

28 chains 29 links to the first station, as it was granted to James Henry by patent bearing date the 8th day of March 1743, and was purchased by me of Wm. Robinson the 5th day of May 1754. Also one hundred acres as far as the race path, out of the 250 acres joining my old land. Also my negro man named Jacky, also all my stock of cattle, horses, sheep and hogs. Also all my household furniture and plantation tools. Also a taskie that is now a building. I also constitute and appoint him, and my beloved friend John Jones my Executors of this my last Will and Testament, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty fifth day of November, Anno Dom 1782.

Frederick Simpson }
 Charles Simpson }

John + Rowe ^{his} Seal
 made

New Hanover County }
 April Term 1783 }

The within last Will and Testament of John Rowe was exhibited in Court and proved by the oath of Frederick Simpson 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 believes the said Rowe was of sound and disposing mind and memory, also that Charles Simpson signed at the same time as a concurring evidence to the same.

Thos. McClaind. Clk.

In the name of God Amen. I John Rotchel of Holly, Shelter, in the County of New Hanover and State of North Carolina, being of sound body and mind, do make this my last Will and Testament, in form following.

I give and bequeath unto my daughter, Ann Scarborough wife of John Scarborough, twenty shillings currency.

I give and bequeath unto my daughter, Dorcas Williams wife of Charles Williams, twenty shillings currency.

I give and bequeath unto my son Amos Rotchel, twenty shillings currency.

I give and bequeath unto my son Pharrington Rotchel a tract of land, where I now live containing sixty acres, with all its improvements whatsoever, with every other article which I now possess, after the decease of my wife Sarah Rotchel, who is to be allowed every privilege which she enjoyed in my life time, during her life.

This is my last Will and Testament made this twentieth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred

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 Writings
 William Green
 Samuel Green
 Thos Bishop

John Rotchel Seal

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I constitute and appoint my wife Sarah Rotchel Executrix and
 my son Etherington Rotchel Executor

Writings
 William Green
 Samuel Green
 Thos Bishop

John Rotchel Seal

New Hanover County }
 January Term 1784 }

The within last Will and Testament
 of John Rotchel was exhibited in Court and proved in due
 form of law by the oath of William Green a subscribing witness
 thereto at the same time Etherington Rotchel delivered into
 Court on oath an inventory of the estate of the late John
 Rotchel deceased, and qualified as an Executor agreeable to
 law

Thos. McClaine. Clk

State of North Carolina }
 New Hanover County }

Thomas Devane Senr,
 being duly sworn on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God,
 deposes and saith that in the month of January 1785
 this deponent was at the house of James Robinson deceased, in
 company with James Devane, the said Robinson being then
 in a low state of health. This deponent mentioned the necessity
 of having a will, as the late act of Assembly had made some
 material alteration in the intestate estates which might not
 be agreeable to him; the said James Robinson answered and
 said, that he had a will by him but it was not signed, but saith
 he sit down by me and I will tell you my will, and agreeable to
 his request, this deponent sat down on the foot of the bed, and
 said Robinson began to relate in manner following, viz, all my
 estate which I have here shall be continued in the possession of
 Tabitha Robinson my wife as long as she lives, in the same
 manner as if I myself were alive, but not to sell nor dispose of
 any thing without the mutual consent and advice of my son
 Benjamin Robinson; and after her death the whole of the estate