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Be it known to all men by these presents that I Nathan Smith of the County of Rowan and State of North Carolina have made & declared my last will and Testament bearing date the twenty sixth Day of May One thousand Eight hundred and three.

I the said Nathan Smith by these present Codicils Do, ratify & confirm my said last will and testament and I leave my land whereon I now live and all my estate to be sold to the highest bidder and equally divided among my children. That is in the land of the living by my Trustee Joseph Chaffin, senior my will & meaning is that this Codicil be adjudged my last will and testament and that all things there is mentioned and contained be faithfully and truly performed. And as fully and amply in every respect as if the same were so declared and set down.

Pronounced and declared by the said Nathan Smith as his last will and testament in the presence of us who in the presence of each other have hereto subscribed our names the 30th May 1803.

Test
Thomas Stanley
John ^{his} Gobbel
mark
Thos Chaffin.



39.

In the name of God, amen. I Joseph Stanley of Rowan County and State of North Carolina being of perfect sense and sound memory do this fourth Day of March in the year of our Lord 1804. make & ordain this to be my last will and testament In manner & form following that is to say
1. I will that my beloved wife Sarah possess and enjoy all my tract of Land where on I now live with all the improvements thereunto belonging, containing thirty acres during her widowhood and if she has an heir begotten of my body that it fall to it and its heirs forever but if she die without an heir begotten of my body, in that case the said thirty acres of land above mentioned to fall then to William Stanley jun son of Thomas Stanley s^r. I leave to my beloved wife one feather bed and furniture and one high bedstead one cow & calf one chest, one woollen wheel one parcel of cotton courts one source of wooden cards on ponder tankard one bottle and one tin sugar box one chair on Dutch oven one small pot & skillet I will and bequeath unto my grand son Philip Stanley son of Reuben Stanley dec. all the plantation & tract of land where I formerly did live containing One hundred & seventy acres, Laying & being in the County aforesaid on the waters on the aforesaid creek, near the widow Mocks, and if so be the said Philip should die before he has an heir lawfully begotten, in such case I will and bequeath the said land unto Phoebe Stanley Elizabeth Stanley and Catharina Stanley Daughters of my son Reuben Stanley deced. to them and their heirs forever. I will unto my son Thomas Stanley one pine table one pair

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and my well beloved friend George Benier executors
of this my last will & testament, and I do hereby
publish and pronounce this my last will & testament
revoking & disannulling all former wills & testaments
by me made.

Signed, sealed, published, *Peter O. Lawer*
& pronounced by the said *Peter O. Lawer*
Lawer to be his last will & test.

in the presence of us who in his
presence and in the presence of each other
have hereunto subscribed our names.

John X. Lawer.

Michael X. Lawer.

George Thomason.

In the name of God amen I Clara Smith in
the County of Rowan in the province of North Carolina
being in perfect mind & memory; Make this day my last
will & testament. First I commend my soul to God who gave
it, and my body to the dust to be buried in a Christian
and decent form, then all my funeral charges to be paid
then all my lawfull debts to be discharged. And ap-
pointed my thrusty friends Andrew Hunter as my executor
and first I desire and bequeath to my son John, my
negro fellow Nand Jure likewise my large bible
I give & bequeath to my grandchild Bileah Rose

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one bed and furniture and likewise my saddle, and likewise
a hat at four Dollars and likewise her cow & calf. I give
& bequeath to my son Jones my black mare. I give & be-
queath to John Rose the sum of five shillings. The re-
mainder of my property to be sold, and equally divided amongst
all my children including this little Bileah Rose with them.
My cloths to be divided amongst my three daughters.

Signed, sealed, published & signed *Clara* her Smith.
by the above names *Clara Smith*

Testator to be her last will & test.

in the presence of us who subscribed
our names in the presence of the said testator

Andrew Hunter.

Edward Mcquire.

In the name of God Amen I William Stephens of
the County Rowan and State of N Carolina being of
sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God, do this
third tenth day of september in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred & three, make & publish this my
last will and testament in following manner. First I will
and bequeath to my well beloved wife Mary all the property
that her father gave her after our marriage, also I will &
bequeath to my beloved son Joseph Stephens, all my land
that I now possess. Also I will that all my personal property
be sold by my executors and the money to be equally divided
among my three children viz. Sarah Stephens, Joseph
Stephens, and Polly Stephens. And hereby make and ordain
my worthy friends John March Sr, and James Stephens