

State of North Carolina, } In the name of God, Amen!
 Brunswick County. } I, Sarah Davis, being in a low
 state of health, but of sound and perfect mind and memory, on
 this 7th day of September, in the year of our Lord, 1801, make
 and ordain this my last will and testament, in manner
 following, that is to say, First, I give and bequeath unto
 my daughter and only child Elizabeth Davis, two cows and
 calves, one feather bed and furniture with all the residue of my
 estate that will or shall be allotted me on a division of the
 estate of my late deceased husband when divided between me
 and my said daughter Elizabeth.

Secondly, it is my will that in case my said daughter, Elizabeth die without issue, then it is my wish that three fourths
 of my said estate be and I hereby give and bequeath the same
 to be equally divided between the children of my two sisters
 Mary Gibbs and Ann Evans; and that the other one fourth
 be and I hereby give and bequeath the same to Sarah Brinson,
 my niece (and daughter of my sister Elizabeth), but in case
 the said Sarah Brinson shall die without issue, then it is
 my will that the said one fourth part of my estate be equally
 divided between the children of my said two sisters Mary Gibbs
 and Ann Evans and their heirs forever. And I hereby make
 and ordain my beloved father, Charles Gause, Executor of my
 last Will and testament. In witness whereof I the said Sarah
 Davis, have set my hand and seal the day & year above written.
 Signed and sealed in the presence of Eleanor Taylor, Miles Porter, Thos. Leonard.
 Sarah Davis

State of North Carolina, } October Term, 1805.

Brunswick County. } The due execution of the within Will was
 proved in open Court by the oath of Thos. Leonard & was ordered to be
 recorded

State of North Carolina, } Court Office, &c.

Brunswick County. } Recorded in Book A. p. 35.

Recorded agreeably to an Act of Genl. Assembly, Special Session, 1798.
 Ratified Feb'y Ist, 1808. Copied from Old Records Book A. p. 35.

In the Name of God, Amen! I, Charles Gause, of the
 County of Brunswick and State of North Carolina, being of sound and
 disposing mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last
 Will and Testament, in manner and form following, that is to say,
 First, I give and bequeath to my loving wife, Eleanor Gause, all the
 property that came by her, providing a debt that is due Benjamin
 Milhous paid and satisfied out of said property; also my horse and
 chair, one yoke of Oxen, one third of the breeding cattle, one third
 of the sheep and goats, and as many plantation tools as will serve
 the hands that may be left on the plantation for the use of my said
 wife (not considering the Blacksmiths tools as any part thereof) to
 her and her heirs forever. I also lend unto my said wife, the use
 of the plantation on which I now live, one lot in Smithville,
 No. 26 (twenty six), also the use of the following negroes (provided
 they are not carried out of the State) Mingo, Jimmy, Jack and
 Will and all my house hold furniture during her natural life
 and after her decease to be subject to the direction of the ninth
 clause of this my will. Secondly, I give and bequeath to my
 daughter, Mary Gibbs the following negroes, vizt; Lucy and her two
 children, which three are now in her possession, also Dinah, Jim,
 Carson, Jack and Buff to her and her heirs forever. Thirdly, I give,
 devise and bequeath to my daughter, Ann Evans three hundred acres of land
 lying on the middle swamp, one negro girl which I delivered to her at the
 time of her marriage; also Scipio, Jude, Sambo and Will, to her and her
 heirs forever. Fourthly, I give and bequeath to my grand daughter
 Elizabeth Davis one lot in Smithville No. 44 (forty four), one tract
 of land of fifty acres, called the meadow, two negro boys, Guller & Gull
 and after the death of my wife, E. Gause, allings, to her & her heirs forever
 but in case she should die without lawful issue, my will and desire
 is then that all the property bequeathed to her be equally divided among my
 surviving grand children share and share alike. Fifthly, I give, devise
 and bequeath to my grand daughter, Sarah Brinson, one hundred
 acres of land on Bay Branch and the following negroes, vizt -
 Sabina and Larry, and after the death of my wife E. Gause, Jimmy
 and one half the cattle that were in the possession of my daughter
 Elizabeth at the time of her decease, to her and her heirs forever, but
 should she die without lawful issue, my will and desire then is that
 all the property bequeathed to her be equally divided among my sur-
 viving grand children share and share alike. Sixthly, I give
 and bequeath to my grand son Charles Gibbs all my lands and
 Rattlesnake containing two hundred and fifty acres to him and
 his heirs forever. Seventhly, I give, devise and bequeath to my
 grand daughter, Elizabeth Leonard one hundred and fifty acres of
 land on Bull Pond, provided my right heirs be and their heirs forever.

Eighthly, for compensation to Mr. John Miller for his kind trust
 must to my daughter, Elizabeth during her last illness, I give to her
 one half the estate that was in the possession of my daughter
 Elizabeth at the time of her decease, also the use of the land on
 Bay Branch hitherto bequeathed to Sarah Brinson, until the said
 Sarah shall arrive to age. Ninthly, All the rest and residue
 of my estate, both real and personal, not herein particularly
 devised, I hereby direct to be sold, and the proceeds thereof, after
 my just debts are paid, to be equally divided among my grand
 children that may be living at the time of said division.

Lastly, I nominate, constitute and appoint my nephews John
 Gause, Junr and Samuel Gause, Executors to this my last
 Will and Testament (empowering them to sell any or all of
 my lands by private sale, if deemed most advantageous) hereby
 revoking all Wills by me made, and ratifying & confirming
 this to be my Last Will and Testament. In witness whereof
 I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty seventh day
 of August, A. D. 1806.

Charles Gause. *Seal*

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of us
 who at the request of the Testator, and in his presence subscr-
 iber our names.

Oct. Gause, Sarah Gause.

State of North Carolina, } Feby Term, 1808.

Brunswick County. } The due execution of the within last
 will and Testament of Charles Gause, decd., was proved in
 Court by the oath of Peter Gause, one of the subscribing wit-
 nesses and was ordered to be recorded. John Gause, Junr, &
 John Gause, Junr, one of the Executors therein named, appear
 and qualified to the trust reposed in him. Ordered that letters
 testamentary issue. Extract from the Minutes. John Gause, Junr, &
 John Gause, Junr, &
 Recorded in Book A. p. 35, 36, & 37.

Recorded agreeably to an Act of Genl. Assembly, Special Session, 1908
 Ratified Feby. 1st, 1908. Copied from Old Records, Book A. p. 35, 36, & 37.

No. 53

In the Name of God, Amen! I, John Daniel, of the State
 of North Carolina and County of Brunswick, being aware in
 body, but of sound mind and memory, blessed be God, do this 16th
 day of April in the year of our Lord, 1808, make and pub-
 lish this — My Last Will and Testament — in
 manner following: that is to say, First, I desire my
 just debts to be paid, then I give and bequeath to my
 beloved cousin, and intended partner, Miss Elizabeth Moore
 all the property I have, both real and personal and
 moneys that are or may become due to me, or what I
 might have a right to in law, leaving her my Executrix
 to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof
 I hereunto set my hand and seal — Day and Date above written

John Daniel. *Seal*

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of us as the
 last will and testament of the testator. Henry Willets,
 Oct. Term, 1808. — Abraham Robbins.

The due execution of the within Will and Testament of John
 Daniel, decd., was proved in open court by the oath of Abraham
 Robbins and was ordered to be recorded. John Gause, Jr. Sec.
 Recorded agreeably to an Act of Genl. Assembly, Special Session, 1908
 Ratified Feby. 1st, 1908. Copied from Old Records, Book A. p. 37.

No. 17

In the Name of God, Amen! I, Charles Betts, of the Town
 of Smithville, in the County of Brunswick, and State of North
 Carolina, being in perfect mind and sound memory, though
 low in health, do make and ordain this my last will and testament
 in form and manner following: First, I give and bequeath unto
 my well beloved wife, Euphemia, and the child she is now preg-
 nant with, all the property that belonged unto her before
 my intermarriage with her, the said property to be
 solely to her, and the child she is now pregnant with, and
 in case either should die, the survivor of the two to possess
 the whole; but in case both should die, in that case it is
 my will and desire that the property before mentioned be
 divided between my other children; and in case my wife married
 my Executor to have the care of the one half of the said property, the
 half of the child. I give and bequeath unto my sons William
 and Charles, and my daughter Sophia, all the rest of my property
 of every description to be equally divided as they become of age
 in the discretion of my Executors, here in after named.
 It is my further desire that when my sons have com-
 pleted their education that they be bound out to trade.
 Lastly, I nominate, constitute and appoint John Daniel