

In the Name of God. Amen. I, Brian Daniels of the State of North Carolina & Carteret County, being of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, in manner and form following— that is to say:

Item, That my executor hereinafter named do provide for my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my surviving relatives and friends, and that he pay my funeral expenses, together with all my just debts, howsoever owed to whomsoever owing, out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part of my estate.

Item. I give and devise to my beloved wife Leonora Daniels during her natural life and no longer all my estate both real and personal, consisting of my plantation and lands on Cedar Island where I now live, together with all the improvements thereunto belonging, also all my household and kitchen furniture, stock of every description, farming utensils &c. to her the said Leonora during her natural life and no longer.

Item. I give and devise to my daughter Elizabeth Holland Goodwin after the death of her mother five dollars.

Item. I give and devise to my daughter Mary Robinson wife of Uriah Robinson, after the death of my wife Five Dollars.

Item. I give and devise to my son George W. Daniels after the death of his mother, Five Dollars in money and one third part of my fish house, & one third part of the acre of land on which it stands. Also one third part of my right in the school house.

Item. I give and devise to my son Daniel J. Daniels five dollars in money.

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Jesse Daniels, after the death of his mother, my house and plantation on Cedar Island whereon I now live, bounded by the land of John D. Daniels on the North West, and by a line of marked trees about sixty or seventy yards from where my fence now stands on the South East, containing about twenty-five acres, more or less; he paying to my two sons, John D. Daniels & Daniel J. Daniels, twenty-five dollars equally between them.

Item. I give and devise to my grand son James C. Daniels after the death of his grand mother my half of the canoe that I now own with his father John D. Daniels, or with the consent of his grandmother he may take immediate possession of the same.

Item. I give and devise to my three sons George W. Daniels, John D. Daniels and Jesse Daniels, after the death of their mother, all the remainder of my land on Cedar Island, lying south East of the line of marked trees, mentioned in the above bequest to Jesse Daniels, equally between them, to them & their heirs and assigns forever.

Item. My will and desire is that my sons John D. and Jesse have each one third part of my right in the fish house, and my right in the school house, and I wish it further understood, that all the above bequests of land are intended to convey a fee simple title to the parties to whom made, and to their heirs and assigns forever.

Item. All the residue of my estate of whatever kind that may remain after the death of my wife Leonora, I give and bequeath to my two sons John D. and Jesse Daniels to be equally divided between them, share and share alike.

And lastly, I do hereby constitute & appoint my two sons John D. and Jesse Daniels my lawful executors to this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all other wills, by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this tenth day of May A.D. 1870.

Brian Daniels