

419 William Jordan of the County of
Chatham & State of North Carolina being
of sound mind & memory but considering
the uncertainty of my earthly existence
do make & declare this my last will
& testament in presence & forms following
that is to say first that my executors
hereinafter named shall provide for
my body a decent burial suitable
to the wishes of relations & friends & pay
all funeral expenses together with
my just debts howsoever to whomsoever
owing out of the moneys that may
first come into his hands as part
or parcel of my estate. Item I will
& bequeath to my beloved wife
Rebecca Jordan all of my estate
both real & personal during her life
time to her sole use & behoof. Item I
will & bequeath at the death of my
wife to my beloved son Malory
M Jordan all my lands containing
two deeds one from Pinck Redyard the
other from Hesterish Harman lying
in said County of Chatham & State of
North Carolina on the waters of Blount
Creek bounded on the south by Wiman
Creek & on the north by James Edwards as
specified in said deeds together with
all woods ways rivers & minerals
& appurtenances thereto connected
to have & to hold to the said Malory
Jordan his heirs & assigns in fee simple
to my son Malory Jordan a Black
Man by the name of Maddy to him
& his heirs & assigns for ever. Item
I will & bequeath to my son Wm Jordan
my Black man by the name of Joseph
to him his heirs forever. also one

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Twenty five dollars in bank
to be paid to the executors out of the
personal estate. My will & desire
is that all the residue of my estate
if any after taking out the debts & legacies
above mentioned shall be sold & the
debts owing to me collected & if
there should be any surplus over
& above the payment of debts expenses
& legacies that such surplus shall
be equally divided & paid over to
my sons Malory & Wm Jordan share
& share alike to them & each of them their
executors administrators & assigns absolutely
for ever. And lastly I do hereby constitute
& appoint my trusty sons Malory & Wm
my lawful executors to all intents &
purposes to execute this my last will
& Testament according to the true
intent & meaning of the same &
every part & clause thereof hereby
revoking & declaring utterly void
all other wills & testaments heretofore
made. In witness whereof I said
William Jordan do hereby set my
hand & seal, Jan'y 26 1850. Signed
said Wm Jordan to be his last will
& Testament in the presence of us who at
his request & in his presence do subscribe
our names as witnesses Thereto
Jesse C Peigh
J. H. Matthews
his
Wm Jordan
mark