

return my Negro Girl by name by selling into my family in 1815 before divided, and Elizabeth Lyman on a Princy Alley, also the thing of a Viney Mill to have one share equally divided between them. That is to say her proportionable share to divide share and share alike among them; And last of all leave my beloved wife Elizabeth and John Sawyer Executors to this my last Will and Testament; in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and my seal this fourth day of April 1815

Signa in presence of

William Stiles

Benjamin Westray

Seal

Given February Term 1817

by William Stiles

I, Christian Staley of Chatham County in North Carolina do make and publish this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me made. I give unto my Wife Margaret Staley all my Land to her sole use and benefit as long as she shall remain my Widow also I give unto her all my personal property for the term length of two or so much thereof as she may think proper to keep, the balance of any to be sold under the direction of my Executors and sent to my three equally and at the death of my Wife or expiration of her widowhood my personal property to be sold, & the money arising therefrom to be equally divided amongst my three sons namely John, George and Peter Staley also my Land to be divided between them as follows; my son John to have the tract he

now lives on, and him to pay unto each of his brothers by the time his Brother Peter shall arrive to the age twenty one years Eighty Two Dollars in consequence of the Superior value of his Land and a share that I give him. The tract that I now live on to be equally divided between my other two sons George and Peter; And in all other respects my three sons to share equal as to my estate. I constitute and appoint my trusty Friends Joseph Brummett & John Ferguson Senr my executors to this my last Will and Testament. In testimony whereof I Christian Staley the said Testator have signed, published and declared the foregoing to be my last Will and Testament while in perfect sound mind and memory at the place of Chatham County 1817. Witness my hand and seal

In the presence of Christian Staley
 John Staley
 Abraham Staley
 given May 1817 by Christian Staley

In the name of God amen. I Frances Stone of Chatham County in State of North Carolina being weak in Body but of perfect sense and memory I give hereby my last Will and Testament, and desire it may be received by all as such. In this place I commit my soul to God who gave it me and my body to the earth to be buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named. And my worldly estate unto him and God to supply me with. I give and dispose of

289 in manner and form following. My desire is that all
I will be paid first; then I lend to my loving wife
from all my estate real and personal during her natural
life or widowhood and after her decease or marriage
anyhow of it as follows. I give to my son William
Five Shillings Sterl. and no more of my estate forever. I
give and bequeath unto my son John Stone one Hunnion
Thirty acres of Land lying on a Creek called Lane tree
I leave off to him and his heirs forever. I give unto my
son Francis Stone that Tract of Land called the Datum
and also the place whereon I now live and a Negro Boy by
name Arthur to him and his heirs forever. I give to
my Daughter Peggy Byrnes three Negroes by names
Ben and Renee during her natural life and after her
decease to the Heir of her Body lawfully begotten
I will want of such Heir to return to my Family again.
I give to my Daughter Hesterine Brewer by
her Nancy and children to her & the Heir of her Body
and lawfully begotten forever. And if she die without such
Heir they are by my desire to return to my Family their Heir
forever. I give unto my Son-in-law George Abner Stone
the Hunnion & Colours out of my estate forever. I give
unto my daughter Nancy Green Stone one Negro by name
Killy to her and the Heir of her Body lawfully begotten
forever. And for want of such Heir to return to my son
John Stone and his Heir forever. I give unto my grand
son Francis Green Byrnes one Horse out of my estate forever.
I give unto my Grandson George Abner Byrnes

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Just debts be paid first; then I leave to my loving Wife Anne
None all my estate Real and personal during her natural
life or widowhood and after her decease in marriage. I
desire of it as follows. Item. I give to my son William Stone
Five Shillings Real. and no more of my estate for ever. Item. I
give and bequeath unto my son John Stone One Virginea and
Thirty acres of Land lying on a Creek called Lane tree already
laid off to him and his heirs for ever. Item. I give unto my
son Francis Stone that Tract of Land called the Saturn piece
and also the place whereon I now live and a Negro Boy by
name Arthur to him and his heirs for ever. Item. I leave unto
my Daughter Peggy Byrnes Three Negroes by name Rachel
Ben and Anne during her natural life and after her
decease to the Heirs of her Body lawfully begotten for ever.
My want of such Heirs to return to my Family again.
Item. I leave to my Daughter Rutharine Brewer by name
Loe, Nancy and Abigail to her & the Heirs of her Body
and lawfully begotten for ever. And if she die without such
Heirs they are by my desire to return to my Family & their heirs
for ever. I give unto my Grand daughter Mary Abner Stone
One Virginea & Dollars out of my estate for ever. Item. I give
unto my daughter Nancy Green Stone One Negro by name
Lilly to her and the Heirs of her Body lawfully begotten
for ever. And for want of such Heirs to return to my son
John Stone and his heirs for ever. Item. I give unto my grand
son Francis Cyrus Byrnes One Horse out of my estate for ever.
Item. I give unto my Grandson George Abner Byrnes

Twenty five Dollars now in his Father's hands due me. I am
 My desire is that my stock of Cattle Hogs Sheep &c. shall
 be equally divided between my three grand Daughters, Emily
 Abner Stone, Emily Green Stone and Sally Washington
 Stone Grand. Also I give unto my son Francis Stone one
 Negro by name Sampson, to dispose of as he pleases and
 also the Waggons and Gear with all the Farming Utensils
 I own. Further my desire is that my Household Furniture
 be equally divided between two Daughters Peggy
 Nynum and Katherine Brown equally to them Grand
 Lastly I nominate and appoint my loving Wife Anne Stone
 my son John Stone and my son Francis Stone Executors of
 this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I
 have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Twenty fourth day
 of February. One thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

Witness
 William Dixie
 William Halley
 Pauline Halley
 Abner Halley

Francis Stone 
 Proved at Day Term 1817 by
 William Halley, John Halley

I William Roper of Chatham County and State of North
 Carolina being sick and weak in body, but of perfect mind
 and memory do make this my last Will and Testament in
 manner and form following. First. It is my Will that all
 my Just debts should be paid. Secondly. I give and bequeath
 to Marion Lamb one Hopper & fifty acres of Land with the
 improvement thereon where she now lives to have the hold