

Signed Sealed published & declared by the said Son as  
Lawson the Testator as his last will & Testament in the  
presence of us

John Webb

William Moore Esq

Stokes County March Term 1816

The last Will and Testament of Jonas Lawson  
decd of which the foregoing is a true Copy was duly  
proven in open Court by William Moore and ordered  
to be recorded.

Rob<sup>o</sup> Williams  
by Tho. J. Armstrong cl.

The thirteenth of the twelfth month one thousand  
eight Hundred & fifteen I Henry Mills of Stokes County  
State of North Carolina being of perfect mind and  
memory and calling to mind the mortality of my body  
do make and ordain this my last will and Testament  
touching such worldly property wherewith it hath  
pleas'd God to bless me with in this life which I desire  
to be disposed of in the following manner

First it is my will that all my just debts and  
funeral expenses be first paid out of my personal  
Estate. Secondly I give and bequeath to my beloved  
wife Charity the use of my house & plantation that  
I now live on during her widowhood and all my  
gain for the support of her & family.

Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my two sons  
Joseph & Henry Two Hundred acres of land to be equally  
divided between them. Joseph to have the East end  
with my house. And further it is my will that  
my <sup>belov'd</sup> wife shall have one horse creature and

how one feather bed & furniture one Chest one pot  
one Dutch oven two spinning wheels two sheep two  
chairs all the above articles to be at her own choice  
also her side Saddle & Bridle my Dresser & all my  
Dresser furniture & my Blacksmith tools at her disposal  
as long as she shall live and at her decease to be my  
own Joseph. And all the above mentioned articles yet  
remaining at the decease of my wife I give to my  
grand daughter Rhoda. I give to my son Gabriel ten  
shillings I give to my daughter Charity one feather bed  
and furniture one spinning wheel. And further it is my  
will and desire the residue of my personal Estate not herein  
before Will be sold & equally divided between my daughter  
& namely Sarah Ann Abigail Elizabeth Mary Semina &  
Charity And it is also my will that my deceased daughter  
Margaret Children draw an equal share of the Residue  
of my above as if she was living

And lastly I do ordain constitute and appoint my loving  
wife Charity my truly friend Nathaniel Whisman my son  
Joseph Joint executors of this my will and Testament hereby  
ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last  
Will and Testament in manner and form aforesaid  
In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal  
the day and date above written.

Signed in the presence of  
Joseph Hendrickhall  
Richard Clamphit

Henry Mills (Seal)

Stokes County March Term 1816. The execution  
of the last will and testament of Henry Mills decd  
of which the foregoing is a true Copy was duly proven in open  
Court by Joseph Hendrickhall & ordered to be recorded

Rob<sup>o</sup> Williams  
by Tho. J. Armstrong cl.