

November Term 1817

In the Name of God Amen, I Reuben Rush of the State of North Carolina and County of Randolph being in a low state of health, but perfectly sound in mind and memory blessed be God, and knowing that I am mortal and that is appointed for all men once to die, therefore do Recommend my Soul to God who gave it and my Body to the dust to be decently Buried in a Christian like manner that I remain until the morning of the Resurrection hoping to have a portion in the great Resurrection and day for the Eternal thing that it has pleased God to keep me with in this World I do Bequeath in the following Manner, and first, that all my Just Debts be paid with funeral Expenses, by my Executors hereafter named. Now the 1st my will is that my Family should live together on the plantation whereon I now live and keep the property together or as much as shall be sufficient for a comfortable support and if there is too much for them to keep together for such parts as can best be spared to be sold by my Executors and put to the best advantage for my Children, and at the death on Marriage of my wife for all my property both Real and personal to be sold or divided amongst my children (viz) James Rush Betshel Rush and Dorcas Rush, as shall make them Equal

except one bed and Furniture one Cow half and the half of Furniture which I give and Bequeath unto my well Beloved wife Deag Rush as her own property and I do constitute nominate and appoint my wife and Trusty Friends, James Brown and Richard Rush Executors to this my last will and Testament given under my hand what this twentieth day of March 1817

Reuben Rush

Signed sealed & Delivered
in the presence of

W. D. D.

James Brown

John of North Carolina & County of Randolph
November Term 1817

The Execution of the last Will & Testament of Reuben Rush D. is was proven in open Court by William Boyce one of the subscribing Witnesses and ordered to be recorded,

Wm. Boyce Clerk

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Phoebe, & Richard Wesson of Randolph County & State of North Carolina being in a reduced state of health yet in my perfect mind and memory and calling to mind that it is appointed for all men to die do make and declare this

my last will and Testament in the manner & form following
 First my soul to God who gave it and my Body to be
 Buried at the discretion of my Executors after was
 to be named I in my last Will & Testament Expressly to be
 said. I in my last Will except the plantation now live on
 I give unto my son and a bound boy named Samy Hunt
 in the manner following - to my son John I give -
 two hundred acres of Land on the Waters of Blacat
 and the Mill place and the Needham Place to my son
 John & living on the same Water, to my son
 Richard I give three hundred acres of Land lying on
 Cedar Creek Chatham County to James Beathel.
 I give two hundred acres of Land lying on the
 Waters of Deer River in Alcorn County I also give
 to my son Richard two hundred and thirty seven
 acres of Land lying in Alcorn County in deep run
 and to my son Daughter Nancy - Elizabeth Little
 son, Henry, Rosanna, Rhendema & Rachel to my
 each of them I give five shillings a piece, to my three
 grand children Namely George & Anna Frazier &
 Richard Pearson five shillings a piece, and to my son
 James children I give five shillings a piece to my
 Beloved wife Elizabeth the place now live on until
 my cash & cash notes and all my property that
 have been mentioned herein during her life time
 or widow hood if she incline to alter her situation
 by Marriage - then I give to her one Feather Bed
 and furnished with her wearing cloths

at the end of my wife life time or widow hood I give to
 my Grand son Ezra Pearson the above said property
 if there be any left to be sold and Equally divided
 amongst all my children if there shall be any
 left at the end of her life time or widowhood to be
 Equally divided amongst all my children

25th of the 1st mo 1845
 Signed sealed in the presence Richard & Pearson &
 of us
 Allen Harrison
 William Pearson
 Son of Pearson
 My Executors are - Richard Pearson & All Pearson -

State of North Carolina, Court of Pleas & general
 Sessions for the County of Johnston
 The execution of the last Will of Richard Pearson deceased
 was proven by Allen Harrison & John Pearson and
 the subscribing Witnesses & ordered to be recorded
 John Pearson Clerk

In the Name of God amen I Samuel Black of
 Randolph County and State of North Carolina
 Being of sound and perfect mind & memory
 blessed be God, do this the Eighteenth day of July
 in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
 and fifteen do make and declare this my last
 Will and Testament that is to say - Revocably
 and full of all I give & recommend my soul

State of South Carolina doth hereby in
 obedience to an order of Court issued
 at February Term 1818 to Seth Wade Samuel
 Hale Henry Gardner and Isaac Lamb
 to allot & lay off to Dey Rush widow
 and Heir of Nathan Rush deceased one year
 maintenance out of the crop stock and
 provisions on land of said late wife
 met on the premises on the day & provided
 to lay off the following articles to wit
 Cows & Calf one white steer all the
 Corn Cotton & Flax on Land three hundred
 pounds of Bacon in head of large Turkey
 Bushels of Wheat the use of one parcel
 Horse nine Months all the Black Faden
 Corn Shucks & Hay on Land and Eleven bags
 of oats All the Wharf Men & Chaff Lard &
 Soap on Land and a half Bushel of Salt
 Given under our hand this 27 day of May
 1818

Seth Wade J P
 J. Lamb
 Henry Gardner
 Samuel Hale

| Seth Wade one of the administrators of Joseph Brown dec'd Contra Credit | | 5 | 6 |
|--|-------|----|---------|
| By Nat and Receipt as for 2 nd | - - - | 1 | 229 75 |
| By Nat and Receipt as for 1 st | - - - | 2 | 29 50 |
| Wm H. Kings Receipt | - - - | 3 | 87 85 |
| Saml Pettie on provd account & Receipt | - - - | 2 | 6 15 |
| Thos H. Harvey Prov'd account | - - - | 5 | 5 |
| Henry Harvey of John Prov'd account | - - - | 6 | 7 |
| John Harte Prov'd account | - - - | 7 | 2 45 |
| Levi Pearson Prov'd account | - - - | 8 | 1 50 |
| John Davidson Prov'd acc | - - - | 9 | 3 75 |
| Samuel Campbell Prov'd acc Receipt | - - - | 10 | 1 |
| John Campbell Prov'd acc | - - - | 11 | 95 |
| Numbers 12 & 13 Carl Paid on judgments | - - - | 12 | 12 1 |
| Amelia Lamb Receipt for buying salt | - - - | 13 | 3 |
| Amelia Lamb Receipt | - - - | 14 | 2 |
| George Swearington Receipt | - - - | 16 | 1 60 |
| William of Thos Norton note dated 1803 | - - - | 17 | 2 25 |
| William Gillan note dated 9 November 1802 | - - - | 18 | 6 |
| James Gardner due 6 May 1806 | - - - | 19 | 1 30 |
| John Ramsdew Receipt | - - - | 20 | 20 |
| Chas Jones for Letters Testamentary & order for sale | - - - | 1 | - |
| Carl Paid for administering a will to Lane | - - - | 1 | - |
| Chas Jones for return of Inventory & ac of place | - - - | - | 80 |
| Chas Jones for the settlement | - - - | - | 10 |
| Solomon Goodman Receipt for direct Tax | - - - | 21 | 4 7 1/2 |
| George Hoovers Receipt for direct Tax | - - - | 22 | 2 35 |
| My Commis on \$428-93 | - - - | 21 | 11 1/2 |
| Rachel Brown (widow & Heir of) | - - - | 23 | 118 1/2 |
| Joseph Brown & Co Receipt | - - - | - | 6 1/2 |
| Widows Contributions on \$129-14 | - - - | 24 | 150 1/2 |
| Stephen Kings Receipt | - - - | 7 | 10 3/4 |

Amount of the Property of Reuben Rust &
Inventory & Sold by Michael Rust & Henry
Brown Auctioneers 24 of November 1817 To wit

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| 1 Saddle to William Boyd | 6 25 |
| 1 Pair of Saddle bags to Asah Rush | 3 25 |
| 1 Head of Hags to Minnet Hunt | 9 30 |
| 2 Sells Sells to Abraham Benson | 6 00 |
| 3 Sells Sells to James Wade | 4 30 |
| 1 Rifle gun to Robert Mullen | 16 70 |
| 1 Patt to Enosh Andrews | 51 00 |
| 1 Sells to Marling Cooper | 53 00 |
| 1 Sells Haggan Spokes to William Mendenhall | 2 00 |
| 12 Head of gees to Gage Collier | 3 60 |
| 1 Gun to Joshua Brown | 18 00 |
| 1 Sells to Sells | 15 60 |
| 1 Sells to Sells | 4 49 |
| 1 Wood Hat to William Dix | 2 10 |
| 1 Mattress to Enosh Andrews | 50 |
| 1 Carving knife to Asah Rush | 35 |
| 1 Hawick to Asah Rush | 50 |
| 1 Sells Hammer to Isaac Lamb | 40 |
| 1 Sells Haggan to Joseph Newby | 25 |
| 1 Bar Plow to Sells Haggan | 25 00 |
| 1 Shovel Plow to Sells Haggan | 1 00 |
| 1 Bar Sells to Joseph Stoffer | 1 79 |
| 1 Pair of chains & lamp to William | 3 56 |
| 2 Blows, Hatters to Asah Rush | 1 20 |
| 1 Sells & line to John Cooper | 41 |

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| Letter | Letter to Widow | 1 | 1 |
| Dr Hans & Walter | As an Broom | 2 | 10 |
| Washing Lin | to Windows | | 41 |
| Goffe Plow | to John Caden | | 60 |
| Meat Tub | to Windows | | 20 |
| Half Hyter | Letter | | 49 |
| Pair Double of Double Tree | Letter | | 68 ⁷ |
| Washing Tub | to Angel Rush | | 25 |
| Pal & Bark | to Windows | | 60 |
| Settle | Letter | | 76 |
| Cook Oven | Letter | | 40 |
| Large Sider | Letter | 3 | |
| Black Bear | to Angel Rush | | 6 |
| Ballon Wheel | to Windows | | 50 |
| Flax | Letter | | 2 60 |
| Bed & Head & Furniture | to Good House | 8 | 80 |
| Cart | to Joseph Haffan | | 80 |
| Paint Bar Cook Pot | to Angel Rush | | 31 |
| Fire Stone | Windows | | 21 |
| Locking Plaf | Letter | | 50 |
| Womans Saddle | Letter | | 7 1 |
| Smoothing Iron | Letter | | 10 |
| Silk & Braddle | to Angel Rush | | 20 |
| Settle & Pillow | Windows | | 10 |
| Whome Saddle | to John Jackson | | 37 ² |
| Moss Bar Tree | to Windows | | 5 |
| Lat Tub | Letter | | 3 1 |

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| 1 Razor & Box to George Brothers | 61 |
| 1 Wc. to Widow | 31 |
| 1 Hair to John Squire | 97 |
| 1 Lot of Bacon Isaac Lamb | 10 20 |
| 2 Bunches to Amos Nash | 25 |
| 2 Sides to Little | 15 |
| 7 Hides to John Reddy | 8 20 |
| 2 Sides & Eggs to Samuel Heaven | 10 5 |
| 2 Sides of Hides to Solomon Jackson | 2 5 |
| 1 Stick of Dry to Anna Alexander | 8 26 |
| 1 Hair & 1/2 of a Lamb to Michael Nash | 15 30 |
| 1 Hides to L. Patten | 7 |
| 1 Side to Michael Nash | 4 22 1/2 |
| 1 Amos to Little Little | 85 |
| 1 Lot of Hides to Samuel Ferguson | 4 27 1/2 |
| 1 Little Little Little Little | 15 96 1/2 |
| 1 Cutting Knife & Box to Widow | 1 1 |
| 1 Lot of Hides in the Store to Michael Nash | 26 78 |
| 3 Hides to Widow | 5 1 |
| 7 Sides to John Andrew | 7 50 |
| 12 Sides James Cady | 3 72 |
| 1 Side to Widow | 31 |
| 1 Cow Hide Little | 181 |
| 1 Bag. to Michael Nash | 27 1/2 |
| 1 Bunch to Widow | 5 |
| 1 Lot of Leather to Michael Nash | 37 1/2 |

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| 1 White Barrel to Anna Alexander | 26 |
| 1 Gun to Widow | 5 |
| 1 Barrel to Little | 15 |
| 1 Some Water to Benjamin Nash | 40 |
| 1 Some Hides | 10 |
| 1 Barrel Little | 13 |
| 1 Hay & Pitchfork - Little | 30 |
| 1 Cheese & to Anna Nash | 20 |
| 1 Some Black to Little | 2 80 |
| | 27 1/2 |

Sith Wade administrator of Anna Alexander's
Estate to said Estate Do

To amount of \$141 1/2

Sith Wade Administrator of Anna Alexander's
Estate Credit

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|---|-------|
| By Anna Alexander Receipt for 1/2 of a Lamb | 1 |
| Wade given Jacob Heaven for 1/2 of a Lamb | 2 55 |
| Wade given Jacob Heaven for 1/2 of a Lamb | 27 80 |
| Wade given Jacob Heaven for 1/2 of a Lamb | 40 |
| Wade given Jacob Heaven for 1/2 of a Lamb | 4 56 |
| Wade given Jacob Heaven for 1/2 of a Lamb | 2 |
| Wade given Jacob Heaven for 1/2 of a Lamb | 3 1/2 |
| Wade given Jacob Heaven for 1/2 of a Lamb | 40 |
| Wade given Jacob Heaven for 1/2 of a Lamb | 93 |
| Wade given Jacob Heaven for 1/2 of a Lamb | 6 1/2 |
| Wade given Jacob Heaven for 1/2 of a Lamb | 1 65 |
| Wade given Jacob Heaven for 1/2 of a Lamb | 38 87 |
| Wade given Jacob Heaven for 1/2 of a Lamb | 11 96 |