

173 Note of North Carolina, Stokes County. Sept. 9th 1854
Augustine Crews being weak in body but of strong mind
and memory, do make & publish this to be my last will
and Testament, in manner and form following

In the name of God
1st I give and bequeath my soul unto that God who gave
it and raises my body to the dust from whence it was taken.

2nd I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Elizabeth one
hundred acres of land to be taken of either one the two
tracts that I am now in possession of - for her to have and to
hold the same during her lifetime, or widowhood, and
all the household and kitchen furniture, farming utensils
stock and provision of every sort, or so much of all or
any of the above named household furniture and kitchen
furniture, stock, horses & farming utensils & provisions
as every true good man may in their judgment bring
their unto request shall deem a full sufficiency for
her to live on, and manage with, I should the Mary
it is my will that she have nothing more than the law
allows her to have in case there was now will left by me.

3rd I will that all my just debts be paid and that all the
lose property, or fixtures of every kind of personal property
be sold by my executors all of them should be money
existing from the sale then is required to pay the debts & pay as
then for it to be equally divided amongst children together with
the debts due me so that they all fare alike.

4th I give & bequeath to my two sons James & Thomas all of my lands
conditionally, the same be valued by some good men and
that they assign an equal portion to each of my daughters with
portion shall be paid over to them in money by the boys.

5th I do hereby name and appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth &
my brother Live Crews as my executor and executor of
this my last will and Testament with full confidence that
they will carry the same into effect, as witness thereof I hereunto
affix my name, mark & seal in the presence of

Coleman Jenkins
William Marshall
mark

Augustine Crews
mark

Subscribed Term 1854.

The execution of the last will & Testament Augustine Crews
and (of which the foregoing is a true copy) was duly proved in open
Court by Coleman Jenkins & William Marshall the subscribing
witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded. W. H. Hille, cc.

174 In the name of God Amen I Edward Edwards son
of the County of Stokes and State of North Carolina, being
weak in body but of sound and sobering mind &
memory, Thanks be given to God, calling to mind the
uncertainty of human life, being desirous to dispose of all
my worldly substance as it has been please God to bless
me with in this life.

First I will that all my household & kitchen furniture
plantation tools, horse, cattle, sheep, hoggs and all animals
description of stock together with all the corn, wheat, oats
and rice, and all the rough feed is all to be sold, excepting
one bed & furniture to be left to my son David Edwards
and apply to paying all my just debt and funeral expence,
the Remainder to be divided as follows, I will that my
son Joseph Edwards have one dollar.

I will that my son John Edwards have one dollar
I will that my Daughter Jane wife of Peter Flour have one
dollar, the remainder of the said money and all
the debt which are owing to me to be equally divided
between my son William, Daniel, Edward, and my
daughter Elizabeth wife of Henry Kiger, my son
Joseph Edwards has already received one hundred
and ten Dollars.

I will that my daughter Polly wife of Joseph Boles
have one piece of Land bounded as follows Beginning
at a large Oak running along Boles fence to a branch
thence down the branch a little ways then on the upper
end of Sus bottom thence down the mill pond on
the Waller line thence on with his line, thence on the
old line to the beginning, and the said Boles has
a note against me for the sum of Twenty four dollars
or about that sum which is to be settled for the rent
of the Land which he has had.

I will that my son John Edwards his younger son John
have one tract of Land wherein he now live bounded
bounded as follows, Beginning at an ash on the bank of
the creek Lashes corner running south on the old fence to
Edward Edwards line thence along his line to the Redden
tract thence along the old line to the mill pond thence down
the creek to the beginning except the mill road.

I will that Henry Flour Son of daughter Jane wife of Peter
Flour have one piece of Land of fifty acres to be given
to him by my Executors and my three sons William,