

Be it remembered ^{that} I Joseph Hobson of the State of North Carolina in the County of Chatham do make & ordain this my last will & testament in the following form to wit In the first place I order all my just debts & funeral charges to be paid And second I give Mary my wife one bed & furniture one cow & calf one pot one oven one skittle one set knives & forks one set cups & saucers one set plates three dishes three basins one coffee pot her saddle & bridle to be enjoyed by her forever I also give her full possession of the west end of my house smoke house corn crib & spring one acre of land that is fenced in by itself east of the house one stand of bees & privilege of the orchard for her own use all to be enjoyed by her during her widowhood & then to be my son Miles Hobsons his heirs or assigns forever

I also give her my gray mare two plows & gear one axe & hoe two cows five sheep one sow & shoats for the term of five years from this date & then to go to my daughters I give her all of my household & kitchen furniture that is not otherwise disposed of hereafter the term of widowhood & then to go to my daughters I give her & her family a years support in provisions

In the next place I give to my sons Jore Hobson Silas Hobson Rufus Hobson & to my daughters Melly Hobson & Rhoda ~~each~~ each one dollar I give my son Miles Hobson one dollar & a piece of land

bounded thus beginning at a post oak Kumps
 & Carters corner Thence west to the creek thence
 up the creek its various to McPhersons line thence
 south with said line to Miles' corner thence
 east with his line to the corner &c until it
 reaches Carters line & from there with said line
 to the beginning covering all the land on which
 I now live that lies south of the creek provided
 that he will comply with the following conditions
 first that he will keep his mother's lot under
 good fence & to accommodate her comfortably with
 fire wood secondly that he will allow his un-
 married sisters the privilege of all the land lying
 west of the branch that enters in the creek at the
 smiths shop for a home as long as they remain single
 provided that they pay tax for the valuation
 of one hundred dollars for him his heirs or
 assigns to enjoy forever Next I give to my
 son Joseph & William Hobson each one dollar
 and a piece of land bounded thus beginning
 at a post oak Kumps & Carters corner thence
 west to the creek thence up the creek thence
 various of it to an ash on the south side and an
 walnut on the north thence running with the
 cedar row till a north line will hit a cedar
 bush in Pikes line thence east to I Hobson's corner
 then with his line to Kumps line & with said
 said line to the beginning the land to be
 equally in quality & quantity so as to give
 the spring in the old meadow to them their
 heirs or assigns forever provided that they comply
 with the following conditions (1) that they pay
 Miles Hobson to the amount of thirty annu-
 ally after they come into the possession of said
 land for for the support of their mother.

in corn wheat meat wool fleece &
 coffee for the term of five years from this
 date & from that time to the expiration
 of their mother's widowhood they pay in
 like manner twenty dollars annually
 Next I give to my Stephen Hobson one
 dollar & a piece of land bounded as follows
 us beginning in the creek at an ash on
 the south side & a walnut on the north
 running with the cedar row till a north
 line will hit a cedar bush in Pikes line
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 corner then south with his line to the creek
 then down the creek the various corners to the
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 amount of ten dollars annually during
 the widowhood of his mother for her support
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 of land to Mary my wife to hold & to
 have the care of for five years from this
 date then to come into the possession
 of Stephen when the above provisions
 is to commence I will that all of my
 daughters be made equal with Rhoda
 Cooper, after that if there be any remainder
 that there be an equal division among them
 all Now I direct sale to be made of
 a tract of land lying on the western of
 Branch creek on which Silas Hobson
 now lives sale to be made either public
 or private as my executors shall deem

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most expedient & all that said tract
may sell for over five hundred dollars
be paid to Silas Hobson I likewise con-
stitute make & ordain my sons Miles Hobson
and Wm Hobson my Executors of this my
last will & testament and do hereby utterly
disallow revoke and disannul all and
every other former testament wills legacies
bequests & executors by me in any wise before
named willies & bequeathed ratifying and con-
firming this and no other to be my last will
and testament In witness whereof I have set
my hand and seal this Twenty fourth day of
second month in the year of our Lord one
Thousand eight hundred & forty eight

signed sealed & delivered in
the presence of us who in his presence
& in the presence of each other Joseph Hobson
himself subscribed our names
James Moody
Charles Stuart
Nathan L Moody

May Term 1850

This certifies that the last will and
Testament of Joseph Hobson as above was duly
proven in open court by the oath of James
Moody one of the subscribing witnesses thereof
& ordered to be recorded whereupon Miles Hobson
& Wm Hobson the Executors therein named appeared
in open court & was duly qualified.

W. B. Taylor Clerk