

hogs and all my household furniture and every part thereof only one good bed and furniture to be sold. I also leave her two plows and the gears for two horses one axe and grubbing hoe and one beehive and the geese and cutting and blocks and reels and steel as may be thought needful for the benefits of the place by the executors, with the corn on the ground and hay and father /fodder of every kind, and twenty bushels of wheat, six bushels of rye and five bushels of barley- I further order all not above mentioned to be sold of my personal to pay my lawful debts and if it should not amount to as much as will discharge the debts, then in that case the land that I bought of William Burns is to be sold to the best advantage and said debt to be discharged and the remainder to go to the use of my son, Alexander and I do hereby empower anyone of my executors hereinafter named to make sufficient deed of conversion and perfect the same and I allow that my son Alexander be schooled off the plantation I now live on or the profits arising therefrom and to be reared and kept under the government of his mother and my executors till he arrives to the age of twenty one years, then to enjoy all and every part of my land and other estate that may be coming to him, his mother having no right to any part but what is above mentioned of the estate. I now revoke all other wills, gifts whatsoever and do appoint Alexander McLarty and my brother, Robert White, executors of this my last will and testament as witness my hand and seal this second day of September, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine.

But if my son should die before he arrives to the age of twentyone, in that case my lands to be sold and the money arising therefrom to be equally divided to my three brothers, viz: Robert, Thomas and James only two hundred dollars of said sale to be distributed as follows to my well beloved wife, Mary White and one hundred dollars to my five sisters, Margeret, Mary, Nancy, Sarah and Jean to be equally divided among them., before signing the day and year above written.

Tested
Robin Voyles
Thomas White
William Scott
William White seal

Probated January Sess. 1800

Will of Mary White

In the name of God, Amen. Calling into mind the mortality of my body, knowing that it is appointed for all men to die, do judge it my duty to make this my last will and testament and first I do give my soul to God who gave it me, and my body to be decently interred at the discretion of my friends, being certain God will raise it at the last day and of the worldly estate wherewith God has belssed me I dispose in the following manner:

And first-I do order all my lawful debts to be paid.

Secondly-I give and bequeath to my beloved mother, my horned cattle.

Item-I give and bequeath to my sister, Jean, my chest and saddle, my

saddle, horse to be sold by the executors for what he will bring at private sale, and as much of his price taken as will set a head stone to my grave with my father and my three sisters. Each of them one, the remainder of his price with all my other money to be divided equally between my mother, my sister Jean and my brother James. I do nominate, constitute and appoint my brother Thomas White and John Scott executors of this my last will and testament and do hereby revoke all other wills and gifts whatsoever and acknowledge this my last will. Signed, sealed this 4th day of May in the year of our Lord, 1804.

Testes:

Joseph White
John Neely
Robert White

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Mary X White seal
mark

Probated July sess. 1804

Will of James Harris

In the name of God, Amen. I, James Harris very sick but of perfect mind and memory do make this my last will and testament

Item- I bequeath to my beloved wife, Elizabeth Harris, her mare and saddle and wheel and her bed and furniture and her part of my plantation and dwelling house as the law directs, also I bequeath my negro Aim to my wife during her life and at my wifes decease said negro and her issue to return to my other heirs.

I bequeath to my son, John one english shilling.

I bequeath to my daughter, Fanny one negro child if Amy has any more children.

I bequeath to my daughter, Margeret that negro she has in her possession called Phillis.

I bequeath to my daughter, Grizzel, a negro, Phyllis child.

I bequeath to my son, Robert one english shilling.

I bequeath to my son William, one negro, Benjamin.

I bequeath to my son, George my negro Sedey.

I bequeath to my daughter, Elizabeth, my negro Phillip and horse and saddle at the discretion of my executors and also her wheel.

I order her mother to give her what bed clothes she thinks proper, also two cows.

I will and bequeath to my daughter, Jean my negro Aimey at her mothers death, and if Aimey shall have any more children I allow her one said child.

I order Jean and Ezekiel to be properly schooled. I order my cattle to be appraised and be equally divided between my sons, James, William, Thomas, Houston and George. I also order my two negroes, Mark and Meice to be sold and money arising from said to be equally divided between my sons James, William and George. I order William that mare he calls his own.

I order Thomas the colt he calls his own.

I order Houston that horse called Dick. As to the other creatures I

order them to be appraised and whole amount to be equally divided amongst my five sons above named. I will and bequeath my plantation to my sons Thomas and Houston to be equally divided between them. I revoke all former wills made by me. I appoint my whole and sole executors of this my last will my sons, James Harris and Houston Harris. I have almost forgot, I bequeath to my daughter, Grizzel a horse and saddle and two cows. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 21st day of November 1793.

Signed sealed and pronounced in the presence of

Robert Harris
Valentine Kirkpatrick
William Harris

James Harris seal

Probated Jan. sess. 1794.

Will of William Harris.

In the name of God, Amen. I William Harris of the county of Cabarrus and State of North Carolina being now on a visit to the West and knowing the uncertainty of human life do make the following disposition of my property.

I give to my wife Jane the entire disposal of her own property. I also give her a negro girl named Peggy and the best horse creature that I may be possessed of and at her death the said negro and horse is to go to my son, Nathan Charles.

Item. I give to my daughter Peggy a negro girl called Sarah.

Item-I give to my sons, James, Cochran, Jesse and William the four remaining negroes, viz: Phillis, Plato, Ben, and Almy and whatever other property may remain not heretofore named to be equally divided between them, excepting one bed and furniture which I give to my aforesaid daughter Peggy. This last division to my four last named sons is made on condition they pay all my just debts. I desire and request my son James to execute this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 28th day of April 1839.

Test- S.I. /or J./ Harris William Harris seal

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Will of Katherine Harris.

In the name of God, Amen. I, Katherine Harris, of Cabarrus County and State of North Carolina, being sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God, calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for 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 into the hands of Almighty God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executors nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God. And as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give, devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form:

1st My will and desire is that all the doctors fees since the death of my father, Ephraim D. Harris be paid out of my estate.

Item- I give and bequeath to my beloved neice Carlone Miller fifty dollars

Item- I give and bequeath to my beloved neice, Juley Pittman, fifty dollars.

Item- I give and bequeath to my beloved neice, Katherine Maria Rendleman, fifty dollars.

Item- 5thly and lastly I give and bequeath to my beloved mother, Dorothy Harris all the residue of my estate left to me by the last will and testament of my beloved father, Ephraim D. Harris. And I hereby make and ordain my beloved brother, William Harris and brother-in-law, Martin Rendleman executors of this my last will and testament. Doing hereby utterly disallow revoke and disannul all and every other former testament wills, legacies bequests and executors by me in any wise or ways before named, willed and bequeathed ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty ninth day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the sd. Katherine Harris the testator as her last will and testament in the presence of us who were present at the time of signing and sealing thereof-

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Katherine X Harris seal
mark

John Barnhardt
D.M. Graffs

Probated April Sess. 1816

Will of Joshua Hadley

In the name of God, Amen. I, Joshua Hadley, of the State of North Carolina and county of Cabarrus being very sick in body but of perfect mind and memory do call to mind the mortality of my body that it is ordered for all men once to die, do make and constitute this my last will and testament, viz:

Firstly- I will my soul to Almighty God from whence it came, nothing doubting but I shall receive the same again at the General Resurrection my body I commit to the earth to be decently interred in a Christian like manner, And as for such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with I do dispose and devise in the following manner.

Secondly- I give one dollar to Margery Hadley, likewise I give one dollar to Ann Hadley, likewise I give one dollar to John Hadley and one dollar to Joseph Hadley. In the next place I give to Hannah Hadley a lot of land containing three acres beginning at two white oak saplings growing out of one