

147 on the most fair already received part by her
on which I have no interest but the principal
division

I desire that my son in law Wm. Haffins be
paid five shillings out of my estate by my executor
as his portion in full all which monies goods &c
which I have already lent him he is to pay back into
my estate & a division made equally as above
mentioned

Item I desire that my Grandson Frederick
Haffins if he should live to arrive at the age of
twenty one years that he should then come in
and then draw an equal part with the rest
of my Children of my estate but should he
die before that age he has no part or lot thereof
Lastly I appoint my son George Doll and
my son in law Frederic Miller my executors of
his my last will & testament revoking all others
In Witness whereof I have affixed my seal and
signature & acknowledged my name in presence
of the Undersubscribers this 26th day of January
1807

Henry his step. son
marked
Lt. Pryor

Nicholas his Doll son
marked

Nokes County Court December Term 1813

The execution of the last will & testament
of Nicholas Doll dec^d of which the foregoing
is a true copy was duly proven by the oath
of Henry Step. & ordered to be recorded

and accordingly
Robt Williams cc
J. Tho. J. Armstrong &c

In the name of God Amen I Solomon Rank 147
of Bethania Nokes County State of North Carolina being sick
& weakly in body but yet of perfect mind & memory thanks be to
God for the same, calling to mind the ~~length~~ mortality of my body
knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make
and ordain this my last will and testament in manner
and form following that is to say

Thomas I have a Leasehold Estate in the town of Bethania
consisting of a lot with its improvements and fields orchard &
meadows thence belonging with their improvements and appurtenances
and which Estate I have hitherto promised to be leased to my
son Gottlieb Rank the late Frederic Rank Marshall on a certain
verbal agreement with my said son to pay me out and from
said leasehold Estate a certain yearly rent in consideration of
his having received the same with the improvements thence from
me, it is my will that after my decease my said son Gottlieb
shall continue to yield & pay unto my dearly beloved wife
Elizabeth during her lifetime annually the following articles to wit
from the fruit growing on said premises as many apples and
peaches as she may be in want of and so much hay as she
may want for such of the Cattle as she may think necessary
to keep for her use and likewise to see to it that my said
beloved wife continue to have use occupy possess and enjoy
a separate dwelling place in the new house on said lot to live
& dwell therein unmolested as long as she may choose to do
without being subject to pay any rent or charges therefor
whatever And on my said son having performed and
fulfilled these requisites I hereby give bequeath & confirm
finally to him for ever all my right title & claims on said
Leasehold Estate.

And whereas I have a share in a mill near Bethania
commonly called the Bethany mill I will that after my
decease all the incomes emolument and profits of said
mill share shall same be payable and be paid to my
said dearly beloved wife during her life without any

deduction for rents repairs or other charges whatever and my said son Gottlieb shall be at & bear solely all expenses falling to my share in the repairs and other matters for upholding said mill from this day forwards and after the decease of my said beloved wife he my said son Gottlieb on having performed the stipulations just mentioned and in addition thereto also shall pay and make up to my three Daughters hereinafter named out of the profits of said share in said mill such a sum of money as might after my decease in my Estate be found wanting to be made up out of the balance due me for the lands I sold for the sum of five hundred Dollars for my three Daughters aforesaid and keeping hereafter my estate clear from all Charges & expenses falling to said share in upholding said mill then he my son Gottlieb shall finally solely and absolutely have & hold to himself his heirs or assigns all my right & title to said share in said mill in the same manner & under the same contract I now hold the same jointly with my Copartners in said mill forever And under these Conditions I hereby give & bequeath the said mill share to him my said son Gottlieb with all its emoluments and appurtenances thereto belonging.

Whensoever the balance due me for the lands I sold can be collected and if required with an additional sum from my son Gottlieb out and from his mill share the sum of five hundred Dollars appropriated for my three Daughters is made up. I will that the said sum of five Hundred Dollars be equally divided amongst my three daughters Elizabeth Anna Maria and Catharine share and share alike that is to each of them the \$¹/₃ One Hundred and

Sixty six Dollars & two thirds of a Dollar which sum I hereby give & bequeath to each of them to be paid to them by my heirs after named executors as soon as the same may or can be by them collected.

And I will that my son Gottlieb shall execute a Deed of Conveyance for the lands I have sold to the purchasers wherein they have finally and fully made payment for the same.

Item Whatever claim I have in the negro man Harry and whom some time past have already given to my said son I hereby confirm to and give and bequeath all my right title & claims to said negro man to my said son Gottlieb to hold the same wholly & solely to himself his heirs or assigns forever.

Item To the Society known by the name and title "The Association for the furtherance of the Gospel" I give & bequeath the sum of twelve Dollars & fifty Cents to be paid out of my estate by my executors.

Whatever else I may be possessed of at my decease of personal or perishable estate I will that so much thereof as shall be sold at public sale by my executors as may be found necessary by them for paying all my just debts & funeral expenses and what they are or may be herein directed to pay and not otherwise provided for hereby charging my executors all my just debts and to recover all my just

Claims for my estate of the remainder of any estate I possess my dear & beloved wife shall have choice to take for her own use whatever she may please and keep & use the same as she see cause during her life and what is left thereof at her decease shall in addition to such of my perishable estate which she may not choose to take & keep to herself and with the same constitute part of my estate if any such there be to be appropriated for my three daughters aforesaid in addition to what is herein already given them and to be disposed of

149. and divided amongst them in manner following
By all such Estate of the parish as my said dear
wife may not chose to take and such as she takes
and leaves at her decease shall be appraised by
three indifferent honest men one chosen by each
of one of my said Daughters and when appraised
the same shall according to Value by them be divided
in four equal parts & then they shall give & deliver to
my daughter Elizabeth in consideration of her long
attendance on her parents of three parts so appraised
& divided two parts and to the other two Daughters Anna
Maria & Catharine to each of them one part

And lastly I hereby nominate and appoint my said
son Jacob and my trusty friend Jacob Lark
Executors of this my last will & testament In Witness
whereof I have to this my last will & testament
set my hand and Affixed my seal this ninth
day of April A.D. one thousand eight hundred & thirteen
Signed sealed published & Declared
in the last will & testament of
Michael Rank the testator in
presence of
Christian Lark
Henry Hauser Jurat
John H. Hauser

Stokes County Court December Term 1813

The execution of the last will & testament of
of Michael Rank dec'd of which the foregoing is
a true copy was proven in open Court by
Henry Hauser & or deud to be recorded

Robt Williams, CC
The T. Armstrong, CC

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In the name of God Amen! This fourteenth day
of January one thousand eight hundred & thirteen
I Alexander Range of the County of Stokes and State of North Carolina
being sick but of a disposing mind & memory thanks be to the Almighty
for this Mercy do make this my last Will & testament in manner
Here following. First I recommend my soul to God my Creator
and redeemer by whose merits alone I hope to be saved and
have full forgiveness of all my sins and as for my body I
recommend it to the earth to be buried in a Christian like &
decent manner at the discretion of my executors hereafter
named. And as touching such worldly goods as it hath pleased
God to bless me with in this life I give dispose and bequeath
in manner and form following In witness whereof it is my will that
all my just debts be paid by my executors

Item I give and bequeath to my loving wife during her
life a widowhood the land whereon I now live and all
the rest of my estate both real & personal and after her decease
to be equally divided amongst all my children except my
two daughters Lucy & Hannah for them to have twenty dollars
each than the rest of my children My desire is that there be
no appraisement on my estate I do make constitute my wife
Executrix of this my last will and testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
Seal the day and year above written. Signed sealed and
acknowledged by the testator in presence of us

Henry P. Harris
George Clark
Thomas Gaudin Jurat
Alexander Range (Test)

Stokes County Court Term 1814 The execution of the last
Will and testament of Alexander Range dec'd as aforesaid proven in
open Court by Thomas Gaudin & or deud to be recorded
Done Accordingly
Robt Williams, CC
The T. Armstrong, CC