

I have done them all equal Justice
 3^d In case I should die before my beloved wife Rachel
 it is my will & desire that she remain upon my plantation
 & enjoy the profits of the same during her natural life and
 that she also be permitted to relax and use at her discretion
 any part or portion of my personal property that she may
 think necessary for her support & accommodation But if at
 my death there should remain more property than may be
 required for the purposes above named then it shall be the
 duty of my Executor to see the said surplus according to her
 request & directions.

It is further my will that the money arising from the
 sale of property above directed if there should be any
 to sell together with all debts which may be owing me and
 also all the cash on hand at my death (except the sum of
 fifty dollars which I give to my beloved wife for her own
 shroud use & benefit) be loaned out on interest which
 said interest shall be paid annually to my wife if she
 desires it otherwise it shall be accumulated for by ^{my} executor
 in their general settlement of my estate

4th At the death of my wife it is my will & desire that
 my land together with all the property remaining be sold
 by my Executor at publick sale on a reasonable credit and
 that the money arising therefrom together with all sums which
 may in any manner be due to my estate be divided among
 all my children into twelve equal shares that is to say,
 to my daughter Betsey George one share
 to the heirs of my daughter Mary George ^{one} share
 to my son William Ward one share
 to my daughter Rebecca Jackson one share
 to my son Isaac Ward one share
 to the heirs of my son John Ward dead one share
 to my daughter Anna H Duncan one share
 to my son Ebenezer W Ward one share
 to my daughter Sally Williams one share
 to my son Melchell Ward one share
 to my daughter Rachel Patterson one share and
 to my daughter Judah L. Richardson one share
 Lastly I nominate constitute & appoint my son William Ward
 & my son-in-law Charles Duncan Executors of this my last will
 & Testament

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set
 my hand & seal the day and date above written

Signed sealed published &
 declared by the said John Ward
 testator to be his last will &
 Testament in the presence of
 us who were present at the
 time of signing sealing the same
 Witnesses

John T Blackburn

John Ward Esq

Stokes County December Term 1839

The Execution of the Last Will & Testament of John Ward
 deceased which the foregoing is a true copy was duly
 proven in open court by the oath of John Will and
 John T Blackburn and ordered to be recorded
 which is accordingly done

J. D. T. G. S. G. S. G. S.

In the name of God Amen

I Timothy Roark of the County of Stokes
 and State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect mind
 and memory blessed be God do this the seventeenth day of November
 in the Year of our Lord one thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Eight make
 and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner following
 that is to say I first Give and bequeath to my Beloved Wife Mary
 Roark the house built for Sime Roark with Land thirty Eight acres
 & Improvements there unto belonging during lifetime or widowhood
 then to Mr. With the balance of the old tract also I give to my son John
 Roark the balance of the old tract except a small parcel sold to John
 Jackson which he has in cultivation also my above named wife
 & son to have each a horse head & two cows each house hold &
 kitchen furniture and farming utensils Equal divided with
 these the above named Mary & John Roark also I will that Mr.
 my son have my black Smith tools the balance of my lands
 and property to be sold and equally divided with my four
 children and I the said Timothy Roark do hereby appoint
 my worthy friends Mary & John Roark as my executors to this my last
 Will and Testament in Witness whereof I set my hand and seal the day
 and year above written

Timothy Roark
 William Roark

Timothy Roark

Stokes County March Term 1839
 The Execution of the Last Will & Testament

35/ of Timothy Roark of which the foregoing is a True
Copy was duly proven in open Court by William Pease
Jury who also proved that Paul Roark signed the same
in his presence and in the presence of the Testator at the request
of the Testator Whereupon it was ordered by the Court
that it be recorded, which is accordingly done
Rush, J. Solving Clerk

In the name of God amen I William League son of the
County of Stokes and State of North Carolina knowing the certainty of
Death and the uncertainty of life But being of sound mind and
memory and my intellectual faculties unimpaired Do for the
better settling of my outward Estate after my Decease make
and ordain this my last will and testament Revoking all others
heretofore made by me in the words following viz
First I Will that all my just debts shall be punctually paid by my
Executors after my decease
Secondly I Give my beloved wife Elizabeth League one thousand
Acres of Land including the improvements on the east end of
my tract of Land on which I now live During her Natural
life and after her decease the said Land is to be to my youngest
son Elijah League and my will is that my said son Elijah
League shall have all the ballances of my said tract of Land
on which I now live Thirdly I further will and bequest to my
beloved wife Elizabeth League the following Articles viz one mare
black fly, two horses and calves and one small black and white heifer
and all the stock of Hogs and sheep one plow one hayrack one
axe one hoe one Matoc one pair of Saws one Runner one walnut
Dresser and furniture six wooden chairs and four other chairs one
walnut chest three beds and bedsteads and furniture clock looking
Glass Matting table kitchen dresser and furniture and all the other kitchen
furniture Loom saddle bridle and all the wash tubs and all the
spinning wheels and books and as much of the wheat corn oats hay
poddin onion salt as will support her and her family and stock
and Elijah League and wife and stock till the first day of November
In the year Eighteen Hundred & thirty nine to Will or dispose of
as she pleases
Fourthly I Give to my beloved wife fifty dollars to have work
done with next year
Fifthly my will is that all my shop tools be Equally divided between my two
sons William Isaac and Elijah League

36/ My will is that after my decease my personal Estate not
heretofore mentioned be sold on a credit of twelve months
and the money arising from the sale thereof with what
money may be on hand and all my out standing debts
by bond or other wise after satisfying the above legacies
and my legal claims be equally divided between my wife
and six daughters and two Eldest sons viz Elizabeth
League Phoebe Robins Hanna Drayton Martha Potts Anna
de Collem Sarah Tucker Elizabeth Wright William League
Isaac League Except Anna de Collem and Sarah Tucker
and William League and Isaac League is not to have as
much as the rest by thirty dollars each
I do hereby ordain constitute and appoint my Eldest son
William League and my youngest son Elijah League -
Executors of this my last will and Testament with full
power and authority to carry the same into effect signed
with my hand and sealed with my seal the Twenty sixth
day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand
Eight hundred and thirty Eight
signed sealed published
and declared by the above
Mentioned William League
to be his last Will and Testament
in the presence of
Moses Smith (Swar)
Jacob Smith

Stokes County March Term 1839
The Execution of the last will and Testament of William
League dec. of which the foregoing is a True copy
was produced in open Court and duly proven according
to law by the oath of Moses Smith and ordered
to be recorded which is accordingly done

R. D. Solving Clerk