

RECORD OF WILLS.

day and date above written. Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Isaac Salkeld the Testator as his last Will and Testament:

In the presence of us, } Isaac Salkeld
who are present at this } Mark.

Joah Blackman
Abraham Nagler
Mary Blackman

In the name of God amen"
I Michael Thomas in the State of North Carolina, County of Bladen being in low State of health but of perfect mind and memory make this my last Will and Testament.

Of all I resign my soul unto God whigane it to me, and my body, to be interred in a Christian manner at the discretion of my Executors and as to my worldly property what it has pleased God to bestow upon me. I leave in the manner and form following:

I give and bequeath unto my well beloved wife Jane all my stock of hogs, horses, Cattle, Sheep, plantation tools and household furniture of every kind whatever during her natural life and then to be equally divided among all my children: I also leave her my plantation that I now live on and grist mill during her natural life.

I also leave and bequeath unto my son James the stock of cattle and hogs and household furniture that he now possesses. I also leave him the following described lands as long

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as he improves and cultivates the same and not longer three tracts or parcels of land lying and being in the County and State aforesaid the first being a part of a tract containing two Hundred acres bearing date by patent 1794. Beginning on the line in the mill pond, in the mill pond central to a small branch that heads in the plantation, thence as that branch to a certain ditch that empteth into said branch, thence with the ditch to the back line, thence with that line South 55 West to a pine the beginning of said 200 acres, thence North 55 West 44.75 thence direct to the beginning containing 100 acres more or less.

The second tract is fifty acres joining the above. The third tract is joining the fifty acres before mentioned and contains 100 acres on the South West side of Big Branch and Bear Criss.

Also 100 acres on McLeans will Bea. called Pamlico. Should the same James Thomas not occupy and improve the aforesaid lands the executors to this Will or two men appointed by the County Court of Bladen is to take the aforesaid lands in to possession and rent it year and yearly for the benefit of the heirs of James Thomas aforesaid. I also leave and bequeath unto my son Jonathan after my wifes death the remaining part of my lands with the Mill as already devised to him as also all the property that is now called his. I do also so nominate and appoint James Purdie, Sander Simmonds and Jonathan Thomas Executors of this my last Will and Testament. Signed, sealed by me this 2nd day of March in the year of our Lord one Thousand Eight Hundred and seven

Samuel Jessop }
George Simpkins }

Michael Thomas
Mark