

On the name of God Amen I Ashley Johnson of Stokes
County and state of North Carolina planter being far advanced
in age and by the cause of Nature not long to live on this
earth but now having my rational faculties & memory of mind
both unimpaired do for the better settling my outward estate this
seventh day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred and fourteen make and ordain the following instrument
of writing to be my last will and testament (rescinding
all others) —

Item 1st My will and desire is that all my just debts shall be
promptly paid by my executors to be hereafter appointed

Item 2^d I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth
Johnson and to her heirs & assigns forever all and singular
the whole of my estate both real and personal with every profit
and advantage arising therefrom —

Item 3rd I do hereby nominate constitute appoint and ordain
my beloved wife Elizabeth Johnson to be my executor
of the my last will and testament with full power &
authority to carry the same into effect —

In testimony whereof I the said Ashley Johnson
testator as in the presence of the subscribing witnesses
publickly pronounce and declare this to be my last
will and testament justly truly and fully set by
and above written witness my signature
attest

Ashley Johnson
Jonathan Manslowe, Stokes County March two the
17th Year of our Lord
Wm. Hulse
Mr. Manslowe witness of the last will and testame
t of Ashley Johnson of which the
foregoing is a true copy in my presence by Mr. Manslowe
and sworn to be read and which is done before me by Mr. Manslowe
and acknowledged to be read and which is done before me by Mr. Manslowe

State of North Carolina
Stokes County

On the Name of God Amen
I Abraham Hauser being weak in body but of perfect
sound mind and memory & calling to mind the uncertainty
of this life do make and ordain this my last will
and testament in the following manner

I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary
Magdalene all the money or monies I have at my
interest at this date whatsoever the sum may
be during her natural life to have the interest for
her use and should the interest be not sufficient
that she cannot live comfortably from the interest alone
she shall have privilege and power to make use of the
principal for her support and after her decease the remaining
part of said money bequeathed to my dear wife shall be
equally divided between my six children Abraham, Jacob
Joseph, Martin, Susanna, & Anne Elizabeth their & their
children as their sole property forever, I further give & bequeath
unto my beloved wife Mary Magdalene an walnut
corner cupboard one walnut Chest & my small walnut
table & two cows her own choice out of my cattle
as her own sole property for ever. During her natural
life my son Martin shall give her support & every year
two good wagon loads of hay and the basket of shot
and my beloved wife shall have full right & liberty
to live on the plantation as long as she pleases & have
one or a part of the garden young & spring house and
as much fruit as she want for her own use —
The plantation where I now live continuing under

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and twenty or more or less I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Martin as his property forever but he shall give unto my wife yearly and every year as long as she remains widow of my name two good wagon loads of hay & ten bushels of wheat & he is to provide her a place to live on the plantation of the above place & all my personal estate & my negroes & slaves shall be sold on publick to the highest bidder and the money arising from said sale shall be divided between my children in the following manner Abraham, Jacob, Timothy, Swanna Mary & the Elizabeth to have share & share alike but my executor shall deduct two hundred dollars of Jacob's and two hundred dollars of Timothy's share as they have received in my lifetime said sum which is to be deducted out of their share. My son Martin is to have no share of the personal estate arising from said sale in consideration that any plantation belonging to him is free than of his part of my estate & I give & bequeath unto my son Martin a gray colt which I now own as his property forever

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I do hereby make and ordain my beloved wife Mary Magdalene & my friend Matthew Rigs of Salem executors of this my last will and testament who I do hereby empower to pay all my lawful debts and debts all my accounts etc and I do hereby annul and make void all my former wills and Bequests done either in writing or by word of mouth confirming this and no other as my last Will and Testament —

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In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this seventeenth day of September one thousand eight hundred & nine teen signed sealed & declared by said Abraham Hauner as his last will. — Abraham Hauner —
— Testament in the presence of
Conrad Kriener —

Stokes County N.C.
March 15th 1820 The execution of the last will and testament of Abraham Hauner aforesaid was duly proven in open court by the oath of Conrad Kriener, and ordered to be recorded which is done accordingly the

M. R. Moore Esq
P. B. Barnard Esq

In the name of God Amen March 15th day in the year of our Lord one thousand eighteen hundred twenty I Jacob Robinson of Stokes County one State of North Carolina being at the time here in body but of mind sound & memory do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament — 1st I will that all my just debts & funeral charge be paid out of my house & book account if sufficient if not sufficient I will that all my property except the bounded furniture be sold the money collected & given to my beloved wife Rebecca to support on her life time & after her death the money & balance of the property to be equally divided between my three daughters Elizabeth Barnes Rebecca Bennett Mary Jane and I will that all the lands I now possess be equally divided between my three daughters Elizabeth Barnes Rebecca Bennett & Mary Jane 2nd I do hereby nominate and appoint my son William Robinson & son-in-law