

all my Negroes, all their kinds of property, whatsoever that I may be in possession of at my death, after my just debts are paid, but in case my beloved Wife marry again or die I leave to my son George M. Pledger the use of my Negroes, Slaves, Horses & Cattle, &c. during of his natural life & after his death it is my Will & desire that the above named Negroes shall be equally divided between all my sons George M. Pledger's boy children to them and their heirs forever.

Item 3rd. I leave to my daughter Sally Lumb's if in case she should be left without any home a piece of Land from the road along the ditch up the mountain in during of her natural life or widowhood.

Item 4th. I leave the use of all my lands and plantations to my son George M. Pledger after my Wife's decease in during of his natural life & after his death it is my wish and desire that my sons be equally divided between Miles Pledger & Kinchen Pledger my bondsons to them & their heirs forever.

Item 5th. It is my will and desire that Sally, Matilda & Charity Pledger my two Grand Daughters, shall have my negroes girls named Manury and if either of them die without lawful heirs the surviving one have the sole right of sale to them and their heirs forever.

Item 6. I give my Daughter Sally Lumb's one dollar to her and to her heirs forever.

Item 7th. I give my son John Pledger one hundred and fifty dollars to him and his heirs forever.

Item 8. I give unto my son Isaac Pledger one hundred and fifty dollars to him and his heirs forever.

Item 9. I give unto my grandson William Love fifty dollars to him and his heirs forever.

Item 10. I give unto my grand son Isaac Love fifty dollars to him and his heirs forever.

Item 11. I give unto my grand daughter Lucy Pledger fifty dollars to her and her heirs forever.

Item 12. It is my will and desire that my stock of horses, cattle and hogs, house hold & kitchen furniture be sold after my wife's decease to pay of three negroes above given.

Item 13. I do nominate & appoint my friend Kinchen Powell my whole & sole executor to this my last will & testament as annulling all other wills heretofore made by me. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this the 23rd day of May in the year of 1836

Signed, sealed & acknowledged in the
presence of

J. Brall.

Jonathan Blanchard.

John M. Pledger (Test)
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is the last Will and Testament of John Pledger and sufficient to pass both real & personal estate. Judgment of the Court that the executor pay the cost of the caveat and that the Will be recorded, whereupon Kinchen Powell the Executor therein named appeared in open Court and qualified as the Law directs.

State of North Carolina. I William Bottom clerk of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the County of Northampton as hereby certify that the foregoing is a full and fair transcript of the proceedings had in this case. Given under my hand & seal of Office at Office this 16th day of September 1837.



(W. Bottom, Clerk)

At a Court held for the County of Southampton the 18th day of September 1837

An authentic copy of the last Will & Testament of John Pledger decd. was returned and moved to be recorded. And on the motion of Kinchen Powell the Executor named in said Will, who made oath and together with Richard Potter, and Nathaniel Williams, his Deputies, entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of two hundred dollars conditioned as the law directs & beneficial is granted him for obtaining a probate of said Will in due form.

Teste J. R. Edwards 66