

108 And I do hereby appoint Mark ~~Stard~~ ^{Stard} Executor
and my wife Frances, ^{Executors} of this my
last Will and Testament as witnesses my
hand and seal this 7th day of April in the
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
and fifteen

Witness in presence of William Pitt ~~Stard~~
R.D. Scab

Wm. Staud

State of North Carolina } May 1st 1820
County of Rockingham }

The Execution of the within last
Will and Testament of William Pitt was
duly proved in open court by the oath of R.D.
Scab and on motion the same was ordered
to be recorded

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William O. Short

In the name of God Amen I William O.
Short of Rockingham County and State of
North Carolina being sick and weak in Body
but of sound mind and memory and calling
to mind the mortality of my Body and knowing
that it is doomed for all men once to die,
do this first day of March A.D. Eighteen hun-
dred and fifteen make and publish this
my last Will and Testament in manner &

& form following That is to say
that I recommend my body to the grave to be buried
in a Christian like manner at the discretion of
my Executors and my Soul into the hand of
Almighty God that gave it

Item 1st I give and bequeath to my beloved
wife Jean Short one hundred acres of land
lying up and down the road it being part of the
Mitchell Tract during her natural life or her
remaining my Widow taking in my mansion
House provided she should raise my youngest
son Wilson Short and give him one year schooling
at least but if she the said Jean Short should
fail to do that she is only to have the benefit of
fifty acres taking in my mansion House and lying
on the South side of the land and have the benefit
of the one hundred acres for five years let her
school my son or not Also I give her one cow
more known by the name of the Diamond mare
also one cow and calf one sow & pig, One Bed
& furniture and her own saddle, also two flax
wheels and one cotton wheel

Item 2^d I give to my Daughter Polly Blackburn
one Bay horse known by the name of Friday

Item 3^d I give to Daughter Sarah Delay the plantation
whereon she now lives and apart of my old planta-
tion beginning at the keruk then up to the old house
& thence up to the draw-barn for two years provided
she should take one of my sons that is to say Samuel
Short & Board, wash, make, & mind for him during
the term of two years and also give him schooling
for one of the above years for the use of said
land & the balance of his time he is work for
her benefit

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Item 4th I give to my Daughter Delilah Blackburn the
balance of the old plantation up to R. Cunningham
line for two years with the privilege of moving the
old Shop any where for her own benefit provided
she should take my son Brian Short and board
make, & send for him and give him one year school.
and the balance of his time he is to work for her benefit
Item the 5th I give to my Daughter Rachel Richard Fifty
Dollars to be raised out of the sale of my chattel property
Item the 6th I give to my two sons Samuel Short & Brian
Short all my old tract of land to be equally divided
(equal number of acres) beginning at the brack and
running up to the south line and also I give to
Samuel Short my muley Horse and to my son
Brian Short my paddy mare which Delilah Black-
burn is to take with my son Brian and have the
use of, and feed during the time she keeps him
and also Sarah Delah is to take the Horse left to Saml
Short & feed and use him during the two years
she keeps Saml Short

Item the 7th I give to my son Wilson Short all the
balance of my land to have full privilege of the
whole after the death of my wife or her ceasing to
be my widow I also give him a Filly which is
the only one I have

Item the 8th I give to my son Sam Short five shillings
and to my son Moses Short five shillings and to my
son William Short five shillings all to be raised
out of the sale of my chattel property and all
the balance of my property to be sold to the highest
bidder and after paying all my just debts the
balance of my the property is to be divided between

my Daughter Richard Richard & my Grand Daughter
Jane Short or as for Rachel to have fifty Dollars and
Jane to have twenty Dollars and if a balance should
still remain it is to equally divided between the said
Rachel Richard & the said Jane Short my Grand
Daughter - I also write that as much of my corn be
sold for cash as will raise the sum of thirty three
Dollars which is money I hold in my hand due
my Bro Moses Short as a legacy & I hereby make
and ordain my worthy friend John Low and Ma-
thias D. Murray Executor of the my last will
& testament in Writing whereof I the said William
Q Short have to the my last will and testament
at my hand & affixed my seal this day & year
above written

Signed sealed published & declared
by the said William Q Short
the Testator at his last will &
testament in the presence of us
who were present at the time
of signing and sealing thereof
we were present at the signing and
sealing of the within

J. D. Murray
George Samson

State of North Carolina } May 1815
County of Rockingham }

The Execution of the within last will
and testament of William Q Short was duly proved
in open Court by the oath of George Samson and
on motion the same was ordered to be recorded

R. G. Galloway c. c.

William Q. Short (Seal)