

Mecklenburg County North Carolina June 23^d 1828

Be it known to all whom it may concern that I divide
my plantation into three parts. To my son John I divide
that part of my lands lying on the west side of the hollow
below his field crossing the creek a little above the fork to
Joseph Everts line. The other two divisions lying on the north
and south side of Clacka creek running by my spring. This
creek to be the dividing line ~~between~~ ^{between} the parts. Says my son to
have choice of the best divisions the other to be equally
divided in selection between my daughter Elizabeth
& my grandson Thomas Green Bernatt. To Elizabeth &
hers should she have any I allow the half of the prece-
ding part. The Smith Tools and Wagon I wish to be a
common stock for the use of all the members of my
family all at the same time contributing there propor-
tional parts of Labor or expense to repairing them when
necessary, or forfeit their right to the use of one or both
My wife Jane I allow to hold my Mansion house
clearing her life, and then to have the disposal of all
the household furniture

Signed in presence of us

Walter S Phares

Jane S Phares

David Davis

State of North Carolina

Mecklenburg County

I Thomas W. Coch of the County & State in the full
and perfect Exercise of my mind, make & constitute
this my last Will & Testament -

1st It is my Will that my funeral expenses and all my
lawful Debts be punctually & faithfully discharged
2^d It is my Will that my negro children be sold at
public sale to discharge my Debts, and if that is not