

In the name of God Amen I James Cooper of Stokes County State of North Carolina being of sound mind and perfect memory blessed be God do this 18th day of August in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight Hundred Nine 1809 make and ordain this my last will & testament in manner & form following that is to say First I will that all my just debts be paid as hereafter prescribed. 2d I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Dorothy my plantation wheron I now live during her natural life and after her death I give unto my son James Cooper all that part of my lands that lies between Lick Creek & the road that leads from John Salbrook's to Samuel Bowlers upon his paying eighty three Dollars money of the United States with interest from this time which money is to be applied to the discharge of my debts and all the remainder of my lands lying between Jacob Coopers land & the road leading from Salbrook to Bowlers I give unto my son Jacob Cooper.

3dly I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife all my stock of all kinds and all my house hold furniture and all my farming utensils & further it is my desire that she should give up such property as she may think best to be sold for to discharge my debts.

4th It is my will and desire after the death of my wife that all personal property be sold by my executors hereafter mentioned & equally divided amongst all my children that is now living & it is further my will and desire that my

Granddaughter Sally Marshall should have and enjoy that part which her mother would have been entitled if she had been living, that is to give unto Sally Marshall the one twentieth part of all my personal estate after my debts are paid.

And lastly I do hereby constitute make and ordain my son Jacob Cooper and James Cooper Executors of this my last will & testament & do hereby revoke and disannul all former Wills and testaments by me at any time herefore made, establishing and confirming this ratifying this and no other to be my last will and testament. Signed Sealed published and pronounced by James Cooper the Testator as his last will and testament in the presence of us the Subscribing witnesses who were present at the signing

Isaac Dalton Test

John Fox

Suzanna Dalton

James Cooper *sd*

Stokes County March 2nd 1810

The execution of the last Will & Testament of James Cooper Esq^r of which the foregoing is a true Copy was duly proven in open Court by Isaac Dalton & Orained to be recorded

Rob Williams *sd*
G Tho Armstrong *sd*