

In the Name of God Amen

I Jacob Summey of the County of Henderson & State of North Carolina being of sound and disposing Mind, and Memory do make ordain and establish this my last will and Testament in the Manner following to wit

In the first place I Commit my Soul into the hands of God who gave it and my body to the Earth to be buried in a decent and Christian Manner at the discretion of my Executors

And as to such Worldly Property as it has been please God to bless me with in this Life I make the following disposition to wit

First that my Wife Polly M. I Will I good Advice out of my Stock of Horses that may be on hand, and all the Stock Sheep, and half the Stock of Hogg, and the Cattle that has her Marks, and that it may be properly understood as set forth in an Agreement made and entered between my Wife Polly M. & myself previous to our Marriage, she is to have all the Property as set forth in said Agreement clear of any Demand what soever from my Executors or Heirs forever (Wife) all the Land and Property she had when we were Married, and what she has acquired in her own Name, or by her own Resources since our Marriage, and all the Household and Kitchen Furniture not hereinafter mentioned Secondly I will and bequeath to my Son in Law Jacob Ramsour the following Negroes (Wife) Lawson, Jimmy, Minna, and Jack, to be held by him in Trust for the benefit of my Son George Summey, said Negroes to be entirely under the Control, and Management of said Son in Law Jacob Ramsour, who is hereby authorized, to let them remain with and work for said George Summey my Son, or to hire them out and apply the proceeds of the Hire to the Support and Maintenance of the said George and his Family, during the Life time of said George and at the death of said George the said Jacob Ramsour, is to convey the said Negroes together with their increase to such of the Children of said George Summey as he the said George may in his Life time designate and should the said George die without making such designation, they are to be equally divided amongst the Heirs of said George Summey.

Thirdly, It is my will and desire that at my death my Negro Man Jim, be permitted to chuse to which of my Children, George, Peter, or my Son in Law Jacob Ramsour he will go, and the one he selects shall be considered his Master, and he shall be allowed Twelve Months after my decease to make his selection in order that he may be fully satisfied, and whomsoever he shall select at that time, shall be his Absolute owner and Master, and such one is hereby required to treat him with kindness and humanity and not to sell him

Fourthly, It is my will and desire that as soon after my death as convenient, all the rest of my Property, Consisting of Negroes Turnpike Stock, Stock of all kinds Horses, Cattle and Hogg, Farming

Coppersmith, Black Smith, and Simons Tools, and the following Household  
and Kitchen Furniture, (viz) One Desk, Clock, side board, one dozen  
Winders, Chairs, Four Beds, bed Steez and Furniture and four separate  
Bed Steez, One Pine and one Poplar table, One Stilet, two pair of iron  
honz, and the Carpeting in my House, be sold, and the Land I may  
own at my decease be sold by my Executors, at Publick Sale after  
due Advertisement, on a Credit of Twelve Months, and out of  
the proceeds, of the Sales, my Daughter Barbara Ramsour is to have  
the sum of two thousand Dollars, and that the ballance together with  
all <sup>the</sup> Money on hand, or due me at my death, be divided equally into  
three Shares, and one third be given to my son Peter Summey in his Ains,  
one third to my daughter Barbara Ramsour or her heirs forever, and  
the remaining third Part to my son in Law Jacob Ramsour in trust  
for the benefit of my son George Summey, during his Life, and at his  
death, to be equally divided amongst the Heirs of his Body or their  
Lawful Heirs forever,

Witnes If my Executors think it advisable, they authorized  
to sell my Plantations at Private Sale or at Publick Sale, on such  
Credits as they may think proper will be most advantageous  
to my Legates, the proceeds, to be applied as set forth in the  
fourth Article.

Lastly I hereby constitute and appoint my son Peter  
Summey, and my son in Law Jacob Ramsour, Executors  
of this my Last Will and Testament, hereby Revoking all  
former Wills by me made, and establish this as my last  
Will and Testament, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 1811

Signed Sealed and Published

In presence of us  
W<sup>m</sup> Chatter  
J. A. Ramsour  
William Ramsour  
G. Summey.

Jacob Summey Seal

State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas & quarter Sessions  
Henderson County } September Session 1811

The within Last will and Testament of Jacob Summey, Decd was  
duly proved in Open Court, by the Oath of G. P. Summey, a subscribing Witness  
thereunto, Acceded and ordered to be Registered Witness Elizabeth King &c

State of North Carolina } Registers Office Nov: 27<sup>th</sup> 1811.  
Henderson County } The within Will was duly Registered in  
my Office in Book No 2. Pag 12<sup>th</sup>

David News. Cl. Reg<sup>r</sup>