

RECORD OF WILLS.

Child in nine months after my decease to the Child to have its equal part of all to share and share alike. But in case my wife dies or marries after my decease then her part to be equally divided amongst my children except her choice of one negroes which I leave to her during her life and at her death to be divided amongst my children & I do hereby leave it in the power of my wife Lucinda Lucas to give yearly what she may think sufficient for the maintenance of my two children Susan and William until they arrive to the years of Majority say twenty one years old. And I further put it in her power to give my dear father what she may think proper to give.

I leave to my Brother-in-law John Lucas a young Negro as soon as my Executors may find it convenient to purchase one or give him sixty pounds cash.

I do appoint Lucinda Lucas my Executrix and my friend George Coates to this my last will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day first written within signed sealed and acknowledged.

In presence of
Daniel Perry
Richard Carter
Richard Clayton

Thomas Lucas Seal

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In the Name of God Amen
I Anna Lloyd of the County of Bladen in Province of North Carolina being through the blessing of mercy and goodness of God though weak in body yet of a sound mind and perfect understanding and memory do amostitute this my last will and Testament and desire it may be received by all such as follows. That is to say principal and first of all.

I recommend my soul to God and my body I recommend to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors and as touching such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bestow on me with I give and devise and dispose of in the manner following.

Supremis - I give to my daughter Mary McRee all my wearing apparel my Negroes my cattle money and household furniture with all other my goods and chattels after my lawful debts are paid I give to my cousin William Smith a piece of land that was given to me by my father but in case my daughter Mary McRee should die before she is twenty one years of age and should have no lawful heir of her own body behind her then I do give and bequeath to my cousin William Smith. And as to my assigns John Smith the whole of my estate to him his heirs and assigns whom I make the Executors of this my last will and Testament with full power to sell or exchange my part of my estate as shall think proper or most advantageous for the good or benefit of my daughter whom I also charge to pay all my lawful debts or any other instruments of writings ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my seal this the 18th day of April 1770.
In presence of
Elizabeth Bailey
John Smith
James Bailey
Anna Lloyd
Elizabeth Lloyd

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In the name of God Amen

I John Howard of Bladen County and State of North Carolina, being weak in body but through the mercy of God sound and perfect in my understanding and memory do certify that my last Will and Testament and desire it may be recorded by all as such.

I will and bequeath to my eldest son William Howard one negro man named Cato.

I will and bequeath to my eldest daughter Sarah Howard one negro woman named Amy.

I will and bequeath to my second daughter Elizabeth Howard one negro girl named Hagar.

I will and bequeath to my second son Prineus Howard one negro man named Sharpe.

I will and bequeath to my third daughter Mary Howard one negro woman named Hannah and one negro boy named Pompey and one slave man named Phillis.

I will and bequeath to my third son James Howard one negro man named Sam.

I bequeath to my son William Howard a Bed and bedding already in his possession And I will that every one of them should receive the same at my decease and if there is one deficient the other five children to make it good.

And I will that every one of my children should have one horse and three horses should divide into six equal divisions. Money, Hannah, Furniture that is not before mentioned and all my Horses that is not named all my Plantation tools and all my Lingo and being put in equal lots every child shall draw their own lot.

And I also will that my Books be divided in the same manner.

I will that my lands be sold to the highest bidder and the money that it brings to be equally divided among my three sons to-wit: William Howard Prineus Howard and James Howard and all my cattle that is not already given away to be equally divided between my three daughters to-wit: Sarah Howard Elizabeth Howard and Mary Howard and

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I will and appoint my sons William Howard and Prineus Howard Executors to this my last Will and Testament.

Elizabeth Howard
Caleb Howard

John Howard

In the name of God Amen.

Lelah Johnston being weak in body but of perfect sound mind and memory calling to mind that all flesh born must die and being desirous to settle her worldly affairs which it hath pleased God to bless her with doth make this her last will and testament and divide her property in manner and form following to-wit:

First her body to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of the executors hereafter named.

2ndly I give and bequeath to my daughter Eliza Lucas one old cow.

3rdly I give and bequeath to my son George Lynn one two year old heifer if he should demand it.

4thly I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary White my wearing apparel which such exceptions as he hereafter mentioned and in case Mary should be sold I give the work of Kate to her for three years, but if Mary should not be sold I give Kate to my son John Johnston here and assigns forever.

5thly I give and bequeath to my son Robert Johnson all my plantation and Cooperated 100 feet of Lumber and two droves.

6thly I give and bequeath to my daughter