

I Robert Stinson of the County of Wakeham & State of North Carolina being of sound memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make & declare this my last will & testament in manner & form following that is to say first that my Executor hereafter named, shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wish of my relatives & friends & pay all my funeral expence together with my last debts howsoever due and to whomsoever owing out of the money that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate. Item 1st I give & devise to my beloved wife Julia all of the tract of land whereon I now live it being all that I have during her natural life and at her death it is my will and desire that the tract of land go to Edward Stinson Item 2nd it is my will & desire that all of the balance of my Estate go to my wife Julia after paying all of my last debts Item 3rd it is my will & desire that my wife Julia may use the tract of land to her support if it takes all of it and lastly I do nominate and appoint my friend Samson Edmonds for my lawful Executor to execute this my last will and testament to the true intent and meaning thereof. it is my will and desire that my Executor may sell & dispose of the property belonging to my Estate at any time he may see fit to pay my last debts &c

In witness where I have set my hand
 & fixed my seal this 28th day of February
 in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
 hundred and fifty
 signed in the presence
 of us
 Thos Johnson }
 Alward }

Robert. Munroe

State of N. C. } May Term 1850
 Chatham County }

This certifies that the foregoing last
 will & Testament was duly proven in open
 court by the oaths of Thos Johnson and
 Alward the subscribing witnesses thereto
 and ordered to be recorded whereupon same
 on Edwards the Executor Thence named
 appeared in open court and was qualifi-
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Just W. S. Taylor

I Susannah Justice of the County of
 Chatham and State of North Carolina
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 first come into his hands as a part or por-
 tion of my Estate I give & bequeath to
 my three grand children David M.
 Freeman Franklin R. Freeman Sarah
 & Jordan who are children of my daugh-
 ter Martha one dollar a piece in
 consideration of my love and affection
 for them My will & desire is that all
 the residue of my estate be equally divid-
 ed between my two daughters Sarah
 Bridges & Elizabeth Dunkin in equal
 proportion share and share alike to them
 and each of them absolutely & forever and
 lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint
 my trusty friend and good son Joseph
 M. Bridges my lawful executor