

In the name of God Amen

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I John C. Forrester of the County of Iredell and State of North Carolina seriously Considering the uncertainty of life and mindful of the obligation upon every man to leave his affairs in order do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following viz.

Item It is my wish that my Executor herein after named Should liquidate and pay all my just debts from proceeds of monies or hand monies due me and the sale of property herein after directed as the case may be Item I wish my Executor to sell as he may believe to best advantage my property in Pollocksville the following named Negroes belonging tame to wit Song, Baby, Belia, Mary, and Rachel his wife, Peter, Mary, Judea and her Child Lucy, big Sarah, and her Child, yellow Mary, Ned and his wife Mary, Gabriel and his wife Nancy and her youngest Child Maria, big Venus, Shorttollie and her youngest Child John, Glory, and Doll, also all other property owned by me and not herein after devised

Item I give to my Mother Christian Forrester one third part of the remaining part of my Negroes after the sale of those above named also one third part of whatever funds may remain in the hands of my Executor on settling my Estate of her heirs and assigns forever.

Item I lend to my beloved wife Caroline during her natural life one third part of all my lands including my dwelling and other buildings attached, excepting from said lands those lots owned by me in Pollockville directed to be sold.

Item I give all my lands except lots in Pollockville as herein after before excepted, to be equally and fairly divided between my two sons George Christopher and Henry Clay subject to a life right to one third thereof of my wife to them their heirs and assigns forever.

Item It is my wish that my Executor allot and set off to my wife and family from my Corp and Stock on hand a sufficiency for one years provision Item the remaining two thirds of my Negroes not herein directed to be sold I give to be equally and fairly divided between my wife Caroline and my four children George Christopher, Henry Clay, Marianne Francesca and Christiana Caroline Catherine to them their heirs and assigns forever.

Item the remaining two thirds of whatever funds may remain in the hands of my Executor on settling my estate I give to be equally and fairly divided between my wife Caroline and my four children George Christopher, Henry Clay, Marianne Francesca and Christiana Caroline Catherine to them their heirs and assigns forever

Item I nominate and appoint my friend James C. Byars Executor to this my last will and Testament whom I also nominate and appoint Guardian to my sons George Christopher and Henry Clay

the testimony of which I do hereunto set my hand and seal this 4th day of March A.D. 1848

Witnessed & published in

John C. Forrester *Seal*

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State of North Carolina Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
Jones County 3 April Term 1849 in open court -

There was the Execution of the last will and Testament of John C. Horne deceased
in due form of law by the oaths of P. Barnes and Archamial Naples the Subscribing
witnesses thereto and therupon James C. Bryan the Executor therein named was Dealtly
as Executor of the last will and Testament of John C. Horne deceased and the said la-
will and Testament was ordered to be Registered H. T. THOMAS recd.