

part as the law direct her to have during her natural life. And at her marriage or her decease, there shall be an inventory of all the stock of every kind and other moveable property, that is to say -
 A true estimate of said property to be made, & for her to receive no more than already mentioned - But if she should marry again - My will and desire is - that the residue of the tract of land, that I conveyed to Isaac Hendricks who is my son in law containing seventy acres and which I purchased from Humphrey Marshall. I say that the aforesaid seventy acres of land together with all & every part & parcel, & increase of the aforesaid stock of my wife Elizabeth as above mentioned at her decease or marriage to gether with said land - I give bequeath and dispose of to my well beloved grand son Frederick Shelton to him & to his heirs forever. By what I have already mentioned in the foregoing part of this will. I do not mean by it or that it should be so construed by any part of it - to dispossess my wife Elizabeth of the aforesaid land or any part of the stock, or its increase during her widowhood - or her natural life - But on the contrary if she should marry again she shall be forever dispossessed of every part thereof - except what the law in that case directs & for it to be peaceably and quietly enjoyed by the said Frederick Shelton and his heirs forever.
 I also give that is I leave my son in law Jasper

Collins the sum of five shillings as an acknowledgment of my return for him. . .
 I do also appoint, constitute, and devise, that my well beloved wife Elizabeth Smart and the aforesaid Isaac Hendricks my whole & sole executors to this my last will & test. Revoking and making void all former wills or wills, heretofore by me made. Ratifying and confirming this & no other to be my last will & testament.
 In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal with my own hand this 19 day of January: 1801.
 Signed, sealed and acknowledged ^{his} Thomas Smart 
 by the said Thomas Smart to be his last will & testament in presence of us
 Benj: Hodgens.
 Leroy ^{his} Smart
 Thomas Coats.
 Sally Hodgens.

+ In the Name of God Amen, I Samuel Sewell of the County of Rowan State of N Carolina Planters, being very sick and weak in body, but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God; Calling into mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament that is to say principally & first of all, I recommend my soul into the

of Almighty God that gave it, and my body I recom-
mend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian
burial, to the discretion of my executors nothing doubting
but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same
again by the mighty power of God & as touching such
worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless
me in this life after my lawfull debts are paid. I
give demise & dispose of the same in the following form.
First I give & bequeath to Elizabeth my dearly be-
loved wife One full third of my land, with all im-
provements which I have made thereunto enacted, du-
ring the full time of her life, her wearing apparel
bed & bedding also my biggest chest & spinning wheel
together with my room dresser & pewter with all
other furniture thereunto belonging, Table, Chairs
& forks. I also bequeath unto my beloved wife
Elizabeth, all my plantation tools of every kind
with one black brown horse called Vidman and
one black mare known by the name of ~~Henry~~
together with her own saddle & bridle. I also give &
bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth all my
beds & all furniture to them belonging with my
three ploughs & tackling, belonging to each for
the support of my five youngest children. I also
give & bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth
four cows at her own choice together with two
of my biggest stews & the two suckling Calves

also give & bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth all
my hogs & sheep kind, together with all my pots, ovens, and all
my household furniture. I also bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth
all my lather, flax, death garment, thread of every kind, wool
also, and all grain flax, roots & vegetables, whatever, provision
or graining, my son Nicolas part of the full or sporing mapp
excepted. I also give unto my wife my pots, tubs &
baskets, all the moveables, bequeath unto my beloved wife
during life in order to raise & educate my five youngest
children and at her death this my will & pleasure that
all & every of them shall be sold at public sale, & the
and all profit arising from them, shall be equally divided
amongst my five youngest children.

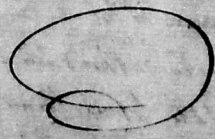
Then I give & bequeath unto my beloved son Nicolas
Lamb one black Station Colt & my rattle gun and furniture
thereunto belonging, & it is my will & pleasure that the re-
mainder of my moveable estate shall be sold at public
sale & the money arising therefore to be equally divided
amongst all my children. It is my will & pleasure that
my negro fellow Samual shall stay in my plantation during
his life if my wife Elizabeth to help raising my five
youngest children and if it should please God to spare
him, then, to be sold and the money proceeds of him to be equally
divided amongst my children, & it is my will & pleasure
that my plantation shall be divided in the most advantage-
ous manner according to the lines thereof into four equal
divisions after the death of my beloved wife Elizabeth.

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Or any time my son Nicolaus shall think proper, it is my will & pleasure, that my son Nicolaus shall have his choice of the four divisions, made of the said land, providing it does not interrupt my improvement, which I allow my beloved wife Elizabeth, & the other three dividing I bequeath to my three youngest sons (viz) John, Jacob & Moses, each to have his division, & I do hereby constitute, appoint & ordain my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth, my beloved son Nicolaus & my good & trusty friend James Nixon of Mecklenburg County, executors of this my last will & test & I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke & disannul all & every other former test: with legacies, bequests & ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last will & test: In witness thereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this sixth day of April 1789

Signed, read, published, pronounced
& declared by the sd Samuel ^{his} Samuel Lowel ^{mark}
Lowel to be his last will & test:
in the presence of us:

John Betty jun
Joseph Gibson jun
Mary D Bather
^{her}
mark:



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In the Name of God amen I Amos Lane of the County of Rowan & State of N. Carolina being weak in body but of perfect soundness of mind & memory thank God for the same & calling to mind the mortality of my body & the certainty of death do hereby make this instrument signifying my last will & testament & do devise it to be received as such by all whom it concerns to wit —
First & principally I recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God who gave it & my body to be decently entred at the discretion of my friends & executors hereafter named. — & as to my worldly estate that it had pleased God to bless me with I dispose of the same in manner & form as followeth to wit —

I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth that twenty five acres of land conveyed to me by George Varner & also I give to my said wife thirty five acres of the land whereon I now live adjoining the above twenty five acres only the spring which I now occupy excepted to the remainder of the said old tract where I now live also I give to my sd beloved wife my horse called Britton & saddle & bridle also all my stock of cattle & hogs together with all & singular, my household furniture, except one iron pot — to wit I give & bequeath unto my son William Lane all the remaining part of the land & premises where I now live backing the above thirty five acres therefrom also one raffle gun & one iron pot — to wit I give unto my son or law John Johnston the sum of twenty shillings to be raised out of my estate at the time myself said William is eighteen years old to wit I give my son