

I Robert Smith of the

County of Gaston and State of North Carolina
being of Sound mind and memory but considering the
uncertainty of my Earthly Existence Do make this my
Last Will and Testament in manner and form following
that is to say

First That my Executor herein after named shall Sued
for my body be decent Burial suitable to the wishes of
my Relations and Friends and pay all funeral
Expenses together with my Just debts however and so
(Whereby) I give Out of the Money that may first first
come into his hands as a part or parcel of my Estate
Items I give and devise to my Beloved Wife Hannah

all my Tract of Land where^{on} I now live on to ~~have~~
the same and hold it during her Life time and at her
death to be sold by my Executor and to be Equally divided
Between my three Daughters Fanny Massas Mahaly Saviny
Katharine Smith.

Items I also give and devise to my Wife Hannah all my
Personal property of Every kind to have and to hold &
to Dispose of during her Life Time And at her death all is
to be sold but her Bedding and Cloth the Balance to be
sold by my Executor and the proceeds is to be Equally divided Between

"First That My Executor herein after named shall provide
for my body a decent Burial suitable to the wishes of
my Relations and Friends and pay all funeral
Expenses together with my Just debts hereon and to
(whereby) Using Out of the money that may first first
come into his hands as a part or parcel of my Estate
Item I Give and devise to My Beloved Wife Hannah

all My Tract of Land where I now live on to hold
the same and hold it during her life time and at her
death to be sold by My Executor and to be Equally divided
Between My three Daught Fanny Masses Mahaly Saviny
Katherine Smith."

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Personal property of Every kind to have and to hold &
to Dispose of During her Life Time And at her death all is
to be sold but her Bedding and Cloth the Balance to be
sold by My Executor and the proceeds is to be Equally divided Between
My three daught, Fanny Masses Mahaly Saviny Katherine
Smith

Item I Give and devise to My Wife Hannah all the money on
hand after My death for her to have and to hold the same
during her natural life time and at her death to be devised
as following

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Item I Give and Devise to my Sons Joseph David and Robert
S Smith One dollar Each to be paid out of the Proceeds
of the Sale of my Said Tract of Land to be paid by my Executor
Also Give and devise to my two Sons Abraham Smith and
William Smith Ten dollars Each to be paid by my Executor as
the first bequeath & under the Same Views I Give and devise
to my Other Three Sons Thomas Smith & James Smith & Larson
Smith Twenty dollars Each to be paid by my Executor as the first
and Second Bequeath and under the Same Views

Item Give and devise for the Eight Sons to have the money that is
above ^{and} the Ballance ^{of the money} to be paid by Executor to my Three —
Daughters Elanny Maria Mahaly Leving Katharina Smith
I do hereby constitute and appoint my Trusty friend J. C. Strong
my Lawful Executor to all intents and purposes to Execute my Last
Will and testament Accorden to the true intent and meaning of
every part and Clause thereof hereby Revoking & declaring utterly
Void all other Wills & Testaments by me heretofore made in Writing —
Whereoff I the Said Robert Smith do hereunto set my hand & Seal
this 18th day of August A.D. 1850 Signed Sealed & declared
by the Said Robert Smith to be his Last Will and Testament
in the presents of us who at his Request in his presents & in the
presents of Each other do Subscribe and named as Witnesses —

William Smith Ten dollars Each to be paid by my Exeter as
the first bequeath & under the same Vices I give and devise
to my Other Three Sons Thomas Smith & James Smith & Larson
Smith Twenty dollars Each to be paid by my Exeter as the first
and Second Bequeath and under the same Vices

Now Give and devise for the Credit Sons to have the money that is
above ^{and} the Ballance ^{of the money} to be paid by Exeter to my Three —

Daughters Elanny Massa Mahaly Spwing Katharina Smith
I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend J. C. Strong
my Lawful Exeter to all intents and purposes to Execute my Last
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thereto

William Gales }
Gret Goodson }

Robert ^{his} Smith Seal
Mark

Nov 4th 1851