

Joseph Northcutt

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In the fear of God - I Joseph Northcutt of the County Guilford in North Carolina yocumian being of sound mind & memory do make & ordain this last will & testament in manner & form following that is to say - I recom-
mend my soul into the hands of him that gave it & my body to the earth
to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors. And touching such
worldly estate which it hath pleased the Lord to bless me with

First - I give & bequeath to my son Josiah Northcutt all the tract
land whereon I now live (except seventeen acres & one hundred & twenty
one rods adjoining my son Allen's land). Also thirty acres adjoining the
meadow over the creek being part of the nine hundred acre tract also my
share of a tract of land I bought of James Whitty near where Robert Linder
now lives, also my wagon harrow carpenter's tools one third part of all
my books the great Bible to be in his part, a rifle gun & my clock also
a young horse colt, my best bed & bedsted & furniture desk oval table large iron
tray brass kettle & teaspoon.

I give & bequeath unto my son John Northcutt the one half of the
remaining part of the nine hundred acre tract lying upon the waters of Brush
creek and Horsepen, also my best hat & seat warming pan & tin of paint
a third part of all my books large iron shovel a brass fork large bowl
& my pocket book of memorandums to him & his heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto my son Allen Northcutt the other half of the
remaining part of the nine hundred acre tract aforesaid, also seventeen acres & one
hundred & twenty nine rods of the north west corner of the tract whereon now
live run out for him by Joseph Mosey beginning at the North East corner of

and Horsepen, also my best Hat & great new
a third part of all my books large iron shovel a
& my pocket book of memorandums to him & his heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto my son Allen Nuttham the other half of the
beginning part of the nine hundred acre tract aforesaid, also seventeen acres & one
rod & twenty nine rods of the north west corner of the tract where I now
live, run out for him by Enoch Macy beginning at the North East corner of
his land running North 45 degrees west one hundred & four rods to a hackberry
tree on my north & south line joining Allen's land, also my best coat &
jackett a tin of paint a small iron shovel one third part of all my books
my common wearing hat a braprock & a large bale box to him & his heirs forever
I give unto my grandson Joseph Nuttham a smooth bored gun a
young bay horse my best pair of breeches a cotton jackett a pair of
brown worsted stockings.

I give unto my grandson Jonathan Nuttham a smooth bored gun
that was in the hand of William White & a young mare

I give & bequeath unto my wife Melith Nuttham the use & profits
of the plantation whereon I now live with all my household goods that are
now in my house that is not already disposed of, & one third part of
my other personal estate that is not already disposed of, my will is that
she have the two new horses & the old mare & if the mare should have
a colt that my son Josiah should have the first colt, also that she should
have six cows one large steer three yearlings two calves nine ewe sheep
one ram & two lambs, all the above mentioned to be included in her
third

that part of the paternal estate, also all the cloth
the fulling mill & as much hand money as will pay for the drying of
also all the wool that comes of all my sheep this year - My intent is
meaning is that my wife have the use & profits of the plantation & of my
my son Josiah arrive to the age of eighteen years & then to become his
provided she be at the charge of his maintenance & education, and after
my son Josiah arrive to the age of eighteen years if she still remain a
widow, for her to continue there if she will, but by & under him
him to take care of her if need be.

All the residue of my estate of what name or nature soever
goes unto my three sons John Allen & Josiah to be equally divided among
them to them & their heirs forever. But if my son Josiah should die
he arrive to age of eighteen years or without leaving any heir of his body, then
my will is that all that was intended for him be equally divided between
these two sons John & Allen.

And lastly I do make appoint & ordain my two sons John & Allen
my lawful joint Executors of this my last will & testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the
fifth day of the fourth month in the year of our Lord one thousand seven
hundred & eighty.

Signed sealed published pronounced
& declared by the said Joseph Lenthall to be
his last will & testament in the presence
of us ye subscribers.

Thos. Sherburne

Joseph Lenthall