

## Probate to Wilbarn Waters Will

State of North Carolina }  
Ashe County } John the Probate Court

A paper purporting to be the last will and Testament of Wilbarn Waters deceased is exhibited before me, the undersigned Judge of Probate for said County by Paterson Graham the executor therein mentioned and the due execution thereof by the said Wilbarn Waters by the oath and examination of James Sampson and John Welch two of the subscribing witnesses thereto who being duly sworn each deposes and says and each for himself deposes and saith that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Wilbarn Waters that the said Wilbarn Waters in the presence of this this document subscribes his name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date of the 19<sup>th</sup> day of April 1879. And the deponent further saith that the said Wilbarn Waters the testator aforesaid did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing so subscribed by him and exhibited to be his last will and Testament and this deponent did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said Will as an attesting witness thereto and at the request and in the presence of the said testator. And this deponent further saith that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last Will as aforesaid and at the time of the deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid the said Wilbarn Waters was of sound mind and memory of full age to execute a Will and was not under any restraint to the knowledge information or belief of this deponent. And further this deponent says not Generally sworn and subscribed } James Sampson  
this 19 day of May 1879 before me } John Welch  
W. H. Lentz }  
Probate Judge }

## Aaron Johnsons Will

I Aaron Johnson of Ashe<sup>the</sup> County State of North Carolina being of sound mind and disposing memory and knowing the uncertainty of this mortal life do make and declare this my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say.

Item 1<sup>st</sup>

I will and devise that my body have a burial subject to the wishes of my relatives and friends and that all my last debts be paid whosoever and to whosoever owing by my Executor hereinafter named out of the first means coming into his hands Item 2<sup>nd</sup>

I will and devise to my beloved wife Jane Johnson all my estate both real and personal during her natural life and to have full control of the same during her lifetime.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup>

At the death of my wife Jane I will and devise to my son William H. Johnson one acre of land lying East of a line beginning on a Chestnut on the top of the ridge a spur of the Mountain running a few degrees East of South to a Chestnut near the wagon road then South to the top of the Carous and to John Hawthorns old line supposed to contain about seventy five acres.

Item 4<sup>th</sup>

I will and devise to my son Richard G. Johnson all my lands lying West of the above described line at the death of his mother Jane Johnson.

Item 5<sup>th</sup>

I will and devise that my son William H. Johnson pay the sum of one hundred dollars. The said amount to be paid to my son Thomas Johnson John Johnson

Will of Aaron Johnson Continued  
and my daughter Elizabeth Phillips and  
Richard Carey each are to receive  
an equal amount of the said one  
thousand dollars  
Item 6<sup>th</sup>

I will and desire that my son Richard  
C Johnson pay to my son Thomas Johnson  
and John Johnson and to my daughters  
Eliza Phillips and Richard Carey the  
sum of three hundred dollars each  
are to receive share and share alike  
of the above named amount. Twenty one  
dollars of which has already been paid  
to Thomas Johnson which amount is  
to constitute a credit and to be deducted from  
the three hundred dollars above mentioned  
with the interest on the same for seven years

I hereby appoint my wife Jane Johnson  
my Executrix to this my last will and  
testament to execute the same to the  
full intent and meaning thereof. And  
I hereby revoke all other wills and  
testaments heretofore by me made

In testimony whereof I hereunto set  
my hand and affix my seal this 11<sup>th</sup>  
day of June 1828

Aaron Johnson *Test*

signed in the presence of

W. H. Country  
John Spaulden

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State of North Carolina } In the Probate  
Ashe County } Court

A paper purporting to be the last will and  
testament of Aaron Johnson deceased  
is exhibited before me the undersigned  
Judge of Probate for said County by  
Jane Johnson the Executrix therein  
mentioned, and the due execution thereof  
by the said Aaron Johnson by the oath  
and examination of John Spaulden one  
of the subscribing witnesses thereto, who  
being duly sworn doth depose and say  
and each for himself depose and say  
that he is a subscribing witness to the  
paper writing now shown him purporting  
to be the last will and testament of  
Aaron Johnson. That the said Aaron Johnson  
in the presence of this deponent subscribed his  
name at the end of said paper writing which  
is now shown as aforesaid and which bears  
date of the 11<sup>th</sup> day of June 1828.

And the deponent further saith that the  
said Aaron Johnson the testator aforesaid  
did at the time of subscribing his name as  
aforesaid declare the said paper writing so  
subscribed by him and exhibited to be his  
last will and testament and this deponent  
did thereupon subscribe his name at the time  
of said Will as an attesting witness thereto  
and at the request and in the presence of  
the said testator. And this deponent further  
saith that at the said time when the  
said testator subscribed his name to the  
said last Will as aforesaid and at the time  
of the deponent's subscribing his name  
as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid  
that said Aaron Johnson was of sound  
mind and memory of full age to execute  
a will and was not under any restraint  
to the knowledge information or belief

of this deponent  
And further this deponent saith  
'not

Sworn and subscribed  
this 6 day of Oct 1879  
W. H. [unclear] Clerk  
& Probate Judge  
John Spaulden Seal

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Will of Geo H Hamilton

In the name of God amen

I Geo H Hamilton of Wake County State  
of North Carolina do make and ordain  
this my last will and testament in manner  
and form following

1st I will and ordain that all my [unclear]  
debts be paid by my executors

2<sup>d</sup> It is my will and desire that my  
wife Elvira shall keep possession of the  
home place known by the old Ray place  
containing 140 acres as long as she lives  
or her widowhood and then to my son  
Geo Hazy Hamilton as in hereinafter  
mentioned. also I want my executors to  
leave as much stock and household and  
kitchen furniture and grain as they may  
think they need so she will have plenty  
and at her death or widowhood to be dis-  
posed off that is the personal property not  
the lands and the proceeds to be equally  
divided among my four children

3<sup>rd</sup> I will to my son William H Hamilton  
the mill tract of land wherever he now  
lives containing two hundred and  
thirty acres (230) known as the Baker lands  
except the portion hereinafter mentioned  
name. which I will to my son Rufus  
including the mill race field and upper  
meadow and woodland the balance of  
the tract to be my son Williams and  
also an undivided half of the tract of  
land known as the Myott tract containing  
two hundred and fourteen acres  
divided to me by Aron Myott. Also an  
undivided half of two tracts of one hundred  
acres each improved land on the East  
side of the Paddy Mountain. the other  
half to my son Geo H.

4<sup>th</sup> The lands I give to my son William H. I  
value at three thousand dollars to account  
for at a final settlement as I desire all  
shall be was...

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