

RECORD OF WILLS.

State of North Carolina
Bladen County

In the Name of God Amen

I, William Davis being in a Sound State of Mind and Memory Chalks be it got taking into consideration the Uncertainty of death and the uncertainty of life do think proper that my worldly estate disposed of at my death in the following manner to wit:

I have heretofore advanced to my daughter Annie Paul Lin Law, Nelson, Rose, Rachel, Virgil, and I further give her two boys, Dany and William.

I give and grant to my son Thomas, the following negroes, Flora, Caroline, Jackson, Charlotte, Liffie, Lucretia, Jacob, Joe, Lewis, Sarah, and her child, Sally.

I have heretofore advanced to my daughter Maria, the following negroes, Eliza, Nicholas, John, Bessie, Gibson, Harriet, and I further give her two Porters and Marietta.

I have advanced to my daughter Anne Elizabeth the following negroes, Clay, Ann, Fanny, Lizzie, Thomas, Jim, Marshall, and I further give her Dick, Grace, and Washington.

I give to my daughter Sarah Anna, Dany, Dany, Charlie, and Raiford.

I have heretofore advanced to her the following negroes, Nelson, Amy, Minnie, Horace, Peter, and Alfred.

I give and grant to my son William the following negroes, Brown, Jerry, Lucy, Stevie, Mary, Jane, Luke, Sida, Dick, Phillis, and her child, Liddy.

I give and grant unto to my two sons all of my lands to be equally divided. Between them by valuation taking into valuation the lands I bought of Mrs. Edwards, which lands I deed to Thomas, he to assume the value in this division to his Brother they to begin a line on the River Bank, and run to the top or head line for the dividing line. Thomas to have the upper part and William the lower part, in valuing these lands the House not to be taken in consideration, but must be left out of the valuation.

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Now to make my children more equal in the division I give all of my remaining perishable property to be sold for the most it may bring, and the proceeds to be paid out to each one as I name them or proportionals, as each share sold may be.

I give to Thomas Seven Hundred dollars, To my son William Seven Hundred dollars, To Maria Seven hundred and fifty dollars, and to Eliza Six hundred dollars. And I hereby appoint my son Charles, D. Davis, as Executor to this my last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I do hereby set my hand and seal to this my last Will and Testament on the 31st day of December in the Year of Our Lord 1858.

Signed, sealed and acknowledged. The day and year first above written in presence of us.

John S. Richardson
Edw. D. Richardson
W. C. Durham
Malam Lawton

Wm Davis Seal

Witness

"codicil"

In Having my Will read to me I have discovered that in the division of the proceeds of sale there is no mention of Elizabeth Davis the same then unintentionally omitted.

I wish her to have Seven hundred and fifty dollars or in that proportion more or less as is provided for the other children.

My hand and seal February 21st 1859.

John S. Richardson
Edw. D. Richardson
W. C. Durham
Malam Lawton

Wm Davis Seal

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Parents begotten by his Wife Margaret formerly Crowe and the Children of Charles Drangham begotten by his wife Chaney, formerly Chaney Bradley to them and their heirs forever, and

And Lastly, I appoint David Long and James H. Drangham my Executors, and my wife Anna Bradley Executor.

In witness I have hereunto set my hand this thirtieth day of February Eighteen hundred and nine The hand writing proved by H. Waddell and Thomas Smith.

James Bradley

In the Name of God Amen

I William Davis of the State of North Carolina and in the County of Bladen, being informed in body but in perfect health do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in words following that is to say.

I give and recommend my soul into the hands of almighty God that gave it, and my body I recommend to the earth to be decently interred at the discretion of my Executors, and touching such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with I will and bequeath in the following manner and form

I bequeath unto my daughter Anne Davis two Cows and Calves, and one Black Mare and give to my beloved daughter Sarah Davis two Cows and Calves And give to my beloved son William Davis the plantation that I now live on.

And I give to my beloved son Nehemiah Davis one hundred acres of land that I bought from

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John Lamb.

And I give to my beloved son John Davis one hundred acres of land and fifty acres joining James Marshbys land.

And I will and desire that my two negroes shall be hired out for the support and schooling of my three sons and when my youngest comes to the age of twenty one years old then the negroes to be equally divided amongst all my children

And Lastly, I do make my Brother H. Davis and my friend Thomas Smith my Executors of this my last will and Testament

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 8th day of July, in the year of our Lord seventeen ninety

Ralph Miller

Wm Davis

Joshua Davis

William Davis

Seal

In the Name of God Amen

I Maturin Colville of Bladen County and Province of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory and understanding do make public and declare this my last will and Testament, in manner and form following - viz -

First I will that all my just debts be paid by my Executors.

Secondly I desire that my natural son Henry Colville be maintained and educated out of my estate until he is fit to be bound out and then that my Executors bind him out to some trade they think most proper. Further I will and desire that all my estate Real and Personal to my children