

241 September 29, 1845

John Stokes Will -

I John Stokes being well beloved and
remembering, thank, be to God for his mercy, but
taking into consideration that it is appointed
for all men once to die, I do make and ordain
this my last will & Testament to be

I give my soul to God from whence it came
my body to be buried in a Christian like
manner & as to this worldly goods in which
I have pleased God to bless me - I give
unto my beloved wife Barbara three
thousand dollars absolutely & further will
that my executors set apart & put on interest
six thousand dollars of which she shall receive
the interest annually during her life or widow
hood, I also give her four beds, one tall table,
two dozen chairs, two bureaus, the clock, & as
far much kitchen furniture as she will need
one side board one corner Cup board one horse
three cows her choice, one Buggy & Harness -

2nd I give to my son David the house & lot in Greenville
for which I have made him a deed which I value
at three thousand dollars - \$3000.00

I also give him the note I have on him dated the 16th
December 1842, drawn on demand for six thousand nine
hundred thirty eight dollars.

I also give him the negro girl Rachel & her man \$9938.00

for all men come to die, & do make & ordain
this my last will & Testament to be

I give my soul to God from whence it came
my body to be buried in a Christian like
manner & as to this worldly goods mix with
it has pleased God to bless me - I give
unto my beloved wife Barbara three
thousand dollars absolutely & further will
that my executors set apart & put on interest
six thousand dollars of which she shall receive
the interest annually during her life or widow
hood, I also give her four beds, one sitting
two dozen chairs two bureaus, two clocks, & as
far much kitchen furniture as she will need
one side board one corner cupboard one horse
three cows her choice, one Buggy & Harness -

2nd I give to my son David the house & lot in Greenville
for which I have made him a deed which I value
at three thousand dollars. - \$3000.00

I also give him the note I have on him dated the 16th

December 1842 drawn on demand for six thousand nine

hundred thirty eight dollars.

6938.00

I also give him the negro girl Blacked her name

\$938.00

which I value at three hundred dollars.

300.00
\$10238.00

3rd I give to my son Michael the house & lot
on which he lives & for which I made him

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deeds, the tract of land adjoining which I bought
of David Reinhardt on the East side of the Mill
ford road, for which I paid Bill Reinhardt thirteen
hundred & fifty dollars. I valued the same 1300.00

I also give him negro boy Mandel which I
valued at five hundred dollars 500.00

I also give him lot No 38 in North East Square valued 200.00

I also give my son Michael the tract of land bought
of Joseph & Bill & Michael Reinhardt on the Mill branch
which I valued at nine hundred dollars 900.00

I have given him in cash at different times, for which
he is not charged any where four hundred dollars. 400.00

I also give him the negro girl Dory valued at 300.00

I also give him six thousand six hundred &
thirty eight dollars. 6638.00

\$10238.00

I also allow & give him in cash in addition to the
above by way of interest five thousand six hundred dollars
out of which he is to pay all book accounts that may be
open against him without limitation making in all fifteen
thousand eight hundred & thirty eight dollars. 5600.00

\$15838.00

I give to my Grand daughter Sara Anne Brook the
negro woman Maria & her increase & the negro boy Tillman now
in possession of Doctor A. B. Brook of Greenville S Carolina
which I valued at one thousand dollars. \$1000.00

4000.00

I also give her in cash four thousand dollars.

I also give him the sum of five hundred dollars 500.00
 I also give him lot No 28 in North East Square value 200.00
 I also give my son Michael the tract of land bought
 of Joseph & Will. El Michael Reinhardt on the Mill branch
 which I value at nine hundred dollars 900.00
 I have given him in cash at different times for which
 he is not charged any where four hundred dollars. 400.00
 I also give him the Negro Girl Dory valued at 300.00
 I also give him six thousand six hundred &
 thirty eight dollars. 6638.00
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I give to my Grand daughter Sarah Anne Crook the
 negro woman Maria her increase & the negro by Tillman now
 in possession of Doctor A. B. Crook of Greenville S^c Carolina
 which I value at one thousand dollars. \$1000.00
 I also give her in cash four thousand dollars. 4000.00
 Making in all five thousand \$5000.00
 but if she die without issue or issue should die
 under age then the above shall be equally divided
 between my wife & my children

241 September 29th 1845

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I John Stokes being well of sound mind
Memory, thank, be to God for his mercy, but
taking into consideration that it is appointed
for all men once to die, I do make & ordain
this my last will & Testament to be

I give my soul to God: from whence it came
my body to be buried in a Christian like
manner due to this worldly goods inewith
It has pleased God to bless me - I give
unto my beloved wife Barbara three
thousand dollars absolutely & further will
that my Executors set apart & put in interest
six thousand dollars of which she shall receive
the interest annually during her life or widow
hood; I also give her four beds, one tall table,
two dozen chairs two bureaux, the clock, & as
I as much kitchen furniture as she will need
one side board one corner Cup board one horse
then come her choice, one Ruggy & 2 Geese -

2nd I give to my son David the house & lot in Guilford
for which I have made him a deed which I value
at three thousand dollars - \$3000.00

I also give him the note I have on him date the 16th

December 1842. drawn on demand for six thousand nine

hundred thirty eight dollars

6738.00

this my last will & Testament to viz

I give my soul to God, from whence it came
my body to be buried in a Christian like
manner due to this worldly goods inasmuch
it has pleased God to bless me - I give
unto my beloved wife Barbara three
thousand dollars absolutely & further will
that my executors set apart & put on interest
six thousand dollars of which she shall receive
the interest annually during her life or widow
hood; I also give her four beds, one full length,
two dozen chairs, two beanows, the clock, & as
far much kitchen furniture as she will need
one side board one corner cupboard one horse
three cows her choice, one buggy & harness -

2nd I give to my son David the house & lot in Gouville
for which I have made him a deed which I value
at three thousand dollars

\$3000.00

I also give him the note I have on him date the 16th
December 1842, drawn on demand for six thousand nine
hundred thirty eight dollars.

6938.00

I also give him the negro girl Rachel & her increase
which I value at three hundred dollars.

\$9938.00

300.00

\$10238.00

3rd I give to my son Michael the house & lot
on which he lives & for which I made him

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deeds, & the tract of land adjoining which I bought
of David Reinhardt on the East side of the Ellwood
ford road for which I paid Bell & Reinhardt thirteen
hundred & fifty dollars I valued the same 1300.00

I also give him negro boy Maudel which I
value at five hundred dollars 500.00

I also give him lot No 38 in North East square value 200.00

I also give my son Michael the tract of land I bought
of Joseph & Bell & Michael Reinhardt on the Mill branch
which I value at nine hundred dollars 900.00

I have given him in cash at different times for which
he is not charged any where four hundred dollars. 400.00

I also give him the negro girl Dory valued at 300.00

I also give him six thousand six hundred &
thirty eight dollars. 6638.00

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I also allow & give him in cash in addition to the
above by way of interest five thousand six hundred dollars
out of which he is to pay all book accounts that may be
open against him without limitation making in all fifteen
thousand eight hundred & thirty eight dollars. 5600.00

\$15838.00

I give to my Grand daughter Sara Hope Crook the
negro woman Maria & her increase & the negro by Tillman now
in possession of Doctor A. B. Crook of Greenville S^c Carolina
which I value at one thousand dollars - \$1000.00

I also give her in cash four thousand dollars. 4000.00

He is to have all five thousand \$5000.00

I also give him Negro boy Plaudel which I
 value at five hundred dollars 500.00
 I also give him lot No 38 in North East square value 200.00
 I also give my son Michael the tract of land bought
 of Joseph & Bell & Michael Remhardt on the Mill Branch
 which I value at nine hundred dollars 900.00
 I have given him in cash at different times for which
 he is not charged any where four hundred dollars. 400.00
 I also give him the Negro girl Dory valued at 300.00
 I also give him six thousand six hundred &
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I give to my Grand daughter Sara Kate Crook the
 Negro woman Maria her increase & the Negro by William now
 in possession of Doctor A. B. Crook of Greenville S^c Carolina
 which I value at one thousand dollars - \$1000.00

I also give her in cash four thousand dollars. 4000.00

Making in all five thousand \$5000.00

but if she die without issue or issue should die
 under age then the above shall be equally divided
 between my wife & my children

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I John Stokes being well of sound mind
Memory, thank, be to God for his mercy, but
taking into consideration that it is appointed
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I give my soul to God from whence it came
my body to be buried in a Christian like
Manner due to this worldly goods inasmuch
it has pleased God to bless me - I give
unto my beloved wife Barbara three
thousand dollars absolutely & further will
that my executor, set apart & put in interest
six thousand dollars of which she shall receive
the interest annually during her life or widow
hood, I also give her four beds, one tall table,
two dozen chairs, two bureaux, the clock, & as
much kitchen furniture as she will need
one side board one corner Cup board one horse
three cows her choice, one Buggy & Harness -

2nd I give to my son David the house & lot in Greenwich
for which I have made him a deed which I value
at three thousand dollars. \$3000.00

I also give him the note I have on him date the 16th

December 1842 drawn on demand for six thousand nine

hundred thirty eight dollars.

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this my last will & Testament to be

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my body to be buried in a Christian like
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far much kitchen furniture as she will need
one side board one corner cupboard one horse
three cows her choice, one Buggy & Harness -

2nd I give to my son David the house that in Greenwich
for which I have made him a deed which I value
at three thousand dollars - \$3000.00

I also give him the note I have on him date the 16th

December 1842 drawn on demand for five thousand nine
hundred thirty eight dollars.

I also give him the negro girl Rachel her inventory \$9938.00
which I value at three hundred dollars. 300.00

\$10238.00

3rd I give to my son Michael the house that
in which he lives & for which I made him

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deeds, the tract of land adjoining which I bought
of David Reinhardt on the East side of the Albion
ford road, for which I paid Bell & Reinhardt thirteen
hundred & fifty dollars I value it this same 1300.00

I also give him negro boy Maudel which I
value at five hundred dollars 500.00

I also give him lot No 38 in North East square value 200.00

I also give my son Michael the tract of land I bought
of Joseph & Bell & Michael Reinhardt on the Mill branch
which I value at nine hundred dollars 900.00

I have given him in cash at different times, for which
he is, not charged any where four hundred dollars. 400.00

I also give him the negro girl Dory valued at 300.00

I also give him six thousand six hundred &
thirty eight dollars 6638.00

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out of which he is to pay all book accounts that may be
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\$15838.00

I give to my Grand daughter Sarah Anne Crook the
negro woman Maria & her increase. the negro by William now
in possession of Doctor A. B. Crook of Greenville S^c Carolina
which I value at one thousand dollars - \$1000.00

I also give her in cash four thousand dollars. 4000.00

I also give him negro boy Leander valued
 Value at five hundred dollars 500.00
 I also give him lot No 38 in North East Square value 200.00
 I also give My son Michael the tract of land I bought
 of Joseph C Bell. & Michael Reinhardt on the Mill branch
 which I value at nine hundred dollars 900.00
 I have given him in cash at different times, for which
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 I also give him the negro girl Dory valued at 300.00
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but if she die without issue or issue should die
 under age then the above shall be equally divided
 between my wife & my children.

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5th I give to my son John the tract of land formerly belonging to Thomas Green of Butte County which I value at — \$4500.00
 I also give him in Cash six thousand, two hundred & thirty eight dollars — \$6238.00

6th I give to my daughter Nancy the tract of land on the South fork of Kataba river joining Willers tan yard & Phillip Causler which I value at three thousand dollars \$3000.00
 I also give her in Cash seven thousand two hundred & thirty eight dollars — 7238.00
 \$10238.00

7th I give to my son William the houses & lots where I now live say Lots N^o 13, 14 & 15 & the lot in the North West Square joining John Clin which I value to him at four thousand dollars. \$4000.00
 I also give him the tract of land on the West side of the Island ford road which I bought of David Reinhardt which I value at eight hundred dollars 800.00
 I also give him in Cash five thousand four hundred & thirty eight dollars. 5438.00

8th I give to my son Francis the plantation I bought of Jordanek Woke, two tracts, joining John Ramsour

6th. I give to my Daughter Nancy the tract of land on the South fork of Katabas river joining Whistlers tan yard & Phillip Causler which I value at three thousand dollars, \$3000.00
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 I also give him the tract of land on the West side of the Island ford road which I thought of David Reinhardt which I value at eight hundred dollars — 800.00
 I also give him in Cash five thousand four hundred & thirty eight dollars. 5438.00

8th I give to my son Francis the plantation I thought of Jordanick Woke, two tracts, joining Lotm Rancour which I value at five thousand dollars \$5000.00
 I also give him in Cash five thousand two hundred & thirty eight dollars 5238.00

10238.00

9th. To enable my Executors to raise the money as above milled I hereby give them power to sell all the land not milled to the highest bidder, the ^{on the mill branch} free land, to be divided in at least four or more tracts, as may best suit, Also the Factory & all other land not mentioned in the will shall be sold When my black families have small children I should wish them to be sold with their parents, as much so as may be consistent, but I will leave this point to be decided by the majority of my executors, if they can agree to sell them altogether in my family they shall have power to do so I hereby give power to the Guardians of those children that are not of age to purchase such families, as they might think an advantage, not paying out more than one half of the money that is milled to them, if there is any balance left after all what I have milled is discharged shall be equally divided between my wife & all my children & at my wife's death if any remains what is milled to her shall be equally divided between my children

10th. I will that my Executors hereafter named shall out of my Estate take three hundred dollars & put it on interest which shall for ever remain as a fund for Emanuel's Church in Lincoln One half of the interest shall annually go for the support of the German Reformed Brethren that may from time to time be engaged in said Church the other half if wanted shall go to keep the grave yard under a good fence & what is not wanted

I all other land not mentioned in the will shall be sold
Where my black families have small children I should
wish them to be sold with their parents, as much so as may
be consistent, but I will leave this point to be decided by
the majority of my executors, if they can agree to sell
them altogether in my family they shall have power to
do so & hereby give power to the Guardians of those children
that are not of age to purchase such families, as they might
think an advantage, not laying out more than one half
of the money that is allotted to them, if there is any balance
left after all what I have allotted is discharged shall be
equally divided between my wife & all my children & at
my wife's death if any remains what is allotted to her shall
be equally divided between my children

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One half of the interest shall annually go for the
support of the German Reformed Brethren that may
from time to time be engaged in said Church
the other half if wanted shall go to keep the
grave yard under a good fence & what is not wanted
for that purpose shall go to the Treasurer of said
Church to keep the Church house in repair
or build a new one when needed & I do
hereby appoint as my executors, and

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Escentry David Stok, Michael Stok
John Stok, Nancy Stok, William
Stok, & Francis Stok. This seventeenth
day of March One thousand eight
hundred & forty three
17th March 1843.

Pro. Stok

H. St. Michael —