

35/18 <sup>Sheffield</sup>  
John Will

In the name of God Amen the death day of December  
one thousand seven hundred and Ninety four I John Sheffield  
of Moore County & State of North Carolina being by decay of  
nature unwell but of perfect mind and memory thanks  
be to God for the same therefore calling to mind the mortality  
of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men  
once to die and after death to Judgment I do hereby leave  
bequeath and dispose of my Goods and Chattels in manner  
and Form Following that is to say I commit my body to  
to be buried in a decent Christian manner at the discretion  
of my Executors and likewise my soul into the hand of God  
that Gaver it knowing that after death I shall come to  
Judgment, as to my worldly affairs I leave bequeath and  
give in manner and form following that is to say prime-  
-ally and first of all I leave and bequeath to my well  
beloved Wife Hannah Sheffield this plantation whereon  
I now do live with the buildings Orchards and improvements  
thereon with one hundred acres of Land during her widow-  
hood with all my Stock & Cattle &c Impremis I leave and  
bequeath to my son Mark Sheffield one Shilling Sterling  
Item I leave and bequeath to my son John Sheffield one Shilling  
Sterling I leave and bequeath to my son Adam Sheffield one  
hundred acres of Land lying on the Rattle snake branch  
Item I leave and bequeath to my son Isham Sheffield the land  
and plantation whereon he now lives containing one hundred  
acres Item I leave and bequeath to my son Shadrach Sheffield  
the Land and plantation whereon I now do live to enjoy af-  
ter his death Mothers deceased containing one hundred acres  
Item I leave to my Daughter Sarah Dennis one Shilling  
Sterling Item I leave and bequeath to my Daughter Mary  
Denn one Shilling Sterling I leave and bequeath to my  
Daughter Lucretia Denn one Shilling Sterling Item I leave  
and bequeath to my Daughter Rebekah Crosby one  
Shilling

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Shilling Sterling Item I leave and bequeath to my Daugh-  
-ter Hannah Manning one Shilling Sterling Item I leave and  
bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Crosby one Shilling Sterling  
and my two youngest Daughters Lydia & Melly Sheffield I leave  
and bequeath one Shilling Sterling to each and as to my Goods  
and Chattels I leave to my wife Hannah for support of my be-  
-loved wife Hannah during her life then to dispose of the same as she may  
think proper and further more I renounce all wills & bequest  
-s made by me formerly acknowledging this and no other to  
be my last will and testament In witness whereof I  
have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day  
and year above written

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of us who  
In the presence of each other saw the same John  
Sheffield did signify the same  
his  
Aventis Smith  
Isaac <sup>Smith</sup> Sheffield  
Windsor Parrish  
Shubby Appraiser  
Smith and my wife Hannah Sheffield  
Executors of this my last will and Testament  
Moore County Feb'y 2<sup>nd</sup> 1796  
The above will was duly proved in open Court by the oath of Aven-  
-tis Smith and Windsor Parrish and ordered to be Recorded

Nicholas Will

In the name of God Amen I Nicholas Newton of Moore  
County being in a low State of health but of sound and  
and perfect mind and memory (Help to God) do this 24<sup>th</sup>  
day of November Anno Domini 1795 make and publish  
this my last will and testament in manner following  
that is to say First I Give and bequeath to my beloved  
Wife Meloney Newton Two hundred and ninety Eight  
acres of Land in three different parcels lying between  
West Creek and Dry Creek including the plantation  
whereon we now live during her lifetime or widow-  
hood and after the decease of the said Meloney New-  
-ton or widowhood the above mentioned Land  
and premises shall belong to my son John  
-Newton

Jucker Newton his heirs and assigns ever freely to possess and enjoy I also give and bequeath to the said Melony Newton Two hundred Acres lying on Kings Creek one hundred acres on horse creek and fifty acres on West Creek to her own proper use and the better maintenance of her children I also give to the said Melony Newton the Negro Wench named Peggy and the Mill and black Smith Tools during her life time on Wideshead and after the decease of the said Melony Newton or widow here the aforementioned Negro Wench black Smiths tools and Steel is to be sold and is to be divided as followeth that to say my Daughter Mary Sawel and Melony Dean Feby Newton William Newton Nicholas Smith Newton Hannah Carpenter and Selany Gibson is to have the sum of Five shillings each and the Remainder sum of money is to be Equally divided between Charity Newton Sarah Newton and Elizabeth Newton and I also give all my horses Cattle and Hogs to the said Melony during her life time and after her decease what is remaining of horses Cattle and Hogs is to be equally divided between Charity Newton John Tucker Newton Sarah Newton and Elizabeth Newton In witness whereof I the said Nicholas Newton have this my last will and Testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written signed sealed published and declared by the said Nicholas Newton the Testator as his last will and Testament in the presence of us who were present all the time signing and sealing thereof

Y<sup>e</sup> Witnesses  
 J<sup>e</sup> P<sup>r</sup>utton  
 John M<sup>r</sup> Cullay  
 J<sup>e</sup> P<sup>r</sup>utton  
 his  
 Nicholas M<sup>r</sup> Newton  
 Mark

Attest  
 My son fourth Feby 9<sup>th</sup> Ann 1796

This will was duly proved in open Court by the Oaths of J<sup>e</sup> P<sup>r</sup>utton and J<sup>e</sup> P<sup>r</sup>utton and was ordered to be recorded

J<sup>e</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Boyd

Jacob Statts's will

In the Name of God Amen the Twenty third day of March in the year of our Lords one Thousand Seven hundred and Ninety six I Jacob Statts of Moore County and State of North Carolina being sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thank be to God for the same therefore calling to mind the Mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men To dye and after death To judgement I leave and bequeath my Goods and Chattles in manner and form as followeth - First I recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it believing I shall revive the same again by the mighty power of God at the day of Judgment and my body to be buried in a decent Christian manner at the discretion of my Executors Inprimis I leave and bequeath To beloved wife Elizabeth Statts the Land and plantation whereon I now live without any parces thereon containing Two hundred acres of Land during her widowhood and to be sown every year with of my Estate Ten Bushels of wheat and thirty Bushels of Indian Corn if she should die the same one feather Bed and furniture and a side saddle and a Chest during her lifetime Item I leave and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Five my Daughter Five shillings current money to be paid out of my Estate Item I leave and bequeath to my Daughter Susanna Spivy five shillings current money to be paid out of my Estate Item I leave and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Five Five shillings to be paid out of my Estate Item I leave and bequeath To my beloved Sons Jacob Statts John Statts Christian Statts Leonard Statts Five shillings current money for each of them to be paid out of my Estate Item I leave and bequeath to my son Henry Statts the Land and plantation whereon I now live containing Two hundred acres after his Mothers time or live containing Two hundred acres on the other the place then I have to my Daughter Catharine on the other side and furniture one Cow and three head of sheep and as for my Stock of all kinds I leave to my wife after paying my Just debts during her widowhood and likewise all my Household furniture I leave to my wife during her widowhood and if she should Marry during her life if she should Marry for every thing to be sold and Equally divided among all my Children and my wife and I do hereby disannul all other

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