

In the Name of God Amen I Joseph Mason
 of Orange County in the Province of North Carolina being Minded
 Body but perfect understanding I have to my last
 Will and Testament. I bequeath I leave to my loving Wife Mary
 Mason the South End of this Tract of Land above including Buildings
 all the Improvements Beginning for the South Part as First Part
 at the Corner Post Oak the Beginning Tree of the Original Tract of
 Land Granted to Joseph Mason on the 16th Day of December 1762
 for Six Hundred Eighty Acres Running thence North 170 Poles
 to Four Whittings thence that 320 Poles to a Marked Post Oak on
 the Original Line thence South 170 Poles thence East to the beginning
 containing 320 Acres of Land during his Lifetime at his death and
 after that it shall be equally divided between my two Sons Nathan &
 Stephen Masons to them and their Heirs forever
 I leave to my Daughter Anne Bailey Wife of John Bailey five
 Pounds Pennsylvania Money to her and her Heirs forever
 I leave to my Son Simon Mason a Tract of Land adjoining York
 Creek the Water of New River joining John Samuels Land as also
 Liberty for to sow a Field on the old Place before his little town this time from
 I leave my Son Joseph Mason the Piece of Land Bought of John
 May as also the Piece of Land Bought of David Brown a young
 both of them to him and his Heirs forever
 I leave my Son Ed Mason the North End of the Tract now lies
 on beginning for the North part of Four Whittings the N.E. Corner
 of the first Part Running thence North 170 Poles to George Masons
 Corner B. O. thence N.E. Eastward along his Line 40 Poles into a Draw
 of Land Bought of John May to a Marked W. O. thence N.W.
 170 Poles to a Marked W. O. on the Original Line thence North
 to the N.E. Corner of the Original Tract of 600 Acres thence West
 320 Poles to a W. O. thence South 170 Poles to a Marked
 Post Oak thence to the First Beginning Containing 320
 Acres

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 Come to him and his Heirs forever it is my Will that my Son Joseph Mason
 give him a year. But when he begins to settle on his Place
 I leave my Sons Samuel Mason and Joseph Mason each of them
 Eighty Pounds as that much I laid out to Samuel and for them I do give
 convenient Opportunity to them and their Heirs forever
 I leave the Part of my Estate under Whittier after Payment of my
 just Debt to the Disposal of my Loving Wife and it is my Will that
 my Sons shall enter in full Enjoyment of the said when they come
 at the full Age of Twenty one years and it is my Will that if any of
 my Sons Die without Issue lawfully Begotten that their Part
 Portion of Land and other Effects shall be equally between their surviving
 Part of my Children. I do constitute my Trusty and Loving Wife
 my sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament having nothing
 and disannulling all former Wills and Testaments In Witness
 Whereby to all and every Part of the above said Will and Testament I
 have subscribed at my hand and Seal this 3rd Day of the 1st Month 1769
 Signed Published and declared by the above Named Joseph Mason in
 his Last Will and Testament in the Presence of us
 William Moffatt
 David Brooks (Jr.)
 Thomas Lee (Jr.)
 Joseph Mason
 Orange County
 April Court 1770 } The within Will was
 Exhibited in open Court and Proved by the oath of said David
 one of the Subscribing Witnesses and Ordered to be
 Recorded
 Clerk J. Nash