

State of North Carolina. Be it known to all whom it may concern that  
Jones County. } I. Isaac Brown of the County and State aforesaid

knowing that it is appointed that all flesh must die, do make and ordain this to  
be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following -

First I Recommend my soul to god that gave it and my Body to be  
Decently buried in a plain manner at the discretion of my Friends,  
and as Touching such worldly estate as it hath pleased god to bless me with

I desire and bequeath as follows, that is -

1<sup>st</sup> I Will and bequeath to my daughter Leah One hundred acres of my home  
plantation adjoining the lands of Emanuel Tammor beginning at the lane  
and running the equal width to the Creek I also give her the land Called the ~~Same~~  
- Holding place also the first purchase of land that I Bought of J. M. Frank  
Joining the said Holding place to her and her heirs for ever -

2<sup>nd</sup> I give to my Beloved wife all the rest of the land that I bought of J. M. Frank  
lying on both sides of Jacobus Creek during her life time with the privilege of all  
the wooding land to fire or Clear or use in any way what ever, and at  
her Death to be equally divided between my two Children Isaac and Nancy  
to them their heirs for ever -

3<sup>rd</sup> I give unto my son Zacheus the land that I lately bought of J. W. Brock  
being two fields One lying between this and Zacheus house and the River  
and the other in the fork of Jacobus Branch to him and his heirs for ever -

4<sup>th</sup> I give unto my son Cyrus all the land that I Bought of Aaron Griffith  
to him and his heirs and assigns for ever. I desire also to have him money  
to pay the expense of Cutting a ditch -

I also give unto my daughter Levery Isaac One negro woman named Sarah  
and her two Children Amos and Edna to her and her heirs and assigns for ever -

" I also give unto my daughter Ephah two little negroes named Dinah and  
Bethel to her and her <sup>heirs</sup> and assigns for ever -

5<sup>th</sup> I also give unto my son Cyrus <sup>three</sup> ~~two~~ negroes named Jack and his wife  
Cassidy to him his heirs and assigns for ever -

6<sup>th</sup> I also give unto my wife during her life time negroes by the names Olive  
Randal Barry Winford and Harriet and Samuel and Jarvis. I also give unto  
my wife slaves named Ned Phoenix and Snip also fifty head of hogs, also all  
the Corn and peas that is growing on her part of the land this year -

" I also give unto my daughter Leah three negroes by the names of Absay  
Daniel and James to her and her heirs for ever -

" I also give unto my son William two negroes named Buff and his wife Mariah  
to him and his heirs and assigns for ever -

" I also give unto my daughter Levery I. my Old negro Dinah to her and  
her heirs for ever -

" also the negroes that I give unto my Wife to be equally divided between  
my two Children Nancy and Isaac at her death to them their heirs and assigns  
for ever -; also I give unto my Daughter Polly two negroes by the name of William  
and Abed to her and her heirs for ever, also One Cow and Calf -

" also I give unto my daughter Leah One Bed, also I give unto my son Cyrus  
One best two Cows and Calves and two Sows and Shotes, also to my daughter  
Leah two Cows and Calves and two Sows and Shotes also my son Cyrus to  
have a Horse named Dick. Leah and Cyrus a small a small Pot & two Tubs each

I give unto my wife four Sows and pigs in preparation for another year six  
Cows and calves her choice and all the best not well as away, to her and the use of her  
two Children, also all the Whels and Cards a bout the house and loom, and  
Bowl furniture, also one Card and the Riding Chair and four plows,  
I also desire that all the property given to my wife at her Death to go to my two  
Children Isaac and Nancy, my will is that my Executors <sup>sell</sup> my Bacon and Lard while  
the price is up my desire is that my Oxen and large Steers be prepared for market  
as soon as possible.

I gave my Slave Dote to my daughter Levia. I desire that my Lands known  
by the names of the Lee and Ock places and Stephen Brown place and all  
the rest of my lands not disposed off to be sold or rented at the discretion  
of my Executors to the best advantage of the heirs and to be disposed of at the  
will of my Executors and the proceeds of the same and my money and notes and  
Crop and Stock to be disposed of as the Law directs -  
and lastly I nominate and appoint my Son William Brown and Ignatius  
Brock to execute this my last will and Testament, and I here by ratify  
this and no other to be my last will and Testament and Revoke all other  
former wills by me in any wise before made. In witness whereof I here by  
set my hand and Seal this 31<sup>st</sup> of July 1840

Signed Sealed in the  
presence of  
each other

Henry Rhodes

Mary Packer

Nancy Packer

Isaac Brown Seal

North Carolina } Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions  
Fors County } September Term 1840

then was the foregoing last Will and Testament of  
Isaac Brown produced and proved in open Court in due  
form of Law by the oath of Henry Rhodes one of the  
Subscribing Witnesses thereto and ordered to be Recorded  
at the same time Ignatius W. Brock and William Brown  
Qualified as Executors to the same

Witness W. Hammond cee  
I certify the above to be a true copy from the  
Original filed in office September Term 1840

W. Hammond cee