

In the name of God Amen I Rachel Trotman of Gates County and
State of North Carolina being at this time in good health and of
sound mind and memory thank her to God for the same
and knowing that it is appointed for all persons to die do
make and ordain this present writing to be my last will
and testament so manner and form as follows -

I give devise and bequeath unto my two sons Wm & William Trotman
Benjamin above all my plantations and lands lying on Chipping
and Meacon creeks in Bertford County to the equal share
between them whom my son Benjamin above named belonging
age to them their heirs and a pigs farm -
I give devise and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Trotman
the negro girl named pearl one half bedchamber
my feather bed to be laid up all my clothes
the negro woman Benjamin above named

State of North Carolina being at this time in good health of
sound mind and memory thankes be to God for the same;
and knowing that it is appointed for all persons to die do
make and ordain this present writing to be my last will
and testament in manner and form as follows:

I give devise and bequeath unto my two sons (viz) William Moore
Benjamin Moore all my plantations and lands lying on Clinch River
and Muscoocoo Creek in Bedford County to be equally divided
between them when my son Benjamin Moore com to large
age to them their heirs and assigns forever.

I give devise and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Moore
the negro girl named pearl and her breed and issue
my father land in which made my plantation
and appurtenances Benjamin Moore and his wife and
all his male issue forever to her and her

Testamentary power
between myself and my wife William Rose and myself
nowhere else have alibi.

Do you nominate and appoint Stanley Sharp Esq and Joseph
Rexford my sole executors desiring them to see this instrument
made and witnessed fully executed according to the true
intention meaning thereof by writing whereof witnesseth
Rachel Botman the testator have hereunto set my
hand and seal this tenth day of January 1879
Signed seal published, pronounced and declared by
the said Rachel Botman the testator to be her last
Will and testament in the presence of us who in
the presence of each other
have hereunto set our hands

James Baker

Wile and Testament in the presence of us who in
the presence of each other
have witnessed at our hands

James Baker

John Valentine

Thomas Fortman

Male of both genders

Rachel Fortman ^{Deed}

Gates County 30 January County Court of Pleas & Sessions
The Last will and Testament of Rachel Fortman deceased was taken
on account by Joseph Biedista esquire Esq. thereupon appointed and
sworn by the oath of James Baker one of the subscribers
and witnesses and no protest was offered to be made
and the same was ordered to be recorded
and the same delivered to the said Deedee into County safe
and her herself for that purpose etc.