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I John Ball of the County of Jones and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say first that my Executors hereafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends and pay all funeral expences together with my Just debts howsoever and whosoever owing out of the first monies that may first come into their hands as a part or parcel of my estate Item I give and devise to my beloved Bashaba Ball two negroes by the name of Phillis and Martha to her and her heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and devise to my Daughter Levici Bynum wife of William Bynum two Negroes by the name of Frank and Henry to her and her heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and devise to my Daughter Levici Bynum One Feather Bed Stead & furniture to her and her heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and devise to my beloved wife Bashaba Ball One Feather Bed Stead and furniture to her and her heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and devise to my youngest Daughter Sarah C. Ball two Negroe men by the name of Henry and George to her and her heirs and assigns forever

Item my will is Should my Daughter Sarah C. Ball die without leaving a lawful Issue from her body the above named Negroes Henry & George I give and devise to the children of Levici Bynum wife of the said William Bynum to them and their heirs and assigns forever

Item I give and devise to my beloved wife Bashaba Ball one white Horse by the name of Bill to her & her heirs forever

Item I give and devise to my dear Sister Alice Ball One hundred dollars in money to her and her heirs forever

Item I give and devise to my beloved wife Bashaba Ball two hundred dollars in money to her and her heirs forever

* Item I leave to my dear wife Bashaba Ball all my lands in said County during her natural life and at her death to my youngest Daughter Sarah C. Ball all the above named lands in said County to her and her heirs and assigns forever

Item my will and desire is I should my Daughter Sarah E. Ball die without leaving a lawful issue of her body I give and devise the said Lands to Levi's Byrmine Children wife of William Byrmine to them and their heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and devise to my beloved Wife Baskaba Ball two Cows & Calves and two Sows & Pigs to her and her heirs forever.

Item My will and desire is that all the residue of my money Notes & all of my perishable property of every description after taking out all the devises and legacies above mentioned shall be sold and the debts owing to me collected and if there should be any surplus over and above the payments of all debts expenses and legacies that such surplus shall be given to my youngest Daughter Sarah E. Ball to her and her heirs forever.

Item and whereas my youngest Daughter Sarah E. Ball a Minor of the age of about eight years and will be of the full age of twenty one until the 17th of December 1860

Now therefore my will and desire is that friend A. G. Cubark is hereby constituted and appointed Guardian of my Daughter Sarah E. Ball to have and to hold the Custody and Guardianship of her respective person and estate until she the said Sarah E. Ball marry or arrives at the full age of twenty one years and lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friends A. G. Cubark and Edward Whitley my lawful Executors to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and Testaments by me heretofore made In witness whereof I the said John Ball do hereunto set my hand and seal this 23rd day of January A.D. 1847

signed sealed published
and declared by the said
John Ball to be his last

will and Testament in
presence of us who at his
request in his presence
and in the presence of
each other do subscribe

our names as witnesses thereto

Thomas C. Parsons

William DuVal

Philo A. Curtis

his
John^r Ball (seal)
mark

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North Carolina, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions March Term 1847
Jones County } In Open Court there was the Execution of the last will
and Testament of John Bale dec'd. proved in due form of Law by the oath
of Thomas C. Parsons & Philo A. Curtis two of the subscribing witnesses
and thereupon Allen G. Cubert one of the Executors therein named was Indulged
as Executor of the last will and Testament of the said John Bale dec'd and
the said last will and Testament was ordered to be Registered

A true Copy from the Original file in office WILLIAM MONROE
March Term 1847