

by Thomas Brown and after her death to be paid by my son James B. Purdie and provided she my said wife should marry againe this she said should be to the Child of which she is pregnant if living and if she dies before she is born provided the Child of which my said wife is pregnant should be a male and live to the years of maturity then and in that case it is my will and desire that the said child have one half of all the land which I purchased of John Marshall as also one half of a tract of land purchased from Chas Mc Gee as also one half a tract of land on Elliot Creek and one half the mill site on said lands which I have been lately purchased to erect a saw mill and also one half a tract of land on the North East side the Church West River purchased from Messrs James & Co the use of the said child and his heirs forever.

I also give and bequeath to my said wife Mary Jane Purdie my Double Chair and harness one Bed and Furniture five Cows and Calves five Swine and hounds two Sows and pigs, and a gentle Horse to be purchased for her by my son James B. Purdie.

I give and bequeath to my two Children Elizabeth Brown and James B. Purdie all the Negroes which I got by my first wife and their increase to be equally divided share and share alike between them and their heirs forever.

I also give to my said two Children Elizabeth Brown and James B. Purdie one half of all the Negroes which I possessed before my first marriage as well as those which I have purchased since 1848 except those which have already been disposed of to be equally divided between them and their heirs forever.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Brown ^{one tract of land} on the Brown Marsh which I purchased at the sale of Josiah Lewis also my tract of two acres in Elizabethtown adjoining Russ' old field and one tract of ground in Elizabethtown below Goutin and Richardsons Brick Yard to her and her heirs forever.

I give and bequeath to my son James B. Purdie the plantation on which I now live with all the plantation tools household and kitchen furniture and stock of every kind except what has already been disposed of all my guns and one half of a lot of ground in the town of Elizabethtown adjoining a lot now in the occupancy of Duncan McNeill as also all other lands not before disposed of to him and his heirs forever.

I give and bequeath to my wife Mary Jane Purdie Elizabeth Brown and James B. Purdie all the notes and money which I have at the time of my death to be equally divided between them.

I hereby make and ordain Thomas Brown and James B. Purdie sole Executors of this my last will and Testament and I do hereby utterly disclaim revoke and disannull all and every other former Testament wills Legacies and Executors by me made in any way before named written and bequeathed ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Signed sealed and published
by the said James B. Purdie
as his last will and Testament
in presence of
John Smith
James B. McGehee

James B. Purdie Seal

In the County of Goddard

1848

I John Ellis of the County of Goddard in State of North Carolina being of perfect mind and memory blessed be God do this 6th day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Eighty eight make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner following viz =

All my just debts to be punctually paid.

I give and bequeath to my beloved son

First
Second

Samuel Ellis my said lands lying on the east
 East side of the North West River, being in two parts
 containing five hundred and fifty acres more or less
 originally granted to Erum Ellis, in the year one
 thousand seven hundred and thirty five, also fifteen
 acres on Drums Creek, also Lot. 20th one in Eliz.
 abettown and one other lot in said town partly
 on Broad Street, to him and his heirs and assigns
 forever.

It is my Will and desire that my best land lying
 in Dumblin, Pauched Branch. Surgo. Mill Pond &c
 containing fifteen hundred and eighty acres more or
 less. be sold immediately after my decease by
 my Executors Respecta Meehine as a credit of two
 years and the proceeds to go to my daughter Eliz
 abett Ellis together with all my lots in Eliz
 abettown not herein enumerated to her and
 her heirs forever.

It is my Will and desire that my perishable prop
 erty consisting of Negroes, Stock, Furniture Farming
 utensils &c. be equally divided between my son James
 Samuel Ellis and my daughter Elizabeth Ellis share
 and share alike

I hereby make and ordain my worthy friends
 John McRay, John Orr, and James Samuel Ellis,
 Executors of this my last Will and Testament

In witness whereof, I the said John Ellis
 have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and
 year first above written.

J. Ellis Seal
 Signed sealed published by the said John Ellis the
 Testator in the presence of us, who were present at the
 time of the time of the signing and sealing thereof,

J. J. Cunningham
 J. Strath
 R. Haran

In the Name of God "Amen"
 State of North Carolina. Bladen County
 I, John McNeill being weak in body but of
 sound mind make my last Will and Testament.

I bequeath and freely give unto my loving
 wife all my land, stock of all kinds so to her during
 her natural life or widowhood, to raise my children on
 and at her death to be equally divided among my
 children and should she marry she shall then only
 have a child's part.

Signed sealed and delivered
 in the presence of
 John McNeill Seal
 Dist. Cooch. Hall
 Dist. David Perry

I appoint Thomas Smith, Isaac Smith, my Executors
 to this my last Will and Testament, to the paying my
 Just debts, and collecting what due me.

In the Name of God "Amen"
 I, Benjamin Fitzrandolph of the County of Bladen
 and State of North Carolina being in perfect mind
 and memory thanks be to God for it, calling to mind
 the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is
 appointed for all men to die, do hereby make and
 constitute this my last Will and Testament in manner
 and form following to wit.

After all my Just debts are paid,
 I give and bequeath to my son Edward Fitz-
 randolph the whole of my plantation and all
 other of my land in the County of Bladen, also I
 give and bequeath to my son Edward, the
 following Negroes to wit, Luce, Juba, Phineas, Tony
 Rhetoe, Portia: Farney, John and Colin, with
 their families and their increase likewise all my stocks of
 any kind, all my plantation tools Blacksmith tools

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