

75 Signed Sealed published and declared by the testator  
to be his last will & testament in the presence of us

Peter Geaff { Sarah  
Joseph Holden }

Stokes County March term 1837.

The execution of the last will & testament of  
John Mickey deceased of which the foregoing is a true Copy  
was duly proven in open Court by the oaths of Peter  
Geaff & Joseph Holden & ordered to be recorded.

done accordingly

Rob Williams CC

Wm. D. Armstrong CC

I Tristam Barnard of Stokes County State of North Carolina  
sooper being of sound mind & memory and knowing that it is  
appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my  
last will & testament in manner & form following  
First of all I will that all my just debts be paid out of my  
personal Estate by my executors hereafter named,  
Secondly I do give unto my dear wife Dairicia Barnard  
her Choice in my brown Bay horse with her saddle &  
bridle & the feather bed furniture on which we lay  
for common and one half of the Linens in my house  
that has been made since we were married I mean  
linen & Cotton such as sheets & towels and all her wearing  
clothes & one black Kipper

Stokes County June term 1837.

A paper writing purporting to be the last will &  
testament of Tristam Barnard Esq<sup>r</sup> of which the foregoing  
is a true Copy was proven in open Court by Seth  
Geaff & Latham Folger in the following manner  
(to wit) that this paper writing is in the proper

hand writing of said Testator; that they verily believe  
it to be his last will & testament when in a sound  
and disposing mind & memory that he did truly & without  
compulsion. Ordered to be recorded done accordingly

Rob Williams CC  
Wm. D. Armstrong CC

In the name of God Amen! I Robt Sharp Hamilton of  
the County of Stokes and State of Carolina being sick & weak  
in body but of perfect sound mind reason & memory And calling  
to mind the frailty of my mortal body and aprehend that it is  
appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this  
to be my last will & testament in manner & form as follows  
that is to say First I give & bequeath unto my well beloved wife  
one negro man named Abraham one negro woman  
named Jude one negro boy named Isaac one negro  
girl named Celia one negro boy named William, one  
negro boy named Abraham one negro girl named Keane  
& one negro man named Peter together with two hundred  
acres of land to be laid off from my one thousand acre  
tract which lies on Elk river in the State of Virginia together  
with all my movable property of Hous Cattle Hogs furniture  
etc pots books etc each to & the during the time of her  
natural life & widowhood & whenever it shall please  
God to remov her by death or upon her marriage with  
another man, all the said property (after paying all my legate  
able debts) shall descend to my two sons John Hamilton & James  
Hamilton when they come of lawfull age and their  
heirs forever. (except the negro woman Jude who shall  
be borne side the property of my said wife Mary during  
her lifetime whether she live alone again or not after my  
decease & the two hundred acres of land.

76 I give and bequeath to my two sons John & James Hamilton eight hundred acres of land being the balance of my thousand acre tract lying on Elk River in the state of Tennessee to be equally divided between them, there is 150 acres of land lying on the Rocky branch in Guilford County and 100 acres lying on Snow Creek Stokes County which I order to be sold toward the payment of my debts &c And I do hereby order and direct nominate & appoint General John Hamilton my beloved uncle, and Andrew Robinson against my faithful friends together with my beloved wife Polly Hamilton executors of this my last will & testament Ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last will & testament

In witness whereof I set my hand this  
10th day of March A.D. 1837.

Signed sealed pronounced & declared  
to be his last will & testament  
in the presence of us who before each  
other set our names hereto witness vix

R. J. Hamilton Esq<sup>d</sup>

Robinson  
William Botrell } Testant  
Cornelius Cook }

Stokes County Same time 1837.

The last will Statement of Robert Sharp Hamilton  
of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proved  
in open Court by the oaths of Andrew Robinson  
William Botrell & Cornelius Cook the Subscribing witnesses  
thereunto & ordered to be recorded done accordingly

Rob Williams C<sup>lerk</sup>  
& Thos. Johnson

In the name of God Amen I John Heel senior of Stokes  
County North Carolina being sick in body though in  
perfect sense & memory, knowing it was once appointed  
for all men to die, I yield my soul to God who gave it  
me hoping that through the merits of his dear son  
Jesus Christ to rise again at the last day in immortal  
glory blessed be God and my body to be decently buried  
at the discretion of my executors... And what worldly  
estate it hath pleased God to lend me I give & bequeath  
in manner & form following next.

Item. I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Catherine Heel  
all my lands & tenements goods & chattels and stock  
of every kind including all debts money &c to her  
during her natural life or widowhood. And at her  
death or marriage I desire that all my estate both  
real & personal & should be equally divided amongst  
my children but if any of my children should die  
before they come of lawful age or marriage then the  
above mentioned estate to be equally divided amongst  
those surviving

Item. I give to my daughter in law Polly Heel Ten Shillings  
current to be paid by my executors out of my estate.

Item. I give to my grand daughter Polly Heel when she arrives  
of lawful age ten pounds hard money to be raised  
out of my estate.

Lastly I appoint my wife, Peter Pinkley & John Heel junr  
my executors & executors And if my son Abraham Heel  
should remain back here to live, I desire he may act in  
place of Peter Pinkley

Given under my hand this 19th day of December Anno

Domiini 1838.

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John H. Price

Henry Holloman

Taste Black Knott

John Heel Esq<sup>d</sup>