

WILLIAM CARROLL'S WILL

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 Devised November 20, 1809; Probated November Term, 1812

(Columbia County)

Georgia

In the Name of God Amen, I WILLIAM CARROLL of the State of North Carolina and Johnston County, feeling and in disposition of body but of perfect Sound Mind and Memory, thanks be to God for calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament. As touching such worldly estate herewith it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give and devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

First, I give and bequeath to SARAH my dearly beloved wife all that part of my estate now existing in the State of North Carolina and Johnston County at the present place of my residence which I received with or acquired by or in virtue of my marriage with said Sarah, consisting of personal property, viz. three negroes Toby and his wife, Lidy, and her child, Luidy, a small stock of horses and cattle. The residue of my property at the said place of my residence I desire that it should be sold and the money equally divided amongst all my children whom I shall hereafter mention if any there is after all lawful expenses paid.

Also, I give to daughter MARY and William HUNT three hundred dollars cash to be raised and levied out of my estate.

Also, I give to daughter BETHANIA and Edward PRATHER three hundred dollars cash.

I also give to my grandchildren the orphans of my son, JOHN CARRELL, deceased, two hundred dollars cash to be equally divided amongst them when they come of age.

I give to the lawful issues or issue of my son MITCHEL CARRELL and Sarah, his wife my negro George and seven cows and calves and two featherbeds one with furniture and one without, the said MITCHEL to have the use of the above mentioned property but not to dispose of it in any manner whatever and five hundred dollars to be paid to said issue or issues when of age.

Also, I give to my son JAMES CARRELL three negroes, viz., Pleasant and two of her children Dave and Jesse.

Also I give to my son WILLIAM CARRELL four negroes, namely Jim, Kate, Sam, Hannah. Also I give to the said WILLIAM CARRELL and JAMES, jointly all and singular my lands and tenements and appertanances whatsoever thereunto belonging together with all the residue of my personal property by them freely to be possessed and enjoyed.

Also I likewise constitute and make the said WILLIAM CARRELL the sole executor of this my last will and testament.

And I do hereby utterly disallow revoke all and every former testaments, wills, legacies and executors by me in any ways before named and willed, satisfying and confirming this to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Twentieth day of November in the year of our Lord Eighteen Hundred and Nine.

Signed, sealed, and declared in the presence of
 Silas (x) Monk WILLIAM (x) CARROLL (Seal)
 James Ross

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 Then was the above will exhibited in Open Court and was accordingly admitted.

R. Sanders, Clk.

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 Columbia County) the Commissioners appointed to take the

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Examination of the Witnesses to the Will of **WILLIAM CARREL** dec'd, who after being duly Sworn on the holy Bible deposeth & sayeth that he was requested by the said dec'd., to Subscribe as a Witness to the Enexed Will which deponant Says he did declare & that he heard Silas Monk ast by Said dec'd., to Witness said Will & that said Monk consented to become a Witness & directed a by stander to write his name to the which Mr Monk did acknowledge.

Sworn to & in by virtue } James Ross
before us this 13th August 1812 }
Z. Magruder }
Daniel Daniely } Commissioners

Silas Monk attended also who after being duly sworn as aforesaid deposeth & sayeth that the foregoing affidavit made by James Moss is corectly true as I have stated.

Sworn to before us this } his
13th August 1812 --- } Silas X Monk
mark

Z. Magruder }
Daniel Daniely } Commissioners

William Carroll's widow, Sarah, died less than a year later, in November, 1812. She also had devised a will in August, 1809, after her marriage to Carroll. Since they had no children or heirs between them, her estate was devised to her children by Caleb Penny. Her sons, Alexander and Hardy Penny, were executors of her estate.