

between ten & fourteen years of age for their own use
to keep &c My executor is to deliver the above sum of
Three hundred Dollars to my Daughter Bethecia Foyth or her
husband as soon as convenient to be collected

It is further my will & desire that all the remains
of my property should be sold by my executor on such
Credit as they may think proper to raise the Value thereof

Further it is my will & desire that my Brother
Joseph Ladd should have the only Care & Direction of my
two sons Melton & Newton Ladd &c so that they have
proper care taken of them in bringing them up &c.

I give unto my Daughter Mary Reynolds Ladd
one silver Spoon weighing Eight Dollars & about fifty Cents

It is my will & desire that my executor hereafter
mentioned should pay all my Just debts out of the
monies arising from the sale of my property & Goods
which be first due And the balance of the Monies of
sale that is not already disposed of if any to be let out
on Interest or disposed of towards the Education of my
two sons Melton & Newton Ladd &c to be deposited in the hands
of my Brother Joseph Ladd. If either of my three
youngest Children should die without issue, that their share of
my estate should return to the survivors of them said youngest
Children

I hereby Constitute & appoint my beloved Brother
Joseph Ladd, son in law Benjamin Foyth & my friends
Nathan square fellow Executors of this my last will
& Testament hereby revoking all former Wills & Testaments by
me made In Witness whereof I Constantine Ladd hereunto
set my hand that this twenty fifth day of October in the
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & one

Signed sealed published and declared
by the above named Constantine
Ladd to be his last will

Constantine Ladd

and Testament in the presence of us
who have hereunto subscribed our
names as Witnesses in the presence
of the testator and of each other

L. Bannan
J. Evans
D. Bannan
John Hall

Stokes County December term 1881

The execution of the last will & Testament
of Constantine Ladd Dec of which the foregoing
is a true copy was duly proven in open Court
by the oath of John Hall one of the Witnesses
thereunto & was ordered to be recorded which is accordingly
done

Robt Williams C
J. R. Armstrong

In the name of God Amen

I Matthew Moore of the County of Stokes State of North Carolina
being of sound & perfect mind & memory but calling to mind
the frailty of my body & knowing that it is appointed for
all men once to die, do on this day of October in the
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & one, make public
or again confirm this my last will & Testament in manner
form as follows

I bequeath to my beloved wife Bethecia all that part of the tract
of land purchased of John Walker lying on the south side of Swan
river in the County of Stokes & on the double forks including

the Dwelling house place & plantation where I now live to her as long as she lives & continues a widow
 Item. I also bind to my wife Letitia all that part of the above said tract that lies on the north side of San river until my son Tucker Woodson Moore shall arrive at the age of Twenty one years provided nevertheless that if my executors shall think it best, I will that they shall have a rent it to some reputable person for the only use of my wife Letitia until my son Tucker Woodson shall arrive at lawful age to inherit the same

Item. I also bind to my wife Letitia fifteen Negroes viz. "Spin" "Pina" "Kana" his wife Abby "Phillis" "Buckley" "Reed" "Fanny" "Grace" "Lypha" "Sarah" "Lebb" "little Sarah" "Squire" "jun" "Easter" "White" "Kana" as long as she lives & continues a widow

Item. I also bind to my wife Letitia all my stock of horses that I have not given to my children except the three Wagon horses "Walt" (Husky) "Dell" & "Birch" together with all my stock of hogs & sheep & all my household furniture & plantation tools to her as long as she lives & continues a widow, except it shall appear to my executors absolutely necessary to sell as much thereof as will amount to three hundred Dollars to by a horse bridle & saddle for each of my sons Gabriel Tucker Woodson & Letitia Reed

Item. I also will that at the death of my wife Letitia the above mentioned Negroes with their increase and all the other property which I have had her during her natural life shall be equally divided between my son & my other daughters to them & their heirs forever.

2d. I give to my son Samuel all one acre tract of land containing three hundred acres be the same more or less lying on both sides of Fictus river in the County of Henry by a part of a tract purchased of James Sheppard to him & his heirs forever which land he has received

Item. I also give to my son Samuel one Negro man named Bartlett together with one horse & one feather bed & furniture to him & his heirs forever all which he has received

3d. I give to my son Ruben Moore one tract of land containing three hundred & twenty acres more or less lying on the waters of Snow Creek whereon he now lives the land I bought of Thomas Reid also one hundred acres adjoining the former which I purchased of Thomas Smith & also twenty five acres the same which I also purchased of said Smith.

Item. I also give to my son Ruben one Negro man named Moore together with one horse & one feather bed & furniture which he has received

4th. I give to my son Edward Moore one tract of land containing two hundred & thirty acres more or less lying on the waters of the yardkin river in the County of Stokes which I purchased of William Alfred also I give to my son Edward Moore one Negro man named Jacob.

Item. I give to my son Edward one mare which he has received one feather bed & furniture to him & his heirs forever

5th. I give to my son William Moore one tract of land containing two hundred & fifty acres more or less lying on Dryfish Creek in Patrick County & State of Virginia with a grist mill on it which I purchased of Lyle Corn

Also. I give to my son William two other tracts of land

the Dwelling house place plantation where I now live to her as long as she lives & continues a widow
 Item. I also leave to my wife Letitia all that part of the above said tract that lies on the north side of Swan river until my son Tucker Woodson arrives at the age of Twenty one years provided notwithstanding that if my executors shall think it best, I will that they shall have a rent it to some reputable person for the only use of my wife Letitia until my son Tucker Woodson shall arrive at lawful age to inherit the same

Item. I also leave to my wife Letitia fifteen Negroes viz. Spinfin & Ann his wife Abby Phillis Suskey Cook Fanny Green Stephen Sarah Deborah little Sarah Squire junr Easter & little Ann as long as she lives & continues a widow

Item. I also leave to my wife Letitia all my stock of horses that I have not given to my children except the three Wagon horses viz. (Henry Dall & Corrick) together with all my stock of hogs & sheep & all my household furniture & plantation tools to her as long as she lives & continues a widow, except it shall appear to my executors absolutely necessary to sell as much thereof as will amount to three hundred Dollars to buy a horse bridle & saddle for each of my sons Gabriel Tucker Woodson & Letitia

Item. I also will that at the death of my wife Letitia the above mentioned Negroes with their increase and all the other property which I have lent her during her natural life shall be equally divided between my sons & my daughters to them & their heirs forever.

2d I give to my son Phlegmouth unto my son Samuel Moore one tract of land containing three hundred acres be the same more or less lying on both sides of Potomac river in the County of Surry being a part of a tract purchased of James Sheppard to him this I give forever which land he has received

Item. I also give to my son Samuel one Negro man named Bartlett together with one horse & one feather bed & furniture to him this I give forever all which he has received

3d I give to my son Ruben Moore one tract of land containing three hundred & twenty acres more or less lying on the waters of Snow Creek in which he now lives the land I bought of Thomas Reid also one hundred acres adjoining the former which I purchased of Thomas Smith & also twenty five acres the same which I also purchased of said Smith.

Item. I also give to my son Ruben one Negro man named Moses together with one horse & one feather bed & furniture which he has received

4th I give to my son Edward Moore one tract of land containing two hundred & twenty acres more or less lying on the waters of the yardkin river in the County of Stokes which I purchased of William Alfred also I give to my son Edward Moore one Negro man named Jacob.

Item. I give to my son Edward one mare which he has received one feather bed & furniture to him this I give forever

5th I give to my son William Moore one tract of land containing two hundred & fifty acres more or less lying on Rappahannock River in Patrick County & State of Virginia with a grist mill on it which I purchased of Lipe Coon

Item. I give to my son William two other tracts of land

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lying on the Waters of the same fresh Lake containing
four hundred acres more or less which is the land I
purchased of John Douglass including the place where
Harris Wilson formerly lived

Item. I give to my son William one other tract in Patuxent
County on Rawlens fork which I purchased of James Wilson

Item. I also give to my son William one negro man
named Joe also one horse which he has raised also
one feather bed furniture to him this time for ever

6th I give the right unto my son Gabriel Moore the following
tracts of Land vizt one tract lying on the Apparat river
from the Mouth of Bull run Creek running up the river
Containing seventy five acres more or less a one only
which includes an improvement where Henry Sanford
formerly lived the above two tracts I purchased of Ben
Whitaker. 3^d one tract lying on the Pilot fork from
the Mouth of said fork adjoining the Land of M^r Hills
Hagans Denay in Surry County the same I purchased
of William Wall containing one hundred acres more
or less. 4th One tract lying on the Waters of the little
Yachin adjoining Elijah Roach in Stokes County
Containing two hundred acres more or less for this I
have T^ho^s Letters Bond for a title. 5th one tract lying
in Surry County the same I purchased of George Halcott
6th one tract lying near the head of Piney River in Brunswick
County State of Virginia containing about fifty acres more or
less. 7th one tract lying on Dan river containing
three hundred acres more or less which I purchased of Thomas
- Still. 8th One tract on the brown mountain in Albemarle
County containing three hundred & twenty acres the same
which I purchased of Archibald Macon for which I
have John Macon's bond for a title

I also give to my son Gabriel one negro man named
Peter also one horse bridle & saddle to be worth one hundred
or hundred Dollars and also one feather bed furniture
I also will that my son Gabriel be continued at school until
he shall receive a liberal education also that he be furnished
with necessary books to the amount of twenty Dollars
I give the right unto my son Tucker Woodson Moore all that part
of the tract of Land I purchased of John Walker that lies in
the great tract on the north side of Dan river making
the river the line between my son Tucker Woodson & my son
Tucker and Matthew Orel. as far up as the road that crosses
the river from dwelling place to the great best plantation
I then the dividing ridge in said tract from said road
running in a Northerly direction so as to leave all that
part of the aforesaid tract that lies on the west side of
said ridge as also that part of a seventy five acre tract
that lies on the west of said ridge to my son Matthew
Orel.
I also give my son Tucker Woodson a tract of Land that
adjoins the above mentioned from the same side of the
river which includes a slip of low grounds last cultivated
by Anna Oglesby containing fifty acres more or less. I give
also to my son Tucker Woodson a tract of Land lying
on the south side of the river adjoining the first mentioned
which includes the plantation where an late Robinson lived
the same I purchased of Matthew Beathage containing one
hundred & fifty acres more or less. I give also to my son
Tucker Woodson a tract adjoining the first mentioned
on the south side of the river & adjoining a survey of
John Beathage including my old mill on the Mountain
fork containing one hundred & fifty acres more or less

I give also to my son Tucker Woodson a tract adjoining the first mentioned on the south side of the river adjoining a survey of John Leatherages including my old mill on the Mountain Creek containing one hundred & fifty acres more or less. I give also to my son Tucker Woodson an entry containing one hundred acres more or less ^{lying} on the south side of the river adjoining the old tract purchased of John Walker the old mill tract John Leatherages & the tract purchased of Matthias Leatherages. - I give also to my son Tucker Woodson a tract of land containing four hundred acres on the Mountain Creek adjoining John O'Hayler & John Leatherages survey including Dabty Rutherford's improvement.

Item I give to my son Tucker Woodson a tract of land containing two hundred acres lying on the north side of the river and adjoining Edmund Tellys on the north lying on both sides of the road that leads to Thomas Fork fork. Item I give to my son Tucker Woodson a negro boy named Ben also one horse bridle & saddle to be worth one hundred dollars also one feather bed & furniture to him this he has forever.

Item I also will that my son Tucker Woodson shall continue at school untill he requires a liberal education also that, he be furnished with books necessary books to the amount of seventy dollars.

8th I give & bequeath unto my son Matthias Red Moore all that part of the tract of land I now live on which I purchased of John Walker lying on the south side of said river and also a part thereof on the north side of the river running with the top of the ridge in the great tract as mentioned in the clause that make the division between my son Tucker Woodson & my son Matthias Red Moore the original survey that I purchased of John Walker contains

five hundred & twenty five acres more or less & that part will be to my son Matthias Red is to include the mansion & plantation where I now live which plantation lies on the south side of the river from the double forks. I also give to my son Matthias Red one tract of land that I purchased of William Horton adjoining the above mentioned tract lying on the north double forks also includes the place called the round Bottom containing one hundred acres more or less.

9th I also give to my son Matthias Red two other small tracts & a part of a third tract viz. the first lying on both sides of the river adjoining the last mentioned & the tract I now live on containing seventy five acres a small part of which falls to my son Tucker Woodson on the north side of the river - the 2^d tract adjoining the former & lies on both sides of the river extends up to the mouth of the big fork containing one hundred & fifty acres more or less the same I purchased of Gamaliel Daily - the third tract adjoining the last mentioned lies on the north side of the river & in the fork of the river & big fork & is estimated at about forty acres including where I now formerly lived & is a part of a survey made for said family ^{which} contained one hundred acres.

10th I give to my son Matthias Red a tract of land lying on the north side of said river on both sides of Fenleys branch & adjoining Fenleys survey containing two hundred acres more or less.

11th I give to my son Matthias Red one negro boy named Isaac also one feather bed & furniture & also one horse bridle & saddle to be worth one hundred dollars & also to him when he arrives at the age of twenty one year.

Item I will that my son Matthew Oakes be put to school & continued until he shall acquire a liberal education also that he be furnished with necessary books to the amount of seventy dollars

9th I lend to my Daughter Anne wife of John Hughes one Negro woman named Fanny Ball her increase during her natural life & at her decease to descend to her Children & to be equally divided among those that are then living

Item I give to my Daughter Anne two mares & one feather bed & furniture which she has received when she was fourteen

10th I lend to my Daughter Mary wife of Ambrose Gaines to ~~one~~ Negro woman named Hannah & Matt. Ball their increase during her natural life & at her decease to descend to her Children & to be equally divided between those that shall be then living to them & their heirs forever

Item I give to my Daughter Mary one horse & one feather bed & furniture to her & her heirs forever all which she has received

11th I lend to my Daughter Elizabeth wife of John Russell two Negro women named Amy & Nell & all their increase during her natural life & at her decease to descend to her Children & to be equally divided between those that are then living

Item I give to my Daughter Elizabeth one mare & one feather bed & furniture to her & her heirs forever all which she has received

12th I give & bequeath unto my own sons & their Daughters before mentioned a bond on James Sheppard for a title to a certain tract of land lying Grassy Creek in Surry County also a bond on Edwin Hildman acres of the State of Tennessee for one thousand acres of land in the Western County also a bond on Capt. James Gaines for three thousand acres of land lying

with William journey. also an obligation on Col. James Martin for about thirteen a fourteen hundred acres of land in the Western County also a bond assigned by Archibald Martin on John Dardin of the State of Georgia for two hundred & thirty acres of land in said State also a bond on Thomas Webb for five hundred & forty acres on Harpeth Creek in the State of Tennessee to be equally divided between them & their heirs forever

Now in consequence of Welling to my Daughter Anne wife of John Hughes one Negro boy that than my other Daughters.

13th I give & bequeath to my grand son Matthew M. Hughes to pay the necessary expense attending his education & to purchase books for his further studies the sum of Two hundred dollars

14th I will that my son Works & his providance be ~~to~~ secured & to discharge all my just debts & further to discharge the necessary expense that may attend the education of my three sons Gabriel Tucker Woodson & Matthew Oakes & my grand son Matthew M. Hughes

15th I will that my son Works & the land appertaining thereto if not sold viz. Two thousand five hundred acres situated as bounding land for said son Works which includes the forty six acres on the south side of the big Creek which includes the Buildings adjacent to the forge a part of Fentley's twenty five acres on the head of Johns Branch which includes an Iron ore bank Ten acres bought of Jeremiah Early entered by Phillip Wilson on patent a branch of Duck Island Creek Two acres purchased of James Simons one hundred acres on the whetstone

on the East side of Duck Island & then across on the waters of Duck Island from purchase of John Finley I intend in his name shall be equally divided between my seven sons & three daughters.

1st I will that if any of the perishable Property that I have willed to either of my three sons Gabriel Tucker Woodson or Matthew Reid shall die before they arrive at lawful age so in such case that in such case they shall have the value of the same as if said property had lived till they had arrived at lawful age.

2nd I also will that either of my three sons should die before they arrive at the age of twenty one year that is, Gabriel Tucker Woodson & Matthew Reid that in such case their parts of my estate shall be equally divided ^{between} ~~among~~ my other sons & daughters that are then living.

I do by these presents ordain constitute & appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth Executors together with my sons Ruben Moore Edward Moore William Moore & Gabriel Moore Executors of my last Will & Testament. Sealed with my seal & subscribed with my own hand this tenth day of October & in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & one

Sign^d Seal^d & acknowledged
in presence of

Matthew Moore Seal^d

Joseph Flood Secy

Hoke County December term 1851

The inclosure of the last Will & Testament of Matthew Moore Sen^r of which the foregoing

is a true copy was duly proven in open court by the oath of Joseph Flood the subscribing witness thereto & ordered to be recorded which is accordingly done.

Robt. W. Moore C
J. H. Armstrong

In the name of God Amen: I John Dollen of Hoke County and State of North Carolina being weak in body but of perfect sound sense and memory do this Twenty fifth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred make and ordain this to be my last Will & Testament in manner & form following that is to say First I will that as much of my personal estate be sold by my executors as will be sufficient to discharge all my last debts & funeral charges and applied accordingly 2^d Some years ago I owned two hundred acres of land in Belvoir Creek adjoining & between Gabriel Jones Benjamin Jones John Wells & myself but have never obtained a grant from the State for said land, but if a grant should be obtained at any time hereafter from the State in my name for said land in such case I give the quarter unto my son in law Willy Wright one hundred acres of the Western end of said tract & the other hundred being Eastern end of said tract I give the quarter unto my daughter Sarah Dollen to them & their heirs forever on condition that they the said Willy Wright & Sarah Dollen shall & will pay all fees costs and charges that accrue in obtaining a grant for said land. Registration thereof &c. I will that my wife keep in possession all my land not yet before bequeathed which I shall dispose of