

which are gifts by me heretofore made and I am hereby Publish and declare
the above writing to contain my will and Devise Signed Sealed Published
and Declared this 12th day of April 1781 Alice ^{mark} Hunter
in Presence of Test Sarah Walton, Mary Futner, Eliza Hunter, Sarah

State of North Carolina Gates County I August Inferior Court of Pleas
and Quarter Sessions 1781 the above will was exhibited into Court by
Thomas Walton one of the Executors thereto appointed and was proved by the
oath of Eliza Hunter one of the subscribing Witnesses thereto then the
said will was ordered to be recorded at the same time the said Executor came
into Court and qualified for that office and prayed an order for Letters Testamentary
thereon which was granted
Teste Levi Parker Clk

In the Name of God Amen I William Freeman of
Gates County in the State of North Carolina considering the
uncertainty of this mortal Life and being of sound and perfect mind and
memory I give be obliging both for the same to make and publish
the above will and Testament in manner and form following that
I give full Power and Authority to my will beloved Son Nathaniel

Two Negro Slaves named Luce and Quincy to him and his heirs forever I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Grandson William Freeman son of Joshua one Negro Boy named Ruffin Stum I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Son Moses Freeman one Negro Boy named Abraham Stum I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Son King Freeman one Negro Boy named Dave Stum I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Son James Freeman one negro man named Sam and my shop of Black smiths tools Stum I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Son William Freeman two Negro women Tom and Rose and my Brandy still &c Stum I Leave to my well beloved Daughter Sarah Waise the use of a Negro Girl named Rose now in her Possession and the Plantation and Land whereon she now lives during her natural Life and after her Death the said Plantation and Land with the Appurtenances thereto belonging and the Negro Girl Rose and her Increase if any to be and remain the property of my Grand Son Ruben Winton but in case my Grandson Ruben Winton should dye without any Lawful Heir of his Body my will and Desire is that the Land and negro with her Increase if any shall be Equally Divided among my other Children. Stum I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Daughter Susanna Stum

Boy named Brunil and one Riding Horse and six saddle Horn I give and
Bequeath to my well beloved grandson William Perry one Negro Boy
named Jacob Horn I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Sun in law
Josiah Perry one good Feather bed and Furniture and two cows and calves
Horn I give and Bequeath to my well beloved Daughter Mary Ward
one Negro woman named mill and one negro girl named Abbe and two
cows and calves and one good feather bed and Furniture and that to her
full share of my Estate Horn I give and Bequeath to my well beloved
Sun William Freeman the Plantation and Lands thereunto belonging
whereon I live with the appertinances thereon and my pine Land over the
brook lying between George Outlaw line and James Summers line with
the appertinances thereunto belonging it being the Land I bought of
George Outlaw I say to him and his heirs for ever Horn my will and
Desier is that at my Death what ready money is in the house be
Equally Divided among my six Sins together with what money is in
Horn my will and Desier is that my Loving Wife Christian Freeman
have the use of all my Estate Except the money During her natural
life or widow hood and at her Death or marriage to be Equally

giving my Son James after all my debts and Legacies be paid except my
of Debts and Legacies and that to be Equally Divided between my two young
Sons James Freeman and William Freeman, Lastly I do hereby
appoint my Son James Freeman and my Son William Freeman and
further James Sumner Executors of this my last Will and Testament
and do hereby Demand Obedience and Obedience all and every other will
will by me made Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be
my last will and Testament in Witness whereof I have hereunto
set my Hand and put my seal this Twentieth Day of April in the
year of our Lord United one thousand seven hundred Eighty and one
1781 signed and sealed by the testator. Published and Declared to be and
written his last will and Testament in the Presence of us the Subscribers
who have witnessed the same at his Request William Freeman
Samuel Taylor Junr. Nathaniel Taylor Christian & Outlaw
State of North Carolina Gates County ss. August Superior Court
of Pleas and Quarter Sessions 1781 The within will was exhibited
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appointed and was proved by the oath of Samuel Taylor a Subscribing
Witness thereto.

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In the Name of the Court