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This certifies that the fore-
going last will and testament of Larkin Brooks
was proved in open Court by the oaths of William
Page and W. J. Page the subscribing witnesses
therein, and ordered to be recorded: whereupon
Thomas Brooks and John M. Brooks the Executors
therein named appeared in open Court and
were duly qualified.

Teste W. Stedman C. C.

In the name of God Amen! I Parish Crops of the
County of Chatham and State of North Carolina
being in a feeble state of body & health but in a proper
and disposing state of mind, thanks be to God for the
same, do make ordain and publish this my last
will and testament in the following manner to
wit: I give my body to the earth from whence it
came to be buried in decent, Christian burial, not
ing doubting but that I shall receive the same a-
gain in the morning of the resurrection, And I
recommend my soul unto the hands of Almighty God
who gave it, and as to my earthly goods and Chattels
I give and dispose of them in manner and form
as hereinafter mentioned

Item 1st I lend to my beloved wife Elizabeth one
lot of land containing ninety acres which
I purchased from William Petty, also other lots
of land which I purchased from William Butrell
whereon the dwelling house I now live in stands
also one other lot of land which I purchased from
William Boylan containing fifty three acres all
of which I lend to her during her natural life. I
also lend to my beloved wife Elizabeth one third of
my mills on Buckhorn Creek during her natural

I also lend my beloved ^{8th}wife Elizabeth five negro slaves to wit: Hardin, Oly, Fanny, Milly, and Tray. I also lend her my carriage and two mules and one sorrel mare, three cows and calves, ten head of sheep, ten head of hogs, one yoke of Oxen and Cart, and also all such household and kitchen furniture as she may think proper to keep except such as shall be herein after disposed of. Also I lend my wife all such of the plantation tools as may be thought necessary to use on the farm, also one years provision and one hundred dollars which I give her.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my beloved son Henry Croff that part of a tract of land I purchased from George H. Smith not decided to Deberry Chapman, also twenty eight acres I purchased from Gabriel Atley it being part of the Temperance Hinton Lott, I also give my son Henry Croff all the land that is herein devised to my wife, at her death, also one negro slave named Sandy, one Cow or calf, one sow and pigs, one bed and furniture and a rifle gun.

Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Elizabeth Croff two negro slaves named Mariah and Penny and their increase, I also give her one feather bed and furniture, also one trunk and a dressing table, I also give my daughter Elizabeth one yellow filly and a saddle and bridle.

Item 4th I give and bequeath to my beloved sons Williams Croff and Richard Croff each one third of my mills on Buckhorn Creek during the lifetime of my wife and at her death I give them the mills jointly to them both, I also give to my two sons Williams Croff & Richard Croff one acre of land on Beaver Dam Creek, it being an acre which I got from Seth Cotten, I also give my two sons Williams & Richard all that tract of land belonging to the mill tract, also the tract I purchased from Lepe Ausley except what I have conveyed to Williams Croff by deed.

Item 5th It is my will that the balance of shall be sold and the proceeds to be equally divided between

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my daughters, and it is my will that all my estate
not bequeathed by this will shall be sold by my ex-
ecutors and the proceeds thereof to be equally divided
between my eight children

Item 6th. It is also my wish that at the death of my
wife, all the estate that shall remain with her at her
death shall be sold and equally divided share and
shear alike between my eight children, and it is
my will that my children shall not be account-
able to each other for any property that I have hereto-
fore given or conveyed to them since they left
me.

Item 7th. It is also my will that if my negroes that
are ~~to~~ be sold should be purchased by the buyer,
that my executors shall in that case not charge
commission on the amount of the sale of the negroes.

And I hereby revoke and annul all former
wills by me made.

And I hereby nominate and appoint my two
Williams Croft and Richard Croft my Executors
to this my last will and testament. In witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this
20th day of June A.D. 1837

signed & sealed
in presence of

Parish Croft Seal

Geo Luther

John Dickey } Jurats

Chatham County } This certifies that the fore-
going last will and testament
of Parish Croft was proved in open Court by the
oaths of George Luther and John Dickey, the sub-
scribing witnesses thereto, and ordered to be re-
corded; whereupon Williams Croft & Richard
Croft appeared in open Court and were duly
qualified

Teste

J. W. Steadman Clk.

November Term 1837

In the name of God, Amen!

I, Henry Hatley of the County of Chatham
and State of North Carolina, being in my sixty
ninth year of age and in a low state of health,
but sound in mind and memory as usual, thank
be to God for it, do make and ordain this my
last will and testament, in manner and for
as follows

Item 1st That all my just debt be paid

Item 2nd I give and bequeath unto my son Britton
Hatley, five negroes, namely, Jacob, Puffin, Lu-
lancy, Sabej, and Elisha to him and his heirs for-
ever

Item 3rd I give and bequeath unto my son Redden
Hatley four negroes, namely, Riney, Lincen, Eliza-
beth and Lewis (son of Mary); also my blacksmiths
tools, with all the apperatiess, therunto belonging
to him and his heirs forever

4th Item, I give and bequeath to my daughter Zilpha
Hatley, five negroes, namely, Lydia, Andrew, Em-
ily, Haywood, and Martha, to her and her heirs
forever

5th Item, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Syn-
tha Hatley, five negroes, namely, Amy, Rile, Moriah
tha Hatley, also one sorrel mare and
Ruben, and Washington, also one sorrel mare and
colt, two cows and calves, two pigs and pigs, to her &
her heirs forever

6th Item, I give and bequeath to my son John Hatley
six negroes, namely, Reuben, Alley, Francis, Henry,
Harris, and Billyard, to him and his heirs forever

7th Item, I give and bequeath unto my son William
Hatley, five negroes, namely, Cary, Eliza, Lewis
(son of Amy) Sidney and Jane, to him and his heirs for-
ever

8th Item, I give and bequeath unto my three sons
namely, Britton Hatley, Redden Hatley and William
Hatley, all my lands with certain reserves, hereafter
mentioned, to them and their heirs forever

9th Item, I give and bequeath unto my daughter
Zilpha Hatley, in addition to what I have heretofore
given, one sorrel horse called Starling, two cows & calves
two sows and pigs to her and her heirs forever

10th Item, I give and bequeath unto my son William