

with that already in the house must be applied towards the discharge of my debts, the overplus to be put to the use of paying of the Legacy given to my Daughter Dolly Rutland, if not enough for that purpose to be raised out of that the I had back Rutland, E. States

Item all my estate not given away is to be equally divided between my three Children Dolly Martha & Phadack. Item My further desire is that my daughter Dolly's Estate should remain in the General Stock until she marries so that she is sufficiently supported at the discretion of her Guardian & that she have the use of one of her horses to ride when necessary

Item I nominate & appoint Marinda Keen to be Guardian of my daughter Dolly. Lastly I constitute & appoint my Friends William Vaughn & Israel Brumson joint Executors to this my last Will & Testament; In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & fixed my seal the 28th day of Nov^r one Thousand Seven Hundred & ninety six.

Signed & sealed published & declared in presence of
Duly witnesses Robert Jory Elizabeth Rich.

Thos^t Rutland

Halifax County

February 1st 1797 Then this Will was exhibited in open Court & duly proved by the oath of Robert Jory one of the subscribing witnesses thereunto On Motion ordered to be Recorded; Whereupon William Vaughn one of the Executors therein named came in & was duly qualified thereunto
Witness L. Long Esq^r

In the name of God Amen I Robert Hale of the County of Halifax & State of N^c Carolina do make this my last Will & Testament in order to prevent any disputes that may arise after my death respecting the distribution of my Estate
Item it is my Will & desire that all my just debts should be first paid out monies that is owing & due to me by Bonds, books debts & otherwise & if there should be inadequate then it is my Will that such part of my Estate may be sold as I shall deem most convenient to my Executors hereunto named for the purposes aforesaid

Robert Hale, Will

Item I give & bequeath & devise, The whole of my Estate both real & personal to my wife, Wills Hall, my son William Pleasant Hall & to my daughter, Judith Bailly Hall, to be equally divided between them by five persons, appointed for that purpose, under an Order of the Court of Said County to them & their heirs forever, except as to such part of my real Estate, which should happen to be allotted & set off to my beloved wife Wills which is to be remembered, is only given to her for & during her natural life no longer. Item It is my will & desire, that my estate real & personal may be kept together for the purpose of maintaining my wife & raising & educating in the proper manner, my two Children, untill they attain lawfull age or marry, under the direction & management of my Executor, hereafter named, unless my said wife will should marry or depart this life, in which case or should any of the said contingencies happen then it is my will & desire, in that case, that my Estate real & personal, may be divided in the manner as is before mentioned and that part of my Estate which may so fall in the division or under this will or in any other manner to my two Children or either of them, to be taken in possession by their Testamentary Guardian for their Benefit & Advantage. Should their said Guardian be then living.

Item It is my will & desire, that in case both of said Children should die before they attain lawfull age or marry, then I give the use & profits of the whole of my Estate both real & personal to my beloved wife Wills for & during her natural life (provided she remains my widow, viz. unmarried, and after her death should so happen that both of my said Children should die, before they attain lawfull age or marry, then I give & bequeath & devise the whole of my Estate real & personal to be equally divided between my Brothers, Samuel Hall & Thomas Hall in fee simple to them & their heirs forever. My intention & meaning in this last Clause is that as the death of my wife & decease of both my Children should so happen that they are under lawfull age or before they have married then in that case it, my will that my Brothers Samuel & Thomas be intitled to my Estate as aforesaid.

Item I do hereby nominate constitute & appoint, Thomas Hall Guardian to my said two Children, to attend to their Morals & Education & the management of their Estate under this will &c. Lastly I do constitute & appoint my beloved wife Wills Hall Executor & my Brother Thomas Hall & my Friend Richard Le Long, Executors to this my last will & Testament, and as I expect my Brother Thomas will be at considerable Trouble & inconvenience in the management of my Estate, I do give & bequeath to him my Shop furniture medicine & Instruments in addition to his salary, the worthy High Court of Said County may think proper to allow him for the Execution of this will &c, hereby revoking all others wills by me heretofore made; In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal. This 7th July Anno Dom 1796.

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Signed Sealed & delivered in presence of
Long William. Jordan. R. Long }

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Halifax County Jc

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Witness
Long C. C.

By the Court of said County, Henry Dutton, Clerk of the Court, to the said