

Feb Term 1868

The Last Will and Testament of Absalom Dillingham

In the Name of God Amen

I Absalom Dillingham of the State of North Carolina and County of Buncombe being in a Low State of health but of sound and perfect mind and memory Blessed be God do this twenty eighth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and thirty six make and publish this my Last Will and Testament in manner following first I resign my body to the dirt and my soul to God who gave it

Then after all my debts are paid I gave and bequeath to my blood wife Rebecca Dillingham the Land and premises where I now live with all the stock of horses cattle Hogs and Sheep and all the farming utensils all my house hold and kitchen furniture with four Slaves viz Unity Jesse Daymon and Isaac with all monies on hand and debts that may be owing to me for the said Rebecca to possess and to be enterly under her controle and for her to live on during her natural life and I do give to my wife Rebecca a part of the above named property viz unity and all the house hold and kitchen furniture to be her own forever for her to dispose of as she may think proper

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the Land where I now live and one hundred acres joining Pierce Roberts one hundred acres called the Snow Ball tract and all the tract called the Hiram place where Joseph Barnard now lives and fifteen acres of Land where Alfred Dillingham now lives at her death to be Equally divided between my two youngest sons John Dillingham and Alfred Dillingham to be their own forever and the three last named Slaves to be Equally divided between my four sons viz

William Thomas John & Alfred either divided by them if they can agree or by being valued by indifferent persons and what stock and farming tools may be on hand at her death to be sold and divided amongst all my children I gave and bequeath to my two sons William Dillingham and Thomas Dillingham all my several Tracts of Land called The Age Cove Lands to be divided as follows beginning on a Hickory and runs a straight course through what is called The Red house to the out side line of said Land

John to have and possess the part he now lives on forever & Thomas to have and possess the part he lives on forever

I gave and bequeath to my daughter Peggy Carson the tract of Land where ^{now} lives on containing one hundred and fifty acres except fifteen acres ^{that} I have bequeathed to John & Alfred

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In a foregoing Item I also bequeath to my son daughter one Black Girl named Hannah which said and Black Girl with her increase I bequeath to her and her Children for ever I have and bequeath to my daughter Polly Barnard one Black Girl named Phillis with her increase to be her own for ever and I hereby make & ordain my beloved son John Dillingham Executor of this my Last will and Testament in Witness whereof I the sd. Abraham Dillingham here unto set my hand and seal to this my Last will and Testament date above written

Abraham ^{his} Dillingham
mark

L. Palmer Sec'd said published and Delivered
John Guthrie parol in presence of us

State of North Carolina

Buncombe County } February Session 1838

The foregoing will was duly proven in open Court by the oath of John Guthrie a subscribing Witness thereto and ordered to be recorded

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Harrison C. W.

The Last Will and Testament of Jesse Carter Dead

Nuncupative of Jesse Carter made on the 10th of January 1838 in presence of Thomas Revis Elizabeth Revis and Nancy Carter which was as follows said desire was that Thomas Revis should take care of his ~~children~~ family He then directed his wife should bring what money she had on hands to be brought out which on being produced in three parcels amounting to six hundred and sixty two dollars & fifty cents which he desired should be put out at Interest for the use of his family. he also desired that the debt owing to him to between two hundred and fifty to three hundred dollars should be made safe and the interest thereof to the use of his family and if any more Interest should arise there was needed yearly it was to be given to his wife the principal he wished divided between his children as they came of age giving to Nathan a briple a Larger portion than the rest he being one of the children by his first wife