

Jonathan Pattersons Will

I Jonathan Patterson of Northampton County and State of North Carolina, being of perfect sound and Memory of Mind at this present day of November in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and five, Make Public and declare this my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following, that is to say -

First I leave part of my stock to be sold at the Discretion of my Executors, (viz) my young Sons, Mary and Polly & these kind of Cattle to settle my Debt -

Second I give leave dispose of and bequeath unto my Son Thomas Patterson the whole of my Land situated containing Two hundred Acres be the same more or less unto him and his heirs forever -

Third still leaving my Wife with child if it should be a son he shall have his one half my Land with Thomas, but if a Daughter she shall come in equald with the rest of my Daughters (viz) Rachel, Mary, Rachel, Elizabeth Patterson in all the Cattle, Money, Realty & Personalty which I give leave rest of my Estate that's Movable, which I give leave dispose and bequeath unto them (and their heirs forever) I leave the whole of my Land and Movable Property to my loving Wife Mary Patterson to her use and behoof her life time in Widowhood - Except that which shall be left to be sold and that none of my Children shall draw her from making use of any part of my said Estate during the said term of time, and I further leave it to the Discretion of my Executors to sell my Land and Personalty

again and settle my Wife and family where they may think it best to dwell -

Lastly I hereby affirm and declare my Loving Sonny Peter and my Son Macon Executors of this my last Will and Testament in Writing signed by me and sealed this day

Patterson do hereunto set my hand and Seal this day and year above written -

Esq. John P. Public

Esq. Declared by the said Jonathan Patterson the Testator as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who were present at the time of signing & reading thereof

Joseph Patterson
 Thomas Patterson
 Macon Patterson
 Peter Patterson
 Macon Patterson

Jonathan Patterson
 Macon

Northampton County 8th December 1805

Then the above Will was proved in Court by the affirmations of Joseph Patterson & Thomas Patterson and at some time Executors came into Court and declared to be the Executors & Macon

Witness my hand & Seal this day