

this 20 day of December 1823 signed in the presence of the subscribing witness  
John Briggs Esq.  
Benj: Briggs Esq.

Gabriel Maynor Esq.

Stokes County September term 1824

The execution of the last will statement of Gabriel Maynor  
was duly proved in open court by the oath of Benj:  
Briggs ordered to be recorded

Matthew R. Wilson C.C.  
of Stokes County D.C.

In the name of God Amen I command you all & my  
children, in my last will statement of some mind memory take heed to  
for his mercy calling unto mind the mortality of my body knowing that it is appointed  
for all men to die, do make & renew this my last will statement that is to say first  
of all I give & command my soul unto the hands of Almighty God that gives  
to me, & my body to the earth to be buried in decent manner, and as touching of  
such worldly estate wherewith it pleased God to bless me in this life, I give &  
desire of in the following manner to wit, first of all I leave to my beloved wife  
the half of land wherein I now live and other assets to belong to my son John  
Beasley I leave to my beloved wife three head of horses, two mares & one colt &  
all my stock of cattle I leave to my beloved wife and my stock of hogs &  
hens, I leave to my beloved wife all my household kitchen furniture, plough,  
hose and all kind of farming tools, and at the death of my beloved wife the  
property left to be divided among all my children but John Beasley, he is to have  
the tract of land wherein we now live containing 259 acres in the waters of Dan  
River given in fee simple to him a deed the 11th day of July 1824. Command my Beasley and  
myself George Lewis  
Mathew Francis  
Joseph Bryan and  
James Lyon

Stokes County September term 1824

The execution of the last will statement of John Beasley  
act. was duly proved in open court by the oath of  
George Lewis ordered to be recorded

Matthew R. Wilson C.C.  
of Stokes County D.C.

In the name of God Amen be it remembered that I dole done of  
Stokes County State of North Carolina, calling to mind the mortality of  
my body as a being of some mind memory before the Lord for his  
mercy to make & publish this my last will statement in manner & form following first  
I give my soul to God who gave it hoping that he will have mercy upon  
it through his dear Son and a cordial blessing forever. as to that portion of  
worldly goods which he has pleasure to give me. I give who quarter in  
the following manner viz I give six feather plates to my sister Elizabeth Maynor  
one new candle also my old candle, two handkerchiefs in black with one  
cotton. Give to my two nieces Elizabeth & Sarah Jones each one feather dish also  
Elizabeth is to have a sheet on each side cloth, Deborah I give an east one

sheet to Deborah I give one bed one sheet, I give to Petey Phillips my  
two saddle two cotton Trabbits. Give the residue of clothes & other personal  
estate I give three head of cattle I also return to him the forty pounds  
bequeath to me in my father's will what money may be in hand at my  
death I give to Mary in addition to what above stated I appoint  
my brother Benjamin Executor of this my last will statement in witness  
whereof I have set my hand & seal this 25th day of July 1824 signed & sealed  
in testimony this my last will statement in presence of Sarah Conner  
her mark

Lyndall Beagum  
Sarah Beagum Esq.

Stokes County September term 1824

The execution of the last will statement of Sarah Conner  
was duly proved in open court by the oath of Lydia Beagum and  
Wesell to be recorded

Matthew R. Wilson C.C.  
of Stokes County D.C.

In the name of God Amen I declare Rominger of Stokes County in the State of North Carolina  
having made my last will statement I do this 10th day of June 1824 make this my last will statement  
that my body be decently buried according to the custom of the Southern People  
I dole my just debts be paid my due & debts collected by my Executors I lay aside the interest I hold in  
a tract of land which is now by myself & brother Philip Rominger in half to each shareholder  
and divide the half up by my Executors for the benefit of my heirs till all my children (if they be alive  
at twenty one years) arrive at the age of twenty one years before the period during my Executors shall be past  
a publick sale of the said tract among my three surviving children the highest bidder amongst them  
shall be the purchaser & equal division of the proceeds shall then be made amongst my three surviving  
children then when either of them dying leave a wife a yearly annuity of fifty  
bushels wheat out of the profits of my part of the tract mill the my son Christian Lewis annuity  
to be twenty one year old before that time an annuity of twenty four bushels of wheat till my youngest  
surviving child shall be come twenty one year old to be given to her by my Executors when ever  
a part of the profits of my interest in the tract mill from time to time during the year  
when my said interest is less than five miles that my Executors shall pay all expenses for repairing for  
and keeping mill out of the profits of said miles if any surplus profits remain after paying for  
such repairs etc when which my wife is to have annually such remaining profits shall be past to  
my interest if the said miles should be used rebuilding then these funds as part of interest shall be  
be impressed together with the interest thereon for the payment for such rebuilding if not  
else used, it shall then be left the balance remaining to help in supporting my surviving children by  
them to the age of twenty one years, when a widow shall be over then of an age to maintain a man  
wife One & 6 I will that each child (which may arrive to the age of twenty one  
year) when they arrive at that age have the full sole profits of both great & small mill for  
the term of an year each after paying to my beloved wife the annuity of twenty four  
bushels of wheat as directed in article the 4<sup>th</sup> when I speak of my interest of the mill  
in this will, I will always be understood in this way that the sum of land which is  
labeled by as the mill tract shall always be subject to the mill she held throughout her  
living part of said miles. & I will set the rest of land where I now live & with my  
house and house hold instruments there shall be subject to my beloved wife & during  
the natural life or so long as she remains my widow for the purpose of supporting  
me & my children except the decrease of my widow & if she marry then my  
children shall be subject to the same surviving children as the

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bider shall be the purchaser & the proceeds thereof shall be used as a mention'd in article 9<sup>th</sup> will that my Execut'ors shall expose to public or private sale my negroes & my h'cky, saddle, wagon & such other property, as may not be needed for carrying & attending to the plantation wheran my beloved wife is to remain uninterupted & then & thence my negroes & som' my nego woman & cattle shall be sold at public or private sale & if in case my Execut'ors cannot sell soon & master they may give them to any person willing to take them. Out of the proceeds of their sales my Execut'ors shall pay my debts which may remain unpaid after my dues are collected & compensated towards the payment of my debts if any funds then remain or had they shall be put on interest & necessary they be applied in the same way as directed in article 5<sup>th</sup> for rebuilding the mills & the surplus funds not expended having arrears shall be put on interest & dealt with as directed in article 9<sup>th</sup>

13 all the provision including grain & forage on hand at my decease shall go to the use of my beloved wife for the maintenance of my children & all my household & kitchen furniture of whatever description shall be & belong to my beloved wife for her use so long as she may live or marry & after such term if her decease or marriage my Execut'ors shall proceed the same way as mentioned in article 5<sup>th</sup> 11 but if in case my beloved wife should depart this life before all my children should be the age of twenty one years then in that case then in that case my Execut'ors shall forthwith proceed to get guardians appointed of good & discreet men over the then minor children according to law & after such appointments are made, shall make a public sale of the interest in the mills & plantations giving notice of the time of each sale to the appointed guardian & guardians of my then minor children & I do hereby enjoin on those guardians to attend said sale & see that no attorney be taken of my then minor children wth the proceeds of the sale & will that they be divided as mentioned in article 8<sup>th</sup> also all funds which may remain on hand in the case of my wife's departure before all my children are of age of whatever description shall then be divided after such sales have taken place as a mention'd in article 8<sup>th</sup> also the residue of my estate of whatever nature herein not mentioned shall after the different periods herein mentioned have expir'd be equally divided among all my living children

14 etch I do hereby ordain & appoint my beloved son Christian Lewis & my beloved son Charles as Co-executors of this my last will & statement hereby revoking all former wills by me made & declaring this to be my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 1824.

John Rominger (seal)

acknowledged & witnessed &  
acknowledged before us State County Sept: term 1824  
Just Shantz, Notary Public Rominger (seal) The execution of the last will & statement of John Rominger the 1<sup>st</sup> was made & recorded in open court of the court of Just Shantz of the state of North Carolina on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 1824.

The twenty fifth day of March anno domini 1820  
In the name of God & man I Archibald Reynolds of Stokes County, state of North Carolina, being of perfect mind & memory & considering the uncertainty of this mortal life do therefore make & renew this my last will & statement in manner & form following (that is to say) first then all my lots with their improvements in the town of Vienna together with all my lands adjoining consisting of seven lots containing one acre each, one tract lying at the West end of the town on the south side of the street containing twenty four acres & three quarters known by the name of Chesty land the other tract lying on the north side of the street containing one hundred & twenty three acres, known by the name of the Oscar land now it is my desire that the above mentioned lots & lands be rented out yearly for six years to the highest bidder or otherwise if thought proper one half of the money arising therefrom to be paid to me for my use the other half to remain with him who acquires this business for his trouble After which time of six years he or his heirs & executors shall be sold at public auction the money arising therefrom to be equally divided among my dearly beloved children viz Nancy Reynolds, Sally Reynolds, Becky Reynolds, Sarah Drab, Ernest Doubt, David Reynolds and Samuel B Reynolds. Secondly my other lands consisting of two tracts one lying on the water of Double creek containing twenty four acres separated it being a portion from Corp Creek commonly called the Brook place the other tract containing fifty acres separating Corp Creek on the west side and Loring on the north & consisting it being a large portion from Ralph Hopkins property said Hopkins on the south side. Those two last mentioned tracts viz the Brook & Hopkins lands containing one hundred and twenty five acres may be rented out for three years after which time they may be sold to the highest bidder first giving public notice by advertisement for three months to the sale thirdly it is likewise my desire that all my stock of every kind household goods & movable effects may be sold & divided between my five daughters & two sons as above forthly all moneys debt that may appear due to me by note of hand or otherwise after my decease to be equally divided after deducting above after paying away just debts & funeral expenses which I trust will be done in a decent manner. If Sally Doubt likewise constitutes me to retain my will below a

the my last will & statement and I do hereby disavow all every other former statement will, legacy, bequest &c &c by me in any wise before named, written or by printed, ratifying & confirming this who thereto be my last will & statement the witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred thirty A. Reynolds  
Signed sealed published & declared by the above named A. R. to be his last will & statement in the presence of as who hereunto subscribe as witness in witness in the presence of the testator

Stokes County September term 1824

The signature of the last will statement of A. Reynolds and we acknowledge we have signed the same before him as his true & genuine signature by the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 1824