

Wills January Court 1831.

In the name of God Amen. I George Watson of the County of Rutherford and State of North Carolina being weak in body but of perfect mind & memory thanks to God, calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, that is to say, principally and first of all I leave and recommend my soul to God into the hand of God that gave it, and my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried at the discretion of my executor - First of all my lawful debts to be paid, if any - 2nd I leave and bequeath to my brother William Watson ten dollars - 3^d I leave & bequeath to my brother Hugh Watson ten dollars - 4th I leave & bequeath to my sister Elizabeth Cutler ten dollars - 5th I leave and bequeath to my sister Abigail Sims ten dollars - 6th I leave and bequeath all the remainder of my Chattle property after the above named forty dollars is paid, to my brother Jane Watson & my sister Eliza Watson to be equally divided between them the above named two - 7th I leave and bequeath to my brother James Watson all my right and interest in the land - I appoint, constitute, make & ordain my friend Hugh Watson for my executor for this my last will & testament, and I do hereby ratify & confirm this to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto put my hand and seal this seventeenth day of August one thousand eight hundred & thirty.

Signed sealed and delivered to be his last will and testament in the presence of us.

Elijah P. Watson (Clerk)

Sarah Watson
Wife

George Watson

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I William H. Kerr of the County of Rutherford and State aforesaid, being of sound mind and memory (blessed be Almighty God for the same) yet weak in body & much afflicted, and knowing the uncertainty of life and that it is appointed for all men once to die, do therefore make and direct the following dispositions of my worldly goods after death. In the first place it is my will & desire that all my lawful debts shall be paid out of my estate. In the next place I will & bequeath unto my beloved wife Catharine Kerr all that messuage or tenement of land of one hundred and fifty acres more or less lying and being in said County on the North side of Main Broad River joining line with Elias Lynock & William Rucker together with all the house hold furniture, horses, cattle, and stock of every kind and the negro woman with her increase together with all the outstanding debts all of which I wish her to have the entire use and benefit of, until her death or until she marries then let which may happen if in my will and desire that the whole of my estate both real and personal shall be equally divided amongst the children and the mother in case she should survive it is further my desire and will that my wife Catharine and my executor shall give to either, and all or each of the children as they arrive at proper age or marry so much of the estate as they think best to spare, not exceeding the amount given to my daughter that married Thomas Linck and that the said Thomas Linck will consider the amount given as so much paid in her part of said estate.

In witness of all which I have done, I do besides nominate my beloved wife Catharine Kerr

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 executrix and Henry H Kerr executor
 to this my last will and testament.

Given under my hand and seal this
 16th day of December 1830 and in the presence
 of Terrell Wilkins & William H Kerr
 David Gray (Clerk)

April Court 1831 -

In the name of God, Amen.

Being in a low state of body but in perfect
 mind and memory and considering the frailty of
 man I make this my last will & testament:

1st I leave my body to the dust & my soul to God that gave it
 2^{ndly} Funeral Charges and all just debts to be paid

3^d I give and bequeath to Robert Cockran sum of twenty dollars
 which I have lent to the said Cockran, also the balance
 of one forty dollar note on William Ervin after my
 debts and funeral charges and twenty dollars to
 James Guffy, one cow and calf, ten yards of
 flax cloth, two scythes and cradles, one side of
 seal leather.

4th I give and bequeath to James Guffy son of John
 Guffy, twenty dollars out of a forty dollar note on William
 Ervin, one two year old heifer, one axe, one frow, all
 my leather only one side. To this my last will and
 testament I appoint Robert Cockran and James
 Guffy son of John executors, this 24th day of
 March 1831.

Attest

John Long (Clerk)
 Daniel Watson

Wm H Kerr
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Wills - July Court 1831 -

In the name of God, Amen.

I Martin S. Elliott of Putnam County and
 State of S. Carolina being very infirm in body but sound
 in mind and memory do ordain this my last will and
 testament. - Item I give and recommend my soul
 into the hands of Almighty God and my body to the
 ground to be buried in a Christianlike manner.

Item. - It is my will and desire that my executrix
 hereafter named shall pay all my just debts.

Item. I give unto my beloved wife Nancy Elliott
 my tract of land whereon I now reside, also my fam-
 ily of ~~negroes~~ (trunk) Tom, Ellick, Simon, Patsy, Rebecca
 and her child Erasmus and all the menage of said
 negroes, all of which I give to her during her natural
 life or widowhood, and after her death or marriage
 it is my will and desire that the whole of my property
 should be sold to the highest bidder according to law
 and the money arising therefrom to be equally divided
 between my beloved wife Nancy Elliott and her eight
 children, namely Thomas S. Elliott, Albert S. Elliott
 Simey S. Elliott, Sidney Haralson Elliott, Pamela Ann
 Love Elliott, Esby A. Elliott, Mary Ann S. C. Elliott &
 Parthena Elizabeth Elliott each to share and share alike.

Item. I also give to my beloved wife Nancy Elliott
 all my household and kitchen furniture also all my
 stock of every description, consisting of horses, cows,
 sheep and pigs, and all the plantation tools of every
 description all of which I give to her during her natural
 life or widowhood, and after her death or marriage
 it is my will and desire that the whole of the property
 named be sold according to law and the proceeds to be
 equally divided between my beloved wife Nancy Elliott
 and her children before named.