

76 I give and bequeath to my two sons John & James Hamilton eight hundred acres of land lying the balance of my thousand acre tract lying on Elk River in the state of Tennessee to be equally divided between them, there is 150 acres of land lying on the Rocky branch in Guilford County and 100 acres lying on Snow Creek Stokes County which I order to be sold toward the payment of my debts &c And I do hereby order and direct nominate & appoint General John Hamilton my beloved uncle, and Andrew Robinson against my faithful friends together with my beloved wife Polly Hamilton executors of this my last will & testament Ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last will & testament

In witness whereof I set my hand this 10th day of March A.D. 1837.

Signed sealed pronounced & declared  
to be his last will & testament  
in the presence of us who before each  
other set our names hereunto witness vix

R. J. Hamilton Esq<sup>d</sup>

Robinson  
William Botrell } Testant  
Cornelius Cook }

Stokes County Same time 1837.

The last will Statement of Robert Sharp Hamilton  
of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proved  
in open Court by the oaths of Andrew Robinson  
William Botrell & Cornelius Cook the Subscribing witnesses  
thereunto & ordered to be recorded done accordingly

Rob Williams C<sup>lerk</sup>  
& Thos. Johnson

In the name of God Amen I John Heel senior of Stokes County North Carolina being sick in body though in perfect sense & memory, knowing it was once appointed for all men to die, I yield my soul to God who gave it me hoping that through the merits of his dear son Jesus Christ to rise again at the last day in immortal glory blessed be God and my body to be decently buried at the discretion of my executors... And what worldly estate it hath pleased God to lend me I give & bequeath in manner & form following to wit.

Item. I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Catherine Heel all my lands & tenements goods & chattels and stock of every kind including all debts money &c to her during her natural life or widowhood. And at her death or marriage I desire that all my estate both real & personal & should be equally divided amongst my children but if any of my children should die upon thy com of lawful age or marriage then the above mentioned estate to be equally divided amongst those surviving

Item. I give to my daughter in law Polly Heel Tea Shillings currency to be paid by my executors out of my estate.

Item. I give to my grand daughter Polly Heel when she arrives of lawful age ten pounds hard money to be raised out of my estate.

Lastly I appoint my wife, Peter Pinkley & John Heel junr my executors & executors And if my son Abraham Heel should return back here to live I desire he may act in place of Peter Pinkley

Given under my hand this 19th day of December anno

Dominie 1838.

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John H. Price

Henry Holloman

Taste Black Knott

John Heel Esq<sup>d</sup>

John Grantly June 1807

The last will & testament of John  
Kirk due of which the foregoing is  
a true copy was duly proven in open  
Court by the oath of Jacob Black  
a Subscribing witness thereto & was adous  
to be recorded done accordingly

Rob William Kirk  
¶ Robt Armstrong

In the name of God Amen I Jacob Rothrock of Meck-  
lenburg in the State of North Carolina being of sound Mind  
& memory thanks be given to Almighty God calling into  
mind the Mortality of Man & knowing to be the destination  
of all men once to die do make & ordain this my  
last will & testament Viz. Principally first of all I  
recommend my soul into the hands of my Creator &  
redeemer Jesus Christ who gave it & my body to be  
interred on the burying ground at Friburg and as  
touching such worldly estate wherewithal it hath pleased  
God to bless me in this world I give & devise the  
same in manner & form following

1<sup>st</sup> I will that one month after my decease my own  
Brothers & brother-in-law shall have my waring Clothing  
& chare alike

2<sup>nd</sup> I will that my wife Elizabeth shall have my  
negroe boy Ezequin until twelve years of age to her

own use and after the arrival of twelve years he  
shall be bind out for the benefit of my Child yet  
unborn

3<sup>rd</sup> I will that my negro boy Ezequin shall be bind out  
within Six Months after my decease also for the benefit  
of said Child yet unborn

4<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth a man  
Saddle Bridle her bed table & Chest and all and every  
article of household furniture that she had of her own or  
from her parents as her sole property forever.

5<sup>th</sup> I will that the Remaining part of my house hold  
furniture and also the Rendites of my estate both real and  
personal shall be sold at public sale and my just debts  
paid out of the money arising from the sale

6<sup>th</sup> I give & bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth the sum of  
fifty hundred Dollars to be paid to her two years after  
my decease to be raised out of the Estate I have ordered  
to be sold as her sole property forever.

7<sup>th</sup> I will that the residue of the Money arising from the above  
said sale shall be put on Interest until the above said  
unborn Child shall attain to its full age in law then it shall  
be its sole property forever and after the Negroes.

8<sup>th</sup> If said unborn Child should not live to its full age I will  
that after its decease the negroes be sold at public sale and  
then the Childs part be thus divided, the one half to its Mother  
if alive if not to her heirs, the other half to my father Mother  
Sister & brother or their heirs equally share & then alike & it shall  
be their sole property forever

9<sup>th</sup> And I make and Ordain my worthy friend Christian Hanes  
executor of this my last will & testament who is hereby impowered  
to settle all my Just accounts whatever and I do hereby