

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

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Bryan Daniels, to be his last will and testament, in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence do sign our names as witnesses thereto.

Samuel Leffers
Richard Leffers.

Carteret County, Court of Probate. March 14, 1879.

The execution of the foregoing will is proved before me according to law by the oath and examination of Richard Leffers, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto; who ^{as his last will & testament} that he saw Bryan Daniels execute the said will, by which the name of Bryan Daniels which appears subscribed to said will; that he said Richard Leffers, attested it in the presence of the said Bryan Daniels and at his request; and that at the time of its execution, he, the said Bryan Daniels, was, in the opinion of said Richard Leffers, of sound mind and disposing memory. And the said Richard Leffers further swears that Samuel Leffers, one of the subscribing witnesses to said will, is dead; that he is well acquainted with the hand writing of the said Samuel Leffers, having often seen him write; and that the name of the said Samuel Leffers, subscribed as a witness to said will, is in the hand writing of the said Samuel Leffers.

(See Book of "Orders & Decrees" page 88)

Jas. Cumby,

Judge of Probate.

Jesse Daniels qualifies as Executor.

This my last will and testament.

I Francis Garner Sen. of the County of Carteret and State of North Carolina, being old and feeble in health, but sound in mind and memory, do make this my last will and testament, thereby revoking all former wills by me made.

First, After my decease my body to be decently buried and the funeral expenses paid, then my estate real and personal with cents and interest I leave to my wife Susanna during her life time or widowhood, after which I would have it divided in the following manner: My land in the village of Newport, containing three acres to be divided in five equal parts in straight lines running from the Newbern road to the land belonging to the estate of Thomas Mann Sen. dec'd. and lot or piece No. 1 adjoining Thomas Hill I give to my daughter Susan No. 2 I give to my daughter Mary Jane No. 3 to my daughter Elender No. 4 I give to my daughter Esther No. 5 I give to my daughter Sally to be theirs separately with all the improvements thereon separately belonging. Also I give to each of my daughters above named a feather bed a piece which is to be divided according to valuation so that each will receive equal value. Also I give to my daughter Sally one cow and lamb. Then the balance of my personal estate sold and all my just debts paid and then what remains to be equally divided among my five daughters above mentioned. My two sons David W. and Ezekiel S. Garner have had their part.

I leave my son David W. Garner executor to this my last will. In witness ^{whereof} I have hereunto set my hand and seal Oct. 26 1865.

Francis Garner Sr. (Seal)

Witness

J. D. Adams

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