

Camden County Court August Term 1824

This last will & testament of Arthur Wright dec^d was exhibited and
proved in open Court by the oath of Elias Forbes a subscribing wit-
ness thereto - and William Wright one of the Executors therein named
appeared & qualified agreeable to Law - Ordered that the will be
recorded & being Testamentary issue.

Test. W. S. Smith, Clerk

By A. C. Stronghaugh

In the name of God, amen I Thomas Etheridge of the state of
North Carolina Camden County being very weak in body but of perfect
mind and memory thank 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 hand of Almighty God that give it, and recom-
mend my body I commend to the earth, to be buried in decent
Christian Burial, at the discretion of my Executor, 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 which
with it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give, devise and
dispose of the same, in the following manner and form.

I give unto my beloved wife Chloe Etheridge the plantation whereon I
now live together with all the buildings thereon except the house that I
moved up to my dwelling house which I give to my son Thomas Etheridge
but his mother is to have the use of it until he comes in the age or
marriage, also Twenty thousand of my new Ground and that to be rented
out for his support, with the privilege of that timber and fire wood
raising of stock for ails. I give my wife my bay horse bird and small
mare floeder, one riding chair and harness, my set of table, three feather
beds & furniture, twelve setting chairs, one bureau, one blue chest one
beausat of all the Crockery, all the table and tea spoons one loom and
harness, warping bars and screw, one spinning wheel of one wooden dill,
one iron pot, one tea kettle, one dutch oven, one copper, one iron and
pig, ten heads of hogs, two candlesticks all of the above articles her
part choice, fifty barrels of corn, thirty Bushels of wheat, twenty five pounds

of coffee, one hundred weight of sugar, one set of knives and forks, my
spring back bed, dozes hymn Book and my watch, one small trunk,
one pair of trousers & span of pot hocks, two axes, two hoe, her choice,
one negro woman Phoebe, one man Joseph two cows and calves the
shop that is now on hand one horse cart and harness, one plough and
harness all my fire dogs iron, one pair of tongs and shackle all her choice
one hand mill, all the window curtains, two meat tubs to her and her
hus for use.

I give and bequeath unto my son John Etheridge ten dollars to him and
his heirs for ever.

I give & bequeath unto my son Josiah Etheridge ten dollars to him
and his heirs for ever.

I give and bequeath unto my son Seth Etheridge one hundred dollars
to him and his heirs for ever.

I give and bequeath unto my son Will, one hundred dollars to him and
his heirs for ever.

I give and bequeath unto my son Whitfield Etheridge one hundred
dollars to him and his heirs for ever.

I give & bequeath unto my daughter Polly Etheridge the land and plan-
tation on the north side of the road called the Casey plantation, containing
by estimation twenty one acres, more or less, one bed of furniture, one wheel
one green chest to her and her heirs for ever.

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Rachel Etheridge one negro boy, one
feather bed and furniture, one wheel one chest to her and her heirs for ever.

I give and bequeath unto my Grand daughter Marian Smith one
hundred dollars in full for her portion of my estate to her and her heirs for ever.

I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Etheridge the land and planta-
tion whereon I now live containing about seventy eight acres also my Im-
proved swamp containing seventy eight acres formerly the property of Joseph
Jones dec^d sold by a decree of the Court of equity and one cove by the
name of Bacon to him and his heirs for ever.

I give and bequeath the following negroes namely, Panny, Peter, Mary,
Nelson, James and Lemmah to be equally divided between my three
daughters namely, Henrietta, Maria and Chloe, when the eldest arrives
to the age of twenty one or either of them marries, then the said negroes and
proceed to be equally divided between the above said daughters or any
part of them surviving to them and their heirs for ever.

My will and desire is that all the Remainder of my Estate both real

and personal that I have not already given away be sold at six months credit excepting my lands that to be sold on a credit of six, twelve and eighteen month credit, and after paying all my law full debts my desire is that the balance of any be equally divided between my five sons, namely John, Josiah, Bish, Melij and Whitfield Etheridge to them and their heirs for ever.

And I also nominate and appoint my Brother Richard Jarvis my whole and sole Executor to this my last will and testament in writing to him if I have hitherto set my hand and affixed my seal the thirtieth day of June one thousand eight hundred and twenty four.

Witness present
Isaac M. Herrington
Lucian Etheridge

Thomas Etheridge

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The last will and testament of Thomas Etheridge dec'd was exhibited & read in open Court by the oaths of Isaac M. Herrington and Lucian Etheridge subscribing witnesses thereto - and Richard Jarvis the Executor therein named appeared and qualified according to law. Ordered that the will be Recorded & letters Testamentary issue.

Test. M. S. Lewis. Ck.
By a. c. Etheridge.

In the name of God Amen. I Demsey Harmon being weak in body yet of disposing mind & memory blessed be god for the same do make & declare this my last will & testament this twenty ninth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & twenty three in the following manner & form viz.

I give and bequeath unto my loving wife Nancy Harmon all my right & title in Negro man Osonia also all my property of every description & kind whatever unto her & her heirs for ever.

Lastly I nominate & appoint my loving wife Nancy Harmon Executrix to this my last will & testament in writing whereof I have hitherto set my hand & seal the day and year first above written.

Signed, seal with declared
to be his last will & testament
in presence of
W. M. Spenser
J. M. Overton
mark.

Demsey Harmon seal
his mark

Camden County Court. November Term 1824

The last will & testament of Demsey Harmon dec'd was exhibited & read in open Court by the oaths of W. M. Spenser & J. M. Overton subscribing witnesses thereto - and Nancy Harmon the Executrix therein named appeared & qualified according to law. Ordered that the will be Recorded & letters Testamentary issue.

Test. M. S. Lewis. Ck.

North Carolina. Camden County.

Personally came John a. Jones and Ogden Perkins before me Judge of the Peace in the County of Camden on this 9th day of November 1824 being duly sworn on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God & each that they heard Christopher Whitcomb who departed this life on the day & date above say that it was his will & desire that Olla Powell should have his estate Real & personal of every description during her natural life after paying all his just debts - and these defendants further say that they heard Christopher Whitcomb frequently say that it was his wish that the said Olla Powell should have his estate during her natural life in health at different times.

John a. Jones.
Ogden Perkins
his mark

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This per Oathsworn will of Christopher Whitcomb dec'd was exhibited & read & Recorded.

Test. M. S. Lewis. Ck.