

**Will, NC, Mecklenburg, John Beaty 1809**

In the name of God Amen

I **JOHN BEATY** of the county of Mecklenburg in state of North Carolina and being in a weak and declining State of body but of perfect sound mind and memory, thanks be God for his mercies, do by these presents make constitute and ordained this my last will and testament in the manner and form following viz:

IMPRIMIS it is my will and desire that all my Just and lawful debts be paid out of my state.

ITEM I give him bequeath to my loving wife **LEAH BEATY** the whole of my household and kitchen furniture of every kind and all of my farming utensils of every description also my bay mare, **LIGHTFOOT**, saddle and bridle and all my stock of cattle and Hogs I also will and bequeath to my side wife **LEAH** the house I now live in with all the outhouses and necessary buildings and is much of the farm as she sees cause to occupy all of which she is to have possess and enjoy during her natural life.

ITEM I will and bequeath to my seven children, by name: **MOSES BEATY, DORCAS ALEXANDER, POLLY STURGEON**, wife to **HENRY STURGEON**, **RUTH DAVIS** wife to **ELIJAH DAVIS**, **JOHN BEATY JR**, **LOVINA HAYNES** wife to **JOSEPH HAYNES** and **THOMAS BEATY** to each and every one of them the sum of dollar in addition to what I have already given them in full of their distributive share of my estate.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my youngest son **ISAAC BEATY** the plantation were on I now live, containing 47 and one quarter acres, and also all my household and kitchen Furniture and farming utensils and stock, stock of horse, creatures, cattle and hogs. All which he is fully and freely to possess and enjoy at the decease of his mother, **LEAH BEATY**, he and his assigns forever.

AND lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my loving wife **LEAH BEATY** and my son **ISAAC BEATY** executives of this my last will and testament here by revoking and dissanulling former wills, legacies, and bequests by me heretofore made, ratifying and confirming this, and no other, to be my last will and testament

In witness whereof I have here in to set my hand and affixed my seal fifth day of December anno domini 1808.

**JOHN BEATY** {seal}

signed sealed and acknowledged in the presence of us:

**ISAAC ALEXANDER**  
**M. BRYAN JUNR.**

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Mecklenburg County  
North Carolina

January term 1809

The execution of this will was proven in open court by **MATTHEW BRYAN JUNR.**  
witness there too and ordered to be recorded

test **ISAAC ALEXANDER**