

I Francis Fulton of the County of Stokes and State of North Carolina, being in Sound Mind and Memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say. First that my Executor (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral Expenses together with my just debts hereover and to whomsoever owing out of the Monies that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my Estate.

Item. My will and desire is that all my Estate shall be sold and the debts owing to me collected and the Money to be Equally divided between my Children, that is to say, to my daughter Dicy Redman to have one tenth of my Estate my son Samuel to have one tenth part my son Francis one tenth. My son Allen a tenth my son Joel a tenth my son Sewel a tenth part, my son Elisha ^{and my grand son Joseph} to have a tenth part ^{of my Estate} and my grand Children now living in Tennessee, that my daughter Elsiebeth have to William Word to have a tenth part, but it is my will and desire that the said grand Children of the heirs of William Word shall take as a part of my Estate to them a Note Executed to me by them farther William Word for Eighteen dollars on the 26th day of December 1839 with Interest on the same, and my four grand Children that my daughter Milly have to William Abbott to have one tenth part.

Item. And whereas the greater part of my grand Children are Minors under the age of twentyone years, Now therefore my will and desire is that my son Joel Fulton is hereby constituted and appointed guardian of all my said grand Children that may be under the age of twentyone years at my death and to have and to hold the Custody and guardianship of each of them Estate until they shall severally arrive at the full age of twentyone years.

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty son Sewel Fulton my lawfull Executor to all intents and purposes to Execute this my

last Will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof, hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other will and testaments by me herebefore made and my will and desire is that my Executor shall be paid fifteen dollars out of my Estate for his troubles and no compensy in nothing whereof I Francis Fulton do herewith set my hand and seal this 4th day of August 1847

Signed sealed and declared by the said Francis Fulton to be his last will in the presence of us who at his request signed as witnesses

✓ Martin Redman
B. F. Powers

Witnessed in the 16th line before signed

Francis Fulton *(Signature)*

March Term 1849.

The Execution of the last will & Testament of Francis Fulton deceased (of which the foregoing is a true copy) was duly proved in open Court by the oath of Martin Redman, one of the subscribing witnesses to the same, who also proved that B. F. Powers the other subscribing witness to said will, subscribed the same in his presence & in the presence of the testator and ordered to be recorded.

W. H. Hill 6. *(Signature)*