

Will of Elizabeth Bartram

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Elizabeth Bartram Relict of William Bartram, Esq. of Bladen County in the province of North Carolina, deceased being weak in body but in perfect mind and memory thanks be to God, do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say) I resign my Soul to God that gave it hoping for the glorious resurrection at the last day by the mediation of my Blessed Saviour, Jesus Christ, and my body to the Earth to be buried in a decent manner at the discretion of my Executors and Executrix hereafter mentioned, and as for my worldly Estate I give and bequeath in manner and form following, after my just debts are paid.

I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Robeson and her husband Thos. Robeson the sum of Ten Pound Proclamation Money of the Province aforesaid.

I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Brown and her husband Thomas Brown all my Negroes (as follows) Old Jack, Old Cloe, Billinder, Longo, Shicles, Joe, Amy, little Cloe, Florah & her three Children, viz. Dick, Nan and Tony, Together with all my whole stock of Horses, my whole stock of Cattle, my whole stock of Hogs, my whole stock of Sheep, with all their increase. My Household Furniture and all my Out standing debts and all and Every, my whole Estate both Real and Personal, To my Daughter Sarah Brown and her husband Thomas Brown, their heirs and assigns forever.

My Daughter Sarah Brown and her husband Thomas Brown paying the above mentioned Ten Pound Proclamation Money, to my Daughter Mary Robeson and her husband Thomas Robeson as their whole share of my Estate, and no more.

I ordain constitute and appoint my Son in Law Thomas Brown and my Daughter Sarah Brown my whole and sole Executors and Executrix of this my Last Will revoking and Disannulling all other former wills and Legacies and allowing this to be my Last Will and Testament and no other as Witness my Mark and Seal, this Twenty seventh day of December in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy two

Elizabeth Bartram

Signed, Sealed, delivered, acknowledged, Ratified and confirmed in the presence of (over)

Item: I give and bequeath unto my Brother Samuel Carver and my son Job Carver one lot of land in Wilmington to be divided between them equally to them & their heirs for ever.

Item: I will & desire that all and every other part & parcel of my Estate as Negroes, Cattle, Horses and all other moveables be for the use of my wife and Children for their maintenance & schooling and at the age of my Daughter Elizabeth the said Estate to be divided and she to take her part.

Item: I leave my Brother Samuel Carver and my wife Elizabeth Carver whole and sole Executors & Executrix of this my last will & testament.

Item: I disallow, revoke and disannul all other former wills & Legacies, ratifying & Confirming this & no other to be my last Will & Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal.

Geo. Carver

Signed, Sealed, delivered and Confirmed in the presence of us.

Rich^d Mullington
Patrick M^r Conkey
George Willis

Proved by Rich^d Mullington
Fee Paid to Thos Robeson

Proved in Open Court June 1753 by the Oath of Richard Mullington

Thos Robeson, Clerk.

Recorded in the Clerk's office of Bladen County North Carolina according to law -

Thos Robeson, Clerk.

In presence

Item

Item

Will of Deborah Jordan

Inc Jones
 Henrietta Jones
 Mary Lyon
 (Between the Eleventh and Twelfth line the words (and bequeath)
 were written before the assignment)

North Carolina }
 Bladen County } August Court 1772

Then was the Execution of this Will proved in
 open Court by the oath of Henrietta Jones and Mary
 Lyon now Mary White who swore that they did see
 Elizabeth Bartram sign, seal, publish & declare this said
 Will to be her Last Will & Testament & at the same time
 that they did see John Jones sign as a Concurring
 Evidence thereto

Maturin Colville, CC

The within last Will and Testament of Elizabeth
 Bartram was proved Before His Excellency The Governor in
 Council on the 2nd day of February 1773 by the oath of
 John Jones one of the subscribing witnesses thereto agreeable
 to law and it was then ordered that letters Testamentary issue
 thereon accordingly.

J. Biggleston
 Newbern 3rd Febry 1773 then appeared before me
 Thomas Brown an Executor in the within Will named and
 took the oaths appointed for his qualification.
 J. Martin

In The Name of God Amen the fourth Day of September
 in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven Hundred and fifty
 Nine. I Deborah Jordan of the County of Bladen in the province
 of North Carolina of perfect mind and Memory and understanding
 be given unto God therefor Calling to mind the mortality of my
 Body and knowing that it is appointed for all women 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
 hands of God that gave it and for my Body I recommend it
 to the Earth to be buried in a Christian Like and decent manner at
 the discretion of my Executors Nothing doubting but at the General
 Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God.
 And as touching my worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to
 bless me in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the
 following manner and form.

Improvements: it is my will and I do order that in the
 first place all my just debts and Funeral Charges be first paid
 and satisfied.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Beloved Brother Ithamar
 Singletary his heirs or assigns for ever one Negro Boy named
 Harry and all my stock of Hogs and it is my will and
 desire that he take the same in possession immediately
 after my decease.

Item I give and Bequeath unto my Beloved Brother John Singletary
 one Negro Wench named Little Flerah which said wench
 he is to have immediately after all my just debts is paid
 and satisfied to him his heirs or assigns forever.

Item I give and Bequeath unto Deborah Singletary daughter of
 Ithamar Singletary one Negro Boy named Hughey to her the
 said Deborah Singletary her heirs or assigns for ever and it
 is my will and desire that the said boy be delivered to her
 father Ithamar Singletary who is to have the use of him
 till the day of marriage or age.

Item I give and Bequeath unto Deborah Singletary daughter of
 John Singletary one Negro girl named Easter to her the said
 Deborah Singletary her heirs or assigns for ever and it is my
 will and desire that the said girl be delivered to her father John
 Singletary who is to have the use of her till the day of
 marriage or of age.