

State of North Carolina

Chatham County

Whereas all men by their presents that I John Brewer of the County & State aforesaid being of sound mind and memory bequeath to him I do now make this my last will & Testament in the manner & form following (To wit)

Item 1st My will is that all my just debts shall be paid

Item 2nd I give and bequeath unto my son Samuel B. Brewer the Tract of land known by the name of the (Colonel Hughes Edwards Tract) adjoining John Riggins & other supposed to be Two Hundred & Eighty four Acres more or less to him and his heirs forever.

Also I give unto my son Samuel C. Brewer all of my lands for five years for his benefit and my daughter Nancy Jane except the Sanders tract. I also give unto my son Samuel B. Brewer the following negroes

(To wit) Miles Susan Pripy, Manerva & Haywood. I also give unto my son Samuel C. Brewer all of my crop of every description for his benefit & my daughter Nancy Jane. I also give unto my son Samuel C. Brewer his choice hogs and cow & calf & hogs and pigs.

Item 3rd I give and bequeath unto my daughter Nancy Jane Brewer the Sanders tract of land supposed to be Three Hundred and Eighty four acres more or less to her & her heirs, if my daughter Nancy Jane should die leaving no heir of her own body then my will is that the said land should be equally divided between my other three children who may survive her. If my daughter Nancy Jane should die leaving no heir of her body my will is if she should be married that her Husband should have Five Hundred dollars out of the property which I give her. Also the property which I give unto my daughter Nancy Jane shall not be subject to her husbands debts in any way whatever but to her special use and her heirs. Also I give unto my daughter Nancy Jane the second,

choice of a horse cow + calf + sow + pigs also I give unto my daughter Nancy. I also the following negroes (to wit) Hannah, Penny, Jack Lewis + Resa to her and her heirs also one bed and furniture.

Item 4th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Eliza M Weaver the following (negroes to wit) Alfred Easton + her child Sami + Willy to her and her heirs My will is that none of the property which I give my daughter shall be subject to her husband's debts.

Item 5th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Margaret A. Herndon the following negroes (to wit) Abram Mariah Missy Edy + Joseph to her heirs none of the property which I give unto my daughter shall be subject to her husband's debts if my daughter Margaret should die leaving no heir of her own body my will is that her property shall come back to my children who may survive her first giving her Husband Five Hundred Dollars out of her property.

Item 6th All of my land not heretofore given away in this my will after the five years expires that I have left it to my son Samuel C. Brewer and Nancy I give for their benefit) then my will is that the said land is to be equally divided between my son Samuel C. Brewer, Eliza Weaver + Margaret Herndon in any way that they may think proper either by sale or a division.

Item 7th I give and bequeath unto my son Samuel C. Brewer all of my Cider vessels of all description to him + his heirs.

Item 8th My will is that all my property both real + personal of all description not heretofore given away to be equally divided between all my children (viz Samuel C. Brewer Nancy Jane Brewer Eliza Weaver + Margaret Herndon) either by sale or division as they may think proper.

Item 9th I appoint Samuel C. Brewer my Executor to do my last will + Testament revoking all other wills by me made signed sealed and delivered in the presence

of " This 23rd day of November A.D. 1848

Wm. Fookes

John Brewer

A. J. Hinton

Shafter County, February Term 1849. John Brown this certify that the foregoing last will + Testament of John Brewer was proved in open Court by the oath of A. J. Hinton one of the Subscribing witnesses thereto which is ordered to be recorded when in Samuel C. Brewer the Executor therein named appears in open Court & was duly qualified.

Teste J. A. Hinton C.C.

In the name of God Amen, I Reuben C. Poe of the County of Chatham and State of North Carolina being sick & weak of body, but of sound mind and memory & understanding considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof (both of which I may be the better prepared to leave this world when I shall please) but to call me hence have now determined to direct what disposition shall be made of my property after my decease & do make public & declare this to be my last Will & Testament.

First that after my decease my body shall be decently buried without ostentation or unnecessary expense and that my funeral charges & just debts shall be paid by my Executors or administrators hereinafter named. I give & bequeath to my dearly beloved wife Mary Ann (during her natural life) all my estate real & personal (which I shall own hereinafter by legacies) to her benefit during her said life and at her death my will is that the whole be given that to her shall all be equally divided between or among my children & finally I give & bequeath unto my son James Poe all my medical and other books & several instruments & medical bags to him the said James C. Poe to have & to hold with them to his heirs Executors Administrators & assigns to his then use & behoof forever, my will and desire further is that my dearly beloved wife Mary Ann is hereby constituted and appointed guardian of three my five children to have & to hold the custody & guardianship both of their respective persons & to take with them the said five children shall severally arrive at the full age of twenty one years - Lastly I do hereby constitute my dearly beloved wife Mary Ann & my loving friends Robert Forster George W. Thompson & John S. P. Leach my lawful Executors to all intents & purposes to execute this my last Will & Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof hereby making and declaring wholly void all other wills & Testaments by me heretofore made In witness whereof I the said Reuben C. Poe do hereunto set my hand & seal this 27th day of July A. D. 1848-

Signed sealed & published & declared by the said R. C. Poe to be his last Will & Testament in the presence of us who at his request & in his presence do subscribe our names at witness thereto

J. Thompson

Comp. St. London

Chatham County February Term 1849.
This certifies that the foregoing last Will & Testament of R. C. Poe said was produced in open court by the oath of R. C. Poe one of the subscribing witnesses thereto & intended to be recorded, whereupon Robert Forster & Mary A. Poe two of the Executors therein named appeared in open court & was duly qualified.

Edw. N. H. Tidman C. C. C.

I John Blomack do of the County of Chatham and State of North Carolina being in a feeble state of health, but of sound mind and memory & wishing during my natural life to direct the manner in which I wish my property to be distributed after my death, do constitute & ordain this my last Will & Testament in the following manner viz. First. I give & bequeath to my son James Blomack Fifty Dollars. I give & bequeath unto my daughter Rebecca Bush, Fifty Dollars. I also give & bequeath to my son John Blomack Fifty Dollars. again I give & bequeath to my daughter Nancy Bush Fifty Dollars. I give & bequeath to my son Green Blomack all the land of which I am now possessed in three separate tracts, in all, containing two hundred and twenty three acres. And lastly I want the balance of my property of whatever kind or description, to be sold to the highest bidder and the proceeds after paying my just debts should I owe any thing, to be equally divided between my five children above named children share and share alike - Now I John Blomack above named, having on mature reflection directed the above distribution of my effects in this my last Will & Testament, do constitute & ordain my son John Blomack senior sole Executor to carry the provisions of the same into effect with which provision I wish no one to interfere or interrupt after my death. In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal
Apl 11th 1848-

John Blomack

Presented in person of
A. M. Yarbrough
J. M. M. M. M. M.

Chatham County February Term 1849.
This certifies that the foregoing last Will & Testament of John Blomack said was produced in open court by the oath of J. M. M. M. M. one of the subscribing witnesses thereto & intended to be recorded, whereupon John Blomack senior the Executor therein named appeared in open court & was duly qualified.

Edw. N. H. Tidman C. C. C.