

In the name of God Amen I Samuel Pitts
of Stokes County and State of North Carolina being
of sound & perfect Mind & Memory blessed be God. I do
this twenty third day of May Eighteen Hundred & Forty
make and publish my last will & Testament in manner
following that is to say After my funeral Charges
& all my just debts are paid

I leave to my bequeathed wife Elizabeth all my
lands that is known to be mine excepting fifty acres
and I give to my wife one horse and all my household
furniture and all my farming tools I leave to my
wife during her natural life & widowhood then
my lands to be equally divided between my sons
Andrew, Samuel Benjamin Isaac & Levi & to my son
Joshua I give my home place after his mother
dies including all my dwelling house & buildings
and to my son Samuel I give one Colt. I give to
my son John five Dollars. I give to my son
Cadwallader fifty acres of land including his farm
& buildings. I give to my Daughter Martha one
feather bed & furniture & one cow when married
I give to my Daughter Elizabeth one feather bed &
furniture and one cow when married. and after my
bequeathed wife's departure then all my personal
property to be made sale of and an equal division
to be made between all my Children.

And I hereby make and Ordain my worthy friends
Isaac Pitts & Cad Pitts Executors of this my last will &
testaments In Witness whereof I the said Samuel
Pitts do this my last will & Testament set my hand
& make the day & year above Written. Signed sealed
in the presence of us.

Witness James Pitts
Andrew Pitts
Samuel Pitts.

Samuel Pitts (Seal)

Stokes County Court March Term 1843.

The execution of the last will & Testament
of Samuel Pitts dec'd of which the foregoing
is a true copy was duly proven in open Court
by James Pitts & Andrew Pitts & ordered to be
recorded. Done accordingly.

Robt Williams, C.C.
Thos. T. Cunningham, C.C.

In the name of God Amen I Samuel Pitts of
Stokes County N. Carolina considering the mortality of man
think proper to make my last will & Testament being
of sound & perfect mind & understanding.
and therefore do make as following. first I will that
all my just debts be paid by my executor hereafter named
& my funeral expenses be paid out of my estate.

And then I will that my daughter Sarah & Rebecca shall
have the plantation whereon I now live together with
all my stock of every kind which I now possess including
a Span &c.

And then I give to my daughter Peggy wife of J. Ferguson
a tract of land adjoining a part of mine & capable
to a line established between myself & them for her to enjoy
or if she chooses to give to her children Henry & Polly.
I also give to my daughter Polly wife of John T. Allen
& to my daughter Bethany wife of John T. Allen a bond
of One Hundred pounds on Anthony Roberts in the
Western Country. in full of their share of inheritance
they having each of them rec'd already two hundred
acres of land. And lastly I appoint my trusty friends
John Randelman & Christian Lusk to be the executors
of this my last will. And hereby declare this to be