

Last Will and Testament of John Rogers dec^d

In the Name of God Amen I John Rogers of the County of Wake and State of North Carolina being Sick and Weak in Body but of perfect Sound Mind Memory but calling to Mind that it is appointed for all once to to Die do make and Ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in Manner and form following (Viz. Item First I give and bequeath to my Son John Rogers the following Negroes to wit) Pompey Ned and Bob to him his Heirs and Assigns forever. Item I give and bequeath to my Son James Rogers the following Negroes to wit Possee and Dick also the first Child my Negroes Woman Grace is delivered off that lives Six Weeks also my Sorrell Horse called Pearson to him his Heirs and Assigns forever. Item I give and Bequeath to my Son Josiah Hill Rogers the following Negroes to wit Swann and Phil also the Second Child my Negro Wench Grace is delivered off that lives Six Weeks to him his Heirs and Assigns forever. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Pricilla a Negro Wench Named Bet and her increase except my Negro Girl Surry hereafter Mentioned Dies in the Spell of Sickness she now is in then in that case the first Child Bet is delivered off that lives Six Weeks I give to my Daughter Penelope to them and their heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Penelope a Negro Girl Named Surry to her her heirs forever. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Sarah a Negro Girl Named Jenny to her her heirs and assigns forever. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughter Rebecca a Negro Girl Named Amey to her her heirs & assigns forever. Item I give and bequeath to my James Rogers the Tract of Land on Neuse River Joining James Alford's Land Containing three hundred Acres, also fifty Acres Joining my Son Johns tract being the land purchased of John Cheves to him his Heirs and Assigns forever. I give and Divide to my Son Josiah Hill Rogers the tract of Land I purchased of John Jones Containing One hundred and Seventy five Acres. Also

the tract of Land I now live on Containing two Hundred and forty Acres with the Entry to him his Heirs and Assigns forever. Item I give and bequeath to my Daughters Mary Hillsman and Martha Cheves Ten dollars each to be paid out of my Estate Item I give and bequeath to my Son John Rogers all the Remaining part of my Estate of every Nature and kind Whatsoever and the use of my Childrens Estates untill they come to the Age of Twenty one Years of Age or untill the Lawfull age of the said Children except my Daughter Sarah's Negro I desire to be with her, on Condition the said John Rogers takes care to Raise my Small Children and gives them Sufficent Schooling and gives to my Daughter Pricilla a good Riding Horse and a Bed & furniture and to my Daughter Penelope and Rebeccah a Good Riding Horse and a Bed & furniture each and my Daughter Salley a Bed and furniture and too my two Sons James and Josiah Hill four Cows and Calves, four Ewes & four breeding Sows each when they come to the Age the Law allows Orphans to Receive their Estates to him his heirs and Assigns forever. And I do hereby Constitute and Appoint my beloved Son John Rogers my whole & Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament, hereby Revoking all other wills by me made IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this Second day of October Anno Dom^o 1779 -

Signed Sealed Published)
& declared in presence)
of Us - -)

Drury Cade,
Richard Hudson,
Mich Rogers

John Rogers (SEAL)

Wake County

December Term 1779

The Execution of the within Will was duly proved in Open Court by the Oaths of Mich Rogers Esq. and Richard Hudson Witnesses thereto and Ordered to be Recorded-

J. Rice Clk. C^o

Recorded in the Clerks Office of Wake County in Book A in page (144) 15th Sept^r 1783 -

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