

RECORD OF WILLS.

In the Name of God "Amen"

I, Daniel Shipman made in the year of Our Lord in March 1772, first of all,

I recommend my Soul into the hands of God that gave it to me beseeching him to accept those of for his beloved Son. Save Jesus which my only Lord and Saviour.

I, Daniel Shipman of the County of Bladen in the Province of North Carolina Planters being in perfect mind of body thanks be to God for it Calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for me to be dead and after this is judgment.

I recommend my Soul to the hands of God and my body to the earth to be buried at the discretion of my beloved Sons James Shipman and Daniel Shipman Executors of this my last Will and Testament and for such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give and devise and dispose of in the following manner that is to say,

I will that all my just debts be paid by my Executors

I give and bequeath unto my Son James Shipman the half of my land it being the lower part with one negro fellow named Sam.

I give and bequeath the other half of my land to my Son Daniel Shipman with one negro fellow named Pizar

To one young Rose to Elizabeth Durning.

To one Anne to Eleanor Durning

To one Ann to Sarah Sanders

To one two year old Sister to Anne Sanders

all my estate to be equally divided between James Shipman and Daniel Shipman all my plantation tools and horses equally to be divided between James Shipman and Daniel Shipman.

I give to my Wife Anne maintenance upon the land during her Widowhood.

After my Wife lays on I give to my

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they paying to each of their Sisters Ann and Jane the price of a negro.

I also give and bequeath to my beloved Son John one Negro boy named York, and if there is more than a negro apiece for the children then the remainder to be divided between my beloved Sons John, Duncan, Matam, David and Eugene.

I also order that my beloved Son Duncan for his first choice of the Negroes then the oldest son to choose to the youngest Son.

In witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this the 16th day of February in the year of Our Lord 1780. and in the fourth year of American Independence.

In presence of Witnesses

John Campbell } David & Thos Seal
 Dugald & Blue }
 Alexander & Shaw }

In the Name of God Amen

I Patrick Stewart of Bladen County in the State of North Carolina being at this present time through the mercy of God in perfect health body and mind not the situation of my affairs requiring now in some degree to be regulated think it necessary to print litigation and other contingencies, to make a will therefore do constitute make and appoint this to be his last will and Testament.

Impensis. After my Just debts and funeral charge are discharged I will and devise that the remainder of my effects may be disposed of in the following manner

Secondly It is my request that Sister Margaret should be put in possession of two Negro Men, of the names of Will and Jack. Together with the Bed and Bedding

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clothes and likewise a black horse named Tom
 Thirdly It is my request that an infant, of which Joanna Matthews is now pregnant should prove to be a boy to be put in possession of fifty pounds if a girl thirty pounds which sum my Executors David Bailey to see expended for the benefit of their education and if they or it should not survive to vest to the other child.

Fourthly I will and request that the rest and remainder of my estate be equally divided between my Sister Ann Rebecca Duncan and James

Lastly I do make constitute and appoint my father William Stewart, David Bailey and William Gervaise Executors of this my last will and Testament

In witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this the 1st day of December in the year of Our Lord 1777.

Signed sealed and delivered

In the presence of

William Gervaise

Alexr. Cornickail

John Doane.

Patrick, Stewart Seal

In the Name of God Amen

The 1st day of December in the year of Our Lord 1773. I Deborah Singletary of the County of Bladen and Province of North Carolina being of perfect mind and memory and understanding thanks be given unto God therefor calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and Testament that is to say principally and first of all,

I recommend my soul into the hand of God the giver it, and for my body I recommend it to the earth. to be buried in a Christian manner