

In the name of God, amen. I Joseph Stricklin of the County of Amherst and State of Virginia, being weak in body tho' of perfect & sound mind & memory, thanks be to God for the same, do make, constitute, appoint & ordain this to be my last Will & Testament, revoking all other Will & Wills heretofore made by me. In testimony whereof first of all, I give my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors herein after named, & my soul to God that gave it hoping at resurrection to receive the same again, to be united by the power of God, & as to the worldly Estate it has been pleased God to bless me with, after my lawful debts are paid, I give & bequeath in the manner and form following, to wit. —

Item, I lend to my beloved wife Abigail Stricklin the Tract of Land, whereon I now live together with all my personal Estate, except what I do hereafter devise during her life or widowhood. —

Item, I give to my daughter Sarah Howard one hundred & sixty acres of Land lying in the County of Rockbridge, it being a tract known by the name of Whiteside's be the same more or less, to her & her heirs forever. —

Item, I give to my daughter Hanner Arings, a certain Tract of Land in the County of Rockbridge, containing eighty acres, more or less, lying on a creek or branch call'd Little man above Moorsforge, to her & her heirs forever. —

Item, I give to my son Joseph Stricklin one Tract of Land lying in the County of Rockbridge, containing ninety acres more or less lying near Moors furnace in gap of a mountain, also two Negroes, one by the name of Tempe the other by the name of Jane, they & their increase, to him & his heirs forever. —

Item, I give to my daughter Polly Carpenter three tracts of Land lying in the County of Augusty, it being all the Land I had on the South mountain that lye in the County of Augusty, the quantity of these tracts I cannot ascertain, to her & her heirs forever. —

Item, I give to my son Samuel Stricklin the Tract of Land I bought of Mr. Edmonds in Amherst County, which he now lives on, the quantity I cannot ascertain, also one negro woman by the name of Jude & her increase, also a mare now in his possession, by the name of Silvertail, with the Smith tools that is now in my Shop, to him & his heirs forever. —