

In the name of God Amen

I Jesse Fry of the County of Stokes in the State of North Carolina do make ordain publish and declare this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following: that is to say First It is my will and desire that my Executors hereinafter named; pay out of my Estate, all my just debts & funeral expenses.

Secondly, I will and devise to my beloved wife Mapp, the tract of land whereon I live together with all its appurtenances for and during her natural life or widowhood, and after her death or marriage I will and desire one hundred acres of said tract of land to my three grand children James M. Crumpley, Nancy E. Crumpley, and Irwin Ashby Thomas Crumpley to be equally divided between them, which said hundred acres is to be laid off on the east end of said tract commencing at the lane which runs immediately east of my dwelling house and improvements; and the balance of said tract of land including my dwelling house & improvements, I will and devise to my daughter Lucinda Petre wife of William W. Petre, and the heirs of her body lawfully begotten.

Thirdly, I will and devise to my son Lewis M. Fry all that part of my tract of land whereon he now lives, on old field Creek, which lies on the east side of the ditch, being two hundred and eighteen acres more or less; and the balance of said tract of land which lies on the west side of said ditch, I will and devise to my three grand children James M. Crumpley, Nancy E. Crumpley and Irwin Ashby Thomas Crumpley, to be equally divided between them.

Fourthly, I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Mapp, my negro girl slave Martha and her future increase, for and during her natural life or widowhood, and after her death or marriage, I will and bequeath the said slave Martha and her future increase to my daughter Lucinda Petre wife of William W. Petre for and during her natural life and after her death to be equally divided amongst the heirs of her body lawfully begotten.

Fifthly, I will and bequeath to my daughter Lucinda Petre wife of William W. Petre my slavey Cotton a woman and her male child Sidon, Ann and Olivia together with their future increase and during her natural life, and after her death the heirs of her body lawfully begotten to be equally divided among them.

Sixthly, I will and bequeath to my son Lewis M. Fry my slavey Benjamin a boy and Mary a girl, together with their future increase, for and during his natural life, and after his death to the heirs of his body lawfully begotten, to be equally divided amongst them.

Seventhly, It is my will and desire that my beloved wife Mapp, during her life or widowhood the whole of my household

& kitchen furniture and the whole of my stock of every description provided she thinks proper to take and keep it, but should she not keep the whole, that she select such as she will keep, and that then my Executors hereinafter named sell all such as she may not select to keep, together with all the rest and residue of my estate not herein otherwise disposed of, and out of the proceeds of such sale, after paying off all my just debts and funeral expenses; pay to each of my grand children James M. Crumpley, Nancy E. Crumpley, and Irwin Ashby Thomas Crumpley the sum of fifty dollars, and the remainder of any divide as follows, one third to my son Lewis M. Fry, one third to my daughter Lucinda Petre and the remaining third to my said three grand children James M. Crumpley, Nancy E. Crumpley and Irwin Ashby Thomas Crumpley to be equally divided among them.

Ninthly, It is my will and desire that out of the provisions on hand at my death, provided there shall be on hand sufficient provisions for that purpose my beloved wife Mapp, have a support for one year.

Tenthly, In the event that my daughter Martha Morris wife of Lewis Morris shall hereafter become a widow, it is my will and desire that she have the use of the house she now lives in, to live in during her life, and that she also have fire wood & other necessary wood from the adjacent land, and I further will & bequeath to my said daughter Martha ten shillings to be paid to her out of my estate by my Executors.

And lastly I do hereby nominate constitute, and appoint my son Lewis M. Fry, and my son in law William W. Petre - Executors of this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 10th day of November A.D. 1846.

Witness
M. T. Benton
J. F. Prindexter

Jesse Fry

June term 1850.

The Execution of the last will & testament of Jesse Fry dec'd (of which the foregoing is a true copy) was duly proved in open Court by the oath of M. T. Benton & J. F. Prindexter subscribing witnesses to the same & ordered to be recorded.

M. G. Hill, c. l.