

July 29<sup>th</sup> A.D. 1835

The following will was proved in  
open Court & admitted to record.

In the name of God & men,  
This seventh day of May 1835. I Robert  
Berry of Lincoln County North Carolina being  
an old man and in weak of body yet of perfect mind  
& memory calling to mind the mortality of my  
body and knowing that is appointed for all  
mankind once to die do make and ordain  
this my last will, after the following manner  
and form. I recommend my soul into  
the hand of god that gave it and for my body  
I recommend it to be buried in a Christian like  
manner and decent manner at the discretion  
of my executors. Nothing doubting but I shall  
receive the same again by the mighty pow-  
er of god. And as touching such landed  
estate where with it has pleased god to bless  
me with in this life I give, devise and dispose  
of the same after the following manner.  
To my son Robert Franklin Berry, fifty  
pole acre of land which the said Berry  
lives on now, to be laid off as heretofore  
marked off by me, to my loving wife  
Frances the third of my land not willed to  
my son Robert for life time and at her death  
I allow it to my son Edwin M. Berry. The  
rest of my land I leave to my son Edwin M.  
Berry and also I leave one large ball face  
Chaise to my son Edwin M. Berry also one  
Beds furniture to my son Edwin M. Berry  
one bed furniture to my daughter Susannah

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and Ten dollars to be taken out of my estate to school Monroe and his daughter of my daughter Susannah. I doth a sufficient quantity of my stock to be sold to pay of my debts. The balance of which to be kept amongst my children wife and it is my request that they shall all live together as they are now also will a bequeath unto my son John Berry and Eliza A. Berry each five dollars. I do hereby constitute appoint & Ordain my sons Edwin A. Berry & Robert St. Berry. Whole & sole executors of this my last will & testament.

Signed & sealed in  
presence of

Robert Berry *(Signature)*

Robert Greenbarat  
Sam'l Ford. Knott

Edwin A. Berry *(Signature)*