

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

In the name of God Amen, I Moses Sherrill of the County of Lincoln & State of North Carolina being full of body but being of sound mind & memory this eighteenth day of February One thousand eight hundred & twenty five do make & publish this my last will & testament in manner & form as following, I first leave & bequeath to my wife Martha Sherrill two Negroes Polly & Lina, to her own use in fee simple to dispose of as she thinks proper, & I also leave to my wife Martha the house wherein I now live on my tract of land to my said wife & such other building as she needs with every advantage of wood water & other conveniences during her natural life subject to the exceptions hereafter mentioned. I also allow my wife to make use of said tract of land in cultivation or otherwise as her necessity may require during her natural life so as it does not exceed more than one half of said tract, I also leave my wife Martha now made by the name of Lina all my stock of cattle & hogs & also my sheep & I leave to my ^{wife} son I leave & all the tackling belonging to it & all my household & kitchen furniture & also all Needle Machinery & other articles necessary for the house & kitchen. What may not be considered household or kitchen furniture I also leave to my wife & my son Shawbridge my waggon, team, tools, & every description of farming utensils & tools of every description & all my crop of every kind whether growing or gathered & stock of provisions of every ^{kind}. I also leave my son Shawbridge the above mentioned ^{lower} tract of land subject to the exceptions above & below. I also leave my son Shawbridge one white cott. I also leave to my son Reuben the house he built & works in with the lot about it on half an acre if he needs that much with privilege of water & the road taken off any part of my land as convenience may require. It is here

be an advocate of necessity, affliction or any other known
unknown should require any further provision for
my wife Martha my Real Estate is bound up for it
at the discretion of my Executors, I also leave & bequeath
to my two Sons Septia & Isaac & their without my
upper tract of land for the use benefit & support of
my Son Wartford Sherill to be governed as the Case
may appear to them & the Law of this State & good
policy during his natural life & then it is my will
that his infant Daughter Caroline have the said
Estate above stated & in Case said Caroline infant
Daughter of my Son Wartford Sherill should die
without heirs of her body her full Brothers & Sisters
or any one of them then said Estate to descend to my
Children, but it is here to be understood that my
Said Sons Septia & Isaac Sherill is to let my son
Wartford Sherill cultivate improve said Land & to
have the profits & the profits thereof to support himself
& family, in Case he will so do, but if indolence inattention
or otherwise then said Estates is at liberty to exercise
their own will, or their good policy & wisdom may
direct for the said Wartford Sherill, And I leave
to my Son Obad Sherill and say him, & I leave to my
Son Bennet Sherill and say him, And I leave to
my four Sons Reuben, Elijah, Obad & Bennet each of
them a feather bed & bed clothes, & I leave to my
Daughters Margaret, Elizabeth, Agnes, Sally, Eliza
& Obad, Bennet, & my Son in law Adam Sherill
& my Grand Daughter Patsy Ward five negroes to
be sold by my Executors, & Equally divided among
them, I leave my Son Septia Sherill, Isaac
Sherill, William Sherill, Thomas Ward two dollars
each, & it is my will that accounts, notes bonds
or book accounts or any property not expressed
be sold & collected for to pay off my debts & debts

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but if that be insufficient to pay off my ^{Just} debts
then the Balance to be taken out of the proceeds of
the proceeds of the Sales of the five negroes Stated above
& I also leave to my Son, Hartford and valid Colly
And I leave my Sons, Asaph & Isaac, Thersel
to be my whole & Sole Executors of this my last will
and testament Vouching all former wills & testaments
and confirming this to be my last will & testament
Signed Sealed acknowledged the day & year above
Written in the Presence of

Alexander McCorkle ^{his} Mark Thersel (Seal)
Hugh Thersel ^{his} Mark

In the name of God. I, Anne George McFong
of the County of Lincoln & State of North Carolina
being in a Low State of health through in perfect mind
& memory, thank be Almighty God for the same
therefore do this ninth day of July for the year of our
Lord one thousand eight hundred & twenty nine
do make constitute & publish this my last will &
testament in manner & form following that is to say
I Command my Soul into the hands of Almighty
God who gave it me & my body to the earth from
whence it came to be buried in a Christian like
manner at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named
& for that worldly Estate where with it hath pleased
God to bless me with, I dispose of it in the following
manner, 1st That all my Just debts be first paid
then I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Susan
nah McFong, during her natural lifetime of widow