

Born 31st Aug 1766 (in O. S. 6/16/1766)
Elijah Patton

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In the name of God Amen.

I Elijah Patton son of the state of North Carolina and County of Rutherford, do hereby make and ordain this my last will and Testament, being in a low state of health yet in my proper mind and memory in the following manner viz First of all I do commend my soul at death to God who gave it in hopes that he will receive it in mercy through the rich merits of Christ and my body to the Earth from whence it was taken, to be decently buried - 2nd All my just debts to be paid out of my estate - 3rd I will and bequeath to Hugh Watson junr. five shillings sterling out of my estate - 4th I do will and bequeath to my two Grandsons Patrick A. Watson and Elijah P. Watson my negro girl Sally to be their right and property forever - I further bequeath unto my two said Grandsons two notes, one on Joseph M.D. Carson of two hundred dollars principal, with the interest and another on John Reid of two hundred dollars principal with the interest to be equally divided between them when they come of age - 5th I do further will and bequeath to my son Elijah Patton all my tract of land that I now live on lying on Cane Creek to be his right and property forever with the residue of my dwelling house to the use of my wife Margaret Patton together with her support off the land during her lifetime then the dwelling house and all the appurtenances whatsoever belonging to my land to be my sons forever - I further bequeath to my son Elijah Patton my negro Gears and negroes cloth, my till and still vessels together with all my farming tools and wearing clothes and my crop cut down to be his right and property forever - 6th I do will and bequeath to my wife and myself

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Margaret Patton my young boy George four years of age I further will and bequeath to my wife my negro man Harry and my negro woman Sally to be her property during her natural life with the choice of four cows and calves, four head of sheep, and the choice of eight head of hogs with four beds and furniture and her wearing clothes to be disposed of at her death as she thinks proper with all my kitchen and dresser furniture to be hers during her lifetime I will and bequeath to my wife all the bacon that I now have on hand together with one hundred and fifty bushels of Corn - All the property that I have willed to my wife at her death is to be sold except the beds and her wearing clothes together with the remainder of my Corn my rifle gun, and the balance of my stock, Horses, Cattle, hogs and sheep all to be sold and equally divided between my three daughters Charity H. Morris, Peggy Morris and Rachael Morrison and their issue, together with my money which is to be equally divided between my three above named daughters and their increase - 7th I will and bequeath to my daughter Charity H. Morris my negro girl Esther and my negro boy Daniel to be her right and property to her and her increase forever - 8th I do will and bequeath to my daughter Peggy Morris my negro man Jesse and my negro woman Jack and my negro boy Ellison to be her right and property to her and her increase forever for which property she is to pay to each of her other two sisters fifty dollars each - 9th I do further will and bequeath to my daughter Rachael Morrison my negro boy Isaac and my negro boy Hial to be her right and property to her and her increase forever - 10th I do hereby ordain and appoint my son Elijah Patton my lawful executor to this my last will and testament, disannulling and making

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void all wills heretofore made by me and establishing this and this only to be my last will and testament that he execute and transact my business and to make a true return of the same. - Given under my hand and seal this 14th of April 1827

Attest.

Wm. J. Long (Seal)

Thomas J. Long (Seal)

Eliza Patterson

In the name of God Amen.

I William Smart of the County of Rutherford and State of North Carolina being weak in body but of sound mind and memory, and calling to mind the Mortality of the body and knowing that it is appointed for all men to die do make and ordain this my last will and Testament - First I give and commend my soul into the hands of God who gave it, and my body to the Earth to be buried in ~~some~~ Christian-like manner at the discretion of my executors - And as touching such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with I give dispose and demise of the same in the following manner. - 1st I give and bequeath unto my wife Jean all the household furniture and the beds and trunks and furniture, and Chest and all the money that in her possession to be her own property and for her to give and bequeath at her death as she thinks proper. - 2^d I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Reed as follows, one hundred dollars that I lent to John Reed the said note to be given up at my death, one other note of seventy dollars, ten dollars due by order from George Mitchell to old Wm Smart all

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to be given up likewise - 3^d I give and bequeath to my daughter Jean Long one hundred acres of land as the full and last of her share, a deed made to William Long her husband for sd land.

4th I give and bequeath to my daughter Margaret Black, a certain tract or parcel of land bounded as follows, Beginning at Carson's White Oak Corner on Reed's branch thence up said branch to two large poplars on Sarah Reed's line thence along said line to a small Pine and White Oak thence to John Reed's line thence along said line ^{crossing the creek} to a small Hickory and Stake, thence with Cochran's line down the Creek to a White Oak, thence with Cochran's line crossing the Creek and Carson's to the beginning and I allow thirty acres out of said boundary of land to Hugh Black in payment for a ^{certain} pitting that he let Beabella have and the remainder to Margaret during her life and then to her heirs I also allow the said Margaret Black five dollars cash.

5th I give and bequeath to my daughter Beabella Griffith one small tract or parcel of land lying on the west side of Reed's branch Beginning on a White Oak Carson's Corner on said branch thence up the channel of said branch to Sarah Reed's line thence with said line to William Allen's line thence with Allen's line and Coldridge's line to the beginning White Oak.

6th I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas, as follows two small tracts of land one of fifty acres and one of twenty five, both lying on the North and North East side of his old survey on Cow and the old Smith's tools, a judgment on John P. Jones of near twenty dollars and a note on Henry Lopez of five dollars if recovered the money to my wife Jean. I also allow my two guns to my grand son John Coldridge Smart.

I do appoint my two sons in law John Reed and William Long my trusty friends and executors of this my last will and testament and disannulling all others do ratify and confirm this as my last will and Testament. - In Witness whereof I have set my hand and seal