

In the name of God amen!

I Jacob Miller of Stokes County farmer being of sound & disposing mind & memory Praise be God for the same, do make this my last will in manner following I will that my last debts be paid, for which purpose I will that my paper still and appurtenances for distilling together with my Rifle Gun & one saw be sold by my executors for the best price that can be obtained and if the money arising on the sale of these articles is not sufficient to pay these ~~articles~~ my debts then I empower my executor or either of them or either of the survivors of them to sell & convey in fee those one hundred acres of land covered by my deed bearing date June the first A.D. 1799 adjoining my old deced land and the land of Abraham Lark Michael Hawn & John Ford or as much thereof as is requisite to satisfy my debts.

All the rest & residue of my personal Estate I do hereby give and bequeath to my beloved wife Regina Elizabeth forever.

All rents issues & profits together with all forfeitures remainders & reverts of those tracts of land I have stated out I give devise & bequeath to my said wife Regina Elizabeth during the minority or nonage of my son John to enable her to give him a sufficient education for his station in life and do hereby appoint her Guardian. All my other real estate not by this will or before my decease disposed off I likewise give devise & bequeath to my said wife during the nonage or minority of my said son John without impeachment of waste.

As soon as my son John is twenty one years old all the above devised to my said wife of the real Estate aforesaid shall cease and my wife shall then make choice

of Eighty acres of land on the north end or south end of my old tract of land devised to me by my father December the ~~twenty~~ 25th. If one thousand seven hundred & ninety one which eighty acres as by her Chosen I give devise & bequeath to my said wife Regina Elizabeth her heirs & assigns forever.

When my son John is twenty one years old I give devise & bequeath to him his heirs & assigns forever all my real estate in North Carolina Tennessee & Pennsylvania not herein before devised to my wife and he may (being then & hereby empowered) by will under his hand & seal as soon as he is past sixteen years old devise the same.

If my son John dies before he is twenty one years old and at his death has not disposed of the real estate by will as aforesaid then I give devise & bequeath all the said real estate as above to my son bequeathed to my wife Regina Elizabeth during her natural life and to the issue of her body byotten & her heirs & assigns forever but if she dies without issue legit & her heirs then I devise the said real estate (to my son John before conditionally forever given) to my sister Johanna Salome Kraus of Bethlehem Pennsylvania & to Christiana Shultz wife of John Shultz of Stokes County than and there in full & aliter to have and to hold the same to them their heirs & assigns forever.

And I nominate & appoint my said wife Regina Elizabeth my Friends Abraham Lark & Henry Hawn executors of this my last will & testament hereby revoking and annulling all former wills by me made and acknowledging this & no other to be my last will & testament — In witness whereof I have hereunto

36 set my hand and seal December the Eighth 1802.
one thousand eight hundred & two

Signed Leath publishing &
testified by the testator
Jacob Miller as his last
will & testament in the
presence of us

Jacob ^{his} Miller Seal
mark

James Lovell

Adam Strub } Jurant
Peter ^{his} Hine }
mark

Stokes County March term 1803

The execution of the last will & testament of Jacob
Miller Dec. of which the foregoing is a true copy
was duly proven in open court by the oath of
Adam Strub & Peter Hine two of the witnesses
thereof & was ordered to be recorded which is done
accordingly

Robt Williams CC
J. M. Armstrong Clk

The Verbal Will of William Taylor made the
18th day of May 1803 in Presence of Shadrach Sijcant
Rueben Moore and John Hutchings being four days
before his death (and is as follows)
First said Taylor did Will give and bequeath or words
to that effect to his youngest son Isaac all his
lands being the plantation whereon he lived together
with all the live stock and all the farming utensils

and household furniture Horses cattle sheep Hogs that
belonged to him under this condition that the said
Isaac Taylor keep & maintain his mother in a decent
manner front all expense whatever as long as she shall
live and also said testator did will and bequeath
to his Daughter Sally Abington five or six pounds
Virginia currency Doll. at six shillings (the witness
expressed 1000 but meaning the not express) to be paid
in any kind of stock that can best be spared
and further said testator did give to his son
William five or six pounds to be paid out of
his stock as above mentioned The above will
or words to that effect declared the 15th day
of May 1803 in Presence of us the subscribers

John ^{his} Hutchings
mark
Sworn to before
J. M. Armstrong
this 23^d day of May 1803.

Shadrach ^{his} Sijcant
mark

Rueben Moore

Stokes County June term 1803

The Verbal (or Nuncupative) Will of William Taylor
Dec. of which the foregoing is a true copy was
duly proven in open court by the oath of John
Hutchings & Shadrach Sijcant, two of the witnesses
thereof & was ordered to be recorded which is accordingly done

Robt Williams CC
J. M. Armstrong Clk