

Executor of this my last will and testament to witness where
I set my hand and seal the day and year above written signed
sealed and acknowledged the testator in presence of us.

Thomas Bondurant

Alexander Joyce

Joseph Taylor
John Pollard
mark

Stokes County Court March Term 1819

The execution of the last will and testament of Alexander Joyce
deceased of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly
proven in open court by Joseph Taylor and ordered to be
registered

Matt R. Moore Esq
by Ch. Branner D.C.

Be it remembered that John Hester of Stokes County
in State of North Carolina being weak in body of mind and
memory and knowing there is a time that all men must die
do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament in manner
and form as followeth (viz.)

First, I will to my beloved wife Martha the whole of my
estate both real and personal

Second, I will that all my executors debts and funeral charges
be paid. Third, I will to my beloved wife Martha the whole of
my estate both real and personal during her widowhood but if
so be that she marry it is my will that she have an equal
share with one of my children. And as there are seven of
my children and all have got their dower except Polly McKee it
is my will that she receive fifteen dollars from my Executor
thereupon to make her equal with the others that are married—

Fourth, It is my will my children that are not married naming
Nabby, Benjamin, Martha & Betty each of them receive one
hundred & twenty at the expiration of my said wife's widowhood
to be paid to them by my executor to make them equal with

5th It is also my will if there be any thing remaining after
the above bequests are complied with that the remainder be
equally divided among the whole of my children

Also I do constitute and appoint my sons William & Robert
Hester Executors to this my last will and testament as writing
my hand & seal this seventh day of the first month in the year
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nineteen

signed sealed in the presence of us

Sethens Folger, James
B. Watson

John X. Hester
mark of

Matt R. Moore Esq
by Ch. Branner D.C.

Stokes County Court March Term 1819

The execution of the last will and testament of John Hester
deceased of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proven
in open court by ~~Chas. Branner~~ & ordered to be registered

Matt R. Moore Esq
by Ch. Branner D.C.

State of North Carolina Stokes County

In the name of God almighty I John Hester being no person
mind and memory before he live. At this 12th day of March
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nineteen
do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner
following this is to say Item 1st I name my Executor to sell at public
sale my Horse, two cows, and hawks and out of the money arising
from said sale to pay all my just debts of sufficient if not to all
to all as much of my other property as will satisfy my just debts
Item 2nd I bequeath my land to my beloved wife Polly Hester
during her natural life or widowhood and then to descend to my
four children equally divided provided that the oldest daughter
Phanny shall live with her mother until the becoming of age

Otherwise to descend to the other three Eliza, Joseph & Sally
Item 3rd I hereby ordain my beloved wife Mary Holton and
Henry C. Monroe Executrix and declare this my last will and testament
hereby signed & delivered

Adam Holton Esq
mark.

in the presence of
John T. Fielden Esq
mark
Catharine Ritter
mark

Stokes County Court June term 1819
The execution of the last will and testament of Adam
Holton deceased of which the foregoing is a true copy was
duly proven in open Court by John Fielden and ordered to be
registered.

Matt. R. Moore Esq
by L. B. Barnes Jr

Memorandum of the manner in which Charles Beazley
wishes to dispose of his estate. 1st all his just debts to be paid
afterwards I will to my daughter Nancy Childs widow
of Elasha Childs one dollar and no more. all the residue
of my estate both real and personal I give to my wife
Mary during her natural life. after her death all the remain-
ing estate I give to my son Edmund Beazley. Furthermore will
that my said son Edmund shall take charge of my said wife
if it should be her choice to remain with him and to support
her decently out of my said estate. But if she should not
choose to remain with him she is also to be supported out of
the said estate. Further I appoint my wife Mary Beazley
Executor and my son Edmund Beazley Executor of this my
last will and testament notwithstanding the above gifts
of one dollar I wish for my daughter Nancy Childs
to receive further support from my estate at the discretion of
executor & executor and my said executrix and executor
as my executor alone are hereby authorized and empowered to
make use of any part or all my estate for the discharging

my debts and to execute titles for the same and further I do
do invest all right title and claim of certain negroes naming
Gel, Bantie, Bapton, Hannah, Steppeny, Betty, Rachel, Sarah, and
Billy and their increase to my said son Edmund and his heirs
forever

acknowledged in the

presence of
Chadrish Dozon Esq

Charles Beazley
December 28th 1819

Stokes County Court June term 1819

The execution of the last will and testament of Charles Beazley
deceased of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proven
in open Court by Chadrish Dozon and ordered to be registered

Matt. R. Moore Esq
by L. B. Barnes Jr

In the name of God Amen. This the fourteenth day
March one thousand eight hundred and nineteen I William
One of the County of Stokes and State of North Carolina
being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory knowing
that it is meet appointed for men to die do make and ordain this
to be my last will and testament in manner and form
following. That is to say after all my just debts are paid

Item I leave unto my dearly beloved wife my the property
that I am now in possession of land and premises Stock &
Homes Household and kitchen furniture of every description
during her widowhood. I give to my son James after the
death of my wife twenty five dollars to be collected out of my
above named property but to my wife. Item I give to my son
John after the death of my wife twenty five dollars to be
collected out of the property named property but to my wife
Item I give to my daughter Sarah after the death of my
wife Twenty five dollars which is to be collected out of the
property above but to my wife Item I give to my eight other