

In the name of God Amen

I Mary Cox of the County of Stokes & State of N. Carolina being of perfect mind & memory blessed be God do this 6th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty two make & ordain this my last will & Testament in the manner following viz: First. I give a bequest to my three sons (to wit) Joshua, John Cox all the negroes that I may be or shall be in possession of at my decease to be equally divided on their valuation between the above named sons. Also I give a bequest to my daughter Mary Catherine four hundred dollars to be equally & jointly paid by my three sons provided she gives up to them all her rights & title & claim to all the Land her father was in possession of at his decease & if she does not relinquish her rights & claim to said Land then she is to receive two hundred dollars to be paid as above mentioned Also I give a bequest to my daughter Catharine Cox twenty shillings to be paid out of my Estate after my decease Likewise I give a bequest to my daughter Nancy McKinney twenty shillings to be paid out of my Estate. And lastly I give a bequest to my above mentioned three sons all my stock of horses cattle dogs sheep & of every description together with all my household furniture working tools & farming utensils & all moneys if I have any to be equally divided between them after all just demand is satisfied And I further make & ordain my two sons (to wit) Joshua Cox & John Cox both of the County & State first mentioned Executors of my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have set my hand & seal the day & year first written. Signed sealed & acknowledged in the presence of

Joshua Cox 3d

John Hill

David Tilly

Alexander

North Carolina Stokes County.

I Mary Cox of the County & State aforesaid do make & ordain this ninth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty one for this Codicil to be taken as part of my last will & Testament written August 6th 1822. Whereas by the above mentioned will I have bequeathed to my son John Cox now deceased certain legacies which I do hereby revoke & make void said legacies all to one dollar which I give him by this Codicil. In witness whereof I have to this Codicil annexed to my said will set my hand & seal to day & date above written

David Tilly

Joshua Cox 3d

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John King

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Mary X Cox (and)
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March Term 1837

The Execution of the last will & Testament with the Codicil annexed of Mary Cox and of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly heard in open Court by the oaths of David Tilly & Alexander King subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded

Pro. S. C. W. rec

In the name of God Amen

I John Shultz a freeholder of Stokes County in the State of North Carolina witness the 20th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty six make this my last will & Testament being of sound & perfect mind, memory, in manner & form following.

1st. I empower my Executor hereafter named to sell all my Land not herein willed otherwise & also all my property of all sorts & to pay all my just debts & collect all my outstanding debts & the proceeds of all the sales with the cash on hand if any is to be arrived in the following manner.

2d. I give unto my beloved wife Temperance the place on which I now live until next fall & then to move to & have the plantation where the widow Spruill now lives & this plantation to be sold as the rest of my Land, and I will that my beloved wife Temperance has the said plantation where the said Spruill now lives during her widowhood as soon as she may alter her name to the said Land & promises to be sold & divided as the balance of my Estate. I further will that she have fifty dollars in money to repair her plantation & to have two beds & furniture on land fifty bushels of corn, ten bushels of wheat, seven hundred weight of pork, one barrel to take choice, one chest, but in case she should marry again the above mentioned Land & property is to be sold & the proceeds is to be divided as the balance of my Estate.

3d. In the confidence of what I have advanced to my son Absalom Shultz I give a bequest him Five Dollars in full of all legacy of my Estate.

4th. Also I give a bequest unto my son Jonathan Shultz one fourth of a share in full of his part of my Estate.

5th. Also I give a bequest unto my son Philip Shultz a half a share in full of my Estate

6th. Also I give a bequest unto my daughter Lavinia that intermarried Lewis Hamer a half share in full of her part of my Estate

7th. Also I give a bequest unto my grandchildren by my daughter Lucy Nicholas & Eli Hendrix a half a share in full of the Estates of my Estate

8th. Also I give a bequest unto my daughter Maryann who intermarried Jonathan Markland a half a share in full her part of my Estate

9th. Also I give a bequest unto the heirs of the body of my daughter Temperance a half share in full of her part of my Estate. I will that my grand daughter of Absalom her wife Maryann have Ten Dollars in full of her share.

Lastly.

I will that my five youngest children viz David, Eliza, John, Daniel & Elizabeth to have full shares each to school them & raise them & for them to be put to good trades as soon as they get their learning or as soon as my Executor may think best to their benefit & as I have bought the slaves of Peter & Abraham Shultz to their fathers Estate. I will that after the death of old Miss Shultz my Executor shall collect & divide it as the rest of my property as above stated according to the rest of my Estate.

I appoint my worthy friend Frederick A. Sherman of said County Executor of this my last will & Testament. I do hereby revoke & make void all former wills & testaments by me made.

In testimony whereof I the said John Shultz doth to this my last will & testament set my hand & affixed my seal to date above written. Signed, sealed, acknowledged, & declared by the said John Shultz as his last will & testament in the presence of us who we present at the signing & sealing thereof, & who were called on to witness the same.

Lewis Shultz
Henry Thomas

John Shultz. *(seal)*

A Codicil to this will that is to say, a supplement or addition to it.

I John Shultz of Stokes County as this 30th of Dec 1836 make and publish this Codicil to my last will & testament in manner following

It is my will & desire that my wife Temperance have all the within named property that is named in the second section of this will as her own during her natural life & the fifth dollars will'd to her to repair said plantation, that is to say, I do give & bequeath in said property forever and in addition to that she is to have a full share of the balance of my Estate with my children herein named, that is to say, she is to have as much as for & during her natural life. Signed sealed, published & declared by John Shultz above named as a codicil to be annexed to this last will & testament in the presence of

J. Butner
Christian Butner.

John Shultz. *(seal)*

March Term 1837

The Execution of the last will & testament ~~and~~ the Codicil annexed of John Shultz and of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proved in open Court that is to say, the ~~will~~ by the oaths of Lewis Shultz & Henry Thomas & the Codicil by the oaths of Christian & Christian Butner Subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded

W. H. Hill. esq

State of North Carolina

Stokes County

In the name of God I swear. I Peter Shove being at present of sound & perfect mind & memory blessed be the Almighty God, at this 27th day of January one thousand eight hundred & thirty seven make & publish my last will & testament in manner & form following viz.

Firstly, It is my will & desire that my Executor hereafter named, pay all my just debts & collect all my outstanding debt.

It is my will & desire that my wife Christine shall live on the plantation where I now live as long as she continues my widow.

It is also my will that my Executors hereafter named rent out all the tendable ground belonging to said plantation above named.

It is my will that my wife Christine receive Seventy Bushels of corn & twelve Bushels of wheat & two hogs & one bushel of salt & fifteen pounds of Coffee & Ten pounds of Sugar & one black hen yearly during her widowhood. I also give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Christine my bed & house clock & one folding table one cow & two sheep on an acre and one iron pot during her widowhood.

I give & bequeath unto my son Benjamin Loring fine & one half acres of Land wherein Loring has & ten acres on the ridge Cooper Shultz mill pond & four & one half acres of meadow adjoining the above named ten acres, said Land to be valued at Five dollars per acre & if it comes to more than his share will be he is to pay the difference to my other heirs so that they all get equal shares alike.

I give a bequeath unto my son Jacob eighty acres of Land with all the improvements thereon where I now live after my widow death to be valued at five dollars per acre & if it comes to more than his share will be he is to pay the difference to my other heirs so that they all get equal shares alike.

I also give a bequeath unto my son Henry forty acres of Land lying on the South corner of my plantation to be valued at five dollars per acre & if it comes to more than his share will be, he is to pay the difference to my other heirs so that they all get equal share alike.

It is my will that my meadow be divided into three equal parts & two parts to go to Jacob & one part to John Henry that is to say after Benjamin has had his four & one half acres measured off

It is my will & desire that my Executor hereafter named sell the plantation which I bought of Theodore Shultz formerly the property of Amos to the highest bidder on a credit, or rent it out to the best advantage as the may think proper.

It is also my will & desire that after my debts are paid & all my property in Land & other personal property is sold & the money collected my estate is to be divided in six equal shares, one share to my daughter Mary intermarried with Henry Shultz, one share to my daughter Elizabeth, & one share to my son Benjamin, one share to my