

In the name of God Amen.

- I Simon Foscue son of the County of Jones and State of North Carolina, being sick of body, but in perfect mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament, in manner and form following—
- Imprimis I lend to my beloved wife Ann Foscue, during her natural Life time— Fifty Acres of Land at my plantation on the River— including the one half of the dwelling House the east part— and one Kitchen and the privilege of pasturage on said plantation for her stock also I lend my Wife the whole of my Bachelor Creek plantation during her natural life time— also I give to my beloved Wife Ann Foscue the following property, to her and her Heirs forever— Five cows Halves, my riding, collar saddle & bridle one plow & gears, one Bed and furniture at Batchelors Creek One Wooden Wheel, & a linnen Wheel, one loom & all that belongs to it, one large Chest at Batchelors Creek one pine Table all the Kitchen furniture at Batchelors Creek— all the chairs & crockery Ware at Batchelors Creek— Also I lend my Wife during her Natural life time all the stock of Cattle and Hogs which I hereafter give to my son Amos Foscue, she making good the number lent— also I lend my Wife during her natural life time or Widowhood, two Negro boys, Joe & Gilboah which negroes I hereafter give to my son Amos— also I give to my Wife my riding Chair & Whims to her and her Heirs forever.
- Item I give to my son Frederick Foscue, and my daughter Rachel each one Shilling, sterling to them and their Heirs forever—
- Item I give to my son Simon Foscue the following, Negroes Viz Jerry Dick & Frank, that is now in his possession, and Stance, Levin, & Gellary that is now in my possession, to him his Heirs & assigns forever.
- Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Dorcas Foscue, the following Negroes Viz Patience, Juliet, & Gellamuel, one Bed bedstead & furniture, Six Silver Tea spoons in the possession of Simon Foscue to her and her Heirs forever.
- Item I give to my daughter Sally Foscue, the following negroes, Charles, Peter, & Lucey, & one bed & furniture to her, her heirs & assigns forever.
- Item I give to my son Lewis, One Hundred Acres of Land of my plantation on Trent, adjoining the lands of Mr. Edward Mumford, beginning at a corner Stone and running to a corner stone—

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the dividing line between him and my son Stephen, also a Negro boy, Moses to him his Heirs & assigns forever.

Item I give to my son Stephen, all my lands on Trent excepting one Acre and a half, given to Lewis also the Land I bought of Robert Hornegay adjoining Hatchers quarter also the following Negroes, Tom, Anthony & York & Jenny also one young mare called Jenny & her colt, Three Cows and a Calves Two Sows & Pigs, Ten Head of Sheep one Yoke of Oxen, Two Plows and a Gear, one Ox cart & Wheel one maple & one Mahogany Table, One Desk, all the chairs belonging to the House, on the River Plantation one Bedstead & furniture one Cupboard, one pair and Irons, one pair of Wedges, Two Axes, Three Hoes, and one Chest, one dish half dozen Plates knives Forks, one Looking Glass, Two pots, hoes and Trunk and all my Black Smiths Tools and one hand Mill, all the above to my son Stephen his Heirs & assigns for ever.

Item I give to my daughter Betsey, the following Negroes Lettice, Dick, & Morris, also one Bedstead & furniture & one large Chest and all that is in it & one Trunk that was her Mothers, one Spinner & one Wooden Wheel, to her her Heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Susannah Fowce, the following negroes Phill, Jim, & Jude, also one Bed & furniture, one set Silver Tea Spoons, one Black Chest that was her mothers, one young mare, a Sorrel, to her her Heirs & assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Amos the following property, viz. all my Lands on Batchelors Creek, and seventy five acres on the Beaver dam, three Negro boys named Joe, Golbark, & Jack, and a small boy called George, Three cows & calves, all the stock of Hogs belonging to the Batchelors Creek, two Beds & furniture at Batchelors Creek, one mahogany Table, one Cupboard, one bay mare, to him his Heirs and assigns forever.

I send my beloved Wife Ann Fowce, all the personal property given to my son Amos untill he becomes of age, she making good the quantity.

Item I give to my son Amos ten Head of Sheep, and lend them to my Wife untill Amos becomes of age.

It is my will and desire that my Executors herein after mentioned, should have of all the residue of my property, which together with what I have due me shall be applied after paying

all my just debts, to the Education of my children and should there be any remaining I wish it divided equally between my four youngest children, my further will and desire, is that Stephen shall have immediate possession of his property, and to manage for himself under the direction of my son Simon. I give to my wife son, John Stephenson, one grey Horse, called Hawk, a Saddle, and Bridle to him, his heirs and assigns for ever. Lastly, I nominate and appoint my sons Simon & Stephen as Executors, & my Wife also Executrix to this my last will & testament revoking and disannulling all others heretofore by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 25th August 1844

Simon Fiske

Signed sealed & declared by the testator in the presence of

Edward Debrew
Mara Steerson
Robt. Hornegay

North Carolina

Jones County Court November Term 1844

Then was the above Will of Simon Fiske duly proved in open Court by the oath of Robt Hornegay & ordered to be recorded - and at same time Simon Fiske one of the Executors therein named qualified as such agreeable to Law ordered that Letters Testamentary issue accordingly

In the name of God Amen

I Joanna Burns at present of the County of Jones & State of North Carolina seriously considering the uncertainty of Human Life at best, do while in a firm State of mind & sound recollection make & ordain this my last Will and Testament.

Imprimis - I nominate constitute and appoint my friends Enoch Foy and Lurant Hatch Esquires my Executors & Trustees with full and ample power in case they be unwilling to perform the necessary duties of trustees, to constitute & appoint such persons as in their wisdom they may think competent as substitute or substitutes - them or their Executors -

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