

27 Signed sealed published and declared by the said
Valentine Allen the testator as his last will and
testament in the presence of us who were present
at the time of sealing thereof
George Peyser. Valentine Allen (Decd)
Enoch Arden
his
Thomas + William +
mark

James Belton

In the name of God amen I James Belton of the State
of North Carolina County of Rockingham calling to
mind the uncertainty of life and that all mankind
sooner or later must die have thought proper to make
this my last will and testament being now in sound
mind and memory in presence of witnesses I ordain and direct
that all my just debts and burial and funeral
expenses be first paid out of my estate

Item 1st I give and bequeath to my beloved wife
Elizabeth Belton fifty acres of my land that I now
live on including the house together with all my
house hold and kitchen furniture & plantation tools
and my young Sorell mare and stock of hogs now
on hand one cow & Lamb during her life

Item 2nd I will to my children namely Mary Belton
Sally Belton Amy Belton William Belton Emory
Belton the balance or residue of my property to
them and their heirs forever both real and person
al estate to be equally divided among them that
is to say share and share alike should my son
William's Wife have no children she should be
the longest liver his part of the land to return

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to my above legatees and their heirs forever.
Item 3rd I leave no part of my estate to my Daughter
Susanah nor Patsy Gibson
Lastly I constitute and appoint my trusty friend
John H. Joyce my executor to this my last will and
testament believing that he will do my legacies
Justice in witness hereof I have set my hand and
affixed my seal this 7th day of May A.D. 1826
in presence of us

Walton +
his
Samuel Hann
mark

mark -
James O. Belton (Decd)
his

Samuel Joyce. Executor Qualified

State of North Carolina August 2nd 1826
Rockingham County The execution of the will
in last will and testament of James Belton as aforesaid
proved in open court by the oath of Nicholas Dalton
and on motion ordered to be recorded whereof a
true and correct copy is hereunto attested
the executor qualified Pro Galloway C.C.

Thomas Bonner

In the name of God amen I Thomas Bonner
of Rockingham County and State of North Carolina
being weak of body but of sound judgment and
memory blessed be God for all His mercies to me and
calling to mind my mortality that it is a p^{ro}vi
dence for all men once to die on this eighteenth day
of November in the year eighteen hundred and
one make and ordain this my last will and testa
ment in the manner and form following that is
to say and first of all do commend and recommend
my soul at death to God who gave it me and