

me also ~~devising~~ my Executors to lay off 5/8 acres of Land for said negro Luke
H. Bryan
Jas H. Bryan

Wm H. Wise

State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
Jones County } March Term - 1822

There was the foregoing last will and Testament of Wm H. Wise ~~read~~ ^{read} ~~proposed~~ in
due form of Law by the oath of Henry Bryan one of the subscribing Witnesses
thereto and ordered to be recorded at the same time Archibald Bishop one of the
Executors therein named qualified as such a person to Law

At Test City of the aforesaid State of North Carolina

Witness my hand and seal this 1st day of March 1822

I Samuel Knight of Jones County and State of North Carolina seriously considering
the uncertainty of human life at best more particularly of my own in my present -
declining state of life do while in firm state of mind and sound recollection make ~~this~~
~~my~~ ^{my} last will and Testament. Intending hereby to dispose of my -
worldly affairs not as humor may prompt - but as Justice and Equity may seem
to direct.

Item first of all I most humbly recommend my soul to the extensive mercy
of that allwise Supreme Intelligent Being who gave it me most earnestly
at the same time deprecating his Justice

2nd Item my will and desire is that all my just debts and necessary Expenses
be paid and satisfied by my Executors -

3rd Item I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Catherine the manner house
and plantation whereon I now live including all the lands I own on both -
sides of Mill Creek together with the lands whereon Samuel Knight now lives
supposed to contain all together 5/8 acres during her natural life also all my
stock of horses Cattle and hogs &c together with all my household furniture plantation
tools &c during her life and at the death of my said wife my will and
desire is that all the before mentioned land should be equally divided between my
three youngest Children. James Carter & John Thane & Thane alike to them
their heirs ~~and assigns~~ ^{forever} also all the above mentioned stock after the
death of my wife should there be any left. my will and desire is that it -
should be equally divided between my before mentioned Children James Carter &
John to them their heirs and assigns forever

Item I give & bequeath to my son Joseph Knight one Shilling Sterling leaving
advances him all ready in life to him his heirs

Item I give & bequeath my Daughter Mary one Shilling Sterling to her her heirs
and assigns forever

Item I give and bequeath my son Samuel one shilling Sterling to him his heirs
and assigns forever

Witness my hand this 1st day of March 1822

