

75 Signed Seal & published and declared by the testator
to be his last will & testament in the presence of us
Peter Poff } Jurants
Joseph Holden }

Stokes County March term 1837.

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

Robt Williams CC
J. P. Armstrong DC

I Tristram Barnard of Stokes County State of North Carolina
being of sound mind & memory and knowing that it is
appointed for all men one to die Do make & 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 Lavinia Barnard
her choice in my brown & bay horse with her saddle &
bridle & the feather bed & furniture on which we lodge
for common and one half of the linen 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 & silver

Stokes County June term 1837.

After writing purporting to be the last will &
testament of Tristram Barnard dec'd. of which the foregoing
is a true Copy was proven in open Court by Seth
Poffin & Latham Folger in the following manner
(to wit) that this paper writing is in the proper

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

Robt Williams CC
J. P. Armstrong DC

In the name of God Amen! I Robert Sharp Hamilton of
the County of Stokes and State of North Carolina being sick & weak
in body but of perfect sound mind reason & memory And calling
to mind the frailty of my mortal body and especially that it is
appointed for all men one 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 Ester one negro boy named William, one
negro boy named Abraham one negro girl named Hannah
& one negro man named Peter together with two hundred
acres of land to be laid off from my own thousand acres
tract which lies on Elk river in the State of Tennessee together
with all my movable property of Horses Cattle Hogs furniture
stone goods books debts cash &c &c during the term of her
natural life & widowhood & whensoever it shall please
God to remove her by death or upon her marriage with
another man, all the said property (after paying all my lawful
debts) shall descend to my two sons John Hamilton & Isaac
Hamilton when they come of lawful age and their
heirs forever. (except the negro woman Jude who shall
be Born free the property of my said wife Mary during
her lifetime whether she marries again or not after my
decease & the two Hundred acres of land.