

John McCulley's will

In the name of God: Amen
I John McCulley of the County of Montgomery
and State of North Carolina being now in perfect
mind and memory knowing the uncertainty of
life and the certainty of death do hereby make
and publish this my last will and testament
in manner and form as follows

Item 1st I lend to my daughter Margaret Baldwin for
and during her natural life a negro girl named
Hannah now in her possession and give the same after
her death and her increase to her children the lawful
heirs of her body - I also give and bequeath
unto her one man and saddle and all the cattle
and sheep and one bed and furniture now in her
possession and one bureau to her and her children as
aforesaid

Item 2nd I give and bequeath unto my son Martin
McCulley fifty acres of land lying on Wolf Creek
adjoining the lands of Nathaniel Cook, August McPhee
and Benjamin Martin and also one negro girl by
the name of Martha and her increase now in his
possession also one horse and saddle, one cow & calf
one bed and furniture and one wagon now in his possession
to him and his heirs forever

Item 3rd I lend unto my daughter Christiana Ledbetter
during her natural life one negro girl by the name of
Candy and her increase one man and saddle and
one cow & calf, one bed and furniture and one bureau
now in her possession and in case of her death without
lawful heirs, then that she dispose of the aforesaid
property as she may think fit.

Item 4th I give and bequeath unto my daughter Nancy
McCulley for and during her natural life one negro
boy by the name of Jerry one negro girl by the name
of Jane and her increase one horse and saddle
one cow and calf one bed and furniture and
one bureau now in her possession to her and her

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the heirs. I also give
Item 5th I lend to my daughter Mary Ann McCulley
one negro girl by the name of Hannah and her
two youngest children one horse and saddle one cow
& calf one bed & furniture and one bureau to her
and to her lawful issue -

Item 6th I give and bequeath to my son William
McCulley three hundred and fifty acres of land
on the waters of Little River composed of several tracts
one negro woman by the name of Sally and her
child and George and also her present youngest
child one horse and saddle one cow and calf and
one bed & furniture to him and his heirs forever

Item 7th I give and bequeath unto my son John McCulley
one negro girl (Sally's daughter) three hundred acres
of land on the waters of Rock Creek adjoining
Benjamin Leamy John Morrison & others and all
my interest supposed to be fifty acres on Leamy
Creek adjoining Abner McKinnon and also
one negro man by the name of George one horse
and saddle one cow & calf one bed and furniture
and fifty dollars in money for his work to him
and his heirs forever.

Item 8th I give and bequeath to my son Hugh McCulley
one undivided half of my tract of land where
I now live containing about two hundred and
fifty acres, lying on both sides of Leamy Creek
and one half of my one hundred acre tract of
Pine Woods land, adjoining Abner and John
Martin and one negro boy by the name of Austin
and a negro girl by the name of Leah Ann one
horse and saddle, a cow & calf and one bed
and furniture to him and his heirs forever

Item 9th I give and bequeath unto my son Haley
McCulley the remaining halves of the two tracts of
land named in the foregoing item (8th) one negro boy
by the name of Preston one negro girl named Betty

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One horse and saddle one cow and calf + one
 pig and provision to him and his heirs forever -
 Item 10th I wish all my just and lawful debts to
 be paid out of the proceeds of the following property
 to wit one negro girl by the name of Celia and
 Hannah Jane, and a note against John McCulley
 for four hundred and fifty six dollars due
 to Nov. 1858 with a credit of twenty one th dollars
 paid Sept 10th 1858 and I give and bequeath the
 surplus if any to Margaret Balaban Martin &
 McCulley & Christian Seidicker

I hereby nominate and appoint my son
 John C. McCulley my executor to this my last
 will and testament. Witness my hand and seal
 signed sealed and published
 This 16th day of February 1860 } John McCulley (Seal)

R. H. Wooley
 R. A. Bratcher

Montgomery County Court April Term 1860
 Then the foregoing will was proven by the oath
 of R. H. Wooley subscribing witness thereof and
 ordered to be recorded

J. S. Spencer clk

Kenneth McCulley Will

I Kenneth McCulley of the County of Montgomery
 and State of North Carolina being of sound mind
 and memory but considering the uncertainty of
 my earthly existence do make and declare this
 my last will and testament in manner and
 form following that is to say

Item I give and devise to my beloved wife Elizabeth
 all of my landed estate all of my horses cattle and
 all of all kinds household and kitchen furniture
 and farming tools all of my corn groves and
 wheat now on hand and all of my pork now
 on hand to have and to hold to her the said
 Elizabeth for and during the term of her natural
 life and to sell or dispose of as she thinks best

In witness whereof I the said Kenneth McCulley
 do hereunto set my hand and seal This 14th
 day of January 1860

Signed sealed published and
 declared by the said Kenneth McCulley }
 to be his last will and testament } K. McCulley (Seal)
 in the presence of us who at his
 request and in his presence do
 subscribe our names Thereto }
 attest Ayar, McKim's
 attest D. R. Pettman

Montgomery County Court April Sp. 1860
 Then the foregoing will was proven by the oath
 of D. R. Pettman subscribing witness thereof and
 ordered to be recorded

J. S. Spencer clk