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The Execution of the foregoing last will & Testament of Mari Belling her self which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proven in open Court by the oath of John C. Blum & ordered to be recorded which is accordingly done & filed

M. Moore Clerk
By R. D. Goring Deale

In the Name of God Amen!

I Henry Maas sen. being weak in Body but of sound & perfect mind and memory & calling to mind the mortality of me do make this my last will & Testament in manner & form following

1. I give & bequeath the Land whereon I now live containing one hundred & twenty acres more or less to my beloved sons Henry & Horatio to be divided equally between them & that shall be their part of my estate as they are to receive nothing of the proceeds of my personal Estate

2. All the residue of my estate shall be sold by my executors hereafter named at public sale likewise shall the negroes belonging to me be sold at public sale to the highest bidder & the proceeds thereof after defraying all my lawful debts & expenses shall be equally divided share & share alike between my other sons Children Peter, William, Elizabeth Jones (wife of John Jones) Mike, Sally, Polly & Lucy - my above named sons Henry & Horatio are to have no share as I consider the land full part for them of my Estate

3. I hereby appoint my Trusty friend John Lambach of Salem Executor of this my last will & Testament who I hereby empower to pay all my lawful debts & settle all my accounts and I do hereby annul & make void all my former wills & Legacies done either in writing or by words of mouth confirming this & no other to be my last will & Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this first day of October one thousand eight hundred & twenty two

Signed sealed & declared by the Testator as his last will & Testament in presence of as
C. F. Bagg Jurat the Clerk
Stokes County September Term 1822 The execution of the Last will & Testament of Henry Maas sen. dec. of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proven in open Court by the oath of C. F. Bagg & ordered to be recorded which is accordingly done & filed

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The last will and Testament of John Christian Smith of Stokes County State of North Carolina 1/ It is my will and desire that after my decease my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth shall have full possession of my present home place during her natural life and after her decease my Executors hereafter named shall sell my plantation at public or private sale and the money arising therefrom shall be equally divided between my Children Mary, Elizabeth, Jane Sophia, Catherine Elizabeth, John, Henry and Benjamin Solomon 2/ It is my will and desire that all my movable property be sold at public sale and after all my lawful debts are paid the residue to be equally divided among my five Children above mentioned

3/ It is my will and desire that a certain Note of hand due to Abigail and Mary Clayton dated the 22 day of September 1814 for sixty dollars be first paid by my Executors out of my estate

4/ I give and bequeath unto William Chab one dollar & no more

5/ I give & bequeath unto my dearly beloved wife Elizabeth one mule saw to be her sole property forever

6/ And whereas my daughter Mary Elizabeth has already received ten dollars in part of her legacy it is my will and desire that the above sum of ten dollars be deducted from her part

And I hereby appoint my
And I hereby appoint my trusty friends John Holland and Fredric Manning Executors of this my last will & Testament revoking all wills heretofore by me made In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twelfth day of May in the year of our Lord 1816
Signed sealed and acknowledged
in the presence of
Henry R. Hobbs
Samuel Shutz
all Rights

John Christian Smith

Stokes County September Term 1822
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M. Moore Clerk
By R. D. Goring Deale