

55 & make Void all my former wills or legacies
done by me either in writing or by word of
mouth ratifying & confirming this & no other to
be my last Will and Testament

In witness whereof I have hereunto put
my hand and seal this eighteenth day of September
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred & three Jacob Pley Seal

Sign'd sealed prossesed & delivered by the testator
as and for his last will
& testament in the presence
of us who at his request
subscribed our names hereto
in the presence of one another

Iohn Ruggs

John Baker

Johnson Buttidge Junr
mark

Stokes County September ten 1804

The execution of the last will and testament
of Jacob Pley, Sr. of which the foregoing is
a true copy was proven in open Court by the
oath of Johnson Buttidge & ordered to be Recorded
which is accordingly done

Rob Williams
A. Mo. T. Armstrong

In the name of God Amen I Richard Beary of
Stokes County and State of North Carolina Planting
being in Common health and of sound mind
and Memory thanks be given unto God
for the same and calling unto mind the mortality
of my body and knowing that it is appointed for
all men to die do make and ordain this my
last will and testament that is to say I principally
and first of all I give and recommend my soul
into the hands of almighty God that gave it and
my body I recommend to the Earth to be buried
and done in a Christian manner at the Discretion
of my executors nothing Doubting but at the resurrection
I may receive the same Dearly receive my reward from
God And as touching such worldly estate wherewith it
hath pleased God to bless me with in this life I give
Dismiss & Dispose of the same in the following manner
and form.

Item. I give my will is I give and bequeath unto my wife
beloved wife Martha all bodily & temporal Support
that she may require or want in this life to have
the same out of my estate in full enjoyment of the same
during her life

Item. I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Jeremiah
Beary all my land where I now live and all plantation
slaves and Stock of horses cattle hogs Sheep and all
my household goods of all kinds and all Tools and
all my whole estate only what is hereafter excepted
to my other children that I have portions of before
and further my will is that my wife & son Jeremiah
would not divide the estate but keep it together as
they might think proper.

56 Item And unto my beloved children to wit
namely William Beasley Piggy Cooper Benjamin
Beasley Robert Beasley Richard Beasley Molly
Taylor Patty Harrison James Beasley Sally Nunn
Thomas Beasley Suckar Coomer I do give and
bequeath the sum of Five Shillings to each of
them to be paid in money by my executors
hereafter named.

And I do hereby appoint my trusty & well beloved
friends and neighbours to wit James Cook and
Tyre Riddle my true and lawful executors to
this my last will and testament and I do by
virtue of these presents Renounce Revoke all or any
will or wills heretofore made by me confirming
and ratifying this as my last will and testament
in testimony whereof and in the presence whereof
I have set my name and affixed my this twenty fifth
day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred.

Sig'd in the presence of

Grace Pennington

Joseph Pennington Trustt

Caleb Sumner

Richard Beasley
marks

Stokes County September term 1804

The execution of the last will and testament
of Richard Beasley Deed of which the foregoing
is a true Copy was duly proven in open Court
by the oath of Joseph Pennington & others
to be recorded Done accordingly

Rob Williamson
Thos. H. Armstrong Esq

In the name of God Amen!

I Anthony Bitting of Stokes County
& state of North Carolina being of sound and perfect
mind and memory (Help to God) last week in
being d. the Twenty ninth day of June in the year
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & four
make and publish this my last will and testament
in Manner following that is to say

First I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary
my negro Woman Ann & said Ann has child Penelia
which Negro Ann I verobally gave to my said Daughter
Mary some years ago also one bed and furniture
and one third part of a lot in Germanton south
side the Main Street

Secondly I give and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth
my negro girl Siddy a bed and furniture which
I have verobally given her some years ago also
I give her my negro woman Sam and one third
part of a lot in Germanton south the main street
Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Martha &
Joshua Beamer my son in law my negro boy called
Sterling also one half the valuation of my negro
woman Florah which valuation I desire to be made
by three respectable freeholders to be chosen by my
executors & I give said Joshua one third part of a lot
in Germanton the south side of Main Street

Fourthly I give and bequeath unto my son John Bitting
my negro boy Boston one bed and furniture a young
horse Colt which came of my gray mare last spring
also two lots which I possess in the town of Germanton
and County aforesaid adjoining each other including the
Meeting house I formerly lived in