

Samuel Holdbrooks Will

I Serena Holdbrooks of the County of Lincoln and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say.

First That my Executor hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts hereafter as to whomsoever owing out of the moneys that first may come into the hands of my Executor. I give and bequeath to my beloved son Martin S Holdbrooks the sum of five dollars to be paid over to him out of the first moneys that may come into the hands of my Executor.

I give and bequeath to my beloved son Green S. Holdbrooks the sum of two dollars to be paid to him as above directed.

It is my will that my beloved son Joshua W Holdbrooks shall take charge and live upon the land upon which I now live and to take charge of all my personal property (which is except my live stock which I will shall be sold by my Executor, It is my will further that my son Joshua shall keep with him my following Children Viz, John F Holdbrooks Camilla J Holdbrooks Mary Holdbrooks & Margaret C Holdbrooks that he have the oversight of them and as far as he may have the opportunity send them to school, and in consideration of this it is my will that my son Joshua shall have the above named land free of any Rent whatsoever until my beloved daughter Margaret C shall arrive at the age of

Executor, I give and bequeath to my beloved son Martin H. Holdbrooks the sum of five dollars to be paid over to him out of the first moneys that may come into the hands of my Executor.

I give and bequeath to my beloved son Greenet H. Holdbrooks the sum of two dollars to be paid to him as above directed.

It is my will that my beloved son Joshua H. Holdbrooks shall take charge and live upon the land upon which I now live, and to take charge of all my personal property (which is except my live stock which I will shall be sold by my Executor, It is my will further that my son Joshua shall keep with him my following Children viz, John F. Holdbrooks Camilla J. Holdbrooks Mary Holdbrooks & Margaret C. Holdbrooks that he have the oversight of them and as far as he may have the opportunity send them to school, and in consideration of this it is my will that my son Joshua shall have the above named land free of any Rent whatsoever, until my beloved daughter Margaret C. shall arrive at the age of twenty one years, then the land with all my personal property to be sold and the proceeds ^{to be} divided as follows, viz to be equally divided between my sons Joshua H. John F. and my daughters Ann C. Elizabeth P. Camilla J. Mary & Margaret C. it is my will however that should any of my daughters above named marry before the sale of the above named property that they shall have one Bed & furniture they to be charged with it and account for the same in the final settlement of my estate.

And whereas I do not consider my son John F. of entirely sound mind.

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I therefore constitute and appoint Jacob Gentry his Guardian & that
he shall have the control and management of his estate after he arrives
at the age of twenty one years

And lastly I hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend Jacob
Gentry my lawful Executor to all intents and purposes to execute this
my last will and testament according to the true intent & meaning
of the same and every part and clause thereof. hereby Revoking and
declaring utterly void all other wills & testaments by me heretofore made
In witness whereof I the said Serena Holdbrooks do hereunto set
my hand & seal this 6th day of June 1859

Witness sealed published & declared by the
said Serena Holdbrooks to be her last
Will and Testament in presence of us who at
her Request and in her presence do subscribe
our names as Witnesses thereto

A. J. TRAMER Jurat
Mary M. Hoover Jurat

Serena ^{here} + Holdbrooks ^{of} State
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Jacob Gentry Ex. Sworn

January Sessions 1860

Wm. A. Brown