

*Speight
Sons*

In the name of God Amen. I Joseph SPEIGHT of Gates County in the State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect memory (blessed be God) do this second day of April in the year our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety two make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner and form following.

ITEM I lend unto my beloved wife Anne SPEIGHT during of her natural live one half of the land and plantation whereon I now live with one half of the improvements thereon also five negroes to wit; LOVEY, HARRY, STEPHEN, ROSE & PRIS also three horses, one cart and wheel and Gear & two beds & furniture and half the cattle, hogs and sheep that I have in my procession now.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my son Francis SPEIGHT my water grist mill and all the land and Plantation joining thereto & all the land that I purchased of Thomas FRASHER & all that I purchased of Francis SANDERS and John MILLER and also one other tract of land I entered & surveyed and also one half of a tract of land lying on the head of Mud Creek which I entered & surveyed with John MILLER and also one acre of land at the gut landing and two acres of land which I purchased of Demsey SUMNER. I say the above deferent tracts of land I give to my son Francis SPEIGHT to him and his heirs forever also 12 negroes to wit: TOM, ISAIAH, SAM, WILLIS, MIKE, BOON, MIRIAM, SARAH, MARY, BETSY, LIDY & JEREMIAH. I say to my son Francis SPEIGHT to him and his heirs forever also all the stock of cattle, hogs & sheep and all the Household goods that I have hethertofore lent him which he has now in possession with one black walnut oval table and half a dozen of black walnut cheers to him and his heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my son Henry SPEIGHT one half of my plantation and land whereon I now live with one half of the improvements thereon and also one half of a tract of land lying on the head of Mud Creek which entered & surveyed with John MILLER and also one acre of land lying at the Gut landing also the other half of my plantation and land I lent to my beloved wife after her death I say the different tracts of land to my son Henry SPEIGHT to him & his heirs forever also eight negroes to wit: WILL, GEORGE, BEN, DANIEL, ABRAHAM, CHERRY, BETSY & JUDY to him and his heirs forever also one black walnut desk, one square black walnut table & half a dozen black walnut chairs and all the stock of horses, cattle & hogs & all the Household goods which I have heretofore but him & which he has now in possession I say to my son Henry SPEIGHT to him & his heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my grandson Joseph FREEMAN 12 shillings current money in full of his of my estate to him & his heirs forever.

ITEM I give to my grandson John FREEMAN 12 shillings current money of this State to him & his heirs forever in full of his part of my estate.

ITEM I give to my granddaughter Anne FREEMAN one negro named LUKE to her & her heirs forever in full of her part of my estate.

ITEM I lend to my grandson Joseph Speight DARDEN five negroes to wit: MILLS, JUDY, BEN, PHENBY & SOLOMON if he should arrive to the age of 21 years & have & heir lawful of his body then it is my will & desire that they go to him & his heirs forever if he should chance to die without heirs from his body for the negros I have lent him to be equal divided between my two sons Francis SPEIGHT & Henry SPEIGHT to them and their heirs forever.

ITEM I lend to my granddaughter Susanna DUNN four negros to wit : JOHN, MILLEY, TREASEY & HANNER. If she should have an heir lawful begotten of her body it is my will and desire that they go to her & her heirs forever. If she should chance to die without any heir lawful

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WILL OF JOSEPH SPEIGHT (contd.)

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begotten of her. It is my will and desire for the negroes to be equal divided between my two sons Francis SPEIGHT & Henry SPEIGHT to them & their heirs forever. Also I give to Susanna DUNN one feather bed and furniture to her and her heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my grandson Joseph Speight DARDEN 12 shillings current money of this State to him & his heirs forever.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Anne SPEIGHT my riding chear and harness to her & her heirs forever.

ITEM it is my will and desire that all the remainder of my estate nator or kind whatsoever shall be sold and nine months credit given to the purchaser money arising there from to go to pay all my just debts and funeral charge and if there should be any remainder for it to be equal divided between my two sons Francis SPEIGHT and Henry SPEIGHT to them and their heirs forever. I hereby make and ordain my two loving sons Francis SPEIGHT & Henry SPEIGHT my executors of this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I the said Joseph SPEIGHT have to this my last will and Testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written signed sealed published and declared by the said Joseph SPEIGHT the testator as his last will and testament in the presence of us who were present at the time of signing and sealing thereof Teste:

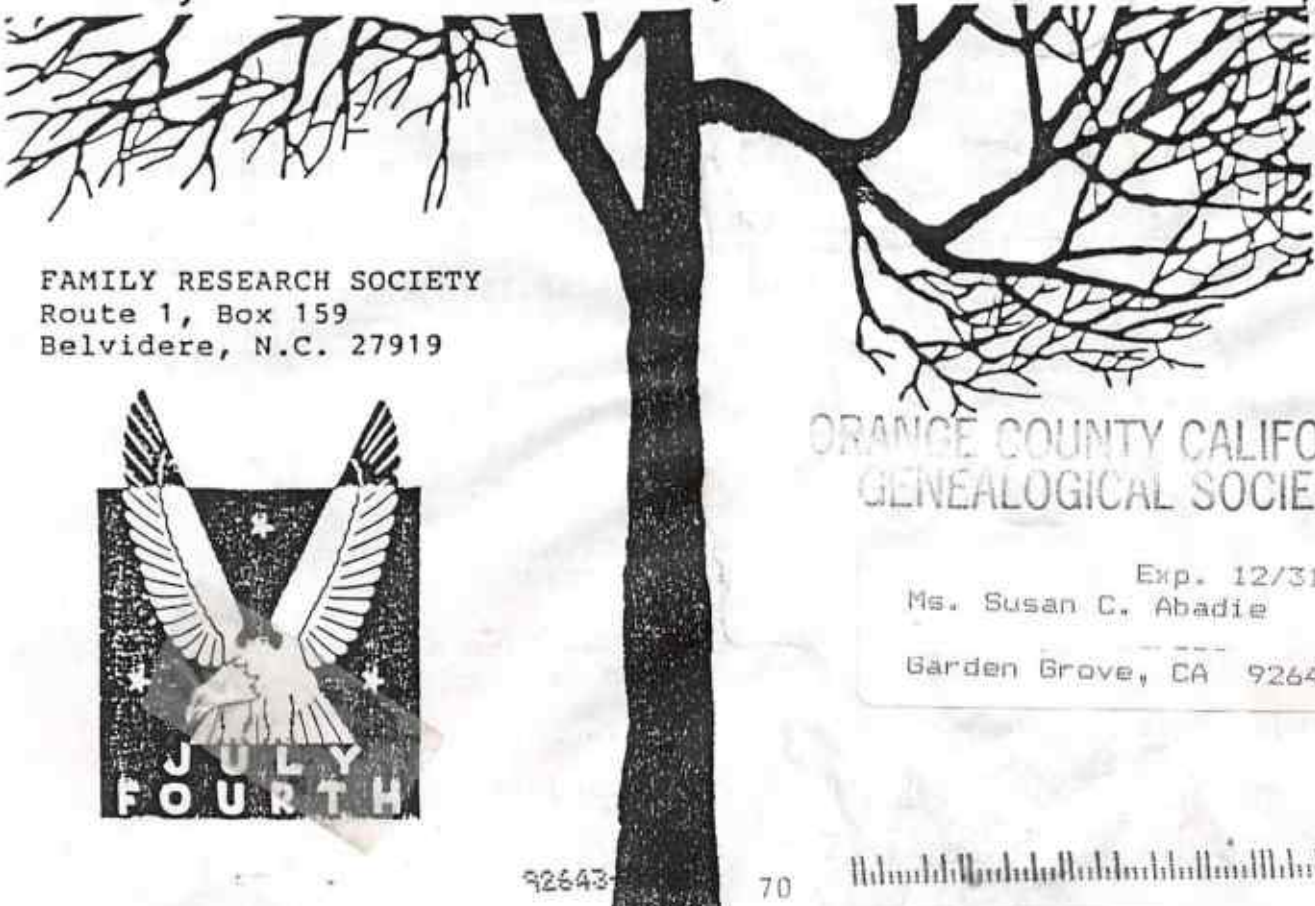
Thomas BARNES, Mary (her X mark) WILLIAMS, Wm GOODMAN.

Joseph SPEIGHT (seal)

August Court 1792: Exhibited by Francis SPEIGHT & Henry SPEIGHT executors; proved by Thomas BARNES & William GOODMAN.

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