes of age his part of the Land is to be legally Divided between my sons Joseph Maulden and Christopher Howling.

I Give to my Daughter Keran her share the second best Bed in the house with such furniture as my wife things proper for her use and Lamps one hair comb box.

I Give and bequit to my Daughter Elizabeth Bentley one bed named Molly and her trunks.

it is my Desire in Case of the Death of my son Joseph and Peter before the should come of age that their part of the Land should be Equally Divided between my two Daughters Elizabeth and Keran her share or in Case of their Deaths within ten years that their Land given by me should return to my two Daughters.

and Lastly I do appoint my trusty and well beloved friends Gabriel John Fulford and Daniel Williston to be Executors to this will.

and I do hereby utterly Disclaim Revocable and disannul all other former wills testaments or legacies made by me in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this twelfth day of August one thousand seven hundred and ninety one

Sealed and Delivered

in the presence of

John Williston

Enoch Williston

Stephen Howland.

his
Samuel Maulden (Seal)
man

Proved by E. Killikin & T. Howland &
Joh. Fulford qualified as executors

I Permit L.L.K.