

Swain County North Carolina. In the name of God amen; On the 17th
fourteenth day of May and in the year of our Lord God one thousand
seven hundred and eighty four. I being in a very low state of health
although in natural sense and reason, I thank God for it. I acknowledge
this my last will & testament after committing my body to his burial
where it shall please my executor hereafter named to do. First I
will that my just debts should be paid, then I give & bequeath to my
beloved wife Margitt Nelson and her heirs forever after my demise
to wit, four hundred acres of land wherein I now dwell lying and being
on both sides little Fishers River, likewise forty seven acres lying
adjoining William Buried land, lying on the North side of the
Tara river; likewise one hundred one hundred & forty six acres of
land lying on the South fork of little Fishers River near the head of
said fork with all my moveable estate containing of horses, cattle,
hogs & sheep & all stock with all my household furniture and all
debts to me due either by note, bond or account. I do leave her my
said beloved wife Margitt Nelson my whole sole heir & execution of
my whole estate. I acknowledge this my hand & seal the above day &
date in the presence of

Witnesses
Elijah Smallwood Jurat
Jeduthan ^{his} + Gaultberry
Sarah ^{her} Smallwood
mark

Solomon ^{his} Nelson
mark

North Carolina Swain County August term 1786.

Elijah Smallwood one of the subscribing witnesses to the foregoing last
will & testament of Solomon Nelson; made oath that he saw the said
Solomon Nelson sign, publish & declare the same to be his last will
& testament, that he was of sound disposing mind & memory; And at the
same time he saw Jeduthan Gaultberry & Sarah Smallwood, sign
the same as witnesses; and ordered to be recorded. Subscribed accordingly.

this my last will & testament after committing my body to be buried
where it shall please my executor hereafter named to do. First I
will that my just debts should be paid, then I give & bequeath to my
beloved wife Margell Nelson and her heirs forever after my demise
to wit, five hundred acres of land wherein I now dwell lying and being
on both sides little Fisher River, likewise forty seven acres lying
adjoining William Davis' land, lying on the North side of the
Towhee river, likewise one hundred one hundred & forty six acres of
land lying on the South fork of little Fisher River near the head of
said fork with all my moveable estate containing of horses, cattle,
hogs & sheep & all stock with all my household furniture and all
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said beloved wife Margell Nelson my whole sole heir & execution of
my whole estate. I acknowledge this my hand & seal the whole day &
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Solomon ^{his} V. Nelson 
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A. J. Williams & Co