

Christian Burkett's Will

In the name of God Amen I Christian Burkett
of the State of North Carolina Albe County, being in perfect
mind and memory thanks be given unto God, calling
unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing
that it is appointed unto all men once to die
do make and ordain this my last Will and
Testament. that is to say principally and first of
all, I give and recommend my Soul unto the
hand of Almighty God that gave it, and my body
I recommend, ^{the} Earth, to be ~~buried~~ in decent
Christian burial at the discretion of my Execu-
tors, nothing doubting but at the general Resurrec-
tion I shall receive the same again by the mighty pow-
er of God. And as touching such worldly Estate
as wherewith it has pleased Almighty God to
bless me in this life, I give devise and dispose
of the same in the following manner and
form, First I have chosen my son Jonas
Burkett and my son-in-law David Gray to be
my Executors. My Slaves shall be left to their
choice only, they who shall be set free at my
death. And her bed and clothes to go with
her, who they go or belong to, being valued by
three men chosen by the Executors, and if the
husb, they take them at their valuation as part
of their legacy. I give and bequeath to my
daughter Susanah Freda ways her, and to her
her lifetime, ^{the tract of land} whereon they now live lying
and being in the State of Indiana Monroe County,
one quarter section valued at six hundred
dollars, I give and bequeath to my Grand son
Christian Burkett son of Christian Burkett
deceased, a Tract of Land in Ashe County
North Carolina on "Big bank Creek

signed sealed published Christian Burtet Esq
pronounced and declared
by the said Christian Burtet
in presence of us, who in his
presence and in presence of each
other, have hereunto set our names.

State of North Carolina, Feb. Term 1854.

Also known by the within will was a very narrow
open court by the south of Eli Grayland one of the Putnamburg
workmen and by the way of Col. Lee Power as to the hand writing of the
the other Putnamburg workmen. — Lick R. Gaimball Clerk

Jonathan Millers Will

State of North Carolina $\frac{3}{4}$
Ashe County $\frac{3}{4}$

In the name of God
Amen I Jonathan Miller of the County and
State aforesaid being sick and weak of
body, but of sound and disposing and
memory and understanding considering
the certainty of and the uncertainty of the
time thereof to the end that I may be the
better prepared to leave this world when
it shall please my God to call me hence
have now determined to direct what dispo-
sition shall be made of my property after
my decease, and after maturely considering
the circumstances and conditions of all
those among whom as my heirs at law
or the objects of my gratitude or affection
in my judgement my Estate should be
distributed, I do make publish and declare
this to be my last will and Testament
hereby revoking and making null and
void all former last wills and Testaments
and writings in the nature of last wills
and Testaments by me heretofore made and
my will is First, That after my decease my
body shall be decently buried with no
ornamentation or unnecessary expense and that
my funeral charges and just debts shall
be paid by my executors hereinafter
named and as to the residue of my Estate
and property with which God has blessed
me and shall not be required for the
payment of my debts funeral charges