

Robert Walkup's will

In the name of God amen. I Robert Walkup, of Warsaw settlement in the County of Union & State of North Carolina being of sound & disposing mind & memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence & that "man has once to die", do make & establish this my last will & testament in manner & form ^{hereby recalling all others heretofore made} following, that is to say.

In the first place & chiefly I recommend my soul to God who gave it, & my body to the earth to be buried in a christian manner suitably to the wishes of my relations & friends & that my executor hereinafter named pay all funeral expenses together with all my just debts howsoever & to whomsoever due out of moneys that may first come into his hands as a part & parcel of my estate by the sales of the crops, stock &c.

In the second place I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Dorcas, One negro woman named Agnes & one negro boy named Dick one road waggon, three mules, & one bay horse, 4 cows & calves & tacklings of the waggon & horses, for each horse.

Thirdly to my daughter Mary W. Douglass I will & bequeath one negro girl named Phillis & negro boy named Prince, & two cows & calves, one bed & furniture small table she claims & Bureau & corner cupboard she claims & some other things.

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Fourthly to my daughter Nancy J. Walkup I will & be-
queath one negro girl Charlotte & one named Kate, two cows
& calves, one Bureau & small table she claims, & corner cup-
board & bed & furniture to be made up from the surplus of my
estate & a sorrel Colt (Henry).

Fifthly to my daughters Martha, Sarah & Julia I will &
bequeath four small negroes viz Phebe, Melipa, & Maria &
a small negro child Ben to be held in common until their
marriage or coming of age when they shall take their several
parts in severalty.

Sixthly to my youngest son Henry Clay Walkup I
will & bequeath a negro boy named Jerry.

Seventhly To my son William H. Walkup I will &
bequeath a negro boy Titus, One mule, & a mare he claims.

And devise part of my mill tract which I have given to him in a deed of gift, & from the willows at the crossway on Davis Branch in my fields where he now has corn, drawing a straight line to some dogwoods at the end of a lane leading from Colverts to W. J. Loretton's old place, a corner between myself & R. S. Colvert, from thence to a Post Oak at the foot of Colverts hill, thence a straight line down a small branch to a black Oak corner Davis corner & from thence with Davis line to the crossway the beginning to have & to hold to him & his heirs in fee simple forever.

Eighthly I will & bequeath & devise to my son Henry Clay Walkup all the balance of my lands undivided to my son William W. Walkup, together with my mill, when he comes of the age of 21 years ~~to~~ have & to hold in fee simple forever to him & his heirs, & until he comes of age the lands & negro willed to him is to be in common for the support of the family, his mother & three sisters Martha Sarah & Julia.

Ninthly Old Anthony & Molly are to be left with the plantation willed to Henry Clay Walkup to help to support the family whilst they are able & to be supported if they are unable by the family.

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Tenthly The plantation I now live on containing about four hundred acres, I devise to my wife during her life-time provided she remains a widow or if she marries or when she dies then over to my daughters Martha Sarah & Julia to hold to them & their heirs in fee simple forever.

Eleventhly. To Elisabeth (Dana) & Eugenia Ingram I will & devise that tract of land whereon Alex^r Ingram formerly lived to have & to hold to them & their heirs in fee simple forever.

Twelfthly To my son Sam^l M. Walkeup I will and devise a negro boy Stephen he now has in possession and my lots in the Town of Monroe to him & his heirs in fee simple forever.

And Lastly I do appoint my son Wm^l M. Walkeup my lawful executor of this my last will & Testament & guardian of my minor children.

In witness whereof ~~the~~ the said Robert Walkeup do herewith set my hand & affix my seal this the fifteenth day of September A. D. one thousand eight hundred & forty six.