

196 In the Name of God Amen Elizabeth Brantly of
North Carolina Chatham County being of sound and perfect
Mind and Memory blessed be God do this 3rd day of November in
the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
twenty Seven (1827) Make and publish this my last will
and testament in Manner following that is to say First
I give and bequeath to my beloved son James Brantly my
Mill with all the appurtenances with his dues of land begin-
ing at the lower end of the Old Field where the Mill path
crosses and running with the River to a walnut tree above
the dam including the land said land and mill with gear down
the River to the first Station Secondly I give and bequeath to
my son Edward Brantly James Brantly and my daughter Hannah
Burns Polly Burns Celsy Brantly heirs of Georgia Eliza
Brantly heirs of Georgia Sarah Justice of the State of Georgia
Barbara Diction of Alabama and Eliza Harrington All
the balance of my property Not hereinafter herein mentioned
to be sold on a Credit of twelve Months my lands to-
gether with all Not hereafter mentioned and to be equally
divided share and share alike and I hereby make
and Ordain my worthy son James Brantly executor of
this my last will and Testament in witness
whereof I the said Elizabeth Brantly have to this my last
will and Testament. It May hand and seal the year
and day herein written Signed sealed and published
and declared by the said Elizabeth Brantly
Brantly the Testator as has last will and
and Testament in the presence of us who
were present at the time of sealing
Levy Shaleng Shaleng
John Smith Mary Anna Bridges

Chatham County North Carolina lasteth month twelve last and the year
eight hundred and twenty three - The following is my last Will and
Testament 1st I appoint my son Tomie Diction to execute this my
Will, directing him to pay all my last accounts -
2nd My wife Sarah having expressed her last just desires for dower with
about of land on Little Rock Creek the quantity of two hundred acres which
she is sole heir of by her Testament - But with the prospect of
undergoing her Condition more comfortable & easy I give her during
her life the full privilege of all my Possessions which I now hold
the Spring, Richards - her choice of a Horse & Carriage, her bed and
bed clothes, my two wheel riding Carriage & harness, and one thousand
to dispose of at discretion with liberty of taking for fuel & repairing
when at her choice on the East end of my tract of land containing said farm
& the maintenance thereof also that she have the use of her riding horse & vehicle
in that situation & my black large Bulls & cow at ease may be found after
discharging the necessary expenses of the said things on board (said
board not to be maintained) which is for the use of the family, namely
Sophie & John who are to live with her, if she and they all choose
I also give her my slaves for the use of said family
3rd I give to my sons Joel & Silas & daughter Edith Puckett & the
two children of George & William Puckett each one dollar
& said Edith abovesaid entitled to said Dictionary
4th I give to my son Tomie Diction his heirs & assigns for ever the west
end of the tract of land I now live on within the bounds as follows
Beginning on the North East corner of said tract at a post Oak my own
and Lewis Jones's corner & running East along said Jones's line one
hundred & six poles to a Spanish Oak, thence South one hundred
and twelve poles to a Spanish Oak, thence East six degrees North
thirty eight poles to a stand Gum in the corner of an Old field, thence
South Six degrees East Sixty seven poles to a Spanish Oak on
Johnsons line thence West one hundred & fifty seven poles to a
Belt on an original corner of my tract thence North along
the woods line one hundred & thirty seven poles to the beginning
North