

death as he would choose also my best black slave I will that
my negro woman named Anne shall have her choice whether
to go with my daughter Jane Turner or stay with my son Robert
Higham to be valued to either of them as my unwritten property
if she does not seem contented with either of them she is
to be sold & the proceeds equally divided between my daughter
Jane Turner & my son Robert Higham. Item I will to
my negro woman Anne as finding wheel as long as she
remains with either of my children — Item I will to my
well beloved son Robert Higham & Jane Turner, which
I have my large Bible & will that my son Robert Higham
& Jane Turner divide the rest of my books as far as they see
proper the balance to be sold.

And Lastly I appoint my well beloved son Robert Higham
& my well beloved son in law James Turner to be my Executors &
this my last will & Testament. And do hereby disavow & reject
all others. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal
this 2^d day of May in the Year of our Lord 1845

Signed Sealed & delivered in presence of us.

Thomas J. Green
John Taylor

Robert Higham



In the presence of God Amen. I William Bealy of the County of
Clerk County & State of N. Carolina being in a weak & low situa-
-tion of body but of sound disposing mind; Do make & in due and
publish this my last will & Testament in manner & form as follows
viz. I commit my soul to Almighty God who gave it & my body
to the dust 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 dispose of in the following
manner — It is my will & pleasure that all my estate both
real & personal be sold by my Executors at public sale & the
proceeds credited as they shall think best. And that all my just
Debts be first paid & the residue be disposed of in the

following manner —

Item. It is my will that my Executors pay out of my estate to my half brother David Hardy Beatty one hundred & fifty dollars for his services rendered me in working on the farm since the commencement of the present year —

Item. It is my will that as soon as two notes in my possession due me from my father Walter Beatty is collected that my Executors shall pay to my step mother Peggy Beatty & her two daughters Peggy & Elizabeth Beatty Twenty dollars each out of said notes.

Item. It is my will & pleasure that the whole of the residue of my estate together with all monies due me by notes bonds or otherwise be divided into three equal shares & as herein directed my one third part to Sister Peggy Wilson — one third part to my sister Isabella Beatty; and the remaining third part to be divided equally between my two sisters Charlotte & Maria Perkins and lastly I hereby nominate & constitute my true & lawful Executors Robert Brown, Jacob H. Wilson & James Wilson my whole and sole Executors of this my last will & Testament. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this third day of June AD 1816, In presence of

Elijah Baker Sec. County Court & William Beatty Seal
Pleasanton made

In the name of God Amen. This 17th day of April in the year of our Lord 1817 I Jacob Beatty of the County of Wake in the State of N. Carolina being very sick & weak in body but of a perfect sound mind & memory thanks be to God, laid out my mind & thought that it is appointed, I will once to die. Do make this my last will & Testament; First of recommending my dear wife to be given to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian manner nothing doubting but to rise the same again at the general Resurrection by the mighty power of God hoping that the merits, death & passion of my Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ to receive a free & full pardon of all my sins & to inherit everlasting life; and as touching such worldly estate as God has blessed