

In the name of God amen Joseph
of the County of Chatham do make and declare the
following to be my last Will and Testament.

I Give unto my daughter Lucy Cask during her life one
Negro Boy named Wren and a Negro Girl named Eggy
and at her death my Will is that the said Negroes
Wren and Eggy with their increase to be equally divided
between Mary M. Wall and Ann P. Wall daughters of
the said Lucy Cask by her former Husband William
Wall dec and their heirs but if the said Mary M
Wall and Ann P. Wall should die without lawful
issue then my Will is that said Negroes and their increase
go to the lawful heirs of the said Lucy Cask -

I Give and bequeath unto my Son William Lea two
Negroes Glover and Maria and their increase and
also my hunting and Gun one Feather Bed Furniture
to him and his heirs - I Give to my three Grand
Children Wm. Thomas to Wm. Joseph L. Reid and
Miss M. Reid Children of my deceased daughter
Elizabeth Reid and their heirs the Negroes Caesar
and Abby and their increase to be equally divided
between them when the said Joseph L. Reid shall
arrive at the age of twenty one years of age Also
Wille that the said two Negroes after my decease be
care their Father's Wm. Reid should take the said
out of the care and management of my wife to be
yearly to the highest bidder by my executors herein
after named and the money arising from said
bidding to put to interest for the joint use and

benefit of such Children until the appointed time for the
division but if the said Wm. Reid shall permit the said Children
to remain with my wife the said Negroes the said are
to remain in her possession also and she is to give said
Children a common education.

I Give unto my daughter Rachel Thompson during her
life two Negroes named Pender and Hannah and at
her death the said Negroes with their increase are to be
equally divided amongst the Children of the said Rachel
and their lawful heirs forever.

I Give unto my Son Joseph Lea two Negroes Jack and
Parcar and their increase also a Feather Bed Furniture
to him and his heirs. - I Give to my daughter Mary
Wileon during her life two Negroes Ned and Hannah
(daughters of Wm.) and at her death the said Negroes
with their increase are to be equally divided amongst
the Children of the said Mary and their lawful heirs
I Give to my daughter Ann and her heirs two Negro
Girls Grace and Abby and their increase also one
Horse worth about eighty dollars and a Feather
Bed Furniture. I Give unto my Son John Lea and
his heirs two Negroes George and Mary and their increase
a Horse and saddle to be worth one hundred dollars to
be delivered when he arrives at twenty one years of age
also a Feather Bed Furniture. My Will further is that
if any one or more of the young Negroes mentioned to
be given to my Children under age should die before
they or either of them shall arrive to the age of twenty years

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such Negroes & Negroes so dying shall be made up to such
Child or Children out of the other property not heretofore
particularly bequeathed — I leave to my Wife all my
her life all my property not heretofore specially bequeathed
consisting of six Negroes viz. Peter, Jim, Bob, Phyllis,
Wm. & Jane; together with my Stock of Horses, Cattle,
Sheep and Hogs; also my Farming Implements of every
kind, with all my House hold and Kitchen Furniture
not before disposed of; and at her death my Will is
that so much of said property shall be sold as will
amount to three hundred and Fifty Dollars, and the
remainder of every kind including the increase to be
equally divided between my son Joseph and my
daughters and my daughter Ann and my son John
and Miranda and their heirs. — My Will further is that
my Wife shall have the use and benefit of the plantation
wherein I now live during her life and at her death that
it be sold and the price equally divided among my
three sons, Joseph, John and Miranda and their heirs.
My Will further is that notwithstanding the above
bequest the Negroes Peter and Jane if judged necessary
by my executors for the payment of my debts and
the remainder of the price (if any) to be applied
as my executors shall judge proper. Also Will
that the three hundred ^{and} Fifty Dollars to be raised by the
first mentioned sale be disposed of as follows. viz.
Fifty dollars to my daughter Lucy Cook, one hundred
Fifty dollars to my daughter Rachel Thompson and
one hundred Fifty Dollars to my son William (Jr.)

and his heirs. Lastly I nominate and appoint my trusty
Friend James Taylor and my two sons Joseph & John the
executors of this my last Will and Testament. with full
power to make, sell to the purchasers of Land or other
property directed to be sold hereby making all former Wills
by me made, ratifying and confirming this as my last
Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set
my hand & seal the 23rd of August 1844.

Legally attested, published and
declared to be his last Will &
Testament in presence of us

Amos B. Blyde
John A. Blyde

Joseph Lee

Given & Subscribed before me
by Arch. McBrayer

In the name of God amen I Lydia Pick of
of the County of Chatham and State of North Carolina being
very sick but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to
God, calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing
that it is appointed for all men once to die
do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament
that is to say, principally and first of all I give and bequeath
my soul into the hands of the almighty God that gives it
and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in
decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executors
nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall
receive the same again by the mighty power of God
and as touching such worldly estate whereunto I have
pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise and dispose
of the same in the following manner I give