

John Simpsons last Will and Testament

In the name of God Amen - I John Simpson Sen
Plaintiff. being sick & weak of body but of sound and disposing
memory & understanding praise be to God for the same -
I do make and ordain this my last will and Testament
in manner and form following that is to say -

I will unto my beloved wife Mary one third of all my
land during her natural life or as long as she remains my widow
also one year provisions one bed & furniture, one wheel & cards
to cut her out of any further claims on my Estate -

I will to my Son William Simpson one dollar in addition
to land and other property given him heretofore to cut him
out from any further claims on my Estate -

I will to my Son Levi Simpson one dollar in addition to
what I have given him heretofore to cut him out of my Estate -

I will unto my Son James Simpson one dollar in addition
to what I have given him heretofore to cut him out from
any further claim upon my Estate -

I will my Son Thomas Simpson one dollar in addition
to what I have given him heretofore to cut him out from
any further on my Estate -

I will to my Son Benjamin Simpson one dollar in addition
to what I have given him heretofore to cut him out from

I will to my Son Benjamin Simpson one dollar in addition to what I have given him heretofore to cut him out from any further claim on my estate -

I will my Son Jackson Simpson one dollar in addition to what I have given him heretofore to cut him out from any further claim on my estate -

I will unto my Daughter Jane Simpson thirty dollars in addition to what she has received from me heretofore to cut her out from any further claim on my estate.

I will unto my Daughter Martha Simpson two hundred dollars in addition to what I have given her heretofore

I will and devise unto my Son Elijah Simpson four hundred dollars my Saddle & bridle his Saddle and bridle -

I will unto my Son Washington four hundred dollars, my brown mare his Saddle and bridle -

I will unto my Son David four hundred dollars my brown horse my own Saddle and bridle -

I will unto my Daughter Sarah and my Daughter Lucinda three hundred dollars each one bed & furniture one cow & calf one Saddle & bridle each -

I will unto my Son Richard Simpson two hundred dollars
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I will unto my Son Peter Simpson two hundred dollars
I will unto my Daughters Phoeby and Elizabeth each two
hundred dollars -

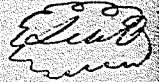
I will and appoint my Executors hereafter to be named on
a suitable time after my decease to make sale of the residue
or surplus of my Estate not heretofore named, willed or devised
in this my last will and Testament and that the money arising
from such sale shall be set apart for the payment of debts
and necessary expenses and legacies aforesaid, There remaining
a balance in the hands of my Executors, such balance ^{shall be} equally
divided between my Sons Elijah, Washington, David, Richard
and Peter. and my Daughters Martha - Sarah - Lucretia, Phoeby
and Elizabeth -

And lastly I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my
Son Thomas Simpson and Son in law Pearson Simpson my Executors
to execute this my last will and Testament, and I do hereby
declare this to be my last will and Testament. In witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal This 3rd day
of October A.D. 1842 and in the fifty seventh year of the
Independence of the United States of America -

Signed Sealed & published by -
the above named John Simpson //

declare this to be my last will and Testament. In witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal This 3rd day
of October A.D. 1842 and in the fifty seventh year of the
Independence of the United States of America -

Signed Sealed & published by -
the above named John Simpson as
his last will & Testament in the presence
of us who at his request in his presence
have subscribed our names as witnesses
hereunto

John Simpson 

Thomas C. Wilson, (Jurat),
Samuel Pyron

State of North Carolina // Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Union County // October Term 1845 -

The last will and Testament of John Simpson deceased was
produced in open Court by Pearson Simpson and Thomas Simpson
the Executors therein named and was proven in due form of law
by Thomas C. Wilson one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and
ordered to be recorded -

Hugh Stewart Clerk