

17th Be it remembered that I John Atkinson of North Carolina
Chatham County considering the uncertainty of this mortal
life and being of sound mind and perfect mind and mem-
ory do make and bequeath this my last will and Testament
in manner and form following viz. First my will is that
all my last debts together with my personal charges be
paid out of my estate.

I give and bequeath to my wife Mary Atkinson one bed and
furniture. One flax wheel and one saddle for her use and at
her disposal. I also give to my wife one horse cart and
bush of her own choosing out of my stock of horses, one bow one
can of drawers four sheep two plows and the necessary
grain for them for her use as long as she remain, my widow.
I further give to my wife one year provision for herself and
family. I also give to my said wife my dwelling house and
the plantation on which I now live for her use during her
natural life or widowhood.

I give and bequeath to my four sons James, Thomas, Hugh
and Robert my Tract of land in Bradley County Indiana
the description and boundaries of which are expressed
in a deed of conveyance from Hugh Woody to myself to be
equally divided among them my above named ^{sons} ~~sons~~ to
them their heirs and assigns forever.

I give and bequeath to my three sons John, Samuel
and Oliver the plantation on which I now live to be
equally divided among them regard being had to the
quality of land quantity of Meadows water &c to hold
to them the said John Samuel and Oliver to them
their heirs and assigns forever.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Charlotte one bed
and furniture one flax wheel ^{one chest} one saddle ^{one chest} ~~one chest~~
one bow and the can of drawers that I bequeathed to my
wife. My will and meaning is that she draw on
the Mary when my wife is done with them.

17th I give and bequeath all the residue and remainder of my house
and kitchen furniture not bequeathed to any particular individual
to my wife and Daughters namely Sarah, Charity and Mary
to each an equal part to be divided by themselves or two
Men and two Women of their own choosing.

My will is that all of my property not otherwise disposed
of be sold by my Executors hereafter named and the pro-
ceeds thereof together with my cash bonds and accounts
be equally divided among all my children Male and
Female. Ruth's & children drawing their Mother's part
and likewise my wife drawing a child's part
and lastly I nominate constitute and appoint my son
John Atkinson and Benjamin Nathaniel Newlin
Executors to this my last will and Testament.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this twenty fourth day of the Sixth Month in the year of
Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty nine

Signed sealed and pronounced
by the said John Atkinson
to be his last will and
Testament in presence of

James Moody
Jacob Lindley
Joshua Hadley

John Atkinson (Seal)
mark

The foregoing last Will and Testament
of John Atkinson do was duly exhibited in
open Court and proved by the Oaths of James
Moody, and Joshua Hadley subscribing witnesses
therein and ordered to be recorded whereupon
both of the Executors therein mentioned were
duly qualified.