

November Term 1775

In the Name of God Amen I Joseph Reading of the
State of North Carolina and County of Randolph being
Sane of sound and perfect Mind and Memory bequeath
to god Father the South day of January in the year of our
Lord one thousand eight hundred & fifteen make and publish
this my last will & testament in manner following that is
to say I do hereby

I give and bequeath to John Reading one hundred &
twenty five Acres of my land that is marked off to him.

Elizabeth Rogers I give and bequeath to her fifty shillings.
Sara Reading I give and bequeath to her a quantity of
Land near or near beginning at the foot of the breast on a
Spanish and below his plantation and running down as the
Creek runs unless it comes to the second hollow and taking
up to the line a south west corner & beginning again at the
same place and running a North west corner to the line.

Sarah Reading I give and bequeath to her one hundred
dollars. I do hereby give I bequeath to her one
hundred Acres of land beginning at the North west corner
of my land

Reading Henry's land running when Henry's line for the
commencement in a square.

And I do hereby give I give and bequeath
to him fifty Acres of Land. I give Henry's land on the south
side of the road from some improvement I own not improved.
Jonathan Reading I give I bequeath the remainder of my
land to him.

I do hereby give I bequeath to her the service of
every in my house her lifetime and I do hereby

Maintenance for my Estate the probate and the probate
ed to go to satisfy the debts I do.

And I do hereby make and ordain my friends Jonathan
Reading and John Reading Executors of this my last will
& testament in writing whereof the said John
Reading have to this my last will and testament and
my hand & seal the day and year above mentioned.

All that is left besides what is given the debt to be
equally divided between Mary Rogers Jonathan
Reading. I do hereby give and bequeath my Negro Dick and
John Reading to have him for life time and after
that to be free.

Signed sealed published and delivered by the said
Joseph Reading the testator at his last will & testa-
ment in the presence of us who were present at the
time of signing and sealing thereof.

Mary Rogers
Jonathan Reading
John Reading
Sarah Reading

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The foregoing last will & testament of Joseph
Reading dec. was duly admitted to probate & was
to be recorded.

J. P. Barber Clerk