

37 In the name of God Amen I John Rowland of the County of Henry being of Sound Mind and Memory do make and Ordain
this to be my Last Will & Testament, Taking all other Wills
By me herebefore made, and Dispose of my Estate in the following
manner, First I give and bequeath to my Brother Michael
Rowland, eldest Son, William Rowland One Cow & Calf I also
give to Michael Rowland Brother to the aforesaid William
Rowland one Shilling Sterling and no more I Give to my Brother
George Rowland all my right Title and Interest to a tract of
Land I formerly Obtained a Deed of Trust from George Lumbkin
Lying on Marrowbone Creek I give to John Palfre all my right
& Claim to a Survey of Land whereon he now lives together with
my Wearing Apparel I direct that my whole Estate both Real and
and Personal be kept together & the money arising from the
Profits be apply'd to the payment of my Just Debts & Legacies
hereafter mentioned And it is my desire that my Creditors be
Allowed three Years or longer to bring in their Accounts if they
Choose and after my Just debts being fully satisfied & paid, my
Will & desire is that my Executors pay to my Wife Mary out of
the Profits of my Estate the sum of two hundred pounds and
Maintenance Annually provided my said Wife stands and abides
by this my Will but should the Currency of the Money rise in
Value then in that case a proper deduction to be made out of
the two hundred pounds as also the other Legacies hereafter
mentioned I Give to Obidience Ryan Wife to Phillip Ryan
in Consideration of my Wife standing to this my Last Will
One Negro Girl named Phillis & her increase to her and her
heirs for ever I Give and bequeath to Geo. Rowland j^r and
William Rowland Sons of Gilbert Rowland each of them one
Sixth part of the Net Proceeds arising from the Profits of
my Estate Annually after paying Taxes Cloathing the Negroes,
Corn, Meat, & Stock of all kinds my Just Debts and the Cloathing
and Education of Garland & his excepted I Give to the two
Sons of Joshua Beardslee One Hundred Pounds each for their
Education which said sums are to be paid to their Mother
Sarah Beardslee or their Trustees for the Use of the said Orphan
It is my Will and desire that the Legacies herebefore mentioned
be Null and Void except as to my said wife after Garland

When Arrives to the age of twenty one years & then I give to Garland
 Akin one halfe of the Real and Personal Estate to him and his
 heirs for ever & the other moiety to be equally divided Among
 the Youngest Sons of all my Brothers & Sisters and in case
 the said Garland Akin should die without lawfull Issue then
 his part to be equally divided Among the Survivors of my said
 brothers and Sisters & one It is my Will and desire that my
 Executors execute a Deed to John Wells for a Tract of Land
 & sold him on Leatherwood Creek containing about Two
 Hundred and eighty Acres conveyed to me by a Deed recd
 in the General Court from Paul Harrington Esq.
 It is my desire that George Rowland Jun. be appointed
 Trustee as Clerk for the Estate if agreeable to my Executors
 and to continue during good behaviour Item I give To
 Mary & John Wife of James Sharn two Cows and calves
 It is my Will and desire that my Negro Man Will & his wife
 Betty be kept altogether distilling at the proper season
 of the Year to Will from the first day of November till
 the last day of April & do constitute and appoint William
 Tardale Haynes Morgan Peter Saunders & Josiah Carter
 Executors of this my last Will & Testament and do further
 appoint Patrick Henry, John Fountain and John Salmon
 to settle with my Executors Annually and for them the
 said Patrick Henry, John Fountain and John Salmon
 to receive the proffits arising from the Estate Together
 with the Money now on Trust and to be lent out or depen-
 of for the benefit of the Creditors and Legates & Garland
 Akin as to them the aforesaid Trustees shall think
 most Advantageous and proper and I do further request
 that the said Patrick Henry, John Fountaine and John
 Salmon to be Guardians and Trustees to the said Garland
 Akin untill he arrives to the Age of Twenty one Years
 Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Affixed
 my Seal this sixth day of July One Thousand seven hundred
 and eighty

Signed, Sealed, Published and
 Declared by the Testator as &
 for his last Will & Testament

Baldwin Rowland
 Henry H. Bardsell
 John Salmon

John Rowland L.S.

At a court held for Henry County on the 29th Day of September. 1780

The Within last Will & Testament of John Rowland deceased was exhibited in Court by William Tunstall & Peter Saunders two of the Executors within mentioned & approved by the Witnesses thereto, who made oath with John Fountain & George Hainston their Securities entered into Bond & Acknowledged the same according to Law Whereupon it was ordered to be Recorded By the Court, they having obtained a probate thereof in due form

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John Lee C. C.

Washington & Marks July 22 1780

Life being uncertain and ill state of health Occasions my forming this piece of Writing for the better determination of my Intentions As followeth Viz In case Death deprives me of this life in a short space of time or in any time when this Writing can't be revoked. It is my desire that after my Decease my two Brothers, John & Subal Early shall pay all my Just debts and after make an Equal Division of all my Estate or whatever shall be deemed as such, between themselves to divide to them the said John and Subal Early I give the aforesaid Estate to hold for ever, tho shall expect them to do something for my Brother Jeremiah if alive (It is also my desire that my Uncle Joshua Early shall attend to the aforesaid Division between my Brothers John & Subal & also to act in my stead with J. Callaway for my Brothers, Sisters, &c if lawfull In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Affixed my seal

Wit

Joseph Early

Barthlett Wade

John Crompton

Thomas Tapers...

At a court held for Henry County on the 23rd Day of Novemb. 1780

The Within last Will & Testament of Joseph Early decd with the Will annexed & proved by the Witnesses thereto is granted to John Early who made oath with George Hainston & James Spenser his Securities entered into Bond & Acknowledged the same according to Law Whereupon it was ordered to be Recorded By the Court he having obtained a probate thereof in due form

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John Lee C. C.