

In the name of God Amen!

I George Shuman of Rowan County in the State of N. Carolina planter, being very sick in body but of perfect sound senses and memory thanks be to God for the same, calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, I do for the purpose of settling all my affairs with each & every individual, make & ordain this to be my last will and test: I give my soul into the hands of the almighty God that gave it, my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a christian manner, nothing doubting, but I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God, and as touching all worldly estate where with it has pleased God to bless me with I give devise & dispose of the same in following manner & form.

First I will that my well beloved wife Elizabeth shall have a possible possession in my dwelling house during her widowhood I do give & bequeath to her bed and furniture to the same - and I will that she shall have yearly during her widowhood twelve bushels of good wheat & twelve bushels of good sound Indian corn, she shall also have one hundred weight of bacon & I will that she shall have one milk cow and feed to, when the said cow in the manner that a milk cow ought to be kept; I will that she shall have the garden to tend & to rise such as she wants to her use.

I will that she shall have one peck of salt and one pair

of shoes, & one pound of wool the above mentioned quantity of wheat corn and bacon the use of one milk cow the privileging of the garden, nine shes, one pound of wool she shall have yearly for her support during her widowhood, but in case she should marry again she shall have none of the above portion there shall also be a quarter of flax yearly for my wife during her widowhood. My books shall not to be sold, but I will that they shall be divided amongst my children the same book to Conrad the bible to my son Michael & the other as they agree.

2^d I give & bequeath unto my two sons Conrad & Michael all my land & tenements in equal share I will that my after named executors shall rent my plantation yearly to the greatest advantage, and the above mentioned articles for the support of my wife shall arise out of the rent until my eldest son Conrad is of age, after which time my son Conrad shall have possession of my plantation, & shall give unto my wife as above mentioned yearly, unto my son Michael comes of age at which time he shall have possession of an equal part of my plantation and shall be liable to find his equal part of the support of my wife as above mentioned, in case either of my sons should die before he had a heir his part shall fall to the other, in case both should die before they had & bore full heir, in that case that land shall be sold by my executors and this from thence for the said land & the money arising from the said land shall be equally divided amongst my three daughters in equal parts I will that my son Michael shall be taught to read & write & be sent to the

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I will that all my personal property shall be sold at public sale & my three daughters (Anne Mary, Catharine & Elizabeth) shall have ten pounds each as their part of the said and the balance arising from my personal property shall be equal divided amongst all my children and I will that my two sons shall be bound to some good trade, I will that my executors shall do as they think best with my son Michael and to have him bound when the time proper time, And I do hereby constitute and appoint my friend Henry Lamley & Jacob Fisher executors of this my last will and testament in witness whereof I the said George Shierman have to this my last will and testament set my hand & seal this 30th of July 1796

Yours & Cath
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Maryand + Bulker Shierman as his last will & test.
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in the presence of us &
Long Shierman (seal)

Daniel Smiths will by word & mouth made & declared by him about the 15 day of January 1807 at his own house & his last sickness in the presence of us who hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses hereto at the special request of him the said Daniel Smith.

My will is that my wife Catharine have my waggon & two horses, and five cows, all of which are the subscribers ready & willing to make affidavit if it so required. In witness whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names this 23. day of January 1807.

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In the Year of God amen I Richard Smith of Rowan County and state of north Carolina being sick very low in Body but perfectly sound in mind & memory and calling to mind the mortality of my body & that I shortly shall return to dust I recommend my spirit to God that gave it I make this my last will and testament revoking & disavowing all other wills by me made hereafter. First I will that my body be buried in a decent christian like manner I will that at my death my beloved wife Abigail Smith shall possess all my effects what ever I may then possess for her comfortable support during her life and at her death to be equally divided between Henry Smith son of Abigail Smith and Richard Smith, the son of Hezekiah Smith and if either of both of them should die I will that Hezekiah Smith have all or Richard part at their death I will that Richard Smith son of George have one shilling sterling I also do constitute Hezekiah Smith and my beloved wife Abigail Smith my sole executors of this my last will. signed, sealed, and delivered this thirteenth day of August 1795 in presence of us.

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Hezekiah E Smith
mark.
Richard R Smith (seal)
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