

186 for the term of ten years & no longer and also that he have
liberty to clear his ^{own} ~~own~~ & cultivate the same on the side of the river
on which I now live for the term of ten years & no longer in
paying the tax of the lands aforesaid during the term of ten years
that he has them on his ^{possession} ~~possession~~ & at the expiration of ten years from
the date thereof the above improvements & lands aforesaid to be
disposed of as hereafter directed. Also I will that my wife & children
have the right possession & use of the remaining part of my estate
real & personal untill my son Benjamin comes of age at which time
I will that my whole estate of real & personal distributed between
my wife & my son Benjamin & my daughter Sarah in such manner
as the act of Assembly directs respecting intestate Estates. And last-
ly I do hereby constitute & appoint my brother William Notion
and my brother in law John Cather Executors in trust of this
my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have here-
unto set my hand & seal this nineteenth day of November
in the year of our Lord 1790. Interlined before signed

signed sealed & published
Declared by the Benjamin
Notion as his last will &
testament in the presence of
who were present at the sign-
ing sealing of the same
Will. Cather
David Dobbin
James Graham

Benjamin Notion Seal

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& in the county of Rowan being weak & low of body but of a sound mind
& memory & dispoital thanks be to Almighty God for his mercies I calling to mind
the mortality of the body knowing it is appointed for all men once to die & after death
to come to ^{judg} ~~judg~~ ment. I do on this first day of November in the year of our Lord 1791 pub-
lish this my last will and testament first of all I give my soul to God through our Lord
Jesus Christ & my body to be decently buried upon the earth in a christian like
manner at the discretion of my Executors hoping to have them again united together
at the great & general Resurrection by the mighty power of God & as touching
worldly goods as it pleas Almighty God to bless me with in this life I give devise
& dispose of in this manner that is to say first I give unto my beloved wife
Mary Notion 74 acres of Land to be lade of where I now live in divided into
dwelling & plantation as far as the main branch between the & the old
to her & her heirs & assigns forever and also I give to her my several more
years & a black mare & eight head of sheep & all my hogs & all my crop &
birds & furniture to her & her heirs for ever 2^d I give & bequeath to my son
Stephen Notion my several colts & my youngest brandle heffer taken
his heirs forever. 3^d I give & bequeath to my son Tipton Notion my
saddle & the black colt he paying to my son James Notion one half there-
of & a colt which colt to be valued by two men at three years old
4th I give & bequeath to my granddaughter Ann Kolderfeld & on her issue
to be delivered my daughter Hanne Kolderfeld for the use of the child
immediately after my decease. 5th I give & bequeath to my wife Mary
Notion all the rest of my stocks of cattle to her use she giving to my
son Linto Notion James & Elleanor Notion one heffer
when my children grow up & also I give to my wife as above
with all the rest of my household furniture of every kind & name

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tools not herein disposed of & all the rest of my land not
herein devised I give & bequeath to my three sons Stephen, Daniel
& James Holados to be equally divided between them in quality & value
as each share be equal in value which division & valuation shall be
ascertained by three men chosen by my Executors that I give to them &
their heirs forever I give & bequeath to my daughter Ann Taylor
my dresser & lastly my big bay mare to be sold at vendue
with nine months credit given in order to discharge my just
debts - And I do hereby constitute ^{agent} my trusty friend Basil
Gather my whole & sole Executor of this my last will &
testament revoking & making void all other wills by me made
& this & no other to be my last will & testament in witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day &
year first above written *Stephen Holados*
Signed sealed, published *for*
Pronounced & acknowledged *mark*
to be my last will in presence
of *Phineas Anderson* for
Nathaniel Samuel Elliott

In the name of God Amen I Elizabeth Axt
of the County of Rowan and State of North Carolina being in
perfect health and of sound memory and understanding
for which I give God thanks, but Considering the uncertainty
of this Transitory life do publish and declare this to
be my last will and Testament (To wit) I bequeath
and bequeath my soul to God in humble hopes of his mercy

through Jesus Christ and my body to the Earth. I desire it may be buried in the grave yard at Bathing
Meeting House a long side of my late Husband ~~and~~ child
in a decent manner at the discretion of my Executors
and after all my just debts and funeral Expenses are
paid and satisfied. I do hereby devise of the residue of
my Estate in manner following - Viz. I give and devise
to my much respected son in law the Rev. Saml. McClellan
all that small Tract piece or parcel of Land situate
lying and being in the County of Rowan Appraised
on the South side of Grants Creek beginning at a
Spanish Oak on the west side of Tony and Branch
Corners to David Woodson Esq. running thence with his
line South 20th & 50 Links to a Black Oak on my son
John Axts line, thence with his line East 32 Ch. and
75 Links to a post Oak growth on Pat. Hays line thence
with his line west 70 Ch. and 50 Links to his corner
pine, thence with his line East 45 Chains to his other
corner pine thence North 3 Chains to a Stake thence
West 77 Ch. and 75 Links past along Rodgers
line to the beginning containing 82 Acres to the same
more or less. I also devise and bequeath unto the
said Mr. Samuel McClellan my Negro fellow which
that went of with the British Troops in case he can
be ever recovered