

North Carolina

Bladen County

This day personally appeared before me one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid William McNeil Archibald Shaw and Alexander Shaw all of the County aforesaid, and made oath in the holy Evangelical of Almighty God, that some time in the month of September last, their deponents being together at the house of the above mentioned William McNeil did apply to a certain John McSuffie who was then lying sick but with a sound mind memory and understanding to ascertain before them their deponents who he named next to constitute his heir or Executors to which he answered that if he should die he should then appoint his youngest son named August of the premises aforesaid to be his lawful heir and Executor as his eldest son if living was in the Island of Jamaica, and that some time after to wit in or about the 26th day of this instant the said John McSuffie departed this life at the house of the said William McNeil without making any other will to the knowledge of them their deponents.

Sworn to before me the 26th January 1774.

James Bailey

William McNeil
Archibald Shaw
Alexander Shaw

In the Name of God Amen

I being in perfect mind and memory do with the consent of my loving husband James Moorhead make this my last will and testament to wit -

I give to Bartram Roberson my oldest son the negro man Bezar to him and his heirs and assigns forever -

"over"

I give to Jonathan Roberson my 2^d eldest son one negro girl Rose to him and his assigns forever
I give to William Roberson my 3^d eldest son 2 negroes named old Betty and Marret, to him and his assigns forever.

I give to Elizabeth Roberson my eldest daughter two negroes Lucy and Mary to her and her assigns forever.

I give to Sarah my youngest daughter one negro man named Bill to her and her heirs forever.

I will all the remainder of my estate Real and personal to be divided amongst all my children agreeable to my late husband Thomas Roberson's will.

And do hereby appoint my loving husband - James Moorhead Bartram Roberson and Jonathan Roberson Executors of this my last will and testament utterly disallowing all other will or wills whatsover.

In witness whereof with the consent of my loving husband James Moorhead I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 5th day of August 1774 signed sealed ratified and acknowledged

in presence of Mary Moorhead ^{dear}
My desire is that each of my daughters Elizabeth and Mary Roberson may each of them have a set of linen or more as a legacy left them out of my estate.

Joseph Cain
James Council

In the Name of God Amen

I George Meets being make in body but of sound mind and memory do make this my last will and testament.

Spirit
bound

I will that all my just debts be paid

I give and bequeath all the remainder of my estate Real and Personal together with all my

outstanding debts to my loving wife Mary Meeks to her and her heirs forever.

I do hereby appoint my loving wife Mary Meeks Executrix Henry M. Kpork. and C. M. Horton Executors of this my last Will and Testament withy disallowing all other Will or Wills heretofore made by me.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 13th of October 1789.

Signed sealed, ratified
and acknowledged in presence

of James Council } George Meeks Seal
P. A. Robinson }

In the Name of God Amen

I Felix M. Masters of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina being sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to God calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed unto 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 give and recommend my soul unto 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 nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless me with in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form "And"

First I give and bequeath to my Mother Caroline M. Masters all my estate Real and Personal lands and tenements during her life then to be equally divided between my wife and child, all but the land and that I give to my child when she comes of age, that is to say my lawful begotten daughter Catharine.

And I do hereby utterly disavow revoke disannul all and every other Wills Testaments and Legacies bequests and Executors by me in any ways before named bequeathed or made, ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament And I do appoint John Thomas Junr. Francis Davis and James Braddy my Executors of this my last Will and Testament.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 9th day of July 1799

Witness
Elihu M. Calister } Felix M. Masters Seal
James Braddy }
Elizabeth Hendry }

In the name of God Amen

This 10th day of September 1790.

I Robert M. Conkey of Bladen County and State of North Carolina being weak of body but of perfect mind and memory, praise be to God for the same, do make this my last will and Testament as followeth:

First: That my funeral charges and all my just debts be paid by my executors hereafter named. Impremis I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Ruth M. Conkey my plantation whereon I now live during her natural life and at her death it is my Will and desire that my land be sold by my Executors and the money arising from such sale to be equally divided