

In the name of God Amen.

In the year of our Lord

April the 1st 1874. I. Sherwood Rowland of the County of Union
being through the blessing of God in a sound mind and memory,
but: recalling to mind the frail tenure of life, and that is appointed
to all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and
testament; That is to say, principally and first of all I recommend
my soul into the hands of almighty God who gave it me and
the disposal of my body. I leave to the entire discretion of my
friends with respect to my worldly Estate I give bequeath and
dispose of it in the manner and proportions here following.
Item the first.

I give unto my beloved wife all my Plantation
and House; Also my Horse, Buggy and Harness, Also all my
Crop, and red cow and calf, all my Hens, one Cooking
Stove, Also one Sewing Machine, one wash Pot, one Bed Stead
and feather Bed, Six Split bottom Chairs, Also my Clock,
one Trunk, one Horse cart, I will all this property to my
beloved wife, during her natural life or Widowhood, and
at her death or if she pleases to marry and does marry, It
is my will that all this property be sold and equally divided
with all my own children, that is being also my wife that my
Wife and Sophronia my daughter, son Thomas and daughter

at her death or if she pleases to marry and does marry, It
is my will that all this property be sold and equally divided
with all my own children, that is being also my will that my
Wife and Sophronia my daughter, son Thomas C. and Daughter
Alice C. and Nettie P. has all the Bed clothes divided all
among themselves, Blankets, quilts; Also my wife all
Boxes, Hogheads; all the farming tools, plows gears I give unto
my son Thomas one feather Bed, Also my Daughter Beady No 4
Ashcraft five dollars, Also my Daughter Margaret five dollars.
Also my Daughter Frances Stevens five dollars. Also my son
Corwin Sixty dollars, Also give to my Daughter Sophronia my
more cow one Bed sted that is in the Parlor, one feather Bed and
her own Bed clothes, one large Trunk, Bannet stand and one new
folding Table, two stools. It is my will that my wife and Daughter
Sophronia divide all my yethen, and things about the House,
wash Bowls; and side Saddle and carb Saddle, Also I give to
my daughter Alice C. one bed sted and feather Bed, and
her part of her bed clothing furniture, one Beduro, two
Stools; Also the white Roifer calf, and I also will to my
Daughter Nettie P. one Bed stand and feather Bed and her
part of furniture, and all my Trunks, one folding Table; The
Red Roifer calf. I also will to my grand daughter child
Marshall Griffin two Dollars and fifty Cents. I also give
to Marion Griffin Two Dollars and fifty cents. I also give

give to my Grand daughter Nancy Edwards Two Dollars and fifty cents.
I also give to my grand daughter Caroline Edwards Two Dollars and fifty
cents. I also give to my grand daughter Flora Edwards Two Dollars and
fifty cents. It is my will that my daughter Sophronia have full priv-
ilege here at my house so long as she lives single. It is also my will
that my Executor give to my daughter Killie a fine Beaver. I bequeath
and appoint my beloved son J. C. Rowland my Executor, to this my
last Will and Testament, in witness where of I have hereunto set my
hand and seal; the day and year above written.

Signed sealed published pronounced
and declared as his last will and
Testament; in the presence of us the
Subscribers.

Sherod Rowland

S. R. Moore
Stephen B. Webb

State of North Carolina }
Union County }

This the 22nd day of July 1874,
Then was the foregoing paper writing offered for Probate and the
due execution thereof was proven by the Oaths of S. R. Moore
and Stephen B. Webb and ordered to be recorded as the last
Will and Testament of Sherod Rowland.

G. W. How Proff Judge

We the undersigned certify that we were present during the

and Stephen B Webb and ordered to be recorded as the last
Will and Testament of Sherod Howland.

G. W. How Proff Judge

Mo G Edwards

We the undersigned certify that we were present during the
last illness of Matthew Green Edwards at his own dwelling
house in the County of Union in the State of North Carolina and that
we were specially called upon by him to bear witness to what
he said as to the disposition of his property. We, Mo G Edwards
asked James Mc Hamilton one of the witnesses if he Edwards
could make a ~~Revoked~~ ^{verbal} Will, and if a verbal will would
do and being informed by said witness Hamilton that he
thought a verbal will would be good if made in the presence
of Three Witness. Mo G Edwards then replied, as follows, to wit:

He wanted his wife to have the full control of all his
property; and to give it off to the children as she saw
proper. He did not want her to have any sale; but
to pay all his debts, and keep the property together, that
if the property should be sold it would cost a good
deal and be scattered about and do but little good,
and he wished his wife Mary Mc. to have the control of the
property during her life time or widowhood and to