

129 Give no more the balance of my chatte property  
together with my two negroes Sily and Lucy. I leave  
to my wife as long as she remains my widow or until  
my youngest child shall arrive at the age of twenty  
one. This balance of chatte legacy is especially given  
my wife to raise my children on Be gotten with.  
her and school them and what may remain to  
be equally divided between the last mentioned  
children and should any of them grow up so as  
to want any of their distribution at their mother's  
discretion to value to them such as they may get  
and keep a just account as she payeth them up  
so as Justice to done the children.

In addition to what I have given Joseph my son  
he is to have the odd called his own bridle and saddle  
horses and furniture one plow horse Axe and mat  
lock and my Turnery tools and so on and all this  
is to be raised out of that above under the general  
discretion as above named to my wife herself  
ratifying and confirming this as my last will  
and testament and appointing my executors  
my loving wife Nancy and my brother Henry King  
to execute this my last will and testament as well  
as my hand and seal this 14 day of June 1811.  
Signed sealed published and declared in presence of

W. J. Phillips  
William Simpson  
Nathaniel Mayes

230 State of North Carolina 3<sup>rd</sup> month 3<sup>rd</sup> 1811  
Rockingham County 3<sup>rd</sup> deponies The execution of the last  
will and testament of Ley King was duly pro-  
nounced open Court by the oath of William Simpson  
and on motion ordered to be recorded

Prob. Gallaway  
*[Signature]*

## Willoughby Pet.

In the name of God amen I Willoughby see of the  
County of Rockingham and state of North Carolina  
being very weak in body but of perfect mind and  
memory thinks before to you calling to mind the  
mortality of my body and knowing that it is appro-  
priate unto all men once to die do make and or-  
dain this my last will and testament that is to  
say principally and first of all I give and recom-  
mend my soul into the hands of almighty God  
that gave it and my body I consign to the earth  
to be buried in decent Christian burial notwithstanding  
but I shall receive the same again at the  
last day by the almighty power of God and  
concluding such unprofitable as God has bestowed  
me with in this life I give and dispose of it in the  
following manner.

I give and bequeath to my dear son Jacob Lee one  
hundred and fifty acres of land including the  
meeting house which I purchased of William  
Henry which Request of land I cause to be

Laid off by the rules of Reason and Justice and at the  
discretion of my surviving Companion and my execu-  
tors ~~to~~ to comprehend as much water and good  
ground as the nature of the situation will admit  
in order to make the same comfortable to live upon  
and also to be in such form as shall best comfort  
with its own worth and with all the other legacies  
of Land hereafter mentioned

I give and bequeath to my younger son Willoughby  
Lee one hundred and fifty acres of Land including  
the dwelling house where my family now resides to  
be laid off just according to the prescription  
given in the foregoing Legacy unto his eldest  
brother I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizur  
Thompson Henry Lee Fanny Lee and her issue  
severally all the balance of my Land to be divided  
equally among them ~~any one~~ according to its  
real value which balance of Land I wish to be laid  
off among them so as to make each single legacy  
of the greatest possible advantage to the legatees  
that owns it and whereas my eldest daughter  
Elizabeth Thompson has had already her portion  
of Land intimated her it is my will that she have  
no more of that article.

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Fanny  
Lee during her natural life or widowhood all  
my moveable property to use according to her  
discretion and discretion for the benefit of herself  
and my younger children and then to distribute  
the same among all my heirs agreeable to her  
own option and desire However recommended her

her to give my boys all the Farming utensils and  
to make them and their unmarried sister equal to  
my two married girls in point of living stock and  
of household furniture if there be enough of an  
overplus to give it as she please but in as much  
as all human beings are frail and we can not  
tell what may happen it is my will that if my  
beloved wife through any infirmity should loose  
that capacity or inclination of which I now think  
she has hoped to manage the property bequeathed  
into her hands in an advantageous manner and  
I should want the same to the great injury of  
the Legatees or make distributions that are  
highly unjust I desire that my executors shall  
then at the proper time divide said property  
according to the instructions given above to my  
beloved wife or if in case my wife should marry  
again I wish my executors to have the manage-  
ment of said property and my wife to enjoy what-  
ever the law allows. I further command and  
desire my wife during her widowhood to  
live with my sons and for them to maintain  
and take good care of ~~them~~ in her advanced  
age I should she need their assistance if she  
chooses not to live with them she is free and  
I wish her to be so farther should one of my sons  
die without issue I desire his brother to have  
his inheritance and if any one or more of my  
daughters die without issue I desire the sur-  
viving sister or their heirs to have their in-  
heritance of the deceased.

193 I wish all of my just debts to be paid out of my estate by my executors and all claims settled fairly I nominate and appoint my son Jacob Lee and my son in law Henry Thompson to be the sole executors of this my will and renounce all former wills whatsoever I do pronounce this and no other to be my last will and testament in witness whereof I have set hereto my hand and seal this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 1819.

Test  
Ezekiel Wheeler & Willoughby Lee  
Isaac Woollen &

State of North Carolina September  
Rockingham County 3<sup>rd</sup> September 1824

The execution of the within last will and testament of Willoughby Lee was duly proved in open court by the oaths of Ezekiel Wheeler and Isaac Woollen subscribing witnesses thereto on motion it was ordered by the court to be recorded whereupon Jacob Lee and Henry Thompson who are named in the will as executors qualified and took out letters testamentary in the same

R. A. Gallaway Jr. & Co

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## Thomas Larkin

In the name of God amen I Thomas Larkin in the County of Rockingham and State of North Carolina being sick and weak in body but of sound mind I think to make this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say first I recommend my soul to almighty God who gave it existence and my body to be disposed of in a Christian manner at the disposal of my executors whom I shall hereafter nominate and appoint secondly my will is that all my just debts be fully paid and settled out of my estate the balance which may remain I think proper to dispose of in the following manner I first give to my beloved wife Rebecca Larkin after paying and settling my debts the whole use and contrate of my property real and personal for and during her natural life after which time it is my will that it shall accrue to my children in the following manner to my eldest daughter Magdalena Little wife of James Little only one dollar that being in addition to what I have heretofore given her I give and bequeath to my son John Larkins my named Peter together with the tract of land I now lie on to him and his heirs forever I give and bequeath to my daughter Polly Little my negro girl named Litt to her and her heirs &c I give and bequeath to my son James Larkin my tract of land adjoining Gallaway's plantation Land and my negro boy named Bob.