

In the name of God Amen. I David Smith being in perfect mind and memory, do make this my last Will and Testament.

First. I recommend my soul to God who gave it; likewise my body, to be buried in a decent manner.

It is my will and desire that my beloved wife Asetta Smith should have the whole of my stock of cattle, also the whole of my household and kitchen furniture, also my plantation utensils, her natural life. It is also my will and desire that at her death, that my son Obed Smith should have five shillings; also my daughter Tabitha Meeks should have five shillings; also my daughter Blanche Smith should have five shillings; also Elizabeth Smith daughter of my son Nimrod Smith should have five shillings.

It is my will and desire that at the death of my wife, that all the stock of cattle that is then in being, should go to Ruth and Smith daughter of Charles Smith, also all the residue of my estate whatever, to her and her heirs forever.

I do nominate and appoint my daughter Blanche Smith Executrix to this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my seal this twenty fourth day of July one thousand eight hundred and twenty seven.

In presence of  
Daniel M. Lanning  
Ann + Powell  
March,

David + Smith (Seal)  
mark,

New Hanover County }

County Court  
Sept 2nd 1828

The within last Will and Testament was exhibited to Court and proved by the oath of Daniel M. Lanning, subscribing witness, and ordered to be filed. At the same time Charles Smith qualified as Executor.

Witness

Thos J Davis. Cky