

James L. Williams, Jt
J. Sikes Jt

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Union County E April term 1856

Then the last Will and Testament of Thomas Rogers duly proved in Open Court by James L. Williams, & J. Sikes, the subscribing witnesses, and ordered to be Recorded. D. A. Covington & Russel Rogers duly sworn to Execute said Will & letters filed

W. M. Howard. Clk

Mary Winchester last Will & Testament

I Mary Winchester of the County of Union and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but Considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say.

First my executors hereinafter named shall provide for my body decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expences together with my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate

Item 1st I give and devise to my grand daughter Mary E. Hudson fifteen Dollars to be paid my Executors

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Item 2^d I give and devise to my daughter Leah Smith wife of James D. Smith, and her bodily heirs one Negro man named Abram and his wife Saffy, his wife and their yongest Child named Clanny with their increase.

Item 3^d I give and devise to my yongest daughter Mary R. and her bodily heirs one Negro boy named Bob. and one Negro girl named Emilia and her increase I also give to my said Daughter Mary R. three hundred Dollars in Cash three beds, two Steds, & furniture her Choice, my cupboard, 1 Bureau, largest Table and largest looking glass one large Black Chest and Content, one set of Chairs the like she now Claims as her own two Cows & Colory her Choice, also the furniture it is understood in the family she Claims to have and to hold &c.

Item 4th I give and devise to my yongest son John R. two yong Mules, one four years old now the other two years old one Road wagon and peering one set Blacksmith tools, Wras her & running works, all the farming tools, one Cow & calf two beds, bid Steds, and furniture to have have and to hold to him & the said John R. Winchester forever.

Item 5th I give and devise to my daughter Leah Smith, wife of James D. Smith and Mary R. all my bed furniture not disposed of in other Item of this my will to be equally divided between them also my cupboard were to be equally divided between the afore named

running works all the forming to by one Court Calp two beds beds
and furniture to have have and to hold to him the said John
R. Manchester forever

Item 5th I give and devise to my daughter Leah Smith, wife of
James D. Smith and Mary R. all my bed furniture not disposed
of in other Item of this my will to be equally divided between them
also my kappoods worn to be equally divided between the offore named
daughters

Item 6th My Will and desire is that all the residue of my estate
if any after taking out the devise and legacy above mentioned
shall be sold and the debts owing to me collected and if there
should be any over plus over and above the payment of debts
expenses and legacy that such surplus shall be equally divided
between my three sons namely Thomas D. Josiah & John R.
in equal proportions there and there alike to them and each
and ever of them their exutors administrators and assigns
absolutely forever

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my son
John R. Manchester & George A. Manchester my lawful Exutors to all
intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament
according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every
part and Clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly
void all other wills by me heretofore made in witness whereof I
the said Mary Manchester do hereunto set my hand and seal this
24 day July 1855.

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Mary Winchester Will Continued

Signed & sealed published & declared by the said Mary Winchester to be
her last Will & Testament in the presence of us who at her request
and in her presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

J. Gordon

G. A. Winchester

Mary^h Winchester (R)

Whereas I Mary Winchester having made my last will and testament
in writing bearing date the 24th July AD 1855 and having then by
made sundry devises and bequeaths according to then existing circum-
stances of my estate but which circumstances having now materially
changed I do by this writing which I hereby declare to be a Codicil
to my said Will to be taken and considered as a part thereof will
and direct that the sum of seven hundred dollars be paid to
my youngest daughter Mary R Winchester & buy the amount
for which I sold a negro girl named Emelia I do hereby
give and devise to my said daughter Mary R Winchester a
negro girl named Blancy with increase to have and to hold to
her and her heirs in fee simple forever which girl was given to my
daughter Leah Smith in a clause of this my will I do hereby
give and devise to my daughter Leah Smith a negro child
named Ann in the room of the above named Blancy or
directed in a preceding clause of this my will to have and
to hold to her and her heirs in fee simple forever. I will and

My first named Mary with me here to have and to hold to
her and her heirs in fee simple forever which girl was given to my
daughter Leah Smith in a clause of this my will I do hereby
give and devise to my daughter Leah Smith a Negro Child
named Ann in the words of the above named Mary or
directed in a preceding clause of this my will to have and
to hold to her and her heirs in fee simple forever. I will and
devise to my ~~youngest~~ son John R Manchester the sum of
one hundred & fifteen dollars it being the price of a mule
which I have sold since the writing of this my will.
In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal
this 19 Jan'y 1856

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the said Mary
Manchester to be a Codicil or part of this my last will and
testament in the presence of us who at her request and
in her presence do subscribe our hands & witness

John Gordon

G. A Manchester

Mary ^{his} Manchester
witness

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When the last will & testament of Mary Manchester exhibited in Open
Court & proved in due form of Law, by John Gordon & G. A Manchester
& ordered to be Recorded. G. A Manchester & J. R Manchester duly
sworn to execute the same.

J. R Manchester