

# RECORD OF WILLS.

debt he paid and satisfied And it is my will and desire that my dear wife Margaret Gibbs had the use of my house and plantation where I now live in Bladen County and the use of all my household furniture during her widowhood, but if my dear wife Margaret Gibbs after my decease should intermarry it is my desire that my personal estate shall then be equally divided between my dear wife Margaret Gibbs and my dear sons I.e. John George, Robert and Joseph Gibbs. My dear wife Margaret Gibbs part to be delivered to her immediately after the division which part I give and bequeath to her during her natural life and after her decease to revert to my sons above named to be equally divided between them which personal estate I give and bequeath to them their heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my son George Gibbs the plantation where I now live in Bladen County that is after the marriage or decease of my wife, also my lower survey on the Bogue containing three hundred acres of land, I devise and bequeath to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give and devise to my son Robert Gibbs my upper survey of land on Bogue containing 800 acres. It is my desire my Executors whom I shall hereafter name purchase for my son Robert the piece or parcel of land joining the plantation I now live on belonging to the estate of Jeremiah Ward deceased if the said land is to be sold on reasonable terms and that they pay for it out of the profits arising from my estate. It is my desire that my Executors purchase for my son Joseph some convenient plantation of equal value with the land given to -

And the same I have desired shall be purchased for my son Robert to be paid for in like manner.

It is my desire all my land on Black river together with my sawmill shall be sold two years after my decease if my Executors think it

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will be for the benefit of my estate and the money arising from such sale to be laid out in the purchase of slaves to be divided in like manner as my other personal estate.

It is my will and desire that all the lands belonging to the estate of my brother John Gibbs deceased that are unincumbered to which I am heir at law be sold and the money arising from such sale be applied in like manner as that of my Black river lands and mill.

It is likewise my desire that my Executors see that my sons have as good an education as their fortunes will admit of, and lastly I nominate and appoint my dear wife Margaret Gibbs Executrix and my dear friend Henry Towne, Richard Duane I.e. John Burgin and John Acrom Executors of this my last will and Testament ratifying and confirming the same and revoking all and every will or Wills Testament or Testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May 1778.

John Towne  
Benjamin Lamberton } George Gibbs Seal  
William Stanford }  
James Loeal }

In the name of God amen.

I Peter Gibbs being sick and in a very low state of health at present although of perfect mind and memory thanks be to God for the same and as I know that all men was appointed to die and I thought proper to make this my last will and Testament that is to say first of all I recommend my soul to God

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and my body to be buried at the discretion of my executor.

Item I give one horse and cow and household furniture and likewise all my property real and personal to my wife Mary Gates and all my children to be equally after all my children is raised and supported.

And likewise my will is that if my wife Mary Gates marries or moves away that my Executors shall take in her possession all the said property and my children and to support them as well as the said property will amount to and all my just debts to be paid and likewise one hundred acres of land in Robeson County on Beaufort to be sold by my Executors and then pay said net for the use of said.

I hereby constitute and appoint my Brother Edward Gates my whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December 1781.

Sealed published and declared by the above named Peter Gates

for his last will and testament

in the presence of us

Benjamin Lansdell

William Godfrey

Peter Gates (Seal)

In the name of God amen.

This 10<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1771. I Isaac Hill of Bladen County and Province of North Carolina being being sickly and much indisposed in body but of perfect mind and memory and calling to mind and duly considering the uncertainty of human life and knowing

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it is appointed for all men once to die I do therefore make this my last Will and Testament.

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And principally I Commit my soul to God that gave it my body I commit to the earth to be decently interred at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named as to my temporal estate I bequeath and dispose of it in the following manner.

Supremis. My Will is that all my just debts and funeral expenses be fully paid and discharged by my Executors hereafter named with all convenient speed after my decease.

Item

I give grant and bequeath unto my well beloved and loving friend Joseph Lock of the County and Province of North Carolina I likewise appoint my only and sole executor of this my last Will and Testament.

I will my whole estate and every part of it except as is hereafter excepted by him and his heirs to be over and fully enjoyed and possessed.

I likewise give to my brother William Bartram the sum of three shilling Sterling money of Great Britain.

I likewise give to my nephew Bartram Robeson the sum of four shilling of like money.

Signed sealed and declared

in presence of us

William Sallor

William Elephant

Isaac Hill (Seal)

In the name of God amen.

I Speldham Lane of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina being in a low state of health but thanks be to God of sound mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following.

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I bequeath my soul to almighty God