

in the name of god amen, I James Jones of the County of
Buckingham and State North Carolina being of sound mind and
memory, but laboring under bodily affection and knowing
the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death do
make and ordain, constitute and declare this my last will and
Testament as follows

First I leave to my beloved wife Rebekah Jones the use of the
tract of land whereon I now live, containing about one hundred
and thirty six acres, the part I have cultivated for my particular
use for some years past including the wood land on the said tract
of said tract, also a negro man by the name of Peter also a negro
woman by the name of Dolly and her increase together with all
the money due me or in my possession at my decease, including
all farming utensils household and kitchen furniture waggon
and Blacksmith tools together with all grain and provision
of every description on hand at my decease also the
stock of horses, cattle, sheep and hogs in my possession
at my decease, the aforesaid named property I leave as
aforesaid to my beloved wife during her natural life
for her use and benefit and for her support and maintenance
until her death.

Secondly, I give and bequeath to my son Wiley Jones for the love
and affection I bear for him after my decease the following
property, viz one hundred acres of land the balance of the tract
whereon I live on the waters rocky river being the place of his
residence at this time, together with all appurtenances thereto
belonging, also a negro man by the name of Peter also a negro
man by the name of Randy.

After the decease of my wife Rebekah Jones I give and bequeath
to my son Wiley Jones the following property viz the tract of land
whereon I live containing about one hundred and thirty six
acres, also a negro man by the name of Peter also a negro woman
by the name of Dolly together with such increase as she may
after this time, also one half of the hogs belonging to said
plantation, also all stock of cattle sheep and horses not
otherwise disposed of remaining on hand, also all farming

utensils, wagon, Blacksmith tools grain moccasons &c.
Thirty I give and bequeath to my daughter Betsy Estlin
Deming for the love and affection I have for her the following
property, viz after my decease I devise to her the sum of twenty
dollars to be paid out of any money belonging to my estate not
otherwise appropriated, after the decease of my wife Rebekah
Jones, I bequeath one half of the stock of hogs to Betsy & Deming;
if the aforesaid Betsy & Deming have another heir during
life the same shall share with other children in the
property left them, share and share alike with the
exception of a sum of one hundred acres of land devised to
James W. Deming on the west side of said tract also one slave
of negro man Ephraim I also devise to Betsy & Deming, after
the decease of my wife Rebekah Jones one half of the bed and
furniture not otherwise disposed of in my will belonging
to my place of residence on Rocky River.

Forthly I give and bequeath to my granddaughter Sally
Menick Deming sixty acres of land lying on the east side
of the tract I bought of Peter & Smith on the waters of Dick
 Creek to be taken in a square from the north east corner of
said tract of land, also to the said Sally Menick Deming
a horse named Buck, together with one bed and furniture
also one fourth part of the Household and kitchen furniture
belonging on the aforesaid premises excepted at this time by
Fisher & Deming also one fourth the above devise is for the
love and affection I have for her, also one side saddle
one cow and calf including an equal share of all the
provisions and grain on hand at my decease.

Fifthly I give and bequeath to Eliza Jones Deming
immediately after my decease to be for her benefit a negro
boy named Minnow also one bed and furniture one
half of the household and kitchen furniture after the
decease of my wife Rebekah Jones also one hundred dollars
to be paid as herein after named by Betsy & Deming

as trustee for her children, Sally, Eliza and James —
whereafter the decease of my wife Rebekah Jones one hundred
thousand Dollars to Eliza & Dennis Dening for the loss and
affection I have for her

Ninethly I give and bequeath to my grandson James Winchester
Dening for the loss and affection I have for him the tenth
of the aforesaid tract of land on the waters of Tick creek
containing about one hundred and ninety acres together
with all appurtenances therunto belonging all the stock
of cattle sheep and hogs not otherwise disposed of in my
will the farming utensils and property of every description
not otherwise devised also give to the said James W Dening
a negro man by the name of Ephraim and a negro girl
by the name of Mary ^{also} ~~also~~ half of all the household
and kitchen furniture on or belonging to said plantation
on Tick creek on the waters thereof also one third part of
all the grain and provisions of kind on hand at my decease
on the said place

Tenthly I give and bequeath to my granddaughter Betsy
Emptree Jones a negro girl by the name of Melinda also one
half of the kitchen furniture and bidding utensils on bed
and furniture one cow and calf and one side saddle

Eighthly I do hereby constitute appoint declare and confirm
Betsy Weston Dening as Trustee to take the property
of her children viz Sally, Merrick Eliza Jones and
James Winchester Dening into her care and keeping
as Trustee for the same after my decease, with proper
ties will as devised by me then become subject to the
benefit of said children and thereby authorise her to
dispose of the profits of said property for their benefit in
raising schooling maintaining said children and paying
all such expenses ^{as} she may deem expedient for their

benefit before they come of age and further appoint
Belsey & Denning to dispose of any man by the name of
James and ~~one~~ ^{one} hundred dollars of the money to the
use of Eliza Jones Denning when she becomes of age, the residue
to be applied to a debt I owe my father Edmund Jones, also
authorise Belsey & Milton Denning to dispose of as much forth
payment of a sum aforesaid debt due Edmund Jones, the tract
of land wherein I formerly lived on the waters of Coopers Creek
and apply the receipts to the same.

Thirdly I bear the negroes at my plantation on Tick Creek
to be disposed of as follows to be put in a lot and drawn
for when the children of Belsey & Denning become of
age each to draw an equal part provided she shall
have more heirs all shall have an equal part share
and share alike. The shares if no more heirs will be
Sally Winchester Denning Eliza Jones Denning and
James Winchester Denning. The negroes to be drawn
will be as follows Lucy and all her increase after this
day Cynthia Jackson, William at this time and all
increase after until drawn.

Fourthly I hereby make known that it is my will and
pleasure that my property be not exposed to public
sale after my decease but that amicable settlement
take place in the division of the same agreeable to
the true intent and meaning of this my last will and
testament In witness whereof I have set my hand and
sealed this 27 Day of October Anno Domini 1832

Signed sealed and declared ^{inland} James Jones ^{his} ^{hand}
in presence of us who were present at
the publishing by the testator James Jones, a his ~~old~~ last will and
testament revoking all wills of a former date by him made
Test Abram Headley ^{his} ^{hand}
Stokes Edwards ^{his} ^{hand}

The word bear in the first section has been ~~bear~~ ^{be}
altered in a small ^{de} sign before signing to read bear
third line from the bottom the same ^{de} section reads
erased out, also release Belsey Milton Denning from the
sale of the property, ^{which was} before ^{written} ^{him} and leave my
instructions to sell and apply the money to the use aforesaid
expressly to Belsey & Denning to apply
Code 11.

I hereby make and ordain my own Will, Jones as witness
of this my last will and testament for witness whereof I the said
James Jones bear to this my last will and testament set my
hand and seal the day and year above written
Signed sealed Published
I Declared by the said James Jones
in presence of us who were present
at the signing and ^{dating} ⁺ thereof
Test Abram Headley ^{his} ^{hand}
Stokes Edwards ^{his} ^{hand} ^{Placed}
James Jones ^{his} ^{hand}

The foregoing last will and testament of James Jones deceased
was duly proven in open Court at Newbern on the 27th November A.D. 1832
by the oaths Abram Headley ^{his} ^{hand} ^{Sworn} ^{before} ^{the} ^{Judge} ^{and}
and ordered to be recorded whereupon Nancy Jones the
executrix thereon named appeared in open Court and
was duly qualified.

benefit before they come of age and further appoint
Belsey & Denning to dispose of negro man by the name of
James and ~~one~~ hundred dollars of the money to the
use of Eliza Jones Denning when she becomes of age, the residue
to be applied to a debt I owe my father Edmund Jones, also
authorise Belsey & Denning to dispose of as trustee for the
payment of a the aforesaid debt due Edmund Jones, the tract
of land wherein I formerly had on the waters of Love's Creek
and apply the receipt to the same.

Ninthly I leave the negroes at my plantation on Love's Creek
to be disposed of as follows to be put in a lot and drawed
for when the children of Belsey & Denning become of
age each to draw an equal part provided she shall
have more heirs all shall have an equal part share
and share alike. The shares if no more heirs will be
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Teneth I hereby make known that it is my will and
pleasure that my property be not exposed to public
sale after my decease but that amicable settlement
take place in the division of the same agreeable to
the true intent and meaning of this my last will and
testament In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and
seal this 27 Day of October Anno Domini 1832

Signed sealed and delivered
in presence of us who were present at
the publishing by the testator James Jones as his ~~last~~ last will and
testament revoking all wills of a former date by him made
Test Abram Headley
Stokes Edwards

The word Sealed in the first section has been altered in a small square before signing so to read Sealed
third line from the bottom the same ²⁴⁴ section release
wiped out, also release Belsey & Denning from their
sale of the property heretofore ^{written out} named and leave my
myself to sell and apply the money to the use aforesaid
expressly to Belsey & Denning to apply

both etc.

I hereby make and ordain my son Wiley Jones as executor
of this my last will and testament for witness whereof I the said
James Jones bear to this my last will and testament set my
hand and seal the day and year above written

Signed sealed Published

I Declared by the said James Jones

in presence of us who were present

at the signing and ^{saying} thereof

Test Abram Headley

Stokes Edwards

James Jones Esq^r

The foregoing last will and testament of James Jones deceased
was duly proven in open Court at Newbern on the 2nd day of November 1832
by the oaths Abram Headley ^{and} Stokes Edwards
and ordered to be recorded whereupon Wiley Jones the
Executor thereon named appeared in open Court and
was duly qualified