

In the name of God Amen. I Edward Doty of the State of North Carolina and County of New Hanover being of perfect and sound mind and memory, blessed be God, do this fifth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy nine, make and publish this my last will and Testament, in manner following that is to say—

First. I give and bequeath unto my wife Hannah Doty a negro fellow called Cera, a negro woman called Dinah a grey mare called Hannu, and her sorrel colt, during the life and widowhood of the said Hannah Doty; and after her death or marriage, I will that the aforesaid negroes and horses, with their increase, be equally divided among my children hereafter named—

Second. I also give unto my wife Hannah Doty, during her life or widowhood, that part of my plantation that lays on the West side of the Creek, or branch, that divides my dwelling house from my large field, with the said dwelling house and household furniture of every kind including kitchen utensils &c, and at her death or marriage, I will, that the aforesaid house and part of the plantation be added to the whole, and go to my son James Doty; and that the furniture be equally divided among my children—

Third. I give my son James Doty, the plantation on which I now live, with all my lands adjoining it, yet so, that he interfere not with the part I have given my wife Hannah Doty during her life or widowhood. I also give James Doty a brown horse called Smokey, a grey mare called _____ and her sorrel colt, which he now claims—

Fourth. To my son Edward Doty, I give a negro boy called Cera, a mare called Blue skin and her increase, which he now calls his own—

Fifth. To my daughter Elizabeth Lambert, I give a negro woman called Sam—

Sixth. To my daughter Mary Doty, I give a negro boy called Abraham, and a black mare called Phillis—

Seventh. To my daughter Hannah Doty, I give a negro boy called Jacob, and a bald mare called Abby—

Eighth. To my daughter Phebe Doty, I give a negro girl called Doll, and a mare called little Jimmy—

Ninth. To my daughter Sarah Doty, I give a negro boy called Isaac and a sorrel colt called _____

Tenth. I do will and devise, that my stock, both of cattle and horses, remain undivided, for the use of my family, until either of my children James Doty, Edward Doty, Mary Doty, Hannah Doty

Hebe Doty or Sarah Doty, shall arrive at the age of twenty
one years or marry; and then the said child to take an equal
share with the above named children and my wife Hannah
Doty, to whom I give an equal share with the children just
named, during her life or widowhood, and after her death
or marriage, I give her part of the stock, both of cattle and hogs
to be equally divided with their increase among all my children
Eleventh. My stock of sheep, I also leave to be equally divided
among all my children and my wife, at whose marriage or
death I give her part to my children.

Twelfth. All my Exeter lands, I will and devise may be equally
divided among all my children (except those ten acres I have
given to Mrs. Ann Thomas alias Capady, to whom I have given a
bond obliging me to make her a title to the said ten acres. I there-
fore request that my heirs and executors will as soon as
possible make the said title and take up the bond) they first
obliging David Williams; heirs to make my heirs a title to
the said lands, agreeable to a bond given by the said David
Williams for that purpose.

Thirteenth. The remainder and residuum of my estate I leave
to be equally divided among all my children,
and I hereby make and ordain my beloved sons James Doty
and Edward Doty, and Crook Lambert, Executors of this my
last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I the said Edward
Doty have to 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 Edward Doty
the testator, as his last Will and
Testament, in the presence of us, who
were present at the time of signing
and sealing thereof.

Edward ^{his} Doty (Seal)
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John Sellington
Henry Waters

State of North Carolina } January Term 1781
Vance Barroner, County } The within last Will and Testament of
Edward Doty dec^d, was exhibited in Court by his son and Executor James
Doty, and proved by the oath of John Sellington esq; a subscribing witness
thereto, who swore that he saw the testator, sign, seal, publish and declare
the same to be and contain his last Will and testament, and that he
believe the testator was of sound and disposing mind and memory
at the time he signed the said last Will and Testament; also that Henry
Waters signed at the same time as concurring evidence thereto. Let the same
and James Doty qualified as Executor to the said Will agreeable to law
Thos. McClaind. Clk