

STEEL, Martin

1817



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In the name of God Amen
I Martin Steel of Mecklingburg County and State of
North Carolina being very frail in body but
perfect in mind and memory calling to mind
the shortness of my body do make constitute and
ordain this my Last Will and Testament in the manner
and form following amen and first I leave
and commend my soul unto almighty God who
gave it and my body to the Earth to be buried and
as for my worldly estate I leave as following
first I will that all my Lawful Debts be paid
by my executors at a convenient time
Secondly I leave to my son John Steel a piece
of Land lying Down the Branch the Dividing
line beginning at a white oak on the Branch of
Creek then following my line to a post oak corner
thence to Nancy Robinsons old field taking in
two rods of the old field straight to my open
line the same I leave to him his heirs and
executors or administrators to hold forever
the above Deed is such that John Steel shall
give the note to my Executors for four Dollars
paid acknowledged in four years then of
Interest for that term to be for the use of my
heirs if said John Steel does not comply with
the said term the above Deed is void and shall
be of no force I leave to my son John Steel
this Mule and Saddle one Cow and two Sheep
third I leave to my Daughter Rebekah one horse
or mare worth sixty Dollars saddle and bridle
two Cows Bed and furnished one Corn mow in
good Mointed to be given when Required for
fourthly my beloved Wife Sarah Steel and Children
I leave my farm horses and Cows hogs Sheep fowls
utensils with all of my property to in part
and make a serving on just that my beloved

Wife Sarah Steel be looked to by my Executors
that she may live as well as she has Don't her to for as
long as she remains my Widow or till death
fourth I will that any of my Children coming of
age or leaving my family by Marriage that my Executor
to give such property as the family can afford
not hold the family to value the same and
take receipts that it may be paid out of the
at the last I will that my beloved wife shall have
power at her death to will all the bedding and
covert furniture I will Rebekah Steel to be Legat of
in my Estate if she don't call for her part before the
family break up fifth I will that my Children when
both parents is dead to live together on the farm and
to have use of all property as long as they improve the same
sixth I will that when the family break up that all they
shall be sold farm and farming utensils horses
cows sheep and hogs dinner givers household furnished over
negroes women with belonging to my Estate

Rightly I will that the same Estate be equally divided
among my heirs Rebekah Moses David Josiah
Jenny Martin William Nancy Steel and so conclude
I ordain and appoint this my last will and
testament Revoking and Disannulling all and every
other will or wills or testaments heretofore by me
Made and forthwith I constitute and appoint my
Brother James Steel Son John Son James Steel
to execute my last will and testament as witness
My hand and seal this twenty second of March
1817 signed sealed and Confirmed in the presence
of us

James M. M. M.

J. M. M.

Martin Steel

Martin Steels

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August Term 1817

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