

State of North Carolina Johnston County
November Term 1821 Then was the execution
of this will duly proven and ordered to be
recorded
R. Sanders Clerk

And I hereby make and ordain my loving brother James
Adams and Jesse Sillivant my executors to this my last
will and testament in witness whereof I the said Michael
Adams have to this my last will and testament set my
hand and seal the day and year above written. Signed
sealed published and declared by the said Michael Adams the testa-
tor as his last will and testament in the presence of us
who were present at the time
of signing & sealing thereof.

Jerry Price
Josiah Sasser
W. Sasser

Michael Adams (Seal)
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Will of John Harrison

In the name of God Amen I John Harrison of the County
of Johnston and State of North Carolina being of sound
mind and memory blessed be God for the same do this
twenty seventh day of April in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred and twenty one make and ordain
and publish this to be my last will and testament in
manner and form following (that is to say)

Item It is my will and desire that all my just debts should
be paid and such part of my perishable property sold
so that purpose as can best and most conveniently be
spared to be at the discretion of my executors hereinafter
to be named and after selling such part of said prop-
erty as can well be spared so as to leave my family a
reasonable part or share to live on then it is my desire
that the deficiency which may be lacking towards paying
of my debts that then the said executors shall proceed to
sell such part of my lands as they may deem prop-
er sufficient to satisfy said debts taking it at the lower
end of my land beginning at the creek and running from
thence out to the back line in such a manner and at
what place my said executors may think best.

Item I give to my beloved son Elisha Harrison one year old
colt called by name Mingo.

Item I lend all the rest of my property both real and
perishable unto my beloved wife Delila Harrison
during her natural life or until my son Zachariah
Harrison shall arrive to the age of twenty one years
and at her death or if she should live until Zach-
ariah arrives to the age of twenty one then I wish

the whole of said property which may not be consumed
in raising of my family and supporting them to be sold
and an equal division made amongst my wife and
children equally only if my wife can find that it can
well be spared I should be glad that as my children
arrives to the age of twenty one or marries that she should
give them a bed & furniture each and a cow and calf. And I
do hereby make and ordain my son James Harrison and my
friend Bud Youngblood my executors to this my last will
and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my
hand and seal the day & date above written.

Witness
J. Sanders Sr
H. Tomlinson

John Harrison (Seal)

State of North Carolina November Term 1821

Johnston County Then was the execu-
tion of this will duly proven in open court by the
oaths of Harris Tomlinson and ordered to be recorded
R. Sanders Clerk

Will of William Bryan

In the name of God Amen I William Bryan Sr of
Swift-Creek in the county of Johnston and State of
North Carolina being sick and weak of body but
of sound and disposing mind and memory for which
I am truly thankful to the great and wise disposer
of all events do make and ordain this my last will and
testament as follows (to wit)

First- I give & bequeath unto my beloved daughter Betsey Vinson
Hinton wife of William Hinton one negro man named
Roderick and one negro woman named Hannah now in
their possession one feather bed bedstead and furniture also
in their possession together with other small property
formerly my own but now in their possession also fifty
dollars in cash to her her heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Rebecca
Stallings wife of James Stallings one negro man named
Hampton, one negro woman named Amy and her child named
Simon one bed bedstead and furniture together with other
small articles of property now in their possession and also
fifty dollars in cash which I advanced & paid over the said

- James Stallings sometime past to her and he heirs assigns forever
- Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Medham Bryan all the land I own on the east side and below Holders branch one negro man named Peter one negro woman named Betty one bay horse called Buck three cows and calves two young steers six of two years old one feather bed bedstead and furniture also one fourth part of my working and plantation tools to him and he heirs and assigns forever.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my son Samuel Washington Bryan all my lands on the west side and above Holders branch on the north side of Swift Creek together with about fifty or six acres of my land on the south side of said creek adjoining the lands of Benjamin Carrell to him and his heirs and assigns forever.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Senelia Bryan my beloved son Samuel Washington Bryan and to my beloved daughter Mary Turner Bryan the following negroes (to wit) one woman named Doll & her child Dorcas, one woman named Judy and her child York, one woman named Lydia, one boy named Sandy, one boy named George in common and the equal part to be by them or either of them possessed when they or either of them may marry or arrive at full age and should either or any of them die before they marry or arrive at full age it is my desire that the survivors or survivors of them may and hold the whole of the aforesaid last mentioned negroes and also give and bequeath as last aforesaid one negro boy named Ruffin and to each of them one feather bed bedstead and furniture to them and their heirs and assigns forever and all and full one negro boy named Guilford.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Edith Bryan for and during her natural life the use of my land and plantation which I heretofore in this will give and bequeath to my son Samuel Washington Bryan and also during his natural life the use of the aforesaid nine negroes given as aforesaid to my said three children in common unless they or either of them should marry or arrive at full age then and in that case to have their equal part as aforesaid and also for and during her natural life one negro man named Baillian, one named Dick one named Moses and it is considered and is my desire that this gift be for the benefit of my said wife and three youngest

children for supporting for supporting her and the said three children and also educating them also all my household and kitchen furniture my working tools except such part thereof given to my son Medham as aforesaid three head of hogs called Doll, Jack and one mule and also all of my stock of cattle, hogs and sheep except such part thereof which are therein after directed to be sold also my cider casks and still worn and cap and a sufficient support for my wife and family for one year to be allotted to her by my executor hereafter named also my work steers and cart.

Item It is my will & desire that after the death of my wife Edith the aforesaid three negroes Brittain Dick and Moses shall belong equally to my three eldest children Peter Vinson Hinton Mollie Stallings & Medham Bryan which I give to them and to their heirs and assigns forever and it is further my will and desire that the residue of my property willed to my wife Edith except the three last mentioned negroes go and I hereby give the same to my three youngest children to them and their heirs forever.

Item It is my will and desire that my two negroes Mingo and Sena be hired out by my executor for the space of seven years and the monies arising therefrom together with said negroes Mingo and Sena I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Patsy Vinson to her and her heirs and assigns forever except one hundred dollars of said hire which I give to my grandson John William Watson but should the said Patsy Vinson die before she marries or becomes of lawful age the said hire of negro and the said negro to revert to my lawful heirs in common.

Item It is my will and desire that my executor hereafter named sell at their discretion and at private sale during there be no publick sale my residue of the stock & crop except for the support of my wife and family as aforesaid they first fattening the hogs and keeping the residue of the corn until next Summer.

Item I give and bequeath unto my ^{grand} son John William Watson one negro woman named Pagar and one hundred dollars as aforesaid to him his heirs and assigns forever.

Item It is my will and desire that my executor sell at

twelve months credit one small tract of land containing about forty or fifty acres lying on the south side of ~~the~~ creek adjoining the lands of Jesse Wood Jr and monies arising therefrom to be equally divided amongst my six children together with my note standing debts and I hereby constitute and appoint my sons-in-law James Stallings and William Hinton executors to this my last will and testament revoking and making void all wills and testaments by me heretofore made satisfying and confirming this to be ^{my} last will and testament. In witness whereof I the said William Bryan have to this my last will and testament set my hand and affixed my seal the seventh day of October A.D. 1821

Signed sealed published and
declared by the testator in presence of

William Bryan (Seal)

R. Sanders
George Parish
Esther Parish

State of North Carolina } November Term 1821
Johnston County } Then was the execution
of this will duly proven in open court by the oaths
of Reubin Sanders and George Parish and ordered to be
recorded

R. Sanders Clk

Will of John Parish.

In the name of God Amen I John Parish of the County of Johnston in the State of North Carolina being sick and weak in body but of sound disposing mind and memory do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following to wit

First It is my will and desire that the following tracts of land be sold at twelve months credit by my executors herein named (to wit) one tract called the Abner Smith place the Willie Windham place and the John Furell place.

Item I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Sally Mason Parish one desk and book case to her and her heirs forever.

Item It is my will and desire after my just debts are paid that the balance of my property be equally divided between my beloved wife and children and it is further my wish and desire that the monies arising from the sale of the afore mentioned lands be applied to the payments of my just debts.

Item I do hereby constitute and appoint my friends James F. Taylor and Braaswell Bridges executors to this my last will and testament satisfying and confirming this to be my last will and testament declaring and making void all other wills or bequests by me heretofore made in any manner whatever. In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal the 2 day of January 1822

Signed sealed & declared
in the presence of us

R. Sanders
Charles C. Parish

John Parish (Seal)

State of North Carolina } February Term 1822
Johnston County } Then was the execution of
this will duly proven in open court by the oaths of
R. Sanders and Charles Parish and ordered to be recorded
R. Sanders Clk