

Samuel Norman's Will &c.

In the name of God Amen. I Samuel Norman of the County of Northampton and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following to wit:

Item 1st It is my will and desire that my Executors pay all of my just debts and that all of my Estate both Personal and real be kept together for five years after my death, and after paying all of just debts, it is my wish that my nephews Samuel and Norman Rice and my niece Nancy, they should be schooled and educated out of the bequested funds arising out of my Estate during the above named five years after paying my just debts.

Item 2nd It is also my will and desire that after the five years shall expire for which my Estate is to be kept together, that my nephews Samuel and Norman Rice have my River plantation adjoining the lands of J. P. Smith and others to have and to hold to him and his heirs forever.

Item 3rd It is also my wish and desire that the plantation on which I now reside adjoining the lands of Capt. John P. Smith & others should belong to my friends John H. Patterson and George R. Rice to have and hold to them and their heirs forever.

Item 4th It is further my will and desire that my friend John H. Patterson and George R. Rice should have the following Negroes to wit, Lady Ann and Nancy and West Susan to have and their heirs forever, it is also my wish that the above named Negroes be treated humanely which I have bequeathed to my friend John H. Patterson and George R. Rice to have and hold to them and their heirs forever. It is also my wish and desire that the above named Negroes which I have bequeathed to my friend John H. Patterson and George R. Rice should be kept on the plantation on which I now reside.

Item 5th It is also my wish and desire that all of my Negroes not before bequeathed should be equally divided between my nephews Samuel and Norman Rice and James Rice and niece Amanda Rice and Nancy Rice, at the expiration of five years after my death to have and to hold to them and their heirs forever.

Item 6th It is also my wish and desire that my nephews Samuel and Norman Rice and James Rice and my nieces Amanda Rice and Nancy Rice should have all of the Stock Horses at the expiration of five years after my death. I furthermore nominate and appoint my friends John H. Patterson and George R. Rice Executors to this my last will and testament Signed sealed and delivered in presence of us this 13th day of September 1832.

John H. Patterson
George R. Rice
Witnesses

Northampton County December term 1837.

This last will and testament of Samuel Norman do & as to his personal Estate being heretofore proved in the Superior Court of law of Guilford County as now appears to this Court by a certified copy of the proceedings in said Superior Court in a suit George R. Rice and others against Sally Norman and others. It is ordered that the said will be recorded in this Court. Whereupon George R. Rice one of the executors named in said will qualified as the law directs.

Teste Wm. Bottom Clerk

Sarah Rice's Will

Northampton County North Carolina February 5th 1834

In the name of God Amen

I Sarah Rice of the County of State aforesaid being of sound mind and memory & considering the certainty of death & the uncertainty of this mortal life do make & declare this my last will & testament in manner & form following:

1 I give and bequeath unto my said husband only son now living viz Northam Rice twenty five Dollars to him his heirs forever

2 I give & bequeath unto Mary Rice daughter of Northam & Rebecca Rice all the income of my Estate of every description except my wearing clothes to her & her heirs forever

3 I do recommend & appoint my friend Shadrach Grant my sole & sole Executor to this my last will & testament Signed Sealed & acknowledged in presence of

John B. Power

William Beards

Northampton County March County 1835.

This last will and testament of Sarah Rice died in a delicate & open Court and proved in due form of Law by the oath of Thomas B. Power one of the subscribing witnesses thereto & Ordered to be entered & Recorded when upon Shadrach Grant the Executor named & qualified as the Law directs

Teste Wm. Bottom Clerk