

In the name of August Term 1813

In the Name of God Amen I William Mathews of
the County of Randolph & State of North Carolina being in
a low state of health but in perfect mind & memory do make
& appoint this to be my last will & Testament First of
all I commend my soul to God my body to the distant
grave Next that all my Just debts to be paid & the remainder
Part of my estate I give in manner & form as follows—
First I give to son Thomas Mathews a certain piece or
parcel of land which he now has in his possession beginning at
Moffitts line at the branch running a strait Course to the
fork of Branch a bare Moffitts field thence along
Branch to the line thence South round to the beginning—
Next I give to my son Edwards Mathews a certain piece
or parcel of land which he now has in his possession
beginning at a black Oak corner on Rainses line near
the old path running east to the branch thence
down the branch to his corner— Also one hundred
& two Acres which he now lives on in Chatham County
and shall hat by Discounting Twenty Dollars—
Next I give to my son William Mathews the balance
of my lands in Chatham County
Next I give my son Egniel Mathews the balance of
the old tract in Randolph except a piece in the fork
of the branch adjoining Rainses my share is for my
wife Keturah & my daughter Ruth to have their dwelling
& support here on the plantation as usual with
Egniel during their life or widowhood

Next I give to my daughter Mary Garner one Dollar
Next I give to my daughter Elizabeth Edwards one dollar
Next I give to my daughter Hannah Edwards one dollar
Next I give to my daughter Keturah McDonald one dollar
Next I give to my daughter Ruth Kirby one dollar
Next I give the balance of my estate Real & Personal
to my wife & family that remains on the plantation
for a support— Lastly I appoint my son Thomas
Mathews & my son William Mathews as Executors to
this my last will & Testament In witness whereof
I have here unto set my hand & seal this 15 day
of November one thousand Eight hundred & seven

Test

Peter Gibbs Secy.

William Mathews

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas & Quarter
Randolph County Session August Term 1813

The within last will & Testament of William Mathews
De. was duly proven in open Court by Peter Gibbs
& ordered to be recorded—

A Copy Test J. H. Parker C.C.C.