

The Last Will and Testament of Simon York -

In the name of God Amen. I Simon York of Randolph County in the State of North Carolina do and in Consideration of Sealing and Delivery of these presents by Michael Brown of the same bargained and sold set over and released in this and Open Court and by these presents do bargain and sell unto the said Michael Brown one Improvement with one hundred acres of Land situated and lying in the County of Randolph and on a stream also on bay man and lot with water in back of their forehead & and is about sixteen rods high five years old above and below and two red Bulls taken marked a loop and ad' lot and water left in the left side of the lot with a loop and ad' lot and contains above mentioned unto the Michael Brown his heirs and Executrix Administration and Usages forever and to the said Frederick Smith for myself my true Inventory Administration and Usages all and singular the said improvements and two cows and two fine calves unto the said Michael Brown and his heirs Inventory Administration and Usages Against me and against all and every other person or persons whatsoever shall Improvement in creature I the said Frederick Smith have held the said Michael Brown in full possession of by delivering him the said bay mare at the Ring hand in witness whereof I seal this twenty first day of May - one thousand eight hundred and eighty three.

Fredrick Smith  
and wife

I sign sealed and delivered  
in the presence of us.

Fredrick Brown  
Thomas Newell

Done Seal'd & S.S.  
The above has been read in open  
Court by the Clerk of Frederick Brown  
and Acknowledged to be true.

George H. Williams Esq. R.

I bequeath to my well beloved wife her feather bed and furniture and all the rest of my household furniture. Likewise such a sum I bequeath to my children in this will —  
Item I bequeath to my wife before & wife one negro girl named  
Nancy with free passage to live on the plantation till she  
attaineth the age of 21 —

Item I bequeath to my Eldest son Edmund all the land and tenements now in his possession —

Item I bequeath to my Daughter Sarah her bed and table &  
all the rest of the household goods she receives after she  
was married. I also bequeath to her my Daughter Sarah the  
sum of five dollars sterling to be paid unto her when  
she attains the age of 21 —

Item I bequeath to my Daughter Nancy her bed and furniture  
and all the rest of the household goods and other things which  
she receives before and after she was married. I also bequeath  
to my said Daughter Nancy the sum of five dollars sterling to her  
when she attains the age of 21 —

9) I barged off of my Estate --

Item I bequeath to my Son Charles the land wherein he now lies  
With all the improvements thereon containing about one hundred  
and Seven or more acres more or less to be divided from John Williams  
land which I bequeath to him lying & situate on Charles plantation  
land likewise I bequeath to him my & his Son Charles his horse  
and Saddle and bridle and all the rest of the things he required of  
me before he was married also I bequeath to him my & Charles  
the sum of five Pounds Sterling to be paid out of my Estate  
Item bequeath to my Son Simon one half of the land wherein  
now lies that is to say that part which lies adjoining to the  
plantation wherein Williams Alfred died now lies of likewise bequeath  
to him my Son Simon one more to be worth twenty five  
Pounds and a horse & bridle and likewise agreed unto of Charles  
when he comes of age.

Item I bequeath to my Sons Isaac and John the sum of two hundred  
Pounds in hard money Gates to be raised out of my Estate and  
to be laid out in land at the discretion of my Executor to  
likewise a horse & saddle and bridle and a Vault of Coffin for  
each when they come of age at the discretion of my Executor

Item I bequeath to my Son Sabey one half of the land wherein  
now lies that is to say that part wherein the horses  
and other improvements is likewise one horse and saddle  
at the discretion of Gates when he comes of age

Item I bequeath to my Daughter Martha & Sophia each a  
hearth bed and garniture and each a hundred and likewise  
a cow and Calf and a Saddle for each of the aforesaid  
girls Martha and Sophia when they come of age at the  
discretion of my Executor

I bequeath that the hundred of my lands and  
negos not particularly mentioned in this will shall be  
sold at the discretion of my Executor and the money arising therefrom  
to be equally divided between my Son George & Charles each having  
two hundred pounds in hard money Gates which is bequeathed to  
George and John as before mentioned

This my will that my Executor do make a bid for one hundred  
Pounds

and I went to town of land to my Son Charles John Williams, the  
Land that my father formerly had on and likewise all the other land  
containing about Eighty acres adjoining to the aforesaid land. --  
This further my will that the Stock and all the improvements belonging  
to the plantation be left there to work raising and maintaining his  
children and educating them except any part thereof that shall  
appear unprofitous to the Executor and then to be sold and the mony  
soe levied to pay my Expenses that may accrue and I do  
appoint my wife and my Son Simon Executrix to this my last will  
testament and in case my wife should marry or die before my son  
Simon comes of age it is my will that my Son Simon be deemed to have  
be Executor in her place Fully accounted according to the true  
intent and meaning thereof

Signed Sealed and pronounced  
in the presence of whose names  
are under written this County

Eighth Day of January 1782.

Frank Davis  
his mother  
John Allridge  
mark  
William M. Bradford  
mark

Copy given by  
John Allridge

Simon York Esq

Charles York Esq

Randolph County March Term 1783

The late will and Settlement of Simon York was  
proved in Open Court by the Teste of Nathan  
Allridge one of the Subscribing Witnesses thereto  
and admitted to be recorded.

Copy J. P. William Bell, Esq