

In the name of God amen I Cyriel Ruess of the County of Guilford and State of North Carolina Being very Sick and Weak in Body but of perfect mind and memory Thanks be Given unto God calling into mind the Mortality of my Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men Once to die do make unstable and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament and first and foremost I Recommend my Soul into the hand of Almighty God that Give it and my Body to the earth to be Buried in decent Christian Burial nothing doubting but at the day of the General resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God as touching such Worldly Estate as it hath pleased God to Bless me With in this Life I Give devise and dispose of in the following manner and form Viz.

I Give and bequeath to my well beloved Wife Sarah One Hundred and Twenty five acres of Land including the plantation I now Live & occupy with all appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any Way appertaining to the same by her fully to be possessed and Enjoyed During her natural Life and at her decease I Will Give & Bequeath the same to my well beloved son capit Ruess and his Heirs and assigns forever upon this condition that he Will & Truly pay to my Executors hereafter named the sum of forty Dollars to be Equally divided amongst my Other Heirs according to the true meaning and Intent of this my Last Will and Testament.

I also Give and bequeath to my well beloved Wife Sarah One horse from among my stock of which I chose her to have the right of choice and Which ever she may chose I Give and bequeath to her During her Natural Life together With all the farming utensils also two feather Beds and furniture and as much other House and Kitchen furniture as she may think proper to retain in her House and possession during her Natural Life With one Years provision for her and all stock that she may chose to hold possession of for my Will and meaning is that she shall have Two cows her choice among my cattle and her Acre of hogs as she may think proper to have.

I Give to the Heirs of my well beloved daughter Mary Improver the sum of fifty dollars to be raised and paid out of my Estate.

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I Give and bequeath to my well beloved Wife Sarah One Hundred
and Twenty five acres of Land including the plantation I now Live
& occupy with all appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any way
appertaining to the same by her truly to be enjoyed and enjoyed
During her natural life and at her decease I will Give & bequeath
the same to my well beloved son called Lewis and his Heirs and
assigns forever upon this condition that he shall &c. truly pay to my
Executors hereafter named the sum of forty Dollars to be Equally divided
amongst my other Heirs according to the true meaning and Intent
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I also Give and bequeath to my well beloved Wife Sarah One horse
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of choice and whichever she may choose I Give and bequeath to her
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and Kitchen furniture as she may think proper to retain in
her House and possession during her Natural Life with one
Years provision for her and all stock that she may choose to
hold possession of for my Will and meaning is that she shall
have two cows her choice among my cattle and her birds &c.
as she may think proper to choose

I Give to the Heirs of my well beloved daughter Mary Lumpkin
the sum of fifty dollars to be raised and paid out of my
Estate

I also Give to the Heirs of my well beloved daughter Lucretia
the sum of fifty dollars to be raised in
like manner

I also Give and Bequeath to my daughter Sarah Belworth the like sum of fifty dollars to be raised in like manner.

I also give to my daughter Martha Belworth the sum of ten shillings to be raised in like manner.

I also Give and bequeath to my well beloved Grandson Abraham Belworth the sum of Twelve dollars and fifty cents to be raised and paid out of my Estate to be paid to him by my Executor when he shall arrive at the age of Twenty One years.

I also Give and Bequeath to each of my three Grand Daughters viz Mary and Ann Belworth the like sum of Twelve dollars and fifty cents to be raised and paid in the same manner as my

Will and meaning is that if any of the above mentioned four Grand Children should die before they arrive at the age of Twenty one years that my executor pay to them Remaining the sum left to the Heir and my Will and meaning is that all just debts or claims on my Estate be punctually paid and Satisfied by my Executors out of my

estate for which purpose I will order & Ordain that they as soon after my decease as convenient make publick sale of all my Goods and Chattels and moveable effects otherwise than what I have already

Disposed of together with a certain tract or parcel of land lying in the above mentioned county of Gadsports supposed to contain about Twenty one Acres be the same more or less and I also Give and Bequeath to each of my three Well beloved Sons viz Joseph Egehall Elyah Hulse the sum of ten shillings to be paid to them out of my Estate

And I further Will and Ordain that after sale be made as above directed of the above named moveable effects with land &c that if there is any thing remaining in amount of sale after the above bequeaths all my just debts to be Satisfied that the Balance be equally divided and distributed amongst my heirs above named.

And I do hereby nominate constitute appoint and Ordain my Well beloved son Elyah Hulse and Horatio Pepler the sole Executors of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby attesting unto the same and do allow all other Wills legacies and Bequeaths in any Manner before named Null and void saying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament this 11th April 1821. Signed sealed published pronounced and

I also Give and bequeath to my well beloved Grandson Abraham
Belworth the sum of Twelve Dollars and fifty cents to be raised and
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shall arrive at the age of Twenty One Years.
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fifty cents to be raised and paid in the same manner now my
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Children should die before they arrive at the age of Twenty one Years
that my Executors pay to them Remaining the sum Left to the Deceased
and My Will and Meaning is that all just debts or claims on my
Estate be punctually paid and Satisfied by my Executors out of my
estate for which purpose I will order & Ordain that they as soon after
my Decease as convenient make publick Sale of all my Goods and
Chattels and moveable effects otherwise than what I have already
disposed of together with a certain tract or parcel of Land lying in
the above mentioned county of Hartford supposed to contain about
Twenty one Acres be the same more or less and I also Give and
Bequeath to each of my three Well beloved Sons viz Joseph Egbert
Elyah Shure the sum of Six Shillings to be paid immediately after my
Death and I further Will and Ordain that after sale be made as above dem-
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be any thing remaining in amount of sale after the above beque-
asts all my just debts to be Satisfied that the Balance be legally
Divided and Distributed amongst my heirs above named.
And I do hereby nominate constitute appoint and Ordain my
Well beloved son Elyah Shure and Abraham Pepler the sole Execu-
tors of this my Last Will and Testament and I do hereby allow
authorize and allow all other Wills legacies and Bequests
in any wise before named Will or bequests ratifying and
Confirming this and no other to be my Last Will and Testament
this 11th April 1821. Signed sealed published pronounced and
declared by the said Egbert Shure as his last Will & Testament
in the presence of us who in his presence saw the signing of each of the above
have to subscribed our names
Jed Crowder (witness) Elyah Shure

State of North Carolina

Gusford County 3 May Term 1891

The Execution of the Will of the late William Mill was proven in open Court by the oath of Jeremiah Crockett ^{ordered to be recorded} then came in Eliezer Brown One of the Executors appointed in said Will & qualified as such Abraham Pugh the other Executor came into Court and renounced his right of Executorship.

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McHanner C.C.C.

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In the name of God amen I Jeremiah Field Sent of the County of Gusford and State of North Carolina being perfectly sensible and of sound Mind Thanks be to God for this and all other mercies and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is ones for all in view hereof I therefore do make and Ordain this my Last Will and Testament as follows that is my Soul I Commit to God and pray he may receive it and my Body to the Earth to be buried in a Christian & Decent manner at the discretion of my Executors & nothing doubting but I shall receive the same again at the resurrection when all both quick and dead shall be called to Judgment and as touching such worldly Goods and Estate as it hath pleased God to bestow me with in this life I do hereby Order and Dispose of in the manner and first of all Order that my Just Debts be paid out of my Sd Estate the first place Well and Bequeath unto my beloved Wife The Plantation I now live on with all its Buildings during her natural Life and Widowhood and any two horses she may think proper to choose out of my stock and also three cows and Bed and furniture such as she may think her best during her natural Life or Widowhood as aforesaid I Will & bequeath unto my three sons that is to say Joseph Benjamin and John each of them to have the sum of five Dollars each I also Will and Bequeath unto my Wife one Negro Woman named Dora at her own disposal to do as she thinks proper with my Sd Will and Bequeath unto my three eldest Daughters that is to say Ruth Jane & Mary each of them to have fifty Dollars each