

In the Name of God amen. I Duncan Baker, being weak of body but of perfect sound minnemory and judgment do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following viz:
 I give my soul to almighty god that gave it and my body to be buried at the discretion of my executors here after named.
 My Will and desire is that all my just debts and funeral charges be first paid and then all my worldly be disposed of in manner following.
 I lend to my beloved wife Zilpha her eighty seven and half acres of land with all the farming tools that belongs to me with one horse bridle and saddle one cow and five sheep one cow and one calf and five sheep one bedstead and contents all cooking utensils one iron and gear one wheel and carts one cart and wheel setting chest two tables twelve setting chairs all the water vessels also I give her my wife Zilpha her houses provisions and I lend her 7 head of geese and the turkey and chickens to her during her natural life time and at her death to be divided equally between my two children to wit Adaline and Calvin with exception of the land and the house.
 Item: I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Agnes Baker one bedstead and furniture and 3 head of sheep one cow and seven pigs one cow and calf. With part of that least her mother takes hereinafter of her body.
 Item: I give and bequeath my beloved son Calvin E Baker, eighty seven and half acres of land with one horse this to come to him after the death of his mother one cow and 7 pigs one cow and calf one work steer one bedstead and furniture one shot gun the sheep lent to his mother with the whale of the crop that is on the land at this time of what ever it be to him and his heirs lawfull heirs forever.
 Item: I give and bequeath to my beloved son Alexander Baker five dollars tithim and hundred dollars to his lawfull heirs forever.
 Item: I give and bequeath my beloved son John Baker five dollars to him and his lawfull heirs forever.
 Item: I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Jenny Bone five dollars to her and the lawfull heirs of her body.

Also I constitute and appoint my friend George V Cooper my executor to my last will and testament.

This the 7th day of June 1861. interlined before signed.

John Langley
John Bone

Duncan E Baker (Seal)
mark.

State of North Carolina, Nash County court of pleas and quarter session August term 1861.
 A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Duncan Baker deceased was exhibited in open court by Geo. V. Cooper the executors therein named and the execution of the same by the said Duncan Baker being duly proved by the oath and examination of Jayner Langley and John Bone the subscriber witnesses thereto it is declared by the court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is herein will and testament of the said Duncan Baker deceased the same is ordered to be recorded whereupon Geo. V. Cooper the executors therein named qualified as such by taking the oaths prescribed by law.

and is recorded in obedience thereto

Attest. B.M. Sorby, C.M.A.

I Josiah Mathes of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina, being sick in body but of sound mind and disposing memory do make publish and declare this to be my last will and testament in following manner and form as follows: that is to say:
 1st. That my executors hereinbefore named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts hereover and to whomever, owing out of the money that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate.
 2nd. I leave to my beloved wife Zilpha Mathes the tract of land I now live on containing one hundred and fifty acres also all of my stock of horses cattle sheep hogs household and kitchen furniture, farming utensils, during her natural life or widowhood, should she marry before her death all the property I lend her land excepted to be sold and equally divided between the lawfull heirs begotten of my own body. Francis Mathes excepted that is to say Amanda Mathes, Elizabeth Mathes, Isley Mathes and Lucy Mathes and share and have alike.
 I also give to my beloved son Francis Mathes that tract of land known and by me called the Barren tract adiacent William Hume and my home tract and others, also the land which I lend her while at her death.
 My will also is that my four daughters herein mentioned have with them mother as long as they see proper and live alike.
 And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend Benjamin Miller my general executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereto hereby revoking

and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made.
 In witness whereof I the said Josiah Mathes do hereunto set my hand and seal the 18th day of August, 1861

signed, sealed published and declared by the said Josiah Mathes to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who at his and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses hereunto.

Josiah Mathes,
Uriah Greenmore.

Josiah Z. Hughes (Seal)
mark.

North Carolina, Nash County Court of pleas and quarter session No. v. term, 1861
 A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Josiah Mathes exhibited for probate on the testimony and J. H. Manning and Uriah Greenmore the subscribing witnesses thereto and judicially proved and admitted to probate and ordered to be recorded whereupon Benjamin Bilkire the executor therein named was duly qualified as such.

Attest. B.M. Sorby, C.M.A.
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I Willie Whitley of the County of Nash and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, 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: First. My will and desire is that my burial expenses and just debts be paid by my executors Mathilde named.
 Item: I leave to Frances Mackley negro woman Mary mother two children Dick and Ned and her increase during his natural life and after his death to be equally divided between my four grand children to wit, Nancy E Mackley, Matilda J Mackley, Willie F. Mackley, and William J. Mackley, I have given my daughter Elizabeth one cow and calf one chest and the certain bed stand I allotted for her I give to her daughter Matilda J Mackley, also one side saddle one blanket and bed and furniture.
 Item: I have given my son John D Whitley one hundred acres of land one and half two cows and pigs one bed and furniture one pine chest and one rifle and at my death I give him negro man Jacob one bay filly and all my Medical books and medicine.

Item: I have given my son James D. Whitley, three hundred and three dollars and fifty three cents in money one bay filly one cow and yearling two sows and piggs, one bed and furniture, one pine chest, two guns seven barrels corn one blade steak one bridle and saddle and four hundred pounds pork and at my death I give him negro boy George.

Item: I have given my daughter Martha Ann Mackley, one pine chest one certain bedstead and bed and furniture one cow with calf and yearling one wheel and carts one side saddle one poster bed and carpet.
 Item: I give my two grand daughters Sarah J Mackley, and Celestia Ann D. Mackley, negro girl Lucy and her increase to be equally divided between them and fifty dollars in money each when they arrive at twenty one years of age.
 Item: I have given my son Willie D. Whitley, one bed and furniture, one sow and piggs one cow and saddle one gray horse, bridle and saddle two hundred and fifty pounds of pork and one hundred dollars in money and at my death I give him negro boy Isaac.

Item: I have given my son Joseph D. Whitley one sorrel horse, bridle and saddle one cow and yearling one bed and furniture two cows and pigs one hundred and thirty six pounds of pork and at my death I give him negro man Ephraim and woman Penelope and one hundred acres of land being known as the Sarah Mich land.

Item: I have given my son Arthur A. Whitley one sorrel horse one steer two cows and pigs and at my death I loan him one bedstead and furniture and negro woman Charlotte during his natural life and at his death he equally divide between my living heirs. I also loan him the midshipman's rifle hitting the land on the east side of the branch wherein he now lives during his natural life and at his death I give the said land to John D. Whitley. I also give to the son John D. Whitley, the land on the west side of the branch wherein I now live during his natural life not before given away by his giving to Willis D. Whitley, and Joel D. Whitley, one hundred dollars each.

Item: I have given my daughter Katherine P. Whitley one bed and cover but no bedding and at my death I give her the certain bedstead on which I lie curtains and valances one figured counterpane one Anna blue chest one wheel and carts and fourtisone dollars in money. I have already given her a cow and calf and at my death loan her negro woman Priscilla and her two children Rebecca and Emily, and their increase during natural life and at her death to be equally divided between her living heirs.

Item: I give my granddaughter Martha Ann J Mackley one small chest six glass all her school books and slate and a negro girl by the name of Lucy and her increase and fifty dollars when she arrives at twenty one years of age.

Lastly: All the balance of my property not heretofore disposed of I leave to be sold by my executors and equally divided between John D. Whitley, James D. Whitley, Willie D. Whitley, Joel D. Whitley & Katherine P. Whitley. I do hereby constitute and appoint John D. Whitley, my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof, hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills