

Brunswick County Court June 25th 1804

This last Will & Testament of William Pennington dec^d was proved by the Oaths of the witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded

Em^d

Teste Herbert Hill 1804

John Bailey
Mile

In the name of God amen I John Bailey of the County of Brunswick
County of North Carolina being sick & weak in body but of sound mind & memory do make
contain this my last Will & Testament in form & manner following to wit: I give & bequeath
to my wife Mary the whole of my estate both real & personal to her & her heirs & assigns
forever after paying what debts I owe. My wife is that there be no appraisement of
my estate. I give & bequeath I lastly I nominate & appoint my friends James Lewis Montrose
Howard & Thos. Edwards Executors of this my last Will & Testament hereby revoking
all antecedent every other Will & testamentary made In Witness whereof I have
hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 17th day of April 1797

Signed sealed published & subscribed
by the testator as to his last

John Bailey 21st
miles

Will & Testament in presence of

Daniel Laffoon Brunswick County Court June 25th 1804

Thos. Anderson This last Will & Testament of John Bailey dec^d was proved by the
Oaths of John Lewis & Thos. Edwards a witness thereto & having been proved on the
26th day of December 1803 by the Oaths of Daniel Laffoon also a witness thereto the
same is ordered to be recorded & On the motion of James Laffoon the having together
with William Scarborough his Security entered into & acknowledged a Bond in the
penalty of Five hundred Dollars conditioned as the law directs & certified & granted
them for obtaining letters of administration with the Will annexed in the said decedent's
estate

Em^d

Teste Herbert Hill 1804

Geo. Watrous
Mile

In the name of God amen I George Watrous of Brunswick
County being weak in body but of sound mind & memory do make & contain this my
last Will & Testament First I commend my soul into the hands of God that I give it
& my body to the dust to be buried at the direction of my Executors and as to my
worldly goods my will & desire is as follows to wit: I give & bequeath unto my son
Littleton Watrous Four hundred & fifty Acres of Land more or less Situated as
as follows beginning at a Hickory where Parsons line crosses Parsons path
& leading to a Oak Oak that has a stake growing in it thence a straight course
nearly west on the north side of Littleton Watrous plantation except the great
Branch to Green line ^{thence along Green line} southward to a Corner Begun thence along Green line

Westward to Hendricks line on a Branch thence along Hendricks line to Harrison line to
 a scrub white Oak thence along Harrison line to a corner disposed in a bottom thence
 along Harrison line including the land I bought of Edmund Lanier to Whigham line
 thence down Whigham line to a corner Oak thence along the line of Flemings dispute
 land to my old house on the path thence along said line to Himes's line thence
 along Himes's line to Prayers line thence along Prayers line to the Beginning to him &
 his heirs forever I lend to my wife Angelica Watton the North end of my Land
 wherein I live containing three hundred Acres more or less during her natural
 life & then to my son Joshua as hereafter mentioned Also lend to her the use &
 benefit of all my estate of every kind whatsoever after paying my just debts except
 what is hereafter otherwise disposed of during her natural life. I give & bequeath to
 my son Joshua Watton after the death of my wife the North end of my tract of
 Land wherein I now live containing three hundred Acres more or less bounded
 as follows Beginning at a Hickory above mentioned running along the new line
 to be marked to the Oak with a stake in it mentioned above thence along
 said new line as above to Green line thence along Green line across white oak
 swamps to Owens line thence along Owens line to Quaker swamps thence down Quaker
 Swamp to the mouth of White Oak thence up white Oak swamps to Prayers line thence
 along Prayers line to the Beginning to him and his heirs forever. I give &
 bequeath to my three Grand children Betsey Lucas Watton, James Alexander Watton
 & Noah, Anabella Bufora Lilly Watton Fifty pounds each to be raised out of
 my estate after the death of my wife. I give & bequeath to my son Joshua Watton
 after the death of my wife one Negro man named Daniel to him & his heirs forever
 I give & bequeath to my Grandson George Washington Lanier after the death of my wife
 or soon if she chooses one Negro boy named Chief to him & his heirs forever. I give
 & bequeath to my two Grand daughters Betsey Edmunds Lanier & Angelica's Mary
 Lanier twenty five pounds each to be raised out of my estate after the death of
 my wife I give & bequeath to my Daughter Frances Mallon twenty five pounds
 to be raised out of my estate after the death of my wife. I give & bequeath to my
 Daughter Lucretia Atkins ten pounds to be raised out of my estate after the death of
 my wife. I give & bequeath to my son Littleton Watton one Negro girl named Let
 now in his possession to him & his heirs forever. It is my will & desire that all the
 remainder of my estate not already disposed of be after the death of my wife
 equally divided between my two sons Littleton Watton & Joshua Watton to them
 & their heirs forever. Test my self James O. Ellis, Richard Lane & Thomas
 Deacons Executors of the my last Will & Testament Given under my
 hand this twenty ninth day of September in the year of our Lord
 one thousand eight hundred & three.

Signatures & acknowledgements by the testator
to be his last will & Testament.

George Watton 

In presence of

Eliza ^{his} Watton
mark

Howell Chanson

William Simon

Land lately the property of James Owen which I have purchased of John Owen adjoining the

Land whereon I now live containing one hundred Acres more or less to him & his heirs forever

Given under my hand & seal this 12th day of March 1805

Teste

Abner ^{his} Woolsey
mark

Mary Woolsey

George ^{his} Watton 
mark

Provincials County Court June 25th 1804

This Last Will & Testament of George Watton dec^d was proved by the oaths of Eliza W. Watton, Howell Chanson, William Simon the witnesses thereof together with a Creditor there-
out at a Court held for the County on the 24th of Feb^r 1804 the said Dec^d was proved by its will & being read & approved which was proved by the oaths of Abner Woolsey, Justice thereof & ordered to be
Recorded

Teste Herbert Hill 

And

In the name of God amen the 13th May in the year of our Lord

Harmon Bishop
Wife

1804 I Harmon Bishop of the County of Brunswick & Parish of Saint Andrews being informed
in body but of perfect memory thanks to be God calling to mind the mortality of body & knowing
it is appointed once for all men to die do make & declare this my last will & Testament that is to
say Principally I first recommend my soul into the hands of God who gave it, in hopes of
its future happiness and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian like
manner and as to what worldly estate it hath pleased God to bless me with I dispose of as manner
Here following to wit I recommend I desire that my Negro Girl by the name of Leticia be sold
call my just debts paid. Then I lend unto my beloved wife Polly Bishop all my Lands
Negroes, stock of all kinds, Household & Kitchen furniture, Plantations &c. &c. during her
natural life or widowhood; then my Land to be equally divided between my sons John
Bishop & Charles Jones Bishop to them and their heirs forever, then the rest of my
estate to be equally divided among all my children, Nancy Bishop, Martha Bishop,
John Bishop, Charles J. Bishop & Rebecca Bishop to them and their heirs forever. I do
hereby appoint my Brother John Bishop my Executor to this my last Will & Testament
disannulling & revoking all former Wills by me made I do likewise & have
hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this day & year above written

Teste (Witnesses & attested)
in presence of
Jas Sampson, Justice
John H. Bishop, Justice

Harmon Bishop 