

April Term 1845.

Know all men by these presents that I Francis M. Hoff being of sound mind and memory thanks be to God for the same - knowing the certainty of death do make the following my last will and Testament in manner and form as follows - that

1st to say -
I give and bequeath my body decently interred in a Christian Burial and all the expenses paid out of my Estate

2^d I want my Executors to sell and all my Debt settled, the balance given as follows -

I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sophia Jane Hoff two thirds of my Estate

3^d I give and bequeath to my dear wife and third of my Estate I furthermore want Sophia & Hoff to settle my Estate and to be Guardian for my Daughter Jane -

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 24th day of February A.D. 1845

Signed Sealed & acknowledged
in presence of

Wm. Griffin
Charlotte Taylor
made

F. M. Hoff Seal

State of North Carolina

Marion County - Court April Term 1845

The foregoing last will & Testament of F. M. Hoff was produced & proved in open Court in due form of Law by the oath of Wm. Griffin a Subscribing witness thereto & ordered to be recorded

Whereupon Joseph Hoff the Executor therein named appeared & qualified to execute the said

Just C. C. & D. S. J. C. C.

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In the name of God Amen -
I William S. J. of the State of North Carolina and County of Marion being of sound mind and memory thanks be to God for the same - do this day the 24th of March in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and thirty four make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner and form as follows - that

1st to say -
I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary S. J. all of my household and kitchen furniture and also all of my stock of every description my home, cattle, sheep, poultry &c. and also all of my crop of every description and also my Big Oak Plantation woods of every kind and all the rest of all my property except my Land and Negroes to her, her heirs or assigns, or in whatever way she is disposed to make use of it forever -

Item 2 I also leave unto my beloved wife Mary S. J. all of my Land which I now live upon in the North side of Flat Top and Water Branch during her natural lifetime and I also leave unto my wife Mary S. J. all of my Negroes viz. Old Cady, Sam, Comfort and all her children viz. Young Cady, Joe and Sarah, and also all of said Comfort increase hereafter during her natural lifetime

Item 3 I also after the death of my beloved wife and her heirs and do hereunto give unto my nephew Stephen Cutler the above named Negroes viz. Comfort and her children viz. Young Cady, Joe and Sarah and all of her and Cady's increase of any hereafter to him the said Stephen Cutler and his heirs forever -

Item 4 I also after the death of my beloved wife and her heirs and do hereunto give unto my nephew James Brown the above named Negroes viz. Sam to him the said James Brown and his heirs forever -

Item 5 I also after the death of my wife and her heirs and do hereunto give unto my nephew Mary Brown Old Cady as named before, to her the said Mary Brown and her heirs forever -

Item 6 I also after the death of my wife and her heirs and do hereunto give unto my nephew William L. Brown all of my Land which I am now possessed of of which I now live upon in the north side of Flat Top and Water Branch to him the said William L. Brown and his heirs forever -

And I hereunto make and explain my worthy friend and nephew Stephen Cutler's Executor of this my last will and Testament - In witness whereof I the said William S. J. have to this my last will and Testament

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Set my hand and seal, the day and year above written -
 Signed sealed published
 and declared by the said
 Whitney Tynes the Substantor
 as his last will & Testament
 In the presence of us, who were
 present at the time of signing
 and declaring thereof

Witness
 J. B. Jones
 Maund K. Jones

Whitney Tynes Seal

State of North Carolina
 Martin County Court April Term 1845
 The foregoing paper containing
 husband in open Court & proved as the last will & Testament
 of Whitney Tynes by the oath of J. B. Jones
 as Substantor witness & in due form of Law & ordered
 to be recorded. Whereupon John C. Carter being the Creditor
 named appeared in open Court & qualified himself
 as Creditor

Test J. B. Jones Clerk
 (to)

July Term 1845

In the name of God Amen I John Clark of the State
 of North Carolina an Elderly of Martin County of long & perfect
 mind and memory do make this the third day of January in the
 year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty five
 my last will and Testament in the following manner that I being
 first & Request my loved wife Sarah Clark to read it and as for my
 worldly Goods I shall dispose of them as I shall hereafter mention
 Item I send unto my beloved wife Sarah Clark the following property
 during her life or widowhood viz One piece of Land including the
 same whereon I now live Beginning at a Poplar tree in
 Daniels Branch thence down said Branch to the Dick Branch
 thence up said Branch to John Pale line thence said Pale
 line to the Beginning. I send unto my wife the negro woman
 named Sally & the half of my Negro during her life
 or widowhood and after her death I give the Negro woman
 Sally unto my son William Clark and one half of my
 Negro Harry which I have loaned to my wife I give unto my
 son John Jones & his wife & Daniel Clark
 Item I give unto my son William Clark one Negro Girl named
 Emily to him and his heirs forever
 Item I give unto my Grandson John Clark one Negro Girl
 named Emily to him and his heirs forever
 Item I give unto my two Grand Daughters Mary & Elizabeth
 Clark one Negro Boy named Eli & then to their heirs forever
 Item I give unto my son William Clark one Slave maid
 which is now in his possession to him & his heirs forever
 Item I give unto my Grandson John Clark the other half of
 my Negro Boy Harry to him and his heirs forever
 Item I give unto my Grandson John Clark all the Land
 which I have loaned my wife Sarah Clark after her death
 or widowhood, to him and his heirs forever
 Item I give unto my Grandson David C. Clark one piece of
 Land bounded as follows, Beginning at the mouth of Wolf
 Branch, thence up said Branch to a Poplar a corner on the
 west side of said Branch, thence a Submerged South corner
 to a large dead pond thence the said corner to a Black Jack
 James Canaways corner, thence a straight line to a Cypress
 & Gum in Brantley Creek Canaways corner, thence a
 straight line to Collier's corner on the mouth of Daniels Branch
 thence up said Branch to the Beginning
 Item I send unto my son William Clark and his wife Nancy
 one piece of Land bounded as follows, Beginning at a Black Jack
 Canaways corner thence a Submerged North corner to a large dead
 pond in a small branch, thence a line of marked trees to Bird
 corner, thence along Bird's line to John Pale line, thence along
 Pale line to the Dick Branch down the said Branch to a Poplar
 thence a straight line to a Black Jack Canaways corner, following
 their natural line and after the death of my son William Clark and
 his wife Nancy I give the land which I have loaned to them unto my
 grandson Daniel Clark to him & his heirs forever