

In the name of God amen I Benjamin Rhodes
of the County of Duplin and State of North
Carolina being aged and infirm calling to mind
the mortality of man do whilst in perfect
mind and memory make and declare this
my last will and Testament in manner and
form as follows witness - First and principally
I bequeath my soul to the hand of Almighty
God who gave it with a stain my Lord Jesus
Christ for remission of my sins and my body I
submit to the dust from whence it came to
be buried in a decent and Christian like manner
at the discretion of my surviving friends - Item I leave to my beloved wife Rachel Rhodes our
negro woman named Rose our negro boy named
Daniel and our negro girl named Charlotte and all
my household furniture not otherwise herein given also
my stock of Horses, Hogs, Cattle sheep and Poultry
besides my Plantation tools during her natural
life and in case necessity should require absolutely
for her as her families support to sell any of
the above mentioned property I give as much
thereof to be sold for that purpose as may be
sufficient for that purpose at the discretion of
my Executors here after named or herself in
case of his death. Item I leave the use of my
Plantation and benefit thereof wherein I now live
containing by estimation one hundred and fifty
acres also my negro man Peter and boy George
and Frank during her natural life. Item I give
and bequeath to my son Joseph I Rhodes my negro
boy George after the death of his mother to him
his heirs and assigns forever. Item I give and
bequeath to my son Jacob Rhodes my negro
man Peter after the death of his mother to him
his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give and
bequeath to my daughter Nancy Powell my
negro man Mingo to her his heirs and assigns

Item I give and bequeath to my son
John F Rhodes the land and Plantation wherein
I now live after the decease of his mother containing
by estimation one hundred and fifty acres to
him his heirs and assigns for ever. Item I give
and bequeath to my grandson John Cook one
tract of land lying on the north side of
Limestone opposite and above Waters Mill except
a part of that survey sold to Samuel Thaley
(which survey contains in the whole by estimation
one hundred and fifty acres) to him his heirs and
assigns forever. Item I give and bequeath to my
grand daughter Elizabeth Miller my negro boy named
Frank after the death of my wife to her, her
heirs and assigns forever likewise the bed bedding
and furniture wherein I lie. Item I give and
bequeath my negro girl Charlotte and boy Daniel
and all the remaining part of my Estate after
the death of my wife Rachel Rhodes to be equally
divided by sale or otherwise to my sons Joseph
I R Rhodes and daughter Rachel Newkirk and Nancy
Powell also my grand daughter Mary Brice and
Anne Jean Brice daughter of my daughter Nancy
Brice and the part I leave to my said grand
daughter to be kept in the care of my Executrix
hereafter named until they become of the age
of Twenty one year or are married and in
case either of them die without issue the
one the other living or surviving to inherit
her share by this my will and in case both
die without issue their legacy to revert to my said
sons Joseph I Rhodes and Jacob Rhodes and daughter
Rachel Newkirk and Nancy Powell. Lastly I constitute
and appoint my son Joseph Thomas Rhodes Executor
to this my last will and Testament in witness
whereof I have set my hand and seal
the sixteenth day of January in the year of our
Lord one thousand eight hundred and four

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the sixteenth day of January in the year of our
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Signed, sealed, pronounced and declared in
presence of Nathan Valley, James L Rhodes.
Benjamin Rhodes *Seal*

State of N^o Carolina)

Duplin County } October Term 1805.

This was the witness will proved in court in
due form of law by the oath of Nathan
Valley and James L Rhodes the subscribing
witnesses thereto and at same time Joseph I
Rhodes the Executor named in the said will came
before the court and qualified as such according
to law ordered that letters issue accordingly.

Test. Wm. Dickson, C.C.

In the name of God Amme. I George Rouse of
the State of North Carolina and Duplin County
being sick of body but in perfect mind and
memory knowing that its allotted for all men
once to die after that to come to judgment.
I do hereby remitt my soul to god who gave it
and my body to be decently buried at the discretion
of my Executors hereafter to be named - In my
true and well beloved wife A. Loda Rouse I bequeath
my House and plantation house and plantation
furniture her lifetime or widowhood with all
my stock of cattle and hogs except one two
year old heifer I bequeath to Nathans cow said
then the youngest to be equally divided among my
three younger sons to it - George Rouse and David -
I likewise authorize and appoint my two trustees
to it John Cannon and John Glouer as my sole
Executor to this my last will and testament in
witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
seal this 11th of February 1810. Signed sealed and
delivered in presence of us Test James Allen
James Harrel. (Interlined before signed)

George ^{to} Rouse Seal
A. Loda ^{most} Rouse Seal

State of N^o Carolina }

Duplin County } April Term 1810.

There was the witness will proved in court
in due form of law by the oath of James
Allen and James Harrel the subscribing
witnesses thereto, and at the same time John
Carr and John Gilman the Executors named in
the said will came before the court and
qualified as such according to law. Ordered
that letters issue accordingly.

Test. Wm. Dickson, C.C.

In the name of God Amme. I John Rogers of
the County of Duplin and State of North Carolina
being weak and low in body but of sound
mind and memory calling in mind the
mortality of man and uncertainty of death, do
make and ordain this to be my last will &
testament in manner and form following viz:
Imprimis. I commend my soul to god who gave
it me and my body to the best to be buried
at the discretion of my ~~executors~~ trustees to be
named, and for such worldly goods as god
hath blessed me with I dispose of them
as followeth. First My will and desire is
that all my just debts be paid out of such
part of my personal property as my executors
with the consent of my wife shall think best.
Item. I bind to my loving and well beloved wife
Sarah Rogers during her natural life or widowhood
all my stock of Hogs, Plantation tools and house
halls good except such thing as shall be
hereafter expressly excepted and also the plantation
whereon I now live with one hundred and fifty
acres of Land including the said plantation,
and after her decease or future marriage I
give devise and bequeath the said Land and
plantation to my son feel Rogers to him the