

8. In the name of God Amen! I Henry Tesh of Rowan County being weak in body but of sound mind & memory, do make this my last will in following form.

Three hundred & twenty acres of land, which by Articles of agreement Entered into with my son Andrew was to be his property for ever, provided he his executors or Administrators performed the condition of said agreement, & as my son Andrew died intestate, by which the performance of the said conditions have devolved on his heirs or Administrators, it is my will that if the Condition are done paid & performed to me during my life, & to my wife Margaretha after my decease that then the lawful heirs of my son Andrew shall have & see simple estate in the said three hundred & twenty acres of land as tenants in common, but if the condition are not honestly performed, then my executor herein named, shall enter for the conditions broken, & he shall sell the land as is suits him with respect to time by private sale, & the proceeds of such sale shall be equally divided, between all my children or their representatives share & share alike but before it is divided my executors shall first allow to my said wife out of the sale a competency during her natural life.

One hundred & forty acres & 1/2. of land in Rowan County which does not belong to my son Henry I give & bequeath to my Executor herein named to be by him sold

in fee simple whenever he pleased by private sale, and the money arising on said sale I give unto my six daughters Catharina, Margaretha, Sophia, Magdalene, Elisabeth & Len share & share alike.

All the rest & residue of my estate real & personal I give & bequeath to my wife Margaretha during her natural life, & after her decease it shall be divided between my son Adam & my six daughters above named, share & share alike, & my executor may either divide the property among them in kind, or sell it by private or public sale & divide the money for retaining or deducting his expences therefrom.

And I do hereby constitute & appoint my son in law Lewis Reich of Stokes County Executor of this my last will & testament & I do hereby revoke & make void all former wills by me made, ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last will & testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 13 day of Decbr: AD: 1803.

Signed, sealed & delivered  
by the said Henry Tesh  
as his last will & test:

in the presence of us to 140 & 1/2  
acres being amended before signing

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Henry Tesh (seal)