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until my youngest child arrives to the age of twenty one year, and then sold and the amount thereof equally divided among my said children or otherwise should my Executor hereafter appointed be of opinion (which I leave wholly to his judgment) that it will be more to the advantage of my said Legatee to sell the Land at any period soon after my will is that he do so and the amount thereof divided among my said children as above stated and now hereby I do hereby make Ordain and appoint Edward Rippey Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the 14th day of July in the year of our Lord God 1824

In presence of
Joseph Logan (Deut)
Thos Logan (Deut)
William Logan

Larkin Logan & Co
make

February Court 1825

In the Name of God: Amen.
This eighth day of August in the year of our date 1824, I Zachariah Wood of Rutherford County and State of North Carolina, being in a bodily state of health but of perfect mind & memory yet knowing the frailty of station and the certainty of death, do hereby make and Ordain this instrument written with my own hand to be my last Will and Testament.

My friends. I recommend my soul to God who gave it, my body to the earth to be entombed in burial, and the expenses therefrom arising, together with other just debts (if any there be) first to be paid

Wills. February 6th 1825

Item. To my daughter Dorcas Fowler I give & bequeath all my land above the Road leading from the flathead on Green River to Stealy old schoolhouse of which she now has possession.

Item. To my son Joel Wood I give and bequeath all my land above Edmund Waldrup, to which the said Waldrup assigned me a deed of Conveyance.

Item. To my son Randolph Wood I give and bequeath all my land between Edmund Waldrup and a branch emptying into the river opposite a small island running up said branch to the spring known as, thence a direct course to my C. line.

Item. To my daughter Sarah Ann Guthrie I give & bequeath all my land below the tract whereon I now live, beginning on a white Oak below the first trap and following a meade line to the ford on Rodders branch thence up the meander of said branch keeping every left hand fork to the source, then the nearest course to Williams line.

Item. To my son Middleton Wood I give & bequeath all my land on the North side of Green River below the point bequeathed to Randolph Wood.

Item. To my Wife Mary I give and bequeath a reason able support during her widowhood & good behavior and no longer.

Item. To my sons Nelson Wood & Carter Wood I give and bequeath the balance of residue of my estate Real or Personal without reserve.

It is my express Will & desire that none of my land shall ever be sold from among my legates, that is if any one shall be desirous to sell & another able and willing to purchase them and in that case I permit a sale, yet for it to remain in family forever, not admitting that any part thereof shall ever be sold