

Will Probate, NC, Chatham, TN, Hardeman, JAMES JONES 1832 1840

In the name of God Amen.

I **JAMES JONES** of the county of Chatham and state of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but laboring under bodily affliction and knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death do make, ordain, constitute and declare this my last will and testament, as follows:

FIRSTLY I loan to my beloved wife **REBEKAH JONES** the use of the tract of land where on I now live, containing about 136 acres, the part I have cultivated for my particular use for some years past including the Woodland on the said part of the said tract. Also a negro man by the name of PETER also a negro woman by the name of DOLLY and her increase together with all the Monies due me or in my possession at my decease including all farming utensils, household and kitchen furniture, wagon and blacksmith tools together with all grain and provision of every description on hand at my decease also the stock of horses, cattle, sheep and hogs in my position at my decease, the aforesaid named property too I loan and as aforesaid to my beloved wife during her natural life for for use and benefit and for her support and maintenance and until her decease.

SECONDLY I give and bequeath to my son **WILEY JONES** for the love and affection I have for him, after my decease, the following property viz: 100 acres of land, the balance of the track whereon on the Waters of Rocky River bringing the place of his residence at this time together with all appurtenances thereunto belonging, also a negro man by the name of ARCH, also a negro man by the name of SANDY. After the decease of my wife **REBEKAH JONES** I give and bequeath to my son **WILEY JONES** The following property viz: the tract of land where on I now live containing about 136 acres also a negro man by the name of PETER also a negro woman by the name of DOLLY together with such increase as she may have after this time also one half of the hogs belonging to aforesaid plantation also all stocks of cattle sheep and horses not otherwise disposed of remaining on hand, also all farming utensils, wagon, blacksmiths tools, green with provisions & c.

THIRDLY I give and bequeath to my daughter **BETSY ALSTON DEMING** for the love and affection I have for her the following property viz: after my decease I devised to her the sum of \$20 to be paid out of any money belonging to my estate otherwise appropriated. After the decease of my wife **REBEKAH JONES** I bequeath 1/2 of the stock of hogs to **BETSY A. DEMING**. If the afore said **BETSY A. DEMING** have another heir during life, the said heir shall share with the other children in the property willed do them, share and share alike, with the exception of a reserve of 100 acres of land devised to **JAMES W. DEMING** on the west side of subtract also exclusive of negro man EPHRAIM. I also devised to **BETSY A. DEMING** after the decease of my wife **REBEKAH JONES**, 1/2 of the beds and Furniture not otherwise disposed of in my will belonging to my place of residence on Rocky River.

FOURTHLY I give & bequeath to my granddaughter **SALLY MIRRICK DEMING** 60 acres of land lying on the east side of the track I bought of **PETER P. SMITH** on the waters of Tick Creek to be taken in a square form square from the northeast corner of said tract of land also to the said **SALLY MIRRICK DEMING** a horse named Buck, together with one bed and furniture, also one fourth part of the household and kitchen Furniture belonging on the aforesaid premises occupied at this time by **FISHER A. DEMING** also one-fourth the above devised is for the love and affection I have for her, also one side saddle, on cow and calf, including an equal share of all the provisions and green on hand at my decease.

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FIFTHLY I give and bequeath to **ELIZA JONES DEMING** immediately after my decease to be for her benefit a negro girl named MINERVA, also one bed and furniture (one half of the household and kitchen Furniture after the disease of my wife **REBEKAH JONES**) also \$100 to be paid as he ran after named by **BETSY A. DEMING** as trustee of her children **SALLY, ELIZA** and **JAMES** also after the disease of my wife **REBEKAH JONES** one loom the above devised to **ELIZA J. DEMING** I give for the love and affection I have for her.

SIXTHLY I give and bequeath to my grandson **JAMES WINCHESTER DEMING** for the love and affection I have for him the balance of the aforesaid tract of land on the Waters of Tick Creek containing about one hundred and Ninety Acres together with all appurtenances thereunto belonging, all the stock of cattle, sheep, and hogs not otherwise disposed of in my will all the farming utensils and property of every description not otherwise devised. I also give to the said **JAMES W. DEMING** a negro man by the name of EPHRAIM and a negro girl by the name of MARY. Also one half of all household and kitchen Furniture on or belonging to said plantation on a Tick creek or the waters there of also one third part of all grain and provisions of every kind find on hand at my decease on the said place.

SEVENTHLY I give and bequeath to my granddaughter **PATSY EMPRIER JONES** a negro girl by the name of MATILDA also one half of the kitchen furniture and cooking utensils, on bed, one cow and calf and one side saddle.

EIGHTHLY I do hereby constitute appoint declare and confirm **BETSY ALSTON DEMING** as trustee to take the property of her children, that is, **SALLY MIRRICK, ELIZA JONES** and **JAMES WINCHESTER DEMING** in to her own and keeping as trustee for the same after my decease which property will as devised by me then become subject to the benefit of said children and I hereby authorize her to dispose of the profits of said property for their benefit and raising and schooling maintaining said children and paying all such expenses as she may deem expedient for their benefit before they come of age and I further appoint **BETSY ALSTON DEMING** to dispose of a negro man by the name of ISAAC and apply \$100 of the money to the use of **ELIZA JONES DEMING** when she becomes of age. The residue to be applied to a debt I owe my father **EDMOND JONES**. I also authorize **BETSY ALSTON DEMING** to dispose of as trustee for the payment of the aforesaid debt do **EDMOND JONES** the tract of land where on I formerly lived on the water of Jones Creek and apply the receipts to the same.

NINETHLY I leave the negroes at my Plantation on Tick Creek to be disposed of as follows: to be put in a lot and drawn for when the children of **BETSY A. DEMING** become of age, each to draw as equal part provided she shall have more should she have more heirs all shall have an equal part, share and share alike, the shares if no more heirs will be **SALLY MIRRICK DEMING, ELIZA JONES DEMING, JAMES WINCHESTER DEMING** the negroes to be drawn will be as follows LUCY and all her increase after this time viz: CYNTHIA, JACKSON, WILLIAM, at this time and all increase after until drawn.

LASTLY I hereby make ordained that this is my last will and pleasure XXX that my property be not disposed exposed to public sale after my decease but that amicable settlement take place in the division of the same agreeable to the true intent and meaning of this my last will and testament.

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IN WITNESS whereof I hear into set my hand and seal this 27th day of October Anno Domini 1832.

JAMES JONES {seal}

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of us who were present at the publishing by the testator **JAMES JONES** as his last will and testament revoking all wills of a former date by him made.

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ABRAM HOADLEY
STOKES EDWARDS

The word LOAN in the first section has been attend in a small degree before signing is to be red loan third line from the bottom, the same for section release erased out I also release **BETSY ALSTON DEMING** from the sale of the property heretofore withheld by, named and leave my executor to sell and apply the money to the use aforesaid expressed to **BETSY A. DEMING** to apply.

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I hereby make and ordain my son **WILEY JONES** as executor of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I the said **JAMES JONES** have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

JAMES JONES {seal}

Signed, sealed published in declared by the said **JAMES JONES** in the presence of us who were present at signing and sealing there of

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ABRAM HOADLEY
STOKES EDWARDS

Recorded in Book B
Pages 237, 238, 239, 240, and 241

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THOMAS RAGLAND, CCC

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State of North Carolina
Chatham County

I **NATHAN A. STEDMAN**, clerk of the county court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for Chatham County, do hereby certify that the annexed will is a true copy of **JAMES JONES'**, which was proven at November Term 1832 by the oaths of **ABRAM HOADLEY** and **STOKES EDWARDS** the subscribing witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded, and is recorded in Book B pages 237-241.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of office at Pittsboro this 12th November 1840.

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N. A. STEDMAN, CCC

State of North Carolina
Chatham County

I **WESLEY HANKS**, one of the justices of the peace for the county of Chatham, aforesaid, being chairman and presiding Magistrate for the court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions do hereby certify that **NATHAN A. STEDMAN** is the clerk of the said court, that the foregoing certificate and the signature that are in his true and proper hand writing that the seal attached thereto is the genuine seal of said court, that the said clerk has lawfully the custody of said seal and is the proper officer to use the same and to make such certificates, and that the said certificate is in due form.

In witness whereof I, the said Chairman and Presiding Magistrate do hereunto sign my name in attestation of said certificate this 12th November 1840.

WESLEY HANKS
Presiding Magistrate & Chairman

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State of North Carolina
Chatham County

I **NATHAN A. STEDMAN**, clerk of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for the county of Chatham do hereby certify that **WESLEY HANKS**, Esquire, whose name and signature appears to the foregoing certificate is the Chairman of our said Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, that his signature is genuine and that full faith and credit ought to be given to his official acts as such Chairman.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of office this 12th November 1840.

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N. A. STEDMAN, CCC

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State of Tennessee
Hardeman County

List of property in the hands of **BETSY A. DEMING**, trustee for the heirs of **JAMES JONES**, deceased, & subject to uses named in said will, to wit:

Negroes LUCY & her children MARY, CYNTHA, JACKSON, WILLIAM & JANE

Household & kitchen furniture & utensils, beds & furniture, cupboard, clock, library of books, loom, looking utensils, chest & c., two work horses & farming utensils, bureau & tables.

Also occupant right 200 acres on the waters of Cypress Creek in the aforesaid county on which **ABRAM LAMBERT** has lived & resides at this time. The above occupant to the use of **JAMES WINCHESTER DEMING**, the stock of cattle & hogs & poultry subject to their use.

This 1st January 1841, agreeable to the will of **JAMES JONES**, deceased.

BETSY A. DEMING

Testamentary Trustee {seal}

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WILEY JONES, executor of **JAMES JONES**, deceased in account with the estate of said deceased.

EDMUND JONES
DR. A. HOADLEY
WILLIAM UNDERWOOD