

Will of Mathew Carter

In the name of God Amen I Mathew Carter of Johnston County being of perfect mind and memory thanks be to God therefore do this twenty third day of March one thousand seven hundred and ninety three make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say.

- First I lend to my wife Rachel Carter one negro woman slave named Violet one feather bed and furniture my riding horse and saddle three cows and calves three ewes and lambs and thirty pounds in money for her support during her natural life good behavior or widowhood.
- Item I give and bequeath to my son Erwin Carter one hundred & pieces of land lying on Sand Creek on the main road, one sorrel horse, one rifle gun ten pounds in money to him and his heirs forever.
- Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Giffie Johnston one negro gill slave named Rann one black mare and colt one cow and goat to her and her heirs forever.
- Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Lidda Carter one negro boy slave named Lewis one feather bed and furniture one bay mare and saddle and twenty pounds in money to her and her heirs forever.
- Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Adair Carter one negro woman slave named Pat and her children and twenty pounds in money to her and her heirs forever.
- Item I give and bequeath to my son Willa Carter one negro man named Isom, one negro hall named Jay and three hundred acres of land lying at the head of Drapens Creek called the marefield to him and his heirs forever.
- Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Charlotte Hinton twenty pounds in money to her and her heirs forever.
- Item I give and bequeath to little Rodin Johnston one negro child named Casey to him and his heirs forever.

I give and bequeath to my son Rowland Carter six hundred and eighty acres of land, it being the plantation whereon I now live with the Brown place and one negro man slave named Joney one negro boy named Bias one negro boy child named Jerry two feather beds and furniture and all my stock horses & cattle which is not leased out. I also give to my son Rowland Carter the legacy which I left to his mother after she is prohibited from the same and after my just debts are paid and funeral expenses the rest and residue of my estate I give and dispose of it to my son Rowland Carter my will and desire is that immediately after my death he shall have this estate and it is to him and his heirs forever. I do hereby constitute and appoint John Hinton and Robert Gurley Esq. executors to this my last will and testament in witnesses whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written signed sealed and delivered, in presence of

George Hinton
Edward Cobb
John ^{son} Hinton

Mathew Carter (seal)