

In the name of God Amen - I Benjamin Boley of the
 County of Stokes in the State of North Carolina. do make
 and publish this my last will and testament, in manner
 and form following: that is to say, -
 First: I will and direct that my Executors hereinafter named
 pay my funeral charges and all my just debts out of
 my Estate; and that for the purpose of enabling them to
 do so. they make sale of my negro man Lewis, and my
 negro woman Mary and her two children Martha and
 Lucretia and that they sell them privately if they can
 do so without a considerable sacrifice. It is my desire that
 Lewis have the privilege of choosing his master and that they
 sell him to the person whom he may choose, provided
 he will give for him as much as any other person
 shall offer or signify a willingness to give for him -
 As to Mary and her children above named it is my
 desire that David Lake have the refusal of them, provided
 he will give for them a fair price, or as much as
 any other person will give. And should David Lake
 decline purchasing them, then it is my desire that Mary
 have the privilege of choosing a master for her and her
 said two children. and that they sell them to the person
 so chosen, provided such person will give for them a
 fair price or as much as any other person will.
 It is further my desire that Mary and her said two
 children shall not be separated but all sold to the
 same person. I also will that my Executors sell my
 negro woman Cynthia publicly or privately as they
 may deem best; and if the slaves above mentioned
 shall fail to bring an amount sufficient for the
 purposes aforesaid. then I direct my Executors to sell
 the Land which I own lying on the south side of
 the road which leads from what is called the Red Shoals
 to Mrs Catherine Little, and if the property slaves and
 Land above mentioned shall not produce a sum sufficient
 to pay off my funeral charges and debts aforesaid;
 then and in that case, I will and direct that my
 Executors sell that part of my tract of Land called
 the lower tract which lies above the road leading from
 the Red Shoals road crossing the Creek to the old academy
 this last mentioned land is very valuable, and I
 request my Executors to use all proper efforts to obtain
 for it its value if possible, and if necessary for

the payment of the charges and debts aforesaid. I direct my said Executors to make sale of all such of my stock of all kinds as my family can conveniently spare, promptly. All the balance of my estate both real and personal, I devise and bequeath to my wife Nancy during her life, or widowhood to be by her kept together for the use, benefit and support of her and my children. Thirdly. I will that after the death or marriage of my wife Nancy, the whole of my estate be equally divided amongst my children, and that in dividing amongst them my Land, they shall begin at the upper part of my Land and lay off the share from side to side all crossing the Creek. The eldest of my children having the uppermost Lot: the next in point of age the next Lot Thence and so on until they get through the children and to the lower end of my Land making the share as nearly equal in point of value as possible. Fourthly. Should any of my children marry during the life or widowhood of my wife, it is my will that such child or children so marrying have the privilege of settling on any part of my Land until the general division, so as not to interfere with that part of the Land which my wife may desire to use for the benefit and support of herself and my unmarried children.

Fifthly. It is my request that my Executors pay strict attention to my children and see that they are brought up in habits of morality and industry, and it is my special request that they visit them in sickness and see that they are properly treated and provided for, and should my wife think proper to marry again, and unfortunately marry a man who might not be disposed to treat my children properly then and in that case, I will that my Executors take my children away and provide for them or have them provided for in that way which to them may seem best.

Sixthly. My shot-gun is not intended to pass to my wife in the bequest which I have herein made to her, and I do hereby will and bequeath the said shot-gun to my son Thomas Jefferson Boley.

And I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my two friends, Reuben O. Golding and Isaac A. Boley Executors of this my

last will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this eighth day of January A.D. 1851.
Signed & sealed in the presence of us }
John Pepper }
Jas A. Pepper }

Benja Boley (Seal)

June term 1852

The execution of the last will & Testament of Benjamin Boley deceased, of which the foregoing is a true copy, was duly proved in open court by the oaths of John Pepper & James A. Pepper, subscribing witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded.

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State of North Carolina, Stokes County, September and 10 one thousand eight hundred and forty seven. In the name of God amen, I Samuel H. Bopp being of sound mind and good memory, make this my last will and testament that is to say, I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Mildred, all of the property she owned at the time we married, to wit: one negro girl, Julia, a one year horse, bridle and saddle, one bed and bedstead and paravents, one cherry chest, two trunks, one dressing table, one candle stand, all her books she brought with her when she came and hymn book and pilgrims progress, also I leave to my wife Mildred during her natural life the plantation I now live on together with the improvements or a part of the land thereof bounded as follows, to wit: by Henry Pelters line to Daniel John C. Bopp, Pearly George and others in short all of my land lying north of the road running from Henry Pelters to the mill, until it comes in contact with Josephs line then with said line to Pearly George line, also three negroes to wit: Heph, Drury and Sarah, also I leave my wife Mildred the Park land one choice rope of corn also my horse and ten of the best hogs and all of my corn, also I want my wife to have timber, stone, pounds of pork and then I give to my