

Stokes County March term 1802

The execution of the last Will & Testament of Frederic William Marshall of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proven in open Court by the oaths of Gottleib Shober & Honor Krauser two of the subscribing Witnesses to the same & was ordered to be recorded which is accordingly done

Robt Williams Ce
 J. Patton Master of the Court

In the name of God Amen This Twenty third day of September in the year of our Lord on thousand seven hundred & ninety four, I John Majors Sen^r of Stokes County North Carolina State Shop Joiner being very sick & weak in body but of perfect mind & memory thanks be given unto God for the same and calling to mind the mortality of my body & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last Will & Testament, that is to say Principally I give of all I give & recommend my soul unto the hands of God that give all & for my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a Christian like & decent manner at the discretion of my executors nothing doubting but at the General resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate as with it hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I give devise & dispose off the same in the manner & form following that is to say first I give & bequeath unto Rebecca my dearly

beloved wife her thirds of my plantation together with my stock & household furniture to be for the use of my beloved wife her lifetime except some particulars that I shall mention by I give & bequeath to my son Benjamin Pollard Majors Two hundred thirty six acres of land being the plantation where I now live together with the house that he now owns some hay mow of my property likewise the fiddle & such a part of the stock as now belongs to him together with increase to be my son Benjamin Pollard Majors own property. likewise I give & bequeath to my son Benjamin one feather bed with its furniture also one Walnut chest and table & all the tools & utensils that I have to work the said plantation with. likewise I give & bequeath to my three sons (viz) Robert Majors Ebenezer Majors & Benjamin Pollard Majors all and every one of my Joiners & Carpenters tools to be equally divided among my three sons that I just before mentioned likewise I appoint & constitute my beloved son Benjamin Pollard Majors sole Executor of this my last Will & Testament. Also I give & bequeath what part of my property that I have not given to my son Benjamin Pollard Majors & to my son Rob^t & Ellick Majors at my beloved wife's death to be equally divided amongst all every one of my Dear Children that is to say the part that I give to my wife, which I desire my son Benjamin should take particular care of his dear Mother in during her life & then her thirds of said land to be my son Benjamin at his Mother's Death & I do

shewly utterly disannull all and every former testament
With bequeaths & Executors by me in any wise before
this time named Withes or bequeaths ratifying &
confirming this One other to be my last Will &
Testaments In Witness whereof I have set my hand
Heal the day & year first above written

Signed sealed published pronounced
& declared by the said John
Majors as his last Will &
Testament in the presence of
us the Subscribers
Charles Ayers
Patrick Twomey Jurat

Stokes County June term 1802

The execution of the last Will Testament of
John Majors Dec. of which the foregoing is a true
copy was duly proven in open Court by the oath of
Patrick Twomey & ordered to be recorded which is
accordingly done

Robt Withams CC
J. R. Armstrong Sec

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In the name of God Amen

George Peter Hauser of Bethany in Stokes County
in the State of North Carolina being weak in body but of
sound memory do this Sixth day of June in the year
of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & ninety nine

make and publish this my last Will & Testament in manner
& form following that is to say First it is my will that my
funeral expenses and all lawful debts be duly paid &
that all things that are or shall be owing unto me
make due payment to my executor herein after named
Secondly I give and bequeath to my dear Wife Elizabeth
for her use as long as she lives whatsoever in house
lands Cattle Household goods Money & so forth belongs to
my real and personal estate excepting only one thousand
acres of land for which by a bond from George Hauser Esq.
I am entitled to receive a deed & which are situated in that
part of the Western Country of the United States commonly
called Cumberland & are within the territory of the Indians
Then one thousand acres of land I give & bequeath to
my six Children Joseph, Mary, Daniel, Johanna, George,
George Peter, and Benjamin to be divided amongst them
into six equal parts as soon as it shall be reduced
Thirdly the remaining or first above described part of my
whole real estate and personal estate shall after the
decease of my said Wife Elizabeth be divided amongst
my six Children above named share & share alike
& in such a manner that whatsoever any one of these
my six Children should receive in the lifetime of
my said Wife either of my real or personal estate
shall be valued & charged to him or her as part of
his or her inheritance provided always and upon
condition nevertheless that that part of my estate
which consists in improvements upon the Bethany
Territory be not disposed of but according to the
agreement entered into by me with Fudrie William