

November Term 1808

Division of the real estate of John
Willbourn Dec^r
The Commissioners appointed to make a division
of the real estate of John Willbourn Dec^r
report as follows — "According to appoint-
ment we the undersigned Subscribers have
divided & laid off the lands of the Heirs
of John Willbourn Dec^r according to his last
will & Testament Jan 20th of August 1808

Edw^d Elliott Surveyor
Homer Kortman
John Kortman
Edmund Kortman
Fitz Lewis
Thomas Crav
Aaron Jones

February Term 1809

In the Name of God I Sally Hale of the County of
Randolph and State of North Carolina being in bad health
but of sound mind and memory taking it into some relations
its appointed One for all men and Women to do & make
and ordain this my last will and Testament
First of all I recommend my Soul to my God who gives it me
And my Body to the earth from whence it comes to be
buried in a Christian decent burial at the discretion of my
friends and Executors nothing doubting but I shall receive
the same again at the day of General Resurrection as touching what
worldly Estate as it has pleased God thus his goodness to be some
with in this life I devise and dispose of in the following manner
viz After the discharge of all my just debts viz

Item I give and bequeath unto my eldest daughter Peggy Hale
One Bed & Furniture
I give and bequeath unto my next eldest daughter Abigail Hale
One Bed and Furniture —

Item I give and bequeath to my youngest daughter Betsey Hale
One Bed and Furniture —

It is my desire that my beloved friend Nathan Hunt shall have the
Raising of three of my children John Samuel & Leah
It is my desire that my friend Edward Jones shall have the raising
of my son Edward

It is also my desire that my beloved Brother Humphreys Horwood
shall have the raising of my son Humphreys

It is also my desire that my Uncle John Ferrinton shall have the
Raising of my son Ellis Hale

It is also my desire that Betsey Merritt shall take my youngest
daughter Betsey Hale

It is also my desire that my beloved sister Jane Burnard shall have
the raising of one daughter Patsy Hale

It is my desire that all the residue of my Estate shall be collected
together turned in to money and put to interest

And when the Come of age Equally divided amongst them
 I have and appoint my beloved friend Lewis Ward and
 William Reed my sole Executors to have in to Effect this my
 last will and Testament signed sealed pronounced to be my
 last will and Testament this 14th day of November 1808

In presence of
 Anna Beard &
 Elizabeth Beard &

Lelly ^{his} table (that)
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The Execution of the foregoing last will and Testament
 of John Beard was duly proven in Court by
 Thomas Beard and ordered to be recorded

Attest
 John Starnes Clerk

I Thomas Rutledge of the County of Randolph State of North
 Carolina Though weak in Body yet in sound mind & Memory
 Calling to mind that it is ordained for all men once to die to
 Make this my last will & Testament in Manner Here following
 First It is my Will and Desire that all my Debts & Funeral
 Expenses shall be paid as soon as it can be done with convenience
 By my Executors herein after named —

Secondly I will and bequeath unto my Beloved wife Harriet Rutledge
 the use of one plantation on Back Creek with her Choice of
 two or three Acres of her two of my best Best Plantations such
 of my farming tools as may be necessary for her to carry on
 the business of the Farm with and allow all the kitchen furniture
 and it is my will & Desire that She keep the three youngest
 Children with her & support them out of the profits of the land
 and stock above named until they come of age & that after
 my said wife shall hold and enjoy the above named property during
 her life or widowhood & No longer —

3^{dly} I have and bequeath unto my Three eldest sons namely William
 Rutledge James Rutledge and Thomas Rutledge the money arising from the
 sale of my plantation of three hundred Acres on Deep River in Guilford
 County to be Equally divided amongst them And it is my will
 and Desire that the said land be sold and conveyed by my Executors
 when ever there is a probability of its bringing its Value and that before
 1st I have bequeathed unto my son George Rutledge the old Court house
 lot with the present Dwelling house & other improvements thereon
 he paying to my son Ulrich fifty Dollars worth of schooling
 I have the share to him his heirs or assigns forever & that the lot
 which I bought from B. Means & sold bought by my son William
 to him and his heirs forever —