

The following will, were proved in Open Court & admitted to Record, viz.

In the name of God Amen I Christina & her of the County of Lincoln in the State of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory, bearing in mind the mutability of my body & it is appointed for all men once to die do this 9th day of December in the year of our Lord 1827 make & declare this my last will & testament as follows viz in the first place I recommend my soul unto God who gave it & my body to the earth to be buried in a decent Christianlike manner at the discretion of my executor & the Worldly Estate whereunto it hath pleased God to bless me in this life with I do bequeath & devise & dispose of in the following manner to wit First I direct all my last debts & funeral expenses to be paid, secondly I give & bequeath unto my loving wife Sarah a negro woman named Sarah now about twenty three years of age & her children to wit Nancy about four years old Romney about two years old, & her youngest child two named John & Billy her saddle & Bridle one bed with all its clothing & the bea stead four cows four sheep with all the future increase of the aforesaid property to do with as she may think fit also one year provision for self & family to be taken out of the stock & crops then on hand also her spinning wheel the above property I give to my wife absolutely to do with as she think proper Secondly my will is that my three slaves Martins about forty seven years of age Udd about forty two years of age & David a mulatto boy about two years of age my will is that the above slaves be at liberty & that I do not at my decease & that my executor prepare a petition to the Superior Court of Lincoln praying the said slaves to be liberated & further maintenance & comfort that they shall do in taking more than usual care of me & myself in our declining years & bestowing more than usual kindness to myself & to my said wife both in sickness & health &

more than integral care of my stock & other things for our
support & that the petition be filed within twelve months
after my decease & provide to the said slaves be set free by said
Court then my will is that each of the legates mentioned in this
my last will shall sign a bond or bonds for the good behavior
of the said Negro servants by the Court or my executors
Upon their refusing so to do the legates or legacies thus
refusing shall forfeit his or her part of my estate & it shall
be equally divided amongst those that do comply with
my will & that the like forfeiture shall take place
provided each legatee refused to sign a petition for the
liberation of the above mentioned slaves aforesaid & providing
that the said Court should fail to liberate the slaves
aforesaid that this my will is that my executors & legates
shall prefer a petition to the next general assembly
after such failure praying that the said slaves be set free
In failure of any of the legates refusing to sign said
petition that they shall not receive any part of my estate
from my executors & my will is that my whole estate be
charged with all the life & expenses in setting the said
slaves free & when the slaves is set free I will & I require
to Harriet to the person above mentioned as her bidding &
spinning wheel one cow one year provision, with all
her cooking furniture, I will & I require to Violet the
person before named as her bidding that she has of her own
claim that is to say all she has in her own house with
all the furniture of every kind her spinning wheel one cow
one year provisions my wish is that the boy above named
Oscar be bound to some good trade by my executors until
he arrives to the age of twenty one if these instructions
Read the Gospel. My will is that my wife have all my
house & kitchen furniture of every kind also the loom
& harness the wagon with gear sufficient for two
horses & the wind mill there to all things to remain
on the plantation for the use of my wife during her natural
life then to be disposed as I shall direct by an other
Clause of my will is that my wife have the use

of all my plantations during her natural life from the
day to month, as she thinks proper to attend to the
remainder to be rented out yearly by my Executors
but the rents arising from the Plantations to be wholly
applied to the use of my wife ~~my~~ my will is that
my wife have as many of the plantation tools as is
sufficient for her force during life my will is that
my Executors sell all the remainder of my personal estate
that is not mentioned in this my will upon a reasonable
credit by taking bonds with approved security & the
money arising from the sale my will is as follows
after paying all my just debts & funeral charges & all
the expense of the freedom of the negroes above mentioned
my will is that the money arising from the property
not especially mentioned in this my will that is to be
equally divided between Peter Eaker son of my brother
John Peter Eaker, to Peter Lucad, son of John & Barbara
Lucad, to Christy Eaker Manright to Christy Eaker
son of my brother Michael Eaker to Sarah Carpenter
wife of Christy Carpenter to Catherine Mullett wife
of Samuel Mullett, my will is that my Executors of this
will shall at the death of my wife sell all my real &
personal estate that I have not here before & hereby
willed to be given to her & during my life time shall never
off or give away personal or real estate on a reasonable
credit by the purchaser giving bonds with approved
security & the money thereof be equally divided between
Peter Mher, son of my brother John Peter Mher &
Peter Lucad son of John & Barbara Lucad, & Christy
Eaker Manright & Christy Eaker son of my
brother Michael Eaker & Sarah Carpenter wife of
Christy Carpenter & Catherine Mullett wife of
Samuel Mullett, my will is that the money arising
from the first clause of this my will coming to
Catherine Mullett, shall be laid out in the purchase

a small tract of land the title to be made to her
her heirs & the money arising from both clauses of
this my will to Peter & Sarah my wife but that my
executors keep the money at interest until the said
Peter & Sarah amount to the age of twenty one years
of age & the interest arising from the money aforesaid
to be applied for the education of said Peter & Sarah
My will is it is my desire that my wife make a will
& appoint her executors in order that she
may dispose of the property that I have herein before
Milla & also the third part of the real & personal estate
of my real & personal property that I have not
herein before disposed of with all the notes & bonds
that may be on hand at my wife's decease
My last request to my executors is that they never put
to sale any of the African owned slaves for it is my desire
that they never release any person after my death
lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint Jacob Parsons
Melchor in Shorthand & Peter Munnery Esqrs
of executors of this my last will & testament & I do
hereby revoke & annul all & every former
will & testament made by me I declare this to be
my last will & testament signed sealed & published
& declared to by Christian Eaker to be his last
will & testament in presence of us

Major Hull Jurat A B the undersigned
Samuel Wilson Jurat before me as a Justice of the Peace
John Cook
my lifetime shall see & off
it give away personal or
real estate acknowledged
before us the 11 day of June
1827

Christian Eaker
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Peter Munnery Esq Jurat