

264 In the name of God amen I Mary Lucas of the County
of Chatham and state of North Carolina being weak in body
but of sound and disposing mind and memory considering the
frailty of human nature and the uncertainty of disposing of such
property wherein it hath pleased God to bless me and of which
I am at liberty to dispose by the will of my deceased husband
George Lucas do therefore make ordain publish and declare
this to be my last will and Testament in manner and form
following hereby revoking all former wills ~~with~~ by me at any
time heretofore made, that is to say in the first place it is my
will and desire that my two Grandsons James Taylor and Philip
Taylor have each of them a negro boy of equal value with
the one I have already given my Grandson William Taylor
named Lige and that my Granddaughter Appiah Taylor
have a negro girl of the same value should the said negro
boy Lige so given to my said Grandson William Taylor die
or otherwise be disabled so as to be of little or no value than my
said Grandsons James Taylor and Philip Taylor and my
Granddaughter Appiah Taylor shall have such negroes as
an above mentioned allotted to each of them of the supposed
value of the said negro Lige provided no such accident had
happened to him. I then give to my Executors hereinafter
named my negro woman named Affy to permit her to live
with either of my daughters as she may choose without any
hire or compensation whatsoever. It is also my ^{will and} desire that
all the residue of my property of whatsoever kind not
herein before willed away or mentioned or intended to be
be divided into two equal parts one of which I give to my
Daughter Mary Taylor forever, the other I bequeath to my
Daughter Sarah Ann Green during her life and then I give
the same to her children to be divided equally share and
share alike. I do hereby nominate and appoint my
Grandson George W Taylor and Green Warrick Executors

265 to this my last willed Testament, I ~~make~~ testimony
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and ~~affirmed~~ my seal
the 3 day of January 1832

Signed sealed published declared
in last willed Testament by the testator
Mary Lucas in the presence of us
at her request in the presence
of us who witness thereto.

C. J. Williams
Geo J. Goodwin

Since making the foregoing will I have determined to place
the negro boy given to Philip Taylor in a different situation
and now will and bequeath the said negro boy to my grandson
James Taylor to him and his heirs forever in trust to be his or
his and the proceeds to be applied to the support of my Grandson
Philip Taylor and his family and at the death of Philip
Taylor James Taylor his representative is hereby directed to
convey the said negro boy to the child or children of the said
Philip Taylor absolutely and forever. It is my will and desire
that two of my faithful servants Job and Sampson be
emancipated and the child of ~~said~~ a faithful servant
called Robert who is dead be also emancipated, whose name
is Charles and my executor is requested to use all necessary means
to procure the emancipation of said three negroes and in the
event of his failing I will and bequeath said three negroes
to my executor who is requested to let them live with either
of my daughters or grand children or any other proper
person at such price as he may ^{think} proper and the proceeds
to be paid by said executor to said negroes so as to place
them as near upon a footing with free persons as possible

256 and it is my desire the boy Charles shall be bound to
some suitable person until he is twenty one years old
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal
this 6th October 1833 — Mary Lucas *Reas*

Signed sealed and published
in presence of us who were
requested by Mary Lucas to
witness the same —

W H Strong

William Thomas Bain

The foregoing last will and Testament of Mary Lucas
died was duly proved in open by the oath of John J Goddard
~~and~~ subscribing witnesses thereto, and also the codicil of said
will was proved at the same court by the oath of
William Thomas Bain and added to be recorded

I James Edwards of Chatham County, North
Carolina, thinking it needful for the settling my
outward affairs, do make this my last will and
Testament, making void all former ones and
confirming the present

First I will that my Executors hereinafter named
shall pay all my last debts and expenses of burial
Secondly, I give to my beloved wife Rebecca Edwards
the plantation whereon I now live containing two
hundred and ten acres, which my child will describe
during her widow hood, also I give to my wife one
horse saddle and bridle; one bed and furniture,