

east side of Rockfish that is what I intend for him - except his part
 of ^{the} three negroes before mentioned, which is to be equally divided amongst
 my male children. Then I give and bequeath ^{unto} my beloved son John Brier
 all my land lying west of Rockfish. I also give ^{him} one feather bed
 and furniture. I give and bequeath ^{to} ~~my~~ ^{William} Brier all my land on the
 east side of Rockfish, that is to say, ~~to~~ the place wherein I now live
 also one bed and furniture. Should either of them die before he is of age
 the whole is to belong to the other. But leaving the land freely in ^{the} possession
 of my wife on both sides of Rockfish leaving it in the power of our Exrs
 to rent out any part privately. I agree that my wife Martha Brier
 keep a Supremacy of my ^{personal} ~~personal~~ property as well as her husband's
 the children and make no charge against them for board & school &c. I
 further leave it in my will that my Exrs sell publicly ^{or privately} a piece of
 land of five hundred acres on the north east river for the purpose
 of paying my just debts. I do authorize and appoint Martha Brier
 and William Stallings, Exrs, to this my last will and testament
 in witness I have here unto set my hand and seal. Feb. 20th.
 1847. Witness Henry Brown Rachel Brier. J. B. Brier (seal)

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 Duplin County

April Term 1847

There was this within proved in open court by the of Levi Goodin
 one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and at the same time John Beck
 one of the subscribing witnesses to the Executors named in said will came
 before the court and qualified as such according to law and was
 allowed to issue accordingly List Wm. Dickson & Co. In the name of God
 Amen. I William Beck of Duplin County North Carolina know that it
 is alleged for all men to die do therefore dumb ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ at this time
 William Beck possessed of a sound mind and memory blessed be God for the
 same do express and direct that is known my temporal estate shall be
 disposed of after my decease. This therefore my will and desire that the
 same be in the manner and form following, that is to say. I give and
 bequeath to my beloved wife Fael Marat Beck one negro man slave
 called Andy one negro woman name Vinice and and her child
 called Belarey also one negro boy call Peter and one young bay mare
 called Creeping late also three cows & calves three sows and pigs
 & three ewes & lambs two feather beds and furniture together with
 as much of my House hold & Kitchen furniture as my Executors may

think need pay. Item. I give and bequeath to my two children
 Ann Lane Beck & William Lane Beck to them and their heirs for-
 ever all the residue of my personal estate after my just debts are
 paid to be equally divided to them when at the time my daughter Mary
 Lane Beck arrives at the age of twenty one year or get married. Item
 my will & desire that my plantation tract a parcel of land containing
 nine hundred acres be the same more or less. Situate being and
 lying in the County of Robeson that I purchased from John and
 Archibald McFail of said County should be sold by my Exors
 which I vest with full power and authority to give a good and
 lawful title in fee simple. Item my will and desire that one
 third part of the money arising from the sale of the tract lying in
 Robeson County should be by my Exors laid out for a con-
 venient plantation for my beloved wife said Mary Beck
 which said plantation which purchased I had to my beloved
 wife during her natural life then after the decease of my beloved
 wife my desire is that the said plantation should be equally di-
 vided between my two children Ann Lane Beck & W. L. Beck to
 them and their heirs for ever the residue of ~~the~~ money arising from
 the sale of said land in the County of Robeson what collected by my Exors my desire is that
 be put for likely young negroes which I give to my two children Ann Lane
 Beck & W. L. Beck to have and their heirs for ever to be divided between
 them at the age of twenty one years or at the marriage of my said daughter
 and I do hereby revoke and make null and any other will or wills
 heretofore by me made and I do hereby nominate and appoint my
 wife Sarah M. Beck and my brother John Beck my Exors to this
 my last will and testament signed sealed and executed this 7th
 of February 1804 in presence of Levi Bordin Alfred Beck B. Honeguy
 Wm Beck (Seal)

State of North Carolina
 Duplin County

April Term 1801

John Brown the within will proved in open court of the
 oath of Jacob Thontain one of the subscribing witnesses
 thereto and at the same time Moses Manning one of the
 Exors named in the sd will came before the court &
 qualified as such according to law. Wm Dickson Clk
 In the name of God Amen. I John Brown of the

John
 Brown