

In the name of God Amen. I Thomas Grubbs  
of Stokes County North Carolina being of sound mind &  
perfect memory before he goes so this 14th day of  
October in the year of our Lord 1807 make & ordain  
this my last will & Testament in manner & form  
following that is to say

First I will that all my just debts & funeral charges  
be paid by my executors out of the money arising  
from the sale of my Property & it is my wish that my  
Executor shall sell such of my Property as they shall  
think of the best service to my family and after  
there is a sufficient sum to pay all my just debts  
& funeral charges I give & bequeath to my beloved wife  
Patsey all my Property of every kind hoping she  
will do the best she can with it for the support  
of my small children & to endeavour to give them  
such education as she can & had lastly I do  
appoint my beloved wife & my friend Isaac  
Dutton my executors to this my last will &  
Testament. Signed & published and pronounced  
by Thomas Grubbs as his last will & Testament  
in the presence of the Subscribing witnesses who  
was present at the signing of the same the  
day & year above written

Isaac Benjamin Briggs  
Micajah Allen  
Martin Marshall  
Mark

Thomas Grubbs  
his mark

Stokes County December 1807

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The execution of the last will & Testament of  
Thomas Grubbs dec'd of which the foregoing is a true copy  
was duly proven & open Court by Benjamin Briggs  
Executor to be recorded done accordingly

Rob Williams  
The T. Armstrong

In the name of God Amen! I David Stewart  
of Stokes County being of sound & perfect mind memory do  
this twenty fourth day of November in the  
year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & one  
do make & publish this my last will & Testament in  
manner following that is to say

First I give & bequeath to Samiah Harrison Twenty  
Shillings

2<sup>d</sup> I give & bequeath to Agiash Rankin Twenty Shillings

3<sup>r</sup> I give & bequeath to Lydia Potter Twenty Shillings

4<sup>t</sup> I give & bequeath to Abigail Bird Twenty Shillings

5<sup>h</sup> I give & bequeath to John Stewart, David Stewart, Ruben  
Stewart, Samuel Stewart and Thomas Stewart, all my  
estate land Negroes and stock of all kinds horses  
hogs & plantation tools to be equally divided  
after paying the above sum twenty shillings out  
to be divided between John David Ruben James  
& Thomas Stewart & my first son is to have to no  
disposition until the death of my beloved wife  
& bigil Stewart which they are to maintain her

25 one of the Slave & Negroes P.O. Reasonably. The  
names of the Negroes Murreah, Sam, Ned,  
Simon, Bob & Launette.

And I hereby make Jordan John Stewart  
& Rubin Stewart Executors of this my last will  
& Testament In Witness whereof I the said David  
Stewart have to this my last will & Testament  
set my hand & seal the day & year above  
written

David Stewart <sup>his</sup> ~~mark~~

In the presence of us who were  
present at the time of signing  
Sealing thereof

Thompson Glen -  
Frederick Miller  
Henry Holden Sarah

Stokes County December term 1807

The execution of the last will & Testament  
of which the foregoing is a true copy was  
 duly proved in open Court by Henry Holden  
& ordered to be recorded Done according to  
Law

Robt Williams Esq  
H. T. Armstrong Esq

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In the name of God Amen.

I William Barton Paddycoat of the County of Stokes  
North Carolina Planter being weak in body but of  
Perfect Mind & memory thanks be given unto God  
calling unto mind the mortality of my body & knoway  
that is appointed for all men once to die Do make  
and ordain this my last will & Testament That  
is to say Principally First of all I give & command  
my soul into the hands of almighty God that  
gave it, and my body I commend to the earth  
to be buried in decent Christian burial at the  
discretion of my executors And as touching such  
worldly estate wherewithal it hath pleased God  
to bless me in this life it is my will that all  
what is left at my decease is to be sold at a  
publick sale and the money afterwards equally  
divided among the following of my Children  
viz Greenbury, Thomas, William, Horatio, Sarah  
and Lucy

My daughter Miles and Elizabeth who formerly  
had several Negroes and other things are to  
receive four shillings each. which money as well as  
all my lawful debts are deducted from the  
above before it is divided.

Lastly I appoint my brother John Paddycoat  
and my son Greenbury Paddycoat to be  
Executors of this my last will & Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand