

Be it hereby remembred that it is the further Will & Pleasure  
of the within nam'd Robert Orme that my Daughters that shall be  
unmarried at my Death, shall have the Use & Benefit of my Kitchen  
the little Cellar, my own Room, the Shed & Mill Room, the doorn  
Room with the Loom & Tackling, the Hall Room, the Furniture  
of my own Room, with so much Kitchen Furniture as my Executors  
shall think sufficient for them, also three Pewter Dishes, six Pewter  
Plates, six Earthen Plates, the Benefit of my Home Field & Orchard with  
the Wain thereon for so long a Time as they shall remain unmarried  
severally, or untill they otherwise chuse to resign the same. Any  
herein contain'd or before mention'd to the contrary in any  
will notwithstanding, also p'd Bought Tackling & the Work of a  
Yoke of Oxen nam'd Sam'l & Jany with the Yoke & Calchain -  
Given under my Hand & Seal this 15<sup>th</sup> Day of September 1770

Signed, sealed & acknowledg'd  
in Presence of us

Robert Orme

Thomas Hay  
Robert Grimes  
John Ramsey

State of North Carolina  
Jones County Court, March Term 1779

Then was the within last Will & Testament of Robert Orme read  
together with the Codicil duly prov'd in open Court by  
the Oath of Robert Grimes one of the subscribing Witnesses  
thereto & order'd to be recorded, At the same Time  
William Orme one of the Executors therein nam'd  
qualified as such agreeable to Law - Order'd that  
Letters Testamentary issue accordingly

Test Jno. Bush Clk.

A true Copy compar'd with the original Will in the  
Books of Jones County this 25<sup>th</sup> Day of June 1800

Test Wm Orme, for  
Jno. P. Bryan, Clk

Be it remembred this Sixth day of the Fourth Month of the  
Year One thousand Seven hundred & Ninety nine that  
William Stanton of Jones County in the State of North Carolina  
being of a sound & disposing Mind & memory do make & ordain  
this my last Will & Testament touching my worldly Estate &  
dispos'd of the same in the following manner & form -  
I hereby empower my Executors hereafter nam'd  
to sell & dispose of my Land with the Improvements thereto be-  
longing in Case Friends generally move away, or otherwise if  
they think best to sign a sufficient Deed of Sale but if they think  
proper to keep said Land for the Use & support of my Family, I  
leave it in their power so to do.

Item I lend to my beloved Lydia Stanton all my Land or  
the Money arising therefrom if sold, with all the remaining part  
of my Estate as long as she continues to be my Widow to be  
discretionally made use of by my Executors as best Wisdom directs  
for the Use & support of my Family, in Case she should marry  
after my Decease, my Will & desire is that all my Estate then  
remaining should be equally divided between my Wife & Children  
here named, (to wit) Alice, Bignall, Borden, Enock, William  
& Job, to whom I give said Property as above divided & to their  
Heirs for ever.

Item My Will & desire is that my Executors should have the  
full Care & Authority over my Children either to keep them in  
their Tution, or to place them where they may in Wisdom think best  
till they may arrive to lawful Age.

Lastly, I nominate constitute & appoint my beloved Wife  
Lydia Stanton Executrix & my Brother Borden Stanton Ex-  
ecutor to this my last Will & Testament, hereby revoking and  
disannulling all former Wills by me at any Time heretofore  
made & ratifying & confirming this & my other to be my last &  
Testament

Signed, sealed & declar'd by the said  
William Stanton to be his last Will &  
Testament in Presence of us

Joseph Stanton  
Henry Newby  
Shamma Newby

Jones County Court, November Term 1799  
Then was the aforesaid last Will & Testament of William Stanton  
duly prov'd in open Court by the Affirmation of Joseph Stanton  
One of the subscribing Witnesses thereto & order'd to be recorded, At  
same Time Borden Stanton One of the Executors therein nam'd  
together with the Affirmation of an Executor agreeable to Law - Order'd that  
Letters Testamentary issue accordingly, Test Wm Orme, Clk