

my last will and testament signed sealed published pro-
voked and declared to be the last will and testament
of the Testator in presence of us who was, also present this
10th day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand
Eight Hundred and ~~forty~~ ^{seventy} entered with the words
proper & charges before signed.

Witnesses present

John Crutchfield

Solomon N. Crutchfield

William Cassator

I William Cassator of the County of Chatham State of
North Carolina do make this Codicil to be taken as a part
of my last will & testament as follows that is to say, whereas
I have by my last will left my daughter Elizabeth ~~one~~
Three Hundred Dollars to be paid by my Executors, that
sum she has rec^d. in consequence of which that clause is voided.
It will also appear in the aforesaid will that I have
given my daughter Susannah Meares one negro slave
by the name of Corleis also an interest in other property
all of which will more fully appear by reference to
the aforesaid will, my wish and desire is that my ex-
ecutors all two or one as many as shall think
it proper to ask keep & retain the aforesaid slave
and other property in their hands and apply the sum
as they may think best for the maintenance of the said
Susannah and children so long as she may live and
at her death the said slave to be disposed of as directed
by said will also the balance in their hands if any
should remain that is to her children if any if none to
return to the common stock. In witness whereof I have here-
unto set my hand and seal this 17th day of October 1839
the word will entered before signed

Witness

Solomon N. Crutchfield

John Crutchfield

William Cassator

Chatham County. May 1st 1845
This certifies that the foregoing last will & testament &
the Codicil thereto were proved in open Court by the
deaths of Solomon N. Crutchfield & John Crutchfield
the subscribing Witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded
whereupon Thomas D. Dunne H. S. S. of the County
their names appeared in open Court sworn duly
qualified -

Test. M. H. Thomas C.C.

Be it remembered that I James Pickett of the County
of Chatham and State of North Carolina being weak
in body but of sound mind & memory, and considering
the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and
ordain this my last will & testament, in manner & form
following, that is to say - first I give and bequeath to
my beloved wife Barbara Pickett one case of drawers
two beds and furniture one side saddle and bridle
and the use of a horse creature whenever she may need
it, two cows her share of the stock that may be on hand
at the time of my decease - two chains and one
Hundred Dollars, to be hers absolutely; - and further
I give her full privilege of this plantation on which
I now live, until my youngest son Mahlon be all
have arrived to the age of twenty one years, and after that
time, it is my will, that she have a comfortable support
and maintenance equally off of both plantations, as
well that which I hereafter give to my son Francis
as that on which I now live, for and during her natural
life, or so long as she may remain my widow -
Item 2^d I give and devise to my son Francis Pickett
one Negro land and twenty five acres of land or thereabout
adjoining the lands of Thomas, Pugh, John Cop & others
including the improvements lately occupied by Geo. O'Neil
to be divided to be divided from this on which I now live
by a line or lines, that will divide to the best advantage
of both plantations to him his heirs and assigns for-
ever - I also give him one coral mess from near three
years old; one saddle and bridle which he now has in
possession of on Chaff bed furniture -
Item 3^d I give and devise to my son Mahlon Pickett
this plantation on which I now live, to him his heirs
and assigns forever, with the exception before made for my
wife, I also give him one horse creature a saddle & bridle
to be in value, equal to that which I have given his brother
Francis & one chaff bed furniture -
Item 4th I give and bequeath to my daughter Phebe
Pickett the saddle which she now claims one horse
creature and bridle, one Bureau or case of drawers
one milk cow, two smoothing irons, one feather bed
& furniture & two Hundred Dollars in cash to her,
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I to her personal representatives forever

Item 5th I give & bequeath to my daughter Phoebe Pickett the saddle which she now claims One Horse one creaker & bridle One Bureau or case of drawers, One Milk cow, two smothering iron, One Feather Bed and furniture & two Hundred Dollars in cash to her, & to her personal representatives forever.

Item 6th I give and bequeath to my daughter Scimina Pickett the saddle which she now claims One Horse one creaker and bridle One bureau or case of drawers, One Milk cow two smothering iron, One feather Bed & furniture & two Hundred Dollars in cash to her, & to her personal representatives forever.

Item 7th I give & bequeath to my wife and three daughters grand, all of my cupboard furniture, and the kitchen furniture of whatever kind or nature to be divided by my wife and her may think the best advantage.

Item 8th I give and bequeath my Book, & Stationary to be equally divided among all of my children as aforesaid & my wife included.

Item 9th It is my will that all of my property not otherwise disposed of, be sold by my Executors hereafter named & the debts owing to me all collected, and the surplus (if any) after paying debts, expenses and legacies, be equally divided and paid over to all my children in equal proportion then and show all to them, & each & every of them and their personal representatives.

Item 10th My will & desire is, that my wife & children live together in this House, whither I now live, so long as she and they all choose, or as long as my daughter may remain single.

And lastly I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my son Francis Pickett, my brother in law John Dixon & James Kennedy to be Executors of this my last will & testament in testimony whereof I the said Simon Pickett do hereunto set my hand and seal this first day of the second month in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight Hundred and Forty Five.

signed sealed and pronounced by the said Simon Pickett to be his last will & testament in presence of

Simon Pickett

Isaac Cox
Lore Hobbs

Chatham County May Session 1845

His certifying that the foregoing last will & testament of Simon Pickett was proved in open Court by the oath of Isaac Cox a subscribing witness thereof & ordered to be recorded. Whereupon John Dixon & Francis Pickett two the Executors therein named appeared in open Court sworn duly qualified Int. A. H. Thomas 66.6