

In the name of God Amen. I Reuben Averitt
and being in perfect health, praised be God, do make this my
last Will and Testament, as followeth.

Item. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Averitt
all my property real and personal during her natural life
except such of my property as shall be considered perishable,
that property to be sold at my death for the schooling of my
children; then at the death of my wife I give unto my three sons
Henry, Amariah and Reuben, each of them one feather bed
and furniture, and one cow and calf, and one sow and pig
a piece each of them; then I give to my daughter, Hannah,
the bed and furniture whereon I now lie.

Then all my stock of horses, cattle, hogs, household and kitchen
furniture not above mentioned to be sold at six months credit
and the money given to my daughter, Hannah.

Lastly. I give unto my son Benjamin N., all my pine wood,
land, excepting my lifetime and my wife; also I give unto my
other three sons my lands where I now live. I give unto my son
Reuben Averitt the place where my house stands, beginning at
the cross fence at the gate, from thence to the sound; also a parcel
of the wood land for timber, as my Executors think proper; the
remainder to be equally divided between Henry and Amariah
excepting my life time and my wife.

Lastly. I do nominate and appoint my brother, John Averitt and
Ephiel Landersy, and Benjamin N. Averitt my son my Executors to
this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have
hereunto set my hand and seal this September, 19th 1822.

William M. Lammy }
Henry Averitt }

Reuben Averitt Seal

New Hanover County } County Court
November Term 1822

The within Will of Reuben Averitt was sub-
scribed to Court and proved by Henry Averitt subscribing wit-
ness and ordered to be filed. At same time John Averitt qualified
as Executor.

Witness
Thos H. Davis. Ck