

In the name of amen. I Selij Rivers of  
 Chatham County and State of North Carolina being in a  
 low state of health but my memory sound and entire thank  
 be to God for the same do make this my last Will and  
 Testament in manner and form as follows —  
 First. That all my Just debts be paid. Secondly. I do give  
 and bequeath unto my beloved Brother Labin Smart four  
 young Negroes to wit by name Morris, Ellick, Gennings &  
 John with all the residue of my estate except my Negro  
 Woman the Mother of the formentioned Children. I desire  
 she should be free only she is to stay with her Children  
 and a Brother Labin is to take the charge of her and if  
 she should ever have any more Children, she is to have  
 them as the former, there I leave to him his kin and  
 affairs forever. Only I desire these Negroes should not  
 be sold, but that he should teach them for his own  
 young and his Children after him. Also I do hereby  
 constitute appoint and ordain by beloved Brother  
 Labin Smart executor of this my last Will and Testament  
 and do disannul and revoke all former Wills by  
 me by me made and acknowledge this and no  
 other to be my last Will and Testament. Witness  
 my hand here this 23<sup>rd</sup> March 1805

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Prova August Sepers 1806  
 by Thomas Bell