

North Carolina in the name of God I mean.

Stephens County I do Stephen Williams being of sound mind and memory
blessed be given for the same do make and published

this my last will and testament, after my death all of my worldly estate
much disposed of after the following manner. I give to my beloved wife
during her natural life my plantation whereon I live all of my Cattle
horses, hog, & sheep but after her death to be divided as follows.

All the land that I own on the North East side of Rockfish Creek
as far as the most S^d end of said Creek must be divided between
my three daughters Elizabeth Phibe and Jephtha, and all of my land
lying on the South side of Rockfish Creek as far as the mouth of
of said Creek I give to my grandson James S. Johnson and all of
my land lying on Taylors branch I give to my grandson George
Washington Williams. After the death of my wife my stock to be
divided as follows, I give to my grandson James S. Johnson
and three of my daughters to wit Elizabeth Phibe & Jephtha, one
half of my stock of Cattle and sheep and the remaining half of
Cattle and sheep I give to my two daughters Bridget and Mary,
I give to my three daughters to wit Elizabeth Phibe and Jephtha
all of my flock of hares and hogs.

My three daughters know it is my desire that the remain with my son
James S. Johnson or his three sisters to wit Elizabeth Phibe and Jephtha
(at his pleasure) and that they furnish her every comfortable
necessaries of life (but in no wise subject to the benefit of her
husband Isaac Wilson) but I should not said son think proper
to emigrate from his three sisters or my grandson John Williams
there in that event they may guardian and three daughters
obviously there not feel themselves bound for her maintenance
this in addition to what I have heretofore given my daughter Ann
I now give her the same of said estate. As to my household
and kitchen furniture I give to my wife and I leave with
my wife and after her death my daughter Mary must have
one chamber bed and my grandson James S. Johnson must have
one chamber bed and its necessary furniture the remaining part
of my household and kitchen furniture & family utensils
of an description I give to Elizabeth Phibe and Jephtha

to go all Cash notes or accounts that may be on hand after
the death of my wife must be divided between Elizabeth Phibe and
Jephtha but subject to the benefit of my wife during her natural
life I do hereby nominate, appoint & ordain my son in law
Stephen Williams and grandson James S. Johnson my Executors to
this my last will and testament this 23 day of May in the year of
our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty

Signed, Sealed, published and { Stephen Williams (Read
at and in presence of us

Witness Stephen Williams

Witness Brian S. Williams

State of North Carolina } April Term 1841
County of Wayne.

The within paper - writing was produced
in open Court as the last will & testament of Stephen Williams
a subscribing witness to the execution thereof duly proved
whereupon Stephen Williams and James S. Johnson the
Executors there named were qualified as Executors of said
last will & testament. Test James Jackson Clerk

In the name of God I mean.

I James Maller of the County of Wayne and State of North Carolina
being in a low state of health here of sound mind and memory
but knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die I do
therefore this 22 day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand
Eight hundred and twenty nine Publish this as my last will
and testament in manner and form following (To wit) first I
recommend my Soul to God who first gave it me and my body
to the dust to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion
of my surviving friends

Item 1st I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Maller during natural
lifetime or until I have one third part of Cattle after paying up
the money they are made of and for one hundred Pigs and all of my
sheep and all of my household property and kitchen furniture and
Plantation tools or as much thereof as she may think sufficient
for her own benefit

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Rogers the whole

of my land and plantation whereon I have lived during her
Natural life time and after her death to go to her son Thomas Rogers
forever only reserving one third of the same for my beloved wife
Sarah Keller.

Item. 3rd out the Balance of my property which is not mentioned in this
my last will and Testament I leave to be sold by my Executors to pay
my just debts and my funeral charges and the Balance of any left
appertained to the support of my beloved wife Sarah ^{Shelley} ~~Keller~~
during her life time.

Finally and lastly I do hereby Constitute and appoint my
worthy friend ^{John Bishop} ~~John Bishop~~ my Executor to this my last will and
Testament in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and affixed my seal the day and date first above written
Signed Sealed and Pronounced (witness) James Waller ~~Secy~~
Governor of N.C.

John Bishop

Deep River County, April Term 1873.

Then was the within will proved in open Court by
the oath of John Bishop and at the same time before the
the Executor named in the will came into Court & declared
as such. Ordered that letters issue.

Test J. P. Carroll Clerk.

In the name of God Amen.

I Barbara Wilkinson of the State of North Carolina Deep River County
being weak in body but of sound mind and memory and reflecting
upon the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death do hereby
make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner
and form following viz:

First I give up and relinquish my soul to God who gave it, and
my body to be decently buried, at the discretion of my Executor
hereinafter named.

Secondly, I wish out of my property as my Executor may think it
will be most proper to dispose of -

Item, I give and bequeath to my son Lincoln Sheffield my
Negro woman Maria & her two children Lot & Sam. one
bed, bolster and two pillows, and one half of the bed clothes
that I may die possessed of and those of my best Christ

Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Susan Hook & my Negro
woman Seloy, one bed, bolster & two pillows and the other half of
the bed clothes that I may die possessed of

Item I give & bequeath to my son William Dickson one bed which he has
already received.

Item I give to my grand son Thomas Armstrong one bed & furniture which
is to be furnished with bolster, pillows, sheets & coverlet &c. &c. &c.
the division to be placed between Lincoln Sheffield and Susan
Hook &c.

Item. I wish all my household furniture not mentioned in
this will, my kitchen furniture, stove, & in fine everything not
mentioned herein to be sold and the money to be equally divided
between Lincoln Sheffield, Susan Hook, William Dickson, and
the children of Edward Armstrong, the children of Ed. Armstrong
having one fourth of it equally divided among them.

Lastly, I constitute & appoint David Hooks Executor to this my last
will & Testament, in testimony of which I have hereunto set
my hand and affixed my seal, the 1st day of February A.D.
1871.

Signed Sealed and acknowledged in
the presence of
David D. Duntun Jr
William Hodges.

Barbara Wilkinson ~~Secy~~
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State of N. Carolina } April Term 1871.

Deep River County } Then was the within will proved in open
Court and in form of law by the oath of David D. Duntun one
of the subscribing witnesses thereto and at the same time David
Hooks the Executor named in said will & appeared at such ceremony
to law. Ordered that letters issue.

Test J. P. Carroll Clerk.