

73 In the name of God Amen I George Hoffman being
of sound and perfect mind and memory before God do
this fifteenth day of December in the Year of our Lord One
thousand eight hundred & one make and publish this my
last will & testament in manner following that is to say
First that all my debts shall be paid and all accounts
notes bonds due me shall be collected

2, My three sons Lewis George & Henry shall have the
land we live on that is to say Lewis one half and
George & Henry the other half Should they not agree
in dividing it Lewis is to choose two men and George
one & Henry one and with the Surveyor the shall
divide the land equal in Quality & quantity

3, My wife shall have possession of the house & land I
now hold as long as she lives.

4, My three sons Lewis George & Henry shall have all
the Stock & property I have heretofore given them &
they shall claim no more of any part I now own or
now possess

5) My wife shall have all the property I now possess
that is to say the Stock of all kind & household furniture
Plantation tools & all notes bonds due me as long as she
lives and after her death it shall be equally divided
between my two Daughters Abby & Barbara

And I hereby make and ordain my worthy friends
George Haun & Jacob Lash executor of this my last will
& testament. In witness whereof I the said George Hoffman
have to this my last will & testament set my hand seal
day & year above written.

George Hoffman Seal

I signed, sealed, published & declared by the said George
Hoffman the testator as his last will & testament in the presence
of us who were present at the time of signing sealing thereof

Joseph Haun Seal
Frederick Haun

Stokes County March term 1807.

The execution of the last will & testament of George
Hoffman dec'd of which the foregoing is a true copy was
duly proved in open Court by the oath of Joseph Haun
& ordered to be recorded - done accordingly

Rob Williams cc
The Notary Public

In the name of God Amen I George Brathage of the County of
Stokes & State of North Carolina being now in the decline of life &
in a languishing state of body and knowing that it is soon appointed
for all men to die & being now of sound mind & memory have
made and ordained this my last will & testament in
manner & form as follows

I will that my executors shall sell as much of my purchasable estate
as will be sufficient to pay all my just debts

I will that my wife Melly Brathage shall live on the
best of land wherow I know her until my youngest son
shall come of age except my executors shall think it more
advantageous to sell said tract of land than the profits
arising from such sale to be equally divided amongst my
children Nancy who intermarried with William Edgerton
Bird Brathage Anna Brathage Anne who intermarried
with George Blund Polly Brathage Melly who intermarried
with Abby Johnson John Brathage Phillip Brathage James
Brathage William Brathage Solomon Brathage George
Brathage & Michael Brathage in proportion to what
they have all ready had & if my wife Melly Brathage

71 Shall marry before my youngest son shall become of age then said land is to be sold by said Executor and divided as aforesaid with all my stock horses bold furniture and said Executor is to have the care & power over all such estate to sell him rent and daspe of as he shall think proper and my wife Millie Beathrage shall not have it in her power to sell rent him or dispose of any such estate without the leave of my Executor

I will that my executor shall let my negro girl Edy remain in the possession of my wife Millie Beathrage until my youngest son shall become of the age of fourteen years then she is to belong to him with all his increase I do by these presents ordain constitute & appoint George Blund my executor to this my last will & testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the 10th day of December 1808.

the words "sell." and "my"
interlined before the appearing

Geo Beathrage Esq

Test

Joseph Blund

William Lankford Swart

Phillip ^{mark} Beathrage

James Lyon Swart

Hoke County March term 1807

The execution of the last will & testament of George Beathrage deceased of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proven in open Court by the oath of William Lankford and ordered to be recorded Done accordingly

Rob Williams Esq
Wm Armstrong Esq

In the name of God Amen I John Mickey of Stokes County No Carolina being weak in body but of sound mind & understanding do think proper to make and ordain this my last will and Testament in Manner following that is to say First I commend my soul unto the hands of God hoping to have a happy resurrection through the Merits of my Lord & Savior Jesus Christ my body to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my executors hereinafter named — And as touching worldly wealth I give & bequeath the same in the following Manner

First I will that all my lawful debts shall be paid as well as my funeral expenses and such debts as are now due or become due to me shall be collected by My executors

2d. I will that as soon as may be after my decease my house land buildings Household furniture &c & Stock of all kinds and in sum all my property shall be sold to the best advantage at public sale on a reasonable credit to the highest Bidders and the money arising from such sale shall be divided in three parts two parts thereof I give to my three Children (now) My son John Lewis my daughter Mary Elizabeth & Bennington are on the remaining part I give to my beloved wife Juliana and her two children John Salome one of which is not yet born but in case my wife Juliana should think proper to marry again any time after my decease then the share of my property herein bequeathed shall be divided or kept for the use and Education of my last mentioned Children & lastly I do nominate and appoint my son John Lewis and my friend Chas. Lash Executor of this my last will & testament & do him with desirous and make Work all former Wills herefore by me made and declare this 1st day of April 1808 to be my last will & testament

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 1st day of April 1808

John Mickey Esq