

In the name of God Amen

I Gephaniah Harper, being weak in body but sound in Judgment and calling to mind the mortality of the body do constitute and ordain this my last Will & Testament in the following manner to wit I will & bequeath to my son Edgar Harper and his heirs forever (to wit) Joseph Harper, William Harper, Joseph Harper, Joseph Harper, William Harper, Edgar Harper to them & their heirs forever the Plantation whereon I now live containing one hundred sixty six acres and a half twenty six poles to him & their heirs forever. Item I will & bequeath to Jane Harper Widow of Elipha Harper the tract of land on which she now lives while she remains Elipha Harper's Widow provided she the said Jane Harper gives up a note of hand given by me Gephaniah Harper to Elipha Harper in his life time but if she the said Jane Harper should marry or die the land to fall to the sons of Elipha Harper to wit Thomas Harper, Eliza Harper, Andy Harper, Elipha Cannon Harper the tract of land will contain one hundred sixty six acres and a half & 26 poles to them & their heirs forever. Item I will & bequeath Edgar Harper and William Harper my two sons my smith tools Equally alike by paying to my two Daughters Lovinah Croon & Zephtha Blackburn the sum of four dollars each in some good trade. Item likewise I will & bequeath to my daughter Lovinah Croon one feather bed bedstead & furniture likewise one cow scold, also one pot & pot hooks the largest I have got. Item I will & bequeath to my daughter Zephtha Blackburn one feather bed with what furniture belongs to it likewise one black cow. Item I will & bequeath to my son Edgar Harper my stile and all the tools except two of which I will to Simon Croon. Item likewise what cooking tools and lumber I have I leave to Edgar Harper and William Harper to be divided Equally between them. As they best can agree between themselves. Item I will and bequeath to my grand daughter Polly Croon one walnut chest

All the articles not mentioned in my will to be Equally Divided between my two Daughters Lovinah Croon and Zephtha Blackburn. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand offered my seal this 18th of March 1830

Signed sealed & delivered in the presence of us } Gephaniah Harper (seal)
Thomas Craft Junr
Nashel Craft

N B I also leave my sons Edgar Harper and William Harper Executors of this my last Will & Testament

The note mentioned above in the will if it should not be given up the land shall be rented out till the note is paid. And then the land shall be theirs without any incumbrance

Stokes County
June Term 1830
The execution

of the Last Will & Testament of Gephaniah Harper of which the foregoing is a true copy being offered for probate was duly proven by Thomas Craft and ordered to be Recorded

M R Moore ccy
By Ed Callaway

In the name of God Amen. I Jacob Rance of the County of Stokes and State of N Carolina being in perfect mind and memory (being of legal age) Do this 4th Day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & twenty make & ordain this my last Will & Testament in the manner following Viz.

First I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary the Tract of Land whereon I now live to the sole use and benefit of her during her life time and then at her decease to fall to my son William for him to occupy & enjoy forever. Also I further give him all my household furniture during her life time and then the household furniture to be at my

Equally divided between my son
William and two Daughters namely Mary
Also I give and bequeath to my beloved wife
as much of my Stock as will be adjudged
necessary for her comfortable support Also
all my plantation utensils during life.
and what stock my wife has at her decease
I want my son William to have one half.
and the other half to be equally divided
between my two Daughters. and for my son
William to have all my plantation utensils
at my wife's decease. and further I wish
my son William to live on this plantation
which I now live on =

But for my wife to have support sufficient
out of what the land produces

I further give and bequeath to my Daughter
Mary one cow calf and one Ewe & Lamb out of
the stock that I shall possess at my decease.
Further if I should decease within this year
I wish my wife to have one third of the
Crop of Corn and grain of Every kind made
on the place and my son William the
balance of the Grain =

I further make and ordain my son William
Pearce of the County and State aforesaid
Executor of this my last Will & Testament.
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal the day and date first written

Signed & sealed by
the presence of us

Joshua Cox & Son

Mary R. Rank

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Jacob Pearce
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Starkes County
June Term 1893

The execution

of the last Will & Testament of Jacob Pearce
of which the foregoing is a true copy being
offered for probate was duly proven by the
oath of Joshua Cox & Son and ordered to

be Recorded

M. R. Moore sec
By J. H. Moore Df

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I Joseph Kerner being weak in

body but of sound mind and memory I put be
God - do make this my last Will & Testament
in manner following

All my household furniture I give unto my
beloved wife as much as she makes choice of
to be her property all the rest & residue of
my personal Estate (not herein otherwise
disposed of) I will that my Executors shall
sell the same by private or public sale
for the best price that can be obtained
and on such terms as they please - so that
my creditors may receive their dues in good
time and the mortgage on my home tract
be redeemed. For this purpose I also devise
all my real Estate not including the crop
road I want to be sold - lying on the corner
of the South fork - The Enap Road tract
I devise as follows to my beloved wife I devise
one acre lot and dwelling house wherever on the
tract she chooses. the house to be built by
my son - if not already done -

I also give to my said wife my negro girl Kate
now about 10 years old forever and two hundred
dollars out of the sale of my personal Estate
when the debts are paid or secured to be paid

I devise to my son in law Apollo Kerner and
his heirs forever forty five acres of land a part
of Northfork tracts and including his improve-
ment - Except the above to a negro

The Enap road tract of land with all the
improvements I give & devise to my son
Philip John, so that John keeps his improvement
to in his share - The whole tract to be
liable to be appraised by three freeholders
indifferently chosen - so that each son from
his share of the paperions allotted to
him shall by said freeholders be obliged
to pay either mother annually such
sum as will maintain her -

And I do appoint my son Philip Kerner
John Kerner Executors of this my last Will &
Testament - After all my debts & funeral
Expenses & legacies are paid from the same