

Joseph Hopper

In the name of God of men the 9th day of December 1822 Joseph Hopper of Rockingham County and State of North Carolina being Sick and weak of body but of perfect mind memory Thanks be given to God and calling to mind the Mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men Once to die doth make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and following first I give and recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God Who give it Nothing Doubting but I shall Receive it again at the General Resurrection by the mighty power of God and my body I give to the Earth to be entered in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it has been please God to bless me with in this life I Give and dispose of in the following manner To wit

First I Give unto my Daughter Mary Hogan Twenty acres of Land including my present Dwelling house and orchard. Secondly I give unto my Granddaughter Polly Hopper Daughter of Ruth Burchell twenty Acres of Land more or less being the Land where she now lives and adjoining Alec Joyce's line. Thirdly I Give unto Jane Brim and John Brim seventy five Acres of Land joining Winston & Wade to be Equally divid between them. I also give unto my Grandson Thomas Hopper son of Joseph Hopper Junior and joining Trent and Kimble Twenty five Acres of Land More or less I also will that residue of my land With all my Personal Estate should be sold and Divided Equally amongs all my sons and daughters namely Joshua Hopper Joseph Hopper Elizabeth Hinton Jane Brim Morrey Kimball Humber Daniel Mary Hogan Catherine Hopper Ruth Burchell

and I appoint and Ordain and constitute Nicholas Eller and Thomas Albright Executors of this my last will and Testament and Thereby disannull all other former will or wills Executor or Executors Ratifying this and no other to be my last will and Testament Signed sealed published pronounced and declared by said Joseph Hopper to be his last will and testament in the presence of us the Subscribers his

James Harris
Henry Grogan
Harden Vance
Clementine Vance

Joseph Hopper
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State of North Carolina
Rockingham County: } May Session 1823

The Execution of the within last will & Testament of Joseph Hopper was duly proved in an Court by the oaths of Jese Harris & Harden Vance and on motion moved to be recorded And A true Copy Attest. J. H. Gallaway ccc

George Dilworth

In the name of God of men This 13th day of October 1828 being in sound mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of my Body and Knowing that it is appointed for all men to die I do hereby make and ordain this my last Will and testament in the first place I recommend my soul to God who gave it and body to be buried decent manner. I do begin as follows. 1st I Give unto my wife Polly all of my land which I now possess to be hers to Enjoy during her natural life and also one negro boy named Golden to be hers during her natural life and also I Give my wife one of her choice of my horses and four head of cattle of her choice and ten head of pigs of her choice and a 22 head of sheep and forty Barrels of corn and ten bushels of wheat