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Of the said fourth part at her own direction which division
when made shall be done by three respectable freeholders to be
chosen by my executors as soon as possible after the death of my beloved
wife Mary or after my dissolution of the should depart this life before
myself then & in that case the whole of the said remaining part of my
estate to be equally divided into three parts among & between my
children Elizabeth Anna & Ruth aforesaid —

fifthly & lastly I nominate & appoint my two sons-in-law John West
& John Barr Executors & my daughter Ruth Executrix of the my last will
& Testament In testimony whereof I the said George Ray hath
hereunto set his hand & affixed his seal to this his last will & Testament
and acknowledge the same before us the
Subscribing witnesses who were present at
beginning & acknowledging thereof

Edw. Barr
John West
George Barr

Stiles County June Term 1829

The execution of the last will and
Testament of which the foregoing is a true copy being offered for
probate was duly proven by John West & George Barr and ordered
to be recorded

M R Moore
By C. C. Barron Esq

In the name of God Amen!

I Isaac Nelson of the County of Stiles and
State of North Carolina do this 15th day of July 1825 publish
this to be my last will and Testament being of sound mind
and memory and knowing that it is one appointed for all men
to die I therefore give my soul to Almighty God who gives it
and my body to be buried in a decent like manner and as
touching my worldly property which it please God to bless me
with in this life I give and bequeath in the following manner
1st I give and bequeath to my daughter Anna Eliza
Nelson the following Negroes Nancy Jim Edmunds Stan
and Polly and furniture bed and furniture I give to my
daughter Mary Smith Nelson Seal Phillis Lureya and Robert
one feather bed and furniture, I give to my son
Joseph Henry Nelson Mariah, Moses and Rachel —

I give to my son Albert Fountain Nelson Jack Hannah
and Evelina —

I give to my son Constant Hardin Nelson Stephen Peter
and Mourning —

Further it is my will that all my real estate be equally
divided between my three sons Joseph Henry, Albert
Fountain, and Constant Hardin. It is my will that
my just debts be paid out of the debts owing to me
and the balance of debts owing to me after raising
my children and giving them a good English Education
together with the interest arising thereon be equally
divided between all my children at their coming of
lawful age and further it is my will that all
my stock of all kind together with my house hold
furniture plantation tools and all the remainder
of my property not named or otherwise disposed of
be sold by my executors hereafter named on a
reasonable credit and the money arising therefrom
be equally divided amongst all my children viz Anna
Eliza, Mary Smith, Joseph Henry, Albert Fountain
& Constant Hardin when they shall arrive of lawful
age. And further I constitute and appoint my worthy friends
Jennish Gibson and Isaac Dalton my whole and sole
Executors of this my last will and Testament In witness whereof
I have signed my hand and seal the year & date above
written

Nelson

Stiles County June Term 1829

The last will and Testament of
Isaac Nelson of which the foregoing is a true copy being
offered for probate and the same being proven by the oath of
Jennish Gibson to have been found amongst the valuable
papers and effects of the dec'd and it also being proven by the
oath of Isaac Dalton, C. C. Barron John Hill & Thomas Hight
that all and every part thereof is the proper hand writing of the
said Isaac Nelson dec'd. It is therefore concluded that it be
recorded

M R Moore
By C. C. Barron Esq