

In the name of God Amen I Joseph Winston
Senr. of Hoke County State of North Carolina being weak
in body but of sound and perfect mind memory
do this twelfth day of April in the year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred & fourteen make and
ordain his to be my last will & Testament in manner
and form following that is to say.

First I give and bequeath unto my son Robert
the lower part of my tract of land beginning at
Coan's pond on the Townfork running thence a bath
Course through the low grounds to the Hill. and thence
a course so as to strike his own line when it crosses
the public road viz: all the East side of said line
supposed to contain one hundred acres. And also
a tract of land situate on Sandy Creek known
by the name of Muckheim Bottom containing
one hundred acres.

2^d. I give & bequeath unto my son Robert
my old debt. and also my Ox Cart & Work Oxen

3^d. I give and bequeath unto my son Joseph
the Balance of my tract of land including what
I now live with the surveys adjoining the same together
with the tract of land I purchased of David Davis &
the Mill seat supposed to contain seven hundred acres.

4th. I give and bequeath unto my son Joseph
Eight negroes viz: Kate. Will. Doctor. Violet. and
all her Children & increase.

5th. I give and bequeath unto my son Joseph
my Wagon and Ox & Blacksmith tools and also
all my stock of every kind and all my working
tools and farming utensils & likewise all my

household and kitchen furniture of every description
except my Bureau and provisions of all kinds of which
I do possess including grain of all sorts & what is
left. I give and bequeath unto my son Joseph all
my outstanding debts due me either by bond notes or
open accounts. and I will that he my said son shall
pay and discharge all my just debts and funeral charges.

6th. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sally my
Bureau.

7th. I give and bequeath unto my son Lewis
a negro girl named Lydia in order to make him
an equal share with my other children.

8th. I will that the remainder of my negroes not
heretofore bequeathed with all their increase be equally
divided among all my children except my son
Joseph & Fountain to be equally divided among them
share and share alike.

9th. I give and bequeath all my western lands
Five thousand acres situate in Col. John Armstrong's
Office and also Three thousand acres of purchase of
William David Lewis which is deeded unto all my
children except my son Joseph to be equally divided
among them share and share alike.

10th. From motives of humanity it is my
will and desire that my son Joseph should
take care of my two old negroes viz: Tom &
Eloe and maintain them during life.

11th. I give and bequeath unto my son
William old David in consequence of his having been
wounded in the defence of his Country.

12th. I give and bequeath unto my son
Joseph my sword presented me by the Legislature
of North Carolina that is my desire that he should
use it in defending the rights of his Country only.

13th. I give and bequeath unto my son Samuel
my box and diamond snuffbox as a curiosity to
remember me.

15th I give and bequeath unto my son Lewis my watch which I desire him to receive & keep in remembrance of me

16th I give and bequeath unto my son Fountain my gold shoe buttons

Thus having finished my affairs and bequeathed among my heirs the property wherewith it has pleased the author of my existence to bless me, in as equitable a manner as I am capable I have thought proper to subjoin the following lines from the fact having a well grounded confidence that they will shortly be verified in me viz.

"My suffering time shall soon be over

"Then shall I sigh & weep no more

"My ransom? soul shall soar away

"To sing thy praises in endless day.

17th And I do hereby nominate appoint & ordain my friends Cheeglbourn Isaac Dutton and Andrew Bowman Esquires & my three sons viz. William Lewis & Joseph Executors of this my last will and Testament to carry the same into effect and do hereby utterly revoke & make void all former Wills & Testaments by me at any time hitherto made ratifying & confirming & establishing this and no other to be my last will & Testament

In Witness whereof I the said Joseph Winston have the Testator have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal. date as above.

Jos. Winston

Signed Sealed published & pronounced by Joseph Winston Esq. the Testator as his last will & Testament in the presence of us the subscribing Witnesses who were present at the time of signing & sealing thereof. Archibald Campbell
Hampton Byrnes

State of North Carolina 1815.

The execution of the last Will and Testament of Joseph Winston and of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proven in open Court by Archibald Campbell Esquire & Byrnes Esq. and to be recorded. done according to.

Robt Williams CC
by Thos. O. Thompson

North Carolina
Hoke County September 1815

Wily Jones & Isabella Jones who after being duly sworn declare that they were called upon to take notice to the occupation will of Stacey mecum deceased who sickened & died about the second Friday in June last at her own house about six days after she declared her will following but of the same sickness of which she was then afflicted being at the time that she called upon Deponents in her perfect senses The said Stacey declared as following. to wit That she the said Stacey wanted her brother James Stacey to have a piece of Cloth also James three shillings and all the rest of her property she wanted Ruth mecum her half sister to have

Sworn to in open Court

Robt Williams CC

Hoke County September 1815.

The occupation will of Stacey mecum deceased of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proven in open Court by Wily Jones & Isabella Jones declared to be recorded.

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