

Will of Samuel Rowell – 1764 – Northampton County, NC

In the name of God amen. The 10th day of April 1764.

I Samuel Rowell of Northampton County of North Carolina do make & ordain this my last will & testament & and as to making such worldly estate wherewith it pleased almighty God to bless me in this life, I give & divide * dispose of the same in the following manner & form.

Item – I give & bequeath unto my son Edward Rowell the land as he lives upon from the upper end of the great marsh across to a great pine in the little branch & going next then down the said branch.

Item – I give and bequeath unto my son Frederick Rowell & to his heirs a piece of land in the fork of the long branch.

Item – I give & bequeath unto my son Richard Rowell & his heirs the upper part of my land from Snipes church path.

Item – I give & bequeath unto my son Samuel Rowell & his heirs my plantation & the remainder of my land.

Item – I give & bequeath unto my son Robert Rowell twenty five shillings

Item – I give & bequeath unto my son Andrew Rowell twenty five shillings

Item – I give & bequeath unto my daughter Martha Rowell twenty shillings

Item – I give & bequeath unto my daughter Margret Rowell twenty shillings

Item – I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Rowell all the use of all the rest of my estate during her widowhood & then to be equally divided between my daughter Martha Rowell and my daughter Margret Rowell and my son Robert Rowell & my son Andrew Rowell. I likewise constitute, ordain and appoint my son Edward Rowell my sole executor & I do hereby revoke and disannul all & every former testament named willed & bequeathed, ratifying & confirming this & not other to be my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have set my hand & seal the day and year above written 1764.

Samuel Rowell (his mark) (seal)

**Signed sealed & delivered in presence of
Jos(eph) Smith, Jos Jno Snipes (Joseph John Snipes), William (his mark)
Vaughn**

Northampton County August Court 1764

**The within written will of Samuel Rowell dec'd was exhibited
In court & proven on the oath of Jos John Snipes one of
the subscribing witnesses thereto - at the same time Frederick
Rowell also qualified Executor thereof, which in motion
was ordered to be certified & recorded.**

Teste J Edwards Clerk