Will, NC, Mecklenburg, William Beaty 1816

In the name of God, Amen.

I, **WILLIAM BEATY**, of the county of Mecklenburg & state of North Carolina being in weak & low situation of body but of sound, disposing mind, d make, ordain and publish this my last will & testament in manner & form as follows, viz.

I commit my soul to Almighty God who gave it & my body to the dust to be buried in a decent Christian manner at the discretion of my executors; and as touching such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with, I dispose of in the following manner.

1ST It is my will & pleasure that all my estate both real and personal be sold by my executors at public venue giving such credit as they think best, and that all my just debts be first paid & the residue be disposed of in the following manner.

ITEM It is my will that my executors pay out of my estate to my half brother **DAVID KENNEDY BEATY** one hundred and fifty dollars for his service as rendered me in working on the farm since the commencement of the present year.

ITEM It is my will that as soon as two notes in my possession due me from my father **WALTER BEATY** is collected that my executors shall pay to my step mother **PEGGY BEATY** & her two daughters **PEGGY** & **ELIZABETH BEATY** twenty dollars cash out of said notes.

ITEM It is my will & pleasure that the whole of the residue of my estate together with all the monies due me by notes, bonds or otherwise, be divided into three equal shares & paid out as herein directed, viz.

One third part to sister **PEGGY WILSON**.

One third part to sister ISABELLA BEATY.

AND the remaining third part to be divided equally between my two sisters MARTHA IRWIN & MARY PARKS.

AND lastly I hereby nominate & constitute my true & trusty friends ROBERT IRWIN, JOAB ALEXANDER & JAMES WILSON my whole and sole executors of this my last will & testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this third day of June AD 1816.

WILLIAM BEATY {seal}

In presents of

ELIJAH BAKER ELIAS ALEXANDER