

In the name of God Amen! I Ralph Picket of Rowan County & State of N. Carolina, being in good & perfect senses but sick in body. Do hereby make & ordain this present my last will & test: in manner & form following that is to say first & principally I commend my soul in to the hands of almighty God, hoping through the merits, death, & passion of my blessed saviour Jesus Christ have fully & free pardon & forgiveness of all my sins & to inherit everlasting life & my body I commit to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my executors here after named & as touching such temporal estate as it had God pleased to bless me with I give & dispose thereof as followeth.

1st I will that my debts & funeral charges should all be paid.

2^d I leave unto my loving wife all the land & plantation that I am now possessed in during her life time or widowhood and after her death or widowhood then the land & plantation to be divided as followeth.

I give & bequeath unto my loving son William Picket one hundred & forty acres of land lying on the south side of ready creek running agreeable to plot & numbers, to him & his heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto my loving son Charles Picket one hundred & forty acres of land lying across the southeast end of my land from one side to the other on the main road that leads from Fredericks town to Longs Ferry & the balance of which land I possess I leave to my loving wife Elizabeth Picket, during her life or widowhood.

My will & desire is also after a division of my lands as above mentioned is that my two loving sons Wm & Charles Picket shall pay to their mother Elizabeth Picket ten pounds current money each to her.

I also appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth Picket & Wm Picket executors of this my present last will & test: & I do hereby utterly disallow & revoke & disannul all & every former test: by me in any way before, named, willed or bequeathed; rectifying & confirming this & no other to be my last will & test: In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 29th day of December, AD 1796.

Signed, sealed & delivered

in the presence of us.

John Hyatt Esq. Wm^r Handley

Abraham Taylor

Ralph Picket
his mark.

In the name of God Amen! the 8th day of July AD 1790.
I William Patterson sen: of Rowan County & State of N. Carolina being very sick & weak in body but of perfect mind & memory thanks be given to God for the same. And calling to mind the mortality of the body, & that it is appointed for all men to die. Do make & ordain this my last will & test: That is to say first of all I give my soul to God, who gave it, & my body to the earth to be buried in a decent manner at the discretion of my executors hereafter named. And 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 that is to say.

I give & bequeath unto my daughter Mary Hunter wife of Frederick Hunter to her, her heirs & assigns, one black mare & yearling colt one red grad cow one black huffed eight years of twelve hundred linnen that much of my estate & no more.

Likewise I give & bequeath to my two beloved grandsons to wit William & Charles Hunter one hundred & fifty acres of land to be sold by my executors & the money paid to interest till the youngest brother is twenty one years of age, then to be equally divided between the two brothers; the said land to be laid off on the west end of the tract I now live on joining James Rathge Thos. Sumner, James Taylor, & Will^m. Howard, on the west side of Johannes Branch to be laid off by a north & south line a cross the tract. that much of my estate & no more.

Lastly I give & bequeath to my daughter Jane Patterson (after my just debts & funeral charges is paid) the remaindes of my tract of land, with all the improvements, likewise all the remaindes of my estate both real & personal, to her, her heirs & assigns forever. Do hereby appoint my two friends Thos. Rathge & John Brandon, my executors of this my last will & test: In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal.

Published & declared by the s^d W^m. Patterson to be his last will & test in presence of

William Howard

Eliza Lovelace

Abraham Brandon Luke

W^m. W^m. Patterson
made.

In the name of God Amen! I Richard Vack of the County of Rowan & State of N^c. Carolina, being of perfect mind & memory thanks be to God for the same Do this 21st Day of January A^d 1804 make & ordain this my last will & test. in order & form as followeth (Viz)

Item I give & bequeath unto my son James Vack one hundred acres of land lying & joining Martin Schaffers & Will^m. Howard John Dowe's tract of land ~~also the land there above bequeathed to my son James Vack~~ on condition my son John Vack pays twenty four Dollars to be equally divided between my six daughters at or before my daughter Nancy is or would be of age.

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Item I give & bequeath unto my son Thomas Vack all the remainings of the tract of land I purchased of John Johnson after my sons James Vacks one hundred, & my son John Vacks one hundred acres are laid off as above bequeathed unto them; my son James & John.

Item I bind unto my beloved wife Mary Vack the plantation with all the land belonging to the tract I now live on during her natural life.

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