

67/ I know all men by these presents that I William C Cole
of the County of Stokes State of North Carolina being weak of body
but of a sound & disposing mind for which I thank God & believing
that I must shortly go the way of all the earth & having a wife
& children that lies near my heart which I desire to give into the
hands of the Great being who said give thy fatherless children
unto me and wishing to dispose prudently & equally of what
little of this worlds goods I have accumulated by the blessing of God
do make & constitute this to be my last will & Testament in
Manner & form following viz

1st after my decease that all my just debts be paid out of
my estate and
2^d that my wife remain on my premises and keep all my
my estate together for the next ten years & school all my
children with a good reading writing & arithmetic education
and that my children as they become of age have out of my
estate five hundred dollars with a bed & furniture with the
exception of those that are married & provided for which is
as follows Robert has had three hundred dollars in cash in part
of his the remainder to be made up Nancy who married Alfred
Reves has got a negroe woman & child which I give her &
price at seven hundred & fifty dollar the overplus to come
out of her part when my estate is divided

Letty who married Andrew Martin has got a negroe girl
that I gave her price at four hundred & twenty six dollars the
remainder to be made up I do also wish my sons that are
growing up to keep up my manufacturing business if they
can by the experience of it make any thing at it and also that
my sons remain with & treat their step mother decent & well
that they may get such treatment in return and also be industrious
& frugal that their legacies may be raised without impairing
of the estate and at the end of the ten years if my wife is
then living that a reasonable provision be made for her during
her life and the remainder be equally divided amongst
all my children and also at no death her part be also
divided amongst them and furthermore I am left by my
father an agree for the children of my sister Elizabeth Duckworth
to pay to them as they become of age a legacy left them by
my father which I have made the calculation which
is one hundred & fifty dollar each of which three of them
is paid off & there is yet six more one will be of age
in September next or thereabouts for the provision
thereof I have a bond on Bailey & Young for a part

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Six hundred dollars which if it remain there with
Interest will not lack much of paying them all
And lastly I desire my wife that my son Robert B Cole my son
Barzillai L Cole my two sons in law Alfred Reves & Andrew
Martin & my Brother James L Cole be my Executors to manage
my estate My sons I want inducements given them as they
are growing up as they may be encouraged in the farm and
Manufactory
But when there is a full trial made should the management
be such that the keeping of my property together should depreciate
my estate there be disposition generally it may be equally
divided before the time of Ten Years those of my children
that have received for it to go so far in their part or should
my wife die before that time a division to take place
This I Testify to be my Will and signed with my own
hand & put my seal this 11th day of July 1840

Wm C Cole (Seal)

Stokes County
December Term 1840 } The Execution of the Last Will and Testament
of William C Cole of the County of Stokes State of North Carolina being weak of body
but of a sound mind & memory but calling to mind the Mortality of my
Body and knowing that it is appointed for all the human family once
to dye have made ordain & appointed this my Last Will & Testament
as follows That little property both real & personal it hath been
pleased God to bless me with that remain at my decease I give
to my son Hugh Poor for the particular care & attention he
hath pt to me in my helpless condition And the above named
Hannah Poor do by these presents constitute ordain & appoint
John Barmes Esq. Executor of this my last Will & Testament in
Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this ninth day
of January Eighteen Hundred & thirty six
for
Hannah Poor (Seal)
Austin Duckham
Stokes County
December Term 1840 } The execution of the last

69) and Testament of Samuel Paver of which the foregoing is a True copy was produced in open and duly proven according to Law by Hamilton Jager and ordered to be recorded which is accordingly done

Robert D. Gilling Clerk

In the name of God Amen

I John Tuttle of the County of Sticks and State of North Carolina being in perfect health mind and memory but calling to mind the uncertainty of life and knowing that I am appointed unto all men once to die do make publish and declare this to be my last will and testament First and principally of all I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God and my body to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial And as touching such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with it is my will and desire that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid by my Executors as soon as convenient after my dissolution

And as touching the residue of my estate I devise and bequeath it in the following manner to wit

I hereby give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Barbara for and during her natural life or widowhood all my lands & negroes and all my stock of horses cattle and hogs also all my house hold & kitchen furniture together with every other article of property of whatever name or description that I may be possessed of except such as herein after disposed of Other use

I also give unto my said wife Barbara all the Corp and provisions that may be on hand at the time of my decease to be at her use and disposal for ever Also all debts due my estate except those owing from my Children; it is my will and desire that said debts be collected by my Executors hereinafter named and that my said wife have the money when collected And all debts due from my Children it is my will and desire that they have them even chosen when to pay said debts into the hands of my Executors immediately after my decease or that said amounts due from my said Children be retained by my Executors Out of their respective shares at the final distribution of my estate It is also my will and desire that my said wife Barbara have the liberty of selecting from among my negroes such as she may be disposed to keep for and during her natural life or widowhood as above named also such other property as she may desire for her own use and

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that she may refuse to keep and all such property as she may not select it is my will and desire that the same be exposed to publick sale by my Executors upon such terms as to them may seem most advantageous I wish it to be understood that my said wife have her own time to make her election in that is to say one two three or four years or longer if she may think proper. — It is my will and desire that immediately after the dissolution of my said wife Barbara that my Executors expose to publick sale to the highest bidder all my land negroes and other property that may be found belonging to my estate upon such terms and in such quantities as to them may appear best And the money arising from said sale to be equally divided between all my Children To wit the heirs of my son Thomas Tuttle dead to have an share to be equally divided between them share and share alike Michael Tuttle Elizabeth Roles Mary Gordon and the heirs of my daughter Anna Robert to have one share to be equally divided among them share and share alike Henry Tuttle John Tuttle William Tuttle Peter Tuttle James Tuttle Elijah Tuttle And Sally Cason to have each one share And should my said wife refuse to keep all my estate during her natural life or widowhood and my Executors make sale and all as above directed the money when collected is to be equally divided in manner and form as aforesaid And should any of the heirs of my son Thomas Tuttle dead or any of the heirs of my daughter Anna Robert dead be under the age of twenty one years it is then my will and desire that my Executors retain their respective share or shares in their hands until they arrive at the age above mentioned but to pay no interest on the money whatever

And I hereby constitute nominate & appoint my said wife Barbara Tuttle, ~~James~~ and my two sons Henry Tuttle and William Tuttle Executors and Executors of this my last will and testament in testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this nineteenth day of September Anno Domini 1809
And Tuttle, Sec. Seal
Signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of

J. Pollock, Agent

Witness bearing true and correct the foregoing to be a True copy was produced of John Tuttle's will of which I certify the foregoing to be a True copy was produced in open court and duly proven according to Law by Hamilton Jager and ordered to be recorded which is accordingly done
Robert D. Gilling Clerk