

by private contract or public vendue, as they may find most advantageous, and the money arising therefrom, to be applied to the discharge of my debts, & the surplus, if any remains I give unto my daughter Mary Penny Elizabeth Armstrong & my son Will^m Matthew & Francis, to be equally divided between them all.

Lastly I constitute & appoint my sons John Locke & Francis Locke executors of this my last will & test.

In witness whereof I have to this my last will & testament set my hand & seal the day & year first above written.

Signed, sealed & delivered by the
 J^r Locke as his last will & test Francis Locke (Creditor)
 in presence of
 Matthew Locke
 Robert Stuart.

In the name of God Amen! I Matthew Locke of the County of Rowan & State of N^c Carolina being of a low & weak habit of body, but of sound & disposing mind & memory, do this 1st day of September A.D. 1801. make, ordain & publish, this to be my last will & test in manner & form following (to wit)

First. I give & devise unto my beloved wife Eliza Locke, the free & uninterrupted use & possession of my dwelling house, kitchen & smoke house, with thirty acres of land, whereever the said Eliza may choose provided that fifteen of the said thirty shall be taken out of the part hereafter devised, to my son James & fifteen out of the part to be devised to my son Robert, during the natural life or personal residence of the said Eliza on said

plantation & after her death or removal from said plantation I give the said dwelling house & other building with the land aforesaid unto my son James & his heirs forever except the fifteen acres aforesaid to be chosen out of the part to be devised to my son Robert, which said fifteen acres I give to my son Robert his heirs & assigns forever. I also give unto my said wife my Negro girl Toney my carriage & harness, my black horse called Jack my black mare called Kate, three milk cows & calves, my large black spotted steer, two other steers, one of two years old, the other of three years, to her & her heirs forever, also I give unto my said wife during her natural life my Negroe man Tom & after the death of my said wife I give the said Tom to my son James Locke also three feather beds & furniture with all the household furniture formerly brought here by my said wife, with a full proportion of the present crop, hay etc. allotted to her family, & all the personal property, which to her belonged before our intermarriage.

2. I give & devise unto my son Richard Locke his heirs & assigns forever one tract of land on the east side of crane creek, containing one hundred & twenty six acres, also my Negroes Peter & Laga & to him & his heirs forever.

3. I give & bequeath unto my son Matthew Locke his heirs & assigns forever my tract of land bought of Thomas Stuart joining the lands on which he now lives also my share of a tract of land bought & now held jointly by Martin Phelps & myself also my Negroes Andy & Hinah to him & his heirs forever. I give & bequeath unto my two sons James & Robert & to them & their heirs forever the tract of land on which I

lies containing six hundred & forty acres & a tract adjoining it on the east, south & west containing six hundred & forty acres & a tract of ninety three acres lying between the last mentioned tract & Grants creek, to be equally divided between them, in such manner as to leave the houses & improvements whereon I now live to the share of my son James subject to the use mentioned in the first clause of this will & the building & improvements of the said Robert in the share to be allotted the said Robert, also I leave to James & Robert in equal portions the balance of the money due from Dr: Thomas on the land sold him in case he fails to pay the same.

Also I give & bequeath unto my son James his heirs & assigns forever the following Negroes (to wit) July & Sarah in addition to those heretofore given, four cows & calves & Adam to him & his heirs forever.

3. I give unto my son Robert the following Negroes (to wit) Rachel in addition to those now in his possession, also four cows & calves & Negro boy March to him & his heirs forever.

My will also is that all my western lands for which I have titles be equally divided between my sons now living share & share alike & that my four sons Robert, James, Matthew & Richard, all contribute in equal portions to pay off the pecuniary Legacies after all the assets in hands of my executors are exhausted, if any deficiency should happen & that in case my titles to said western lands are defective, that my executors & other Legacies shall not be accountable for the same.

4. I give & bequeath unto my grandson Moses Locke his heirs

& assigns forever, the remaining half of a tract of land lying on the third creek in Fredricks County containing six hundred & forty acres, & another tract of eighty five acres, joining the aforesaid tract of 840 acres, as lately divided between the said Moses & my grand son Alexander Locke.

7. I give & bequeath unto my son Francis Locke three hundred & fifty dollars to be paid by my executors hereafter mentioned.

8. I give & bequeath unto my daughter Mary Richardson three hundred & fifty dollars to be paid by my executors.

9. I give & bequeath to my daughter Anne Beard two hundred & twenty five dollars to be paid by my executors.

10. I give & bequeath unto my daughter Jean Weekly two hundred & twenty five dollars to be paid by my executors.

11. I give & bequeath unto my daughter Margaret Locke my Negro boy Stuan, in consideration that my wife Negro woman Peter be by her supported during his life also one hundred dollars in cash to be paid by my executors.

12. I give & bequeath unto each of my daughters Betsey, children one hundred dollars in cash to be paid by my executors.

13. It is my will & I hereby direct my executors to deliver unto my brother George Locke his notes & bond & that he be forever acquit & discharged of the payment thereof.

14. My will also is & I hereby empower my executors to execute a deed of conveyance to Joseph Dickson for one half of five thousand acres of western lands jointly entered by said Dickson & my self but that no warranty shall be made thereto or my estate accountable, in case said title should be defective & in like manner to execute a Deed to Richard Brother of

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half of a tract of land in Tennessee containing two hundred & thirty six acres, on same conditions & limitations.

15. My will is that the residue of my estate be sold by my executors & the money arising therefrom with the debts due & owing me be by them applied to a discharge of my just debts & pecuniary legacies mentioned in this will.

Lastly I do hereby nominate & appoint my beloved wife Eliza Locke executrix & my trusty friend Matthew Brandon my son James & Richard my executors of this my last will & test: & which I hereby pronounce & publish as & for my last will hereby revoking all others. In witness whereof I have the day above written, put my hand & affixed my seal signed sealed pronounced, published, in presence of

Matthew Locke
Math/Brandon. Martin Phifer.
Geo Brandon, Francis Locke

In the name of God Amen: I John Lemly of the County of Rowan & State of N^c Carolina being very sick & weak in body but of sound mind & memory thank be to God for it, & calling to mind the mortality of my body do make & ordain this my last will & test, that is to say principally I give my soul to God & my body to the earth to be buried in decent christian burial at the discretion of my executors as touching such worldly estate wherewith it had pleased God to bless me in this life I give, devise & dispose of the same in manner & form following.

I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Annemary her bed

& furniture, her spinning wheel & two cows, as a dower, she may also keep the whole of my personal estate, in her possession & use, as long as she remains my widow, or so long as she wish to do so, but she may or my after named executrix sell, such a part of my estate as will pay all my just debts, but in case my said wife should marry again, or after her death, in that case my after named executors shall sell all my personal estate & shall be equally divided amongst my said wife & children Catharina Phillips, Lucy & Lony share & share alike,

2. I give to my beloved daughter Catharina one cow & her spinning wheel as a dower. I further will & direct my beloved wife Annemary shall have a peaceable possession of my dwelling house & plantation during her natural life

2. I will & direct that after the death of my said wife my land & plantation shall be sold at public sale in such a manner as my after named executors shall think proper or a good & reasonable credits given & the said money arising for said land shall be equally divided amongst my above named children share & share alike. And I do hereby constitute & appoint my friend Philips Lemly executor of this my last will & test: & I hereby revoke all former wills, ratifying & pronouncing this & no other to be my last will & test: In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 6th day of December A.D. 1806.

Witness present.
Thyerke, S. Cruson.
Peter Lyealy.
John ^{his} Lemly
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