

In the name of God Amen

I John Sutherland of the County of Franklin
& State of North Carolina do appoint and
constitute this my last Will & Testament.

Item 1st It is my desire that my Exec out of
the net proceeds of the ^{crop} intended to be raised
for the present year should make the necessary
arrangements to satisfy all my just and indulgent
creditors.

Item 2nd My lands and mysons are to be kept
together under good overseers to be employed from
time to time by my Exec and ~~he~~ ^{are} wrought from
year to year as may best conduce to the interest
of my Wife & children. the net proceeds of
every crop to be placed entirely to the disposing
- sale of my Wife (during the term of her natur-
- al life or so long as she remains my Widow) to
be disposed of by her in no other way but for
the equal benefit of herself & my ~~two~~ ^{three} sons, all
which dispositions of money by her is to be made
by & with the advice of my Exec.

Item 3rd It is expressly enjoined as a duty on my
Exec that so soon as my Wife may think proper
to depart from her Widowhood they are to con-
- sider & dispose of all her interests and right in
& to any part of my estate, but so long as she
remains my Widow she is to stand upon the
footing of a child inheriting one third part of
both personal & real property during the term
of her natural life, which property at her death
is to revert equally to my children, but should
any of my children take (which may God of his
mercy forbid) an immoral spendthrift and
unhappy course then and in that case she is
hereby vested with a discretionary ^{power} to give
to or withhold from that child as she may
think proper, securing to my other child
- every from such sale to be applied

herely the whole of such property as hereby
left to her at the close of her life or will at her
Item 4th It is my Will that should it be
the will of God to take my two sons out
of time before they become of age or have
Lawfull issue that then & in that case
my Wife if Living is to have the sole &
exclusive benefit of the whole of my estate
both real & personal during the term of her
natural life & at her death it is my will
that one full moiety thereof is to be disposed
by her as she may think proper the other half
to settle on & descend to John Parsons William
or his heirs, the eldest ^{son} of my sister Sarah Milles
now of Kentucky

Item 5th It is my will and desire that my wife
or exec^r as the case may be, be authorized to
sell for ^{money} ~~money~~ either at private or public sale
my ~~land~~ ^{land} & homp & with the monies arising from
such sale my Exec^r are to purchase for
the comfort & benefit of my family such a
carriage as my wife may direct or the situ-
ation of my estate admit of

Item 6th It is my Will that my exec^r pay the
most early & prompt attention to the securing & col-
lecting of a debt due from Littlebury & Wiley Clifton
so soon as the same may become due & apply the
money & every part thereof to the discharge of
a debt I may owe Eliza J. Watson.

Item 7th It is my desire that my wife & Exec^r jointly
sell & dispose of a lot of Lands she inherited
of her deceased brother John Watson Lands lying in
the County of Warren, & such sale to be good
& valid in Law to all intents & purposes as if
made by myself in person & in due form
& the money arising from such sale to be applied

in the payments for share drafts unpaid for
in the Lewis Land or expended in the repair-
ing the present dwelling house.

My Exrs are requested to be specially atten-
tive to the securing as the Law direct
the titles to the shares yett undelivered in
the Lewis Land to my heir, to gett all my
deeds of record, & deposit them with my wife
La Lang as my wife may live she is hereby
made & constituted Testamentary guardian to
my two sons, & in case of her death my
well beloved & trusty friend Henry Goodell is
hereby appointed her successor.

Lastly I do hereby nominate & appoint
my well beloved & trusty friends Henry
Goodell & William Phillips as Exrs to this my
Last Will & Testament, hereby revoking
other by me heretofore made, declaring
publishing this only as my Last, In testimony
of which I have hereunto set my hand
& seal this 11th day of march 1815.
I publish & pronounce In Sutherland Seal
In presence of

J. Phillips
Thos. Little
Jas. High Lowat

It is my express will and desire that should either
of my sons be taken out of time before marriage
issue of them, the survivor or his heir is to
come to the immediate & full possession of
all interests & matters of property left by the
decease 11th March 1815.

J. Phillips
Thos. Little
Jas. High Lowat

J. Sutherland Seal