

193. One thousand and eight hundred and forty five &  
done in the presence of who were called upon to  
witness the same

Witness

Geo F Wilson  
D B Butler

Anna Shouser her  
mark Anna Shouser Esq

March Term 1845

The Execution of the last will & testament of  
Anna Shouser deceased (of which the foregoing is a true  
copy) was duly proved in open Court by the oath of  
Geo F. Wilson one of the subscribing witnesses  
thereto & ordered to be recorded

Mo Hill. esq.

I Harmon Butler of the County of Stokes & State of N. Carolina  
being of sound mind & memory but considering the uncertainty  
of my earthly existence do make & publish my last will  
and testament in the manner & form following that is to say—  
First that my executor hereinafter named shall provide for  
my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my  
relations ~~to the poor & friends~~ and pay all funeral expenses as  
together with all my just debts whatsoever & to whomsoever  
owing out of the money that may first come into his  
hands as apart or panel of my estate.

Item I give and devise to my daughter Elizabeth fifty  
dollars & two fives whols & four cotton whols & my loom and  
even thing belonging to it. one little table. And the balance  
of my estate both real & personal to be sold & the money  
equally divided among all my children.

And lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my son  
David B Butler my last executor to all intents & purposes  
to execute this my last will & testament according to the  
true intent and meaning of the same & every part & clause  
thereof hereby revoking & declining utterly void all  
other wills & testaments by me hereafter made to my  
son David B Butler.

I give my family Bible & also my turning bench & what  
belongs to the same. Signed sealed published by the  
said Harmon Butler to be his last will & testament in  
the presence of us who at his request & in his presence

Subscribed our names as witnesses thereto March 12<sup>th</sup> 1845  
D B Bodenhamer  
Edward Kraus

Harmon B Butler Esq  
March

June Term 1845

The execution of the last will & testament of  
Harmon Butler deceased (of which the foregoing is a true copy)  
was duly proved in open Court by the oaths of Edward Kraus  
and D B Bodenhamer subscribing, witnessing thereto and  
ordered to be recorded

M. S. Hill. esq.

On the Name of God Alme  
I Isaacs Barber of County of Stokes in the State of  
North Carolina being at present of sound & perfect mind  
and Memory thank to be Almighty God, do this nine  
- tenth day of December one thousand eight hundred  
and fourty four, make ordain and publish this my  
last will and testament this is to say and first of all when  
I depart this life I recommend my soul in the hands of Almighty  
God who gave it and my to the dust from whence I came  
to be buried in a Christian like manner at the despatch  
of my Executors herein after named and as touching such  
worldly estate wherewithal I have placed God to bless  
me with in this life, I give bequeath and dispose of  
the same in the following manner to wit—  
First I give and bequeath to my son John one tract  
of land containing forty acres or there abouts laying  
in Pulaski County State of Illinois on the Ohio River.  
Secondly after paying all just debts to whom I may  
be indebted at the day of my death,  
I give and bequeath all the remaining part of my  
property both real and personal to my beloved wife  
Dmy during her life time and at her death to be  
equally divided amongst my children to wit  
Isaac, John, Sally, Isaacs, Thomas, Elizabeth,  
Adeline James, Shear and Shear alike between  
them— Thirdly and lastly I nominate and  
appoint my daughter Elizabeth Barber and  
my son Isaac Barber Executors of this my last  
will and testament. Intestimany we herof the  
said Isaacs Barber hath herunto set his hand &  
affixed his seal to this his last will  
and acknowledged the same

195 before us the Subscribing witnesses who were  
present at signing and acknowledging thereof  
J. P. West  
Proctor B. Gilbyat

June Term 1845

The execution of the last will & Testament of Isaac  
Barker died (of which the foregoing is a true copy) was duly  
proved in open Court by the oaths of J. P. West & Proctor B.  
Gilbyat the Subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be  
recorded

Mr. Hill. etc.

In the Name of God Amen I William Haw of  
the County of Stokes and State of North Carolina being  
very sick and weak in health of body But of  
perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto God  
Colling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing  
that it is appointed for all men once to die we make  
and ordain this my last will & Testament that is to  
say principally and First of all I give & recommend  
my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave  
it me my body I recommend the earth to be  
buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion  
of my Executors nothing doubting but at the general  
resurrection I shall receive the same again by the  
mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate  
wherewith I have pleased God to bless me in this life  
I give devise and dispose of the same in the following  
manner and form

First I give and bequeath unto my dearly beloved brother  
and Sister and my dearly beloved Mother all the  
profits arising from my Plantation to be equally divided  
amongst them Shear and shear alike until my  
dearly beloved brother Samuel Haw becomes of age  
Then I give and bequeath my plantation to my dearly  
beloved brother Samuel Haw and after his death to  
his children for ever by paying the sum of Five  
hundred and twenty five Dollars to his brother &  
sister to be divided amongst them Then & there a  
like. Then the said Samuel Haw fairly paying the  
Five hundred & twenty five dollars Then to his brother  
John Haw and after his death to his children

forever by paying the sum of three hundred and  
fifty Dollars to his Sister to be divided amongst them  
Shear and shear alike should the said John Haw  
fail paying the three hundred & fifty dollars Then to his  
sister Nancy Haw and after her death to her children  
forever by pay the sum of One hundred & seventy five  
dollars to her sister Mary Should the said Nancy Haw  
fail paying the one hundred & seventy five dollars  
then to her Sister Mary Haw and after her death  
to her children forever All the balance of my  
property to be sold and all the grain on hand  
I appoint my dearly beloved friends Jacob Hanes  
and John Haw as my Executors of my last  
will and testament revoking all former wills  
Witness whereof I have set my hand & seal  
May the fifteenth one thousand eight and forty  
of our

Witnss  
+ Jacob Haw  
+ Thomas Hanes

William Haw

June Term 1845

The execution of the last will & Testament of  
Gen. Haw died (of which the foregoing is a true copy) was  
duly proved in open Court by the oaths of Jacob Hanes  
Thomas Hanes the Subscribing witnesses thereto and  
ordered to be recorded. Mr. Hill. etc.

I William Griffith sick of the County of Stokes and State of  
North Carolina do make this my last will and Testement  
Item 1<sup>st</sup> If my wife should in the longest time living  
that my wife Savannah Griffith have my dwelling house  
and Kitchen furniture and such articles of household  
furniture as she needs to keep house with during  
her natural life and after her death the articles she  
keeps are to be sold and the money arising from  
the sale to be equally divided amongst all my children  
Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I give to my son William L. Griffith his  
plantation containing about 138 acres together with  
my saw mill. And he is to supply his mother with  
such provision as is necessary for her support during  
her life  
Item 3<sup>rd</sup> I give my daughter Patsey two beds & furniture