

John Steele's Will Continued

The profits of the Gold mine or valuable minerals on all the lands to be equally divided between all my children

I give to each of the balance of my children an amount of the kind of property, hereafter and apart from what is given by this instrument to my daughter Mary Hunt equal to that which she has received on a share after paying my friends and debts on that may be due them, divide the stock crop so equally between all my children except the Smiths land carpenter tools, let them remain on the plantation where they are

My Will and desire is that those of my children that are married at the time of my death have their portion allotted as soon as convenient thereafter and so on of the rest as they may marry or choose to have their part allotted, and that the unmarried portions remain together and have their several portions in common until my Executors think proper to distribute or the children desire it to be done

I constitute and appoint my Brother Robert J. Steele my nephews Robert L. Steele Robert S. Lebetter and Josley M. Stauback Executors to this my last will and testament in Writing which I have hereunto set my hand and seal. Signed in presence of us October 24, 1843

C. M. Callum

Martin Rush Junr

John Steele

James Simmons Will Continued

just, ~~that~~ As to my worldly estate, my will and desire is that it be disposed of as follows—

Where, I hold a debt against my son Adam Simmons to the amount of two hundred and twenty five dollars My will and desire, is, that my said son Adam Simmons retain to himself as a share, of my estate thirty four dollars— the balance of which said debt when collected I wish divided amongst the balance of children as follows. viz, sixty eight dollars to my son William Simmons, thirty four dollars to my daughter Elizabeth Allen— thirty four dollars to the heirs of the body of my daughter Nancy Harrod, and the remaining thirty four dollars to my youngest son Pleasant Simmons— to be paid to each of them as soon as it may be collected—

It is further my will and desire, that Elizabeth Allen have my clock,

And it is further my will and pleasure, that my youngest son Pleasant Simmons have my clock and shell— It is further my will and desire that whereas I have made a deed of gift, for six head of sheep to Merandy Campbell, the remainder of my stock of sheep, I wish to my grand daughter Sarah Simmons, My will and desire is that my daughter in Law Christian Simmons have my large brass pot— I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Merandy Campbell one heifer about two years old— As to the residue of my estate, goods and chattels, of what nature and kind soever— My will and desire, ~~that~~ the whole be given to my said Grand daughter Merandy Campbell immediately after my decease— Last of all I appoint my son Pleasant Simmons, Executor to this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills by me made— In Witness whereof I the said James Simmons have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, this 15th day of April A.D. 1841—

Signed sealed and acknowledged by the
J. Steele in his last Will & Testament in
presence of
+ Elizabeth Simmons
+ Martin Rush Junr

James Simmons

Montgomery County Court, April Session 1844
When the execution of this Will was proved in
open Court by the oath of Josiah Shummon, a
subscribing witness and ordered to be recorded

P. M. Wooly ecc.
By J. M. Wooly, clerk

Christian McLeod's Will

In the name of God amen - I Christian
McLeod of the county of Montgomery and state
of North Carolina - being of sound mind and
memory blessed be God for the same - but consid-
ering the uncertainty of my earthly existence - do
make and publish this my last will and testa-
ment in manner and form following - that is to say
I give and bequeath to my beloved
nephew John McLeod all the lands situate on
lying - and being in the Counties of Moore and
Montgomery and state aforesaid - that I do possess
of - to have and to hold to him and his heirs
in fee simple forever -

Item I give and devise to the said John
McLeod - (the following negro) To wit - Joe -
Charles - William - Pomey - and Jacob - Effy - in
all her children - that is to say Margaret
Katharine and Mary - together with all their
increase - and also - one other negro Woman
named Nancy - and her children B. Martha
and Jeffy and all their increase - To be his
and at his disposal absolutely forever - And also
all the balance ^{my personal} property of my kind and
description - Except fifty cents which I bequeath
give and bequeath to William McLeod -

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint
my said nephew John McLeod my lawful
Executor to all intents and purposes - to execute
said will

John Stealer's Will Continued 70

Montgomery County Court January Session 1844
When the foregoing will was proved in open
Court by the oath of Martin Rush one of the
subscribing witnesses true and ordered to
be recorded

P. M. Wooly ecc.

Malcom Chisholm's Will

In the name of God - Amen.

I Malcom Chisholm for the County of Montgomery
and State of North Carolina, being sick in body but in
my common good sense, and sound memory, doth this
the 3rd of January 1844. make and publish this my last
will and testament, in way and manner following that is
to say.

I do, I give and bequeath to my wife Flora Chisholm
a tract of land, on the west side of Mountain Creek,
whereon I live, during her life time, and after her
decease, to my two daughters, Nancy Chisholm and
Katharine Chisholm, also all of my stock to stay to-
gether until my son John Chisholm, comes of age -

Second - I give and bequeath to my two sons, Eliza
Chisholm and John Chisholm, all of my land, that lies
on the East side of Mountain Creek, to be equally divided
between them, when my son John Chisholm comes
of age, My will further is, that I give to my son
Daniel A. Chisholm, Two dollars - and also to my
three sons, Angus B. Chisholm, Murdoch Chisholm
and Malcom Chisholm Jr. Fifty dollars each.

To my daughter Katharine M. Chisholm Fifty dollars and
to the heirs of Christian Ellis' body Fifty -

My will is that my son John Chisholm
shall have Fifty dollars a year for three years and three
months schooling. Sealed and signed by the testator in the
presence of us, Notary
John Stealer
Eliza Chisholm
Malcom Chisholm