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(names bolded for genealogical purposes)

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I James Rutledge Jr of Rowan County and State of North Carolina being weak of body but of perfect Memory, thought proper to make, constitute, and appoint this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say – First I will that after my decease my body be decently buried my funeral charges paid and all my just debts legally discharged.

Secondly I will unto my **son Daniel Rutledge** one Negro man named Samuel to his use and behoof.

Thirdly I will unto my **daughter Mariam Roberson Wife of Joseph Roberson** ten shillings current lawfull
Money of the State aforesaid

Fourthly I will unto my daughter Elizabeth Forcum deceased wife of Thomas Thomas Forcum ten schillings current lawfull money as aforesaid

Fifthly I will unto my daughter Ruth Parker wife of Reubin Parker one cow and calf calico white back

Sixthly I will unto my daughter Matilda Gallon wife of Benjamin Gallon one horse beast

Seventhly I will unto my beloved **wife Ruth Rutledge** my dwelling plantation with all appurtenances thereto

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belonging with one negro man named Stephney and all my movable Estate during her widowhood or life to her use but not to sell or dispose of any of said property farther than through the support of herself or her family, and after her decease or day of marriage I will the above tract of land unto my son James Rutledge and his heirs forever with the said negro man Stephney as aforesaid and all the movable estate aforementioned. And lastly I appoint my son Daniel Rutledge and my wife Ruth Rutledge whole and sole Executors of my Estate aforementioned – where unto I have set my name and fixed my seal this Eighth day of September in the year of our Lord One Thousand, Eight Hundred and Nine Signed, sealed and acknowledge In the presence of Joseph Beel John Martin

James Rutledge (his mark)(seal)

Thoughts upon reading:

^{1.} James Rutledge's wife is Ruth Rutledge. His children are Daniel Rutledge, Mariam (Rutledge) Roberson, Elizabeth (Rutledge) Forcum, Ruth (Rutledge) Parker, Mathilda (Rutledge) Gallon, and James Rutledge.

^{2.} Will is executed September 8, 1809, but admitted into probate November 1813, implying a date of death in 1813.

^{3.} James owns land and a plantation, and a male slave



