

RECORD OF WILLS.

Remond Alexander Colville of Brecon and County Down and Kingdom of Ireland to be disposed of at his death to the most dutiful of his children as he thinks proper. Further I desire that no part of my estate either in land or negroes be sold to pay any debt what soever. but that all my debts be paid out of my cash and crop now on hand and if that proves insufficient to discharge my debts more cash and crop be made fully to discharge the said debts.

And I do hereby constitute and appoint Henry Graham, George and William McKee Esquires and Mr. John White Senr. Executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me made.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 10th day of February in the year of Our Lord 1776

Signed sealed and published
and declared in presence

John White

David Rees

Joseph. Mumfry

Matthew Colville

In the Name of God Amen

I Evan Ellis of the State of North Carolina and County of Bladen being weak in body but of sound mind and memory knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make this my last Will and Testament into the hands of Almighty God I recommend my soul to and of what worldly goods it has pleased Him to bless me with. I will and bequeath as follows - viz

The plantation whereon I now live with the plant trees tools and household furniture except such as are hereafter mentioned to remain during my

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the life of my beloved wife Phillis Ellis for the equal use of her the said Phillis Ellis, Evan Ellis and William Ellis and after her death the said plantation so hereby this and bequeath to my eldest son John Ellis and an equal right is reserved for my sons William and Evan to cultivate on said land until they are of age and in case the said John Ellis should die of or sell the said land before my two sons John and William become of age then and in that case it is my will that one half of the sum or value the said lands may be sold for shall be paid by the said John Ellis to my sons William and Evan Ellis equally.

The whole of Oatmeal Cattle Stags Horses sheep except what is hereafter mentioned to remain undivided for the use of my wife and sons until my youngest shall be of age then the whole to be equally divided amongst them or the survivors and part of increase of said stock to be in the meantime applied at the discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned for educating my three youngest sons.

To my son Reva I will and bequeath my plantation on Crowsing Creek and one feather bed.

To my son John one feather bed.

To my son Evan one feather bed and all my moving apparatus.

To my wife Phillis Ellis one feather bed.

To my daughter Anne Porter two feather beds and what stock and furniture she is possessed of from me.

To my daughter Jane one feather bed one bay Rose Colored Chick. three cows now at Saml. Porters two Cows and Lambs and two pigs on demand.

To Samuel Porter one black Colt he is already possessed of.

To my grand daughter Susannah Porter wife and bequeath what sheep of mine is in possession of her for her. Samuel Porter

I do request and request

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William Ellis and Samuel Porter to be Executors of this my last Will and Testament. And by disavowing hereby making void all other Wills and bequest whatever before signing and witnessing in article first line the ditch is interlined the name of Russ Ellis and same article line the 10th is interlined the name Russ. article second line the word is interlined these mares except what is heretofore mentioned article fourth William Ellis and one fourth be here to be varied to breeding mares to be interlined in article first for the use of the Plantation.

Witness

John Lennon }
W. J. McRee }

Wm Ellis Seal

In the name of God "Amen"

I Thomas Bryan of Bladen County and State of North Carolina being at this time indisposed do make this my last Will and Testament in the manner following namely-

I will and bequeath that my whole estate real and personal shall be equally divided between my Sisters according to the Law of distribution

I give and bequeath to my Sister Hannah for one pair of Silver Shoe beads.

And I hereby constitute and appoint William Bryan, James D. Bradley, and John White Esquires Executors of this my last Will and Testament.

Given under my hand and seal this 23^d day of January in the Year of Our Lord 1788 and in the 3rd Year of the State

Witnessed sealed published

in presence of us

Thomas Bryan

James D. Bradley

John White

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Last Will and Testament

In presence of us.

Test

James Ward

John Patrick

In the name of God "Amen"

I John Baldwin Son of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina being weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be unto God casting into mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make this my last Will and Testament as follows-

That is to say principally and first of all.

I resign my Soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it. And my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors hoping through the merits of my blessed Saviour Jesus Christ to have a glorious resurrection at the last day and as touching such worldly estate wherein it hath pleased almighty God to bless me with in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form

Imprimis My Will and desire is that all my just debt and funeral charges be paid. It is also my will and desire that the whole of my Plantation utensils and implements of husbandry of every kind whatever be equally divided amongst my three Sons. John Charles and William as well hereafter be divided and given except it be anything heretofore given in deed. or anything else which may hereafter be directed to be given in this Will.

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I give and bequeath unto my Son John a full or account against the Publick of the value of a Naval Hospital Name of Maritime also to my