

that I am persuaded with at this time both real & personal during
her widowhood in order to raise & school my children, but in
case she marry or wax wanton & behave herself unseemly my
desire is that she should be dispossessed of the whole of my estate
and my estate equally divided among my children, Martin
William, Sylvanus, Rachel, Mary, Arnold & the Child my wife
is now pregnant with if it should please God the Child may
live; but my desire is & I do hereby appoint my brother
William Fisher & Frederic Harris my true & lawful Executors
to this my last will & Testament, declaring & revoking any
will or wills heretofore to be null & invalid, and that this my
last will & Testament be complied with; In witness whereof
the said Paul Fisher born this 6th day of February 1804 de-
clares this to be his last will & Testament in the presence of
us, Witnesses present

John Phillips

Platham

William Phillips

Paul Fisher

Paul Fisher

In the Name of God Amen, I John Finney of the State of V^t Caroline
County, a New Englander, being in a sick & weak condition, yet
of perfect mind & memory, calling to mind the mortality of my body
& knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, Do make
this my last will & Testament, that is to say principally & first of
all I give & recommend my soul to God that gave it, and my body
I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian
manner at the discretion of my Executors; And as touching
such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with, I do
dispose of in the following manner; And in the first place I
do allow all my lawful Debts well & truly to be paid. In the
place I do bequeath to my beloved & lawful married wife Rachel
all my lands & moveable property for her use & service during
her life and at her death to dispose of at her pleasure & dispo-
sing as follows, in the first place I will to my eldest Daughter Mary
one Dollar; in the second place I will & bequeath to my

son Thomas Finney one dollar; In the third place I will & bequeath to my
Daughter Rachel Winchester one Dollar; In the fourth place I will &
bequeath to my son Ebenezer Finney one dollar; In the 5th place
I will & bequeath to my son John Finney one more Colt which is
now on the premises & one cow or the price of one to be paid when
at his marriage. And in the last place I appoint my wife Rachel
Finney & Thomas Winchester Executors of this my last Will & Testament
at Witness my hand & Seal this 13th day of January in the year of
our Lord 1805.

Test Joseph C. Hammond
William Bradshaw.

John Finney

In the name of God Amen. The 28th day of February in the Year of our
Lord God 1805 I John Lee Lord of Chesterburg County & State of North
Carolina, being weak in body but of perfect mind & memory Thanks be
given unto God: Therefore calling into mind the mortality of my body
& knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die Do make &
ordain this my last Will & Testament, that is to say principally & first
of all I give & recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it
& for my body I recommend it to the earth to be buried in a Christian
like & decent out the direction of mine Executors, nothing doub-
ting but at the general resurrection to be raised again the same
again by the mighty power of God. And as touching such wor-
ldly estate where with it hath pleased God to bless me in this life
I give, devise & dispose of the same in the following manner & form
First I order all my just debts to be discharged as also my family Expenses
Then I Will to my beloved wife Elizabeth & her the Mansion house
in which she now lives, & her maintenance of the plantation
& the negro girl Sophia while she lives, also all the house furni-
ture to be hers during her life time & at her death to be given
to my daughter Elizabeth excepting what she pleases to dispose of
otherwise in her life time, also the young black man & another
good handmaid to work the plantation, also the produce of the
plantation I Will to my wife: I also Will to my wife, & the Cattle &
Hogs that are on the place for the maintenance of herself & the
children, also I Will the farming tools to remain on the place in